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Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limited (In Administration)

The Joint Administrators' Progress Report to 21 August 2021

Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik The Joint Administrators

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Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik were appointed Joint Administrators of Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limited on 22 February 2021. The affairs, business and property of the Company are managed by the Joint Administrators. The Joint Administrators act as agents of the Company and contract without personal liability.

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report describes the progress from the commencement of the Administration to 21 August 2021 ("the Review Period").
- 1.2 Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik of UHY Hacker Young LLP were appointed Joint Administrators of Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limited ("The Company"), Insect Technology Group Research UK Limited ("Research"), Insect Technology Group Services UK Limited ("Services") and Insect Technology Group Limited ("Group"), collectively referred to within this report as ("The Companies") on 22 February 2021, following the filing of a notice of appointment of administrators by each Company's respective directors.
- **1.3** A summary of key information in this report is detailed below.

Asset realisations

Asset	Estimated to realise per Statement of Affairs	Realisations to date	Anticipated future realisations	Total anticipated realisations
Cash at bank	1,421,639.00	\$1,221,963.20	-	\$1,221,963.20
		£158,189.84		£158,189.84
		€26,950.00		€26,950.00
Business records	-	\$2,500.00	-	\$2,500.00
Goodwill	-	\$1.00	-	\$1.00
Investment in subsidiaries	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
AP Gibraltar	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
APT	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
ITGR	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
ITGS	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
ITGL	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
Multicycle	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
Loans due	Uncertain	-	Uncertain	Uncertain
Total	\$1,421,639.00	\$1,224,464.20	Uncertain	Uncertain
		£158,189.84		
		€26,950.00		

Expenses

Expense	Proposal's incurred Estimated to date Outcome Statement		Anticipated further expense to closure	Total anticipated expense	
	£	£	£	£	
Joint Administrators' fees	-	102,247.33	-	102,247.33	
Solicitors' fees – pre appointment	-	60,030.59	-	60,030.59	
Solicitor's fees – post appointment	150,000.00	-	-		
Agents' fees	18,750.00	_	-	-	
Evolve – ERA and pension	960.00	245.00	350.00	595.00	
Advertising	180.00	180.00		180.00	
Statement of affairs fee	160.00	23,900.00	_	23,900.00	
Specific bond	1,000.00	1,700.00	_	1,700.00	
The creditor gateway	30.00	28.00	28.00	56.00	
Insurance of assets	1,000.00	1,052.01	20.00	1,052.01	
Visionblue fee	110.00	110.00	_	110.00	
Court fee	50.00	-	_	110.00	
Swearing fee	-	10.00	0.00	10.00	
Trading expenses	911,679.00	765,033.37	50,867.51	815,900.88	
(subject to currency	711,077.00		20,007.101	310,500,00	
fluctuations)*					
Total	£1,083,759.00	£954,536.30	51,245.51	1,005,781.81	

The trading expenses include, but are not limited to, wages for essential staff, professional fees for payroll services, funding of non-UK subsidiaries (including California and India), rent for the UK premises and the costs of running the IT infrastructure. Payments are made in various currencies however payments to date include sterling, US dollars and South African rand.

Dividends

Creditor class	Distribution / dividend	Anticipated distribution / dividend, based upon the	
	paid to date	above	
Secured creditor	Nil	Nil (paid in full in Research)	
Preferential creditors	Nil	100p in the £	
Secondary Preferential	Nil	100p in the £	
creditors			
Unsecured creditors	Nil	100p in the £	

1.4 Summary of key issues outstanding

- Adjudication and payment of a preferential dividend
- Ascertain the value of HMRC's secondary preferential claim and breakdown between the Companies
- Submission of corporation tax return to be dealt with once the Company has been placed into Liquidation

2 THE PROGRESS OF THE ADMINISTRATION

2.1 The Joint Administrators' receipts and payments account

Attached, at Appendix 3, is a receipts and payments account for the Review Period.

The remainder of this report describes the key developments in the Administration over the Review Period. For a detailed list of work undertaken by the Joint Administrators as a whole, see Appendix 4.

In this section, we have summarised the main asset realisations during the Review Period, and an estimation of those assets yet to be realised, together with details of the associated costs incurred but as yet remaining unpaid.

2.2 Administration (including statutory reporting)

The Joint Administrators have met a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks have not had a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they have assisted in the efficient and compliant progressing of the administration, which has ensured that the Joint Administrators and their staff have carried out their work to high professional standards.

During the Review Period these tasks have primarily included:

- informing all relevant persons of the commencement of the Administration, including filing statutory documents at Companies House and meeting statutory advertising requirements;
- issuing the Joint Administrators' Proposals, seeking relevant creditors' approvals and issuing notice of the outcome;
- drafting and issuing the progress report to creditors;

- consulting with and instructing staff and independent advisers as regards practical, technical and legal aspects of the case to ensure efficient progress;
- maintaining case files, which must include records to show and explain the administration and any decisions made by the Joint Administrators that materially affect the administration;
- monitoring and maintaining an adequate statutory bond;
- conducting periodic case reviews to ensure that the administration is progressing efficiently, effectively and in line with the statutory requirements;
- maintaining and updating the estate cash book and bank accounts, including regular bank reconciliations and processing receipts and payments; and
- instructing employment specialists, Evolve IS, to assist with the submission of the necessary RP14, RP14A, RP15 to the Redundancy Payments Service and liaising with the employees regarding their claims.

2.3 Trading

Prior to the Joint Administrators' appointment, a review of the Companies' affairs was undertaken with particular regard to its financial and resource requirements and a cash flow forecast for the on-going trading for an initial 8 week period was prepared. This assessment was carried out in liaison with the remaining management of the Company to ascertain whether the Company could fund its ongoing business whilst a marketing process was undertaken.

Although no income was generated from the trading period and the Companies were loss making, the on-going trading enabled the Companies to secure a sale of the Companies' assets, which greatly enhanced realisations and reduced contingent creditors' claims, in particular from the employees.

The Joint Administrators sought approval from the secured creditor, Twynam Investments Pty Limited ("Twynam"), to utilise the Company's cash for an initial trading period whilst marketing was undertaken in order to seek a potential purchaser for the Companies' businesses and assets.

Throughout the trading period, the Joint Administrators engaged with the secured creditor providing them with their proposed strategy, marketing updates and regular reviews of the cashflow position.

To enable the Companies to continue to trade, payments were made from the funds held in the Company to the subsidiaries to meet both the trading expenses and general costs incurred in the administrations. The trading receipts and payments accounts, attached at Appendix 2, detail the intercompany transactions and expenses paid. The receipts and payments accounts are, in the main, self-explanatory.

The Joint Administrators have carried out the following tasks whilst continuing to trade the business:

regular reviews of the cash flow forecast;

- arranging for payments to subsidiaries/third parties/staff wages; and
- liaising with management and staff.

By trading the business this has enabled the Joint Administrators to market the businesses and assets and conclude a sale, which has enhanced realisations and has meant that the Joint Administrators were successful in achieving purpose b) of the administrator's proposals.

2.4 Dealing with subsidiaries

ITG Pro Support Services India Private Limited ("ITG India")

The Joint Administrators have assisted with the wind down process of ITG India and have executed the necessary documentation to transfer the shares held by the Company.

Agriprotein Singapore PTE Limited ("Singapore")

The Joint Administrators have assisted with the wind down process of Singapore who are currently waiting for tax clearance from the Inland Revenue.

Agriprotein California ("California")

The Joint Administrators have assisted the directors of California and provided them with the necessary accounting documentation so that they can file their final accounts and wind down the company.

2.5 Realisations of assets

Cash at bank

On appointment cash at bank, totalling US\$1,221,963.20, £131,241.98 and €26,950.00, was recovered from the Company's pre appointment bank accounts. During the review period, further realisations of US\$1,094.91 and £3,397.86 were received from the Company's pre-appointment bank accounts.

The funds were retained in the currencies received and you will note that the receipts and payments account includes all three currencies. The balances in the USD account and Euro account of \$331665.60 and €6,900.00 respectively were subsequently transferred to the sterling account so that all funds are now held in sterling.

£24,000.00 plus VAT was paid by the Company to, Norton Rose Fullbright ("NRF"), solicitors, in respect of a payment on account for their pre-appointment fees. This was returned to the administration account and has since been paid to NRF plus £36,000 to cover their pre-appointment fee of £60,000 plus VAT plus disbursements.

Funding of subsidiaries

To enable the Companies to continue to trade, payments were made from the funds held in the Company to the subsidiaries to meet both the trading expenses and general costs incurred in the administrations. Prior to trading the Companies, the Joint Administrators sought approval from the secured creditor to make the necessary trading payments and provide funding to the subsidiaries where necessary. The secured creditor provided their consent to this. Had funding not been provided to the subsidiaries, the Companies would not have been able to continue to trade and therefore the Joint Administrators would not have been able to maximise realisations for the benefit of creditors and stakeholders. It was therefore deemed necessary for the Company to fund the subsidiaries in order for the Joint Administrators to achieve their statutory purpose and enhance the distribution available to creditors and shareholders.

The trading receipts and payments accounts, attached at Appendix 2, detail the intercompany transactions and expenses paid. The receipts and payments accounts are, in the main, self-explanatory.

Sale of certain assets of the Companies

The Joint Administrators instructed Gordon Brothers, who are professional independent agents with adequate professional indemnity insurance, to assist with the sale of the Companies using a global marketing campaign. Gordon Brothers have offices internationally and as such their global reach and knowledge of the administration and insolvency processes was considered to be beneficial to the process.

Interested party enquiries were handled by Gordon Brothers, who required a non-disclosure agreement ("NDA") to be signed prior to granting access to the data room. 52 interested party enquiries were made, of which 16 NDA's were signed and returned. Due to the sensitive information available in the data room, no interested party was granted access prior to signing an NDA. Whilst a few parties refused to sign the NDA, they were still able to take part in the sale process, albeit without access to the data room, or to management or employees.

Interested parties were provided with an information pack with an overview of the Companies and details of the business and assets of each of the Companies that were available for sale.

All parties were invited by Gordon Brothers to express any interest by 9 March 2021 and offers were requested to be submitted by 16 March 2021, with proof of funding.

Various parties advised that they were unable to submit an offer due to the short timescale provided and sought more time. Additional parties also expressed an interest in the business after the deadline for offers. After some consideration and in the interests of achieving the best result for creditors and other stakeholders, the Joint Administrators decided that the deadline be extended 23 April 2021, to enable all parties to make an offer.

Once the deadline of 23 April 2021 had lapsed, it was evident that the interested parties still required additional time to finalise their offers and carry out the necessary due diligence.

Whilst various expressions of interest of certain of the Companies assets were received, two substantial offers were received, both of which were referred to NRF and Gordon Brothers, for their review and a further final deadline was set for close of business on 11 June 2021.

The Joint Administrators considered carefully the risks associated with both offers and in particular whether they could produce proof of funding, complete their necessary due diligence by the requested deadline, provide clarity on the assets they wished to purchase and, in respect of one of the offers, whether they could support the funding for any necessary extended period of trade.

Having considered the above factors, the offer received from PreZero US Inc. was recommended by our agents. We believed that the offer represented the best value, providing fewer risks and therefore it was accepted.

Consequently, a sale of certain assets of the Companies completed on 12 June 2021, to PreZero US Inc. for a total sum of \$9,999,999.00. The sale consideration has been received in full. Please see below a schedule of the assets sold and apportionment between the Companies.

Description of Asset	Amount of purchase price attributed thereto	Apportionment between Companies	
	\$	\$	
The Goodwill	4	\$1 to each Company	
The Contracts	195,000	Services	
The Know-how	100,000	Research	
The Business Intellectual	9,699,995	Research	
Property Rights			
The Business Records	5,000	Services 2,500	
		Holdings 2,500	
Total	9,999,999		

2.5 Estimated future realisations

Investments

The Company is the 100% shareholder of five companies; being Services, Research, Group, Multicycle Technologies UK Limited ("Multicycle") and Agriprotein (Gibraltar) Limited.

There will not be a distribution back to the shareholder in Services, Research or Group. Multicycle is likely to be struck off the Registrar and therefore there is no estimated return from this entity.

The former CFO of the Company is currently assisting the Gibraltar directors with the process to enable a roll up of shares from Agriprotein (Gibraltar) Limited to the Company.

Dividends from Research, Services and Group

A dividend of circa 0.35 pence in the £ will be available from Research in respect of the intercompany loans. It is uncertain whether there be sufficient funds to enable a distribution to the Company from Services as we are still finalising the preferential distribution. There will be no available funds for creditors of Group.

AgriProtein (Gibraltar) Limited

The sum of US\$4,005,912 is due from AgriProtein (Gibraltar) Limited, however, it is anticipated that this company will be struck off the Registrar once the roll up of the shares to the Company has been finalised. It is therefore anticipated that there will be no realisations from this entity.

AgriProtein Technologies (Pty) Limited

The sum of US\$19,513,415 is due from AgriProtein Technologies (Pty) Limited ("PTY"). PTY is currently undergoing a business rescue procedure in South Africa and J Klopper and A Flynn of BDO Business Restructuring (Pty) Ltd have been appointed business rescue practitioners in this regard. It is uncertain whether there will be a distribution to creditors.

Multicycle

The sum of \$302,359 is due from Multicycle. It is likely that Multicycle will be struck off the Registrar with the consent of the Joint Administrators. It is therefore unlikely that there will be any realisations in this regard.

Loans due from third parties

On 14 October 2019, Holdings entered into a short-term loan agreement with AgriProtein KSA, a limited liability company in Saudi Arabia, for the sum of US\$100,000. The loan was for a period of 14 months, to be repaid in full by December 2020. AgriProtein KSA has submitted a substantial claim against the Company which is subject to adjudication. It is therefore uncertain whether there will be any realisable sum due from AgriProtein KSA.

2.6 Costs incurred but remain unpaid

The following table summarises the costs incurred during the Review Period but which remain unpaid:

Cost Description	Amount (£)
Professional fees – Evolve IS	350.00
Total	350.00

This has been paid since the reporting period.

3 CREDITORS: CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

3.1 Secured creditors

The Company granted fixed and floating charges to Twynam on 7 December 2020, who was owed US\$3,641,658 on appointment. The Joint Administrators' legal advisors, NRF, have confirmed the validity of the charge.

Research has also provided a fixed charge to Twynam, which was created on 7 December 2020.

The secured creditor has been paid in full plus interest under its fixed charge in the administration of Research, therefore there are no amounts outstanding to the secured creditor.

Form MR04, Satisfaction of Charge, in full, was filed at Companies House on 23 June 2021.

3.2 Preferential creditors

The Joint Administrators and their staff have incurred time costs in assisting employees to obtain payment from the Redundancy Payments Office.

Preferential claims relating to unpaid holiday pay and wage arrears were estimated at \$103,157 in the Director's Estimated Statement of Affairs. No dividend to preferential creditors has been paid.

It is anticipated that a dividend of 100p in the £ will be paid to preferential creditors.

3.3 Secondary Preferential creditors

In any insolvency process started from 1 December 2020, HMRC is a secondary preferential creditor for the following liabilities:

- VAT
- PAYE Income Tax
- Employees' NIC
- CIS deductions
- student loan deductions

This will mean that, if there are sufficient funds available, any of the above amounts owed by the Company will be paid after the preferential creditors have been paid in full.

The Company forms part of a VAT Group, which includes Services as the representative member of the VAT group and Research.

During the review period the Joint Administrators have written to HMRC requesting to change the representative member from Services to the Company and the necessary forms VAT 50, VAT 51 and VAT 56 have been completed.

The Joint Administrators and their staff have incurred time costs in finalising HMRC's claim.

Secondary Preferential claims relating to VAT, PAYE, employees' NIC, CIS deductions and student loan deductions were estimated at Nil in the Director's Estimated Statement of Affairs as they are reflected in the Estimated Statement of Affairs of Insect Technology Group Services UK Limited.

No dividend to secondary preferential creditors has been paid as the Joint Administrators are still ascertaining the value of the claim and breakdown between the Companies.

It is anticipated that a dividend of 100p in the £ will be paid to secondary preferential creditors during the liquidation.

3.4 Prescribed Part

The secured creditor's claim has been discharged in full from recoveries in the administration of Research and therefore there was no prescribed part in this Administration.

3.4 Unsecured creditors

Unsecured claims were estimated at £13,861,653 in the Director's Estimated Statement of Affairs. A dividend to unsecured creditors is expected and this will be paid by the Joint Liquidators.

3.5 Claims process

Due to the anticipated distribution to unsecured creditors, you are requested to submit claims to the address on the front of this report, marked for the attention of d.dantis@uhy-uk.com.

A Proof of Debt form is attached at Appendix 5.

4 INVESTIGATIONS

4.1 Investigations

As part of the Joint Administrators' statutory duties, an investigation into the conduct of the Company Directors was completed.

In this regard, a confidential report was submitted to The Insolvency Service on 21 May 2021.

4.2 Initial Assessment of Potential Recoveries

As part of our duties as Joint Administrators, shortly after appointment we reviewed all the information available to us and conducted an initial assessment of whether there were any matters which may have led to any recoveries for the benefit of creditors.

We confirm that we did not identify any further assets or actions which would lead to a recovery for creditors.

5 ETHICS

5.1 Please also be advised that Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment.

5.2 General ethical considerations

Prior to the Joint Administrators' appointment, a review of ethical issues was undertaken and no ethical threats were identified. A further review has been carried out and no threats were identified in respect of the management of the insolvency appointment over the Review Period.

5.3 Specialist Advice and Services

When instructing third parties to provide specialist advice and services or having the specialist services provided by the firm, the Joint Administrators are obligated to ensure that such advice or work is warranted and that the advice or work contracted reflects the best value and service for the work undertaken. The firm reviews annually the specialists available to provide services within each specialist area and the cost of those services to ensure best value. The specialists chosen usually have knowledge specific to the insolvency industry and, where relevant, to matters specific to this insolvency appointment. Details of the specialists specifically chosen in this matter are detailed below.

6 THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' FEES AND EXPENSES

6.1 Pre-Administration Costs

Included within the Joint Administrators' Proposals was a Statement of Pre-Administration Costs.

These costs were approved as detailed below:

Party instructed	Amount	Date approved
	approved (£)	
UHY Hacker Young LLP	25,676.83	30 April 2021
Norton Rose Fulbright LLP	65,771.00	30 April 2021
TOTAL APPROVED	£91,447.83	_

6.2 The Joint Administrators' Fees

The basis of the Joint Administrators' fees was fixed on 30 April 2021 by resolution of creditors as follows:

• That the Joint Administrators' fees be fixed as a percentage of realisations, of 10% of gross realisations.

During the Review Period, the sum of £102,247.33has been drawn in respect of Joint Administrators' fees which represents 10% of gross realisations.

6.3 Expenses

An amended Statement of Insolvency Practice (SIP), SIP 9, was issued on 1 April 2021. The amended SIP 9 has changed some of the terminology and introduced additional disclosure requirements. The information below may therefore not reflect the information previously provided.

The expenses, which include disbursements incurred but not paid during the Period, are detailed below. Also below, is a comparison of the expenses likely to be incurred in the Administration as a whole with the original expenses estimate, with explanations where any expenses are likely to exceed the original estimate.

The category 1 expenses paid in the Period are detailed on the Receipts and Payments account, at Appendix 2, and represent payments to parties, not associated with my firm, who have provided services or goods for the administration of the assignment.

The Joint Administrators did not propose to charge any category 2 disbursements and therefore they did not seek approval for any category 2 disbursements. No category 2 disbursements have been incurred or paid during the review period.

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website at http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk/. A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Fees' can be found at https://www.uhy-uk.com/sites/default/files/2020-11/Administration Creditor Fee Guide April 2017%20%281%29.pdf and the firm's charge-out rate and expenses policy can be found at https://www.uhy-uk.com/sites/default/files/2021-04/London-office-charge-out-rates-April-2021.pdf. A hard copy of both the Creditors' Guide and the firm's charge-out rate and expenses policy may be obtained on request.

6.4 Other professional costs

Solicitors - Norton Rose Fulbright LLP

Norton Rose Fulbright LLP ("NRF") were instructed by the Joint Administrators to advise in respect of all legal matters, including but not limited to the sale of business and assets for all Companies, the review of the intellectual property owned by Research and the review of other agreements entered into by the Companies. NRF were instructed as they are considered to have the appropriate expertise and experience in dealing with these types of administrations and have offices internationally, which has been beneficial when dealing with the review of agreements subject to the laws of other jurisdictions.

NRF's costs have been agreed on the basis of their standard hourly charge out rates, plus disbursements and VAT. NRF agreed with the Companies pre-appointment that they would offer a 15 per cent discount on their hourly rates. NRF's total fees for the Review Period for the Group amount to £513,519.00. The work carried out was completed in order to achieve a sale of the assets of Research and therefore it was deemed appropriate that the costs were allocated to Research. £470,000 plus VAT has been paid from the fixed charge realisations in Research on account of their time costs, plus £202.59 has been paid to NRF in respect of their disbursements.

During the Review Period, £60,030.59 was paid to NRF in respect of their preappointment costs in relation to the Company.

Agents and valuers - Gordon Brothers

Gordon Brothers, a firm of agents, was instructed by the Joint Administrators to assist with the marketing of the business, have managed all interested parties and have advised regarding the strategy for the sale process. As with NRF, Gordon Brothers have offices internationally and this has assisted in the marketing of the business due to their wide reach. Due to the specific nature of the intellectual property and its rarity, Gordon Brothers have not been able to provide a valuation.

Gordon Brothers' costs have been agreed on a time cost basis, plus disbursements and VAT. Their total time costs for the Group for the Review Period amounts to £64,600 plus expenses of £2,195.42. The work carried out was completed in order to

achieve a sale of the assets of Research and therefore it was deemed appropriate that the costs were allocated to Research. Their costs have been paid from fixed charge realisations in the administration of Research and they have no amounts outstanding.

Professional fees - Acquarius Trust Group

Acquarius Trust Group are a firm based in Gibraltar and were previously instructed by the Company to provide Trust and Company Management Services to the Company's wholly owned subsidiary, Agriprotein (Gibraltar) Limited. Upon review of the intellectual property rights (IPR) owned by Research it became apparent that certain patents and trademarks were owned by AP Gibraltar. As the shareholder of AP Gibraltar, the Company requested that AP Gibraltar enter into a deed of assignment to transfer all IPR to Research so that they could subsequently be transferred to the purchaser, PreZero US Inc.

Acquarius was requested to review the deed of assignment and provide advice accordingly. Their fees were agreed on a time cost basis and total £8,494.75 for the Review Period. These have been paid in full.

UHY Hacker Young LLP

The Joint Administrators have instructed the tax department at UHY Hacker Young LLP to act as tax agent and adviser to the Company on corporation tax matters. Their fees have been agreed on a time cost basis. Their total time costs for the Review Period amounts to £4,357.50 and no amounts have been paid during the administration in this regard.

6.3 Comparison of estimates

The expenses incurred to date are compared with the original expenses estimate as follows:

Expenses	Original expenses estimate	Actual expenses incurred in the Review Period	Actual expenses incurred to date	Reason for any excess (if the expenses are likely to, or have, exceeded the original estimate)
	£	£	£	,
Legal costs	150,000.00	-	ı	
Agents' costs	18,750.00	-	ì	
Professional fees – Assignment of IP rights	-	8,494.75	8,494.75	Not anticipated – relates to Acquarius Trust Group fees in respect of the assignment of certain IP rights.
ERA/pension specialists	700.00	595.00	595.00	
Professional fees – tax advice	-	4,357.50	-	Not anticipated
Advertising	180.00	180.00	180.00	
Insurance	1,000.00	1,052.01	1,052.01	
Bonding	1,000.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	
Visionblue fee	110.00	110.00	110.00	
The Creditor Gateway	30.00	28.00	28.00	
Court fee	50.00	-	-	

Expenses	Original expenses estimate	Actual expenses incurred in the Review Period	Actual expenses incurred to date	Reason for any excess (if the expenses are likely to, or have, exceeded the original estimate)
	£	£	£	
Trading expenses	911,679.00	750,952.04	750,952.04	
(subject to currency				
fluctuations)*				
TOTAL	1,083,759.00	783,848.56	783,848.56	

The trading expenses include, but are not limited to, wages for essential staff, professional fees for payroll services, funding of non-UK subsidiaries (including California and India), rent for the UK premises and the costs of running the IT infrastructure. Payments are made in various currencies however payments to date include sterling, US dollars and South African rand.

As can be seen above:

 the original expenses estimate has been exceeded due to the additional time incurred by our solicitors and agents in respect of the sale of the business and assets, in particular dealing with the intellectual property rights. In addition, there have been unexpected professional fees resulting from the transfer of the IP rights from AgriProtein (Gibraltar) Limited to the Company and associated costs of the deed of assignment, and finally the tax advice which was required in order to establish the tax liability.

6.4 Payment of the Joint Administrators' unpaid fees and costs

In accordance with the Insolvency Act 1986, all unpaid fees (subject to any approved fees estimate) and costs, as described in the sections above, are charged on and payable out of the Company's property. Thus, the Joint Liquidators will be responsible for discharging these sums from the assets and funds handed over to them by the Joint Administrators.

6.5 Creditors' right to request information

Any secured creditor, or unsecured creditor with the support of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors or with permission of the Court, may request in writing the Joint Administrators to provide additional information regarding fees or expenses to that already supplied within this report. Such requests must be made within 21 days of receipt of this report.

6.6 Creditors' right to challenge fees and/or expenses

Any secured creditor, or unsecured creditor with the support of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors or with permission of the Court, may apply to the Court for one or more orders, reducing the amount or the basis of fees which the Joint Administrators are entitled to charge or otherwise challenging some or all of the expenses incurred.

Such applications must be made within 8 weeks of receipt by the applicant(s) of the progress report detailing the fees and/or expenses being complained of.

Please note that such challenges may not disturb fees or expenses (whether or not discharged from the estate) disclosed in prior progress reports.

7 CONCLUSION

The outstanding tax matters and payment of the preferential and secondary preferential distributions can be dealt with in the Liquidation, therefore the Joint Administrators will shortly proceed to conclude the Administration and move the Company into Liquidation so that the necessary distributions to creditors can be made.

If you require any further information please contact Danielle Dantis at <u>d.dantis@uhy-uk.com</u>.

Brian Johnson Joint Administrator

STATUTORY INFORMATION

Company name Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limited

Previous name Agriprotein Holdings UK

Trading name Agriprotein

Proceedings In Administration

Court The High Court of Justice

Court reference *CR*-2021-000257

Date of appointment 22 February 2021

Appointed by The directors

Joint Administrators Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik

Statement required

by Paragraph 100(2)

of Schedule B1 of the

Act

The Joint Administrators are authorised to carry out all functions,

duties and powers by either one or by both of them

Registered office c/o UHY Hacker Young LLP, Quadrant House, 4 Thomas More

Square, London E1W 1YW

Company number 10819997

Incorporation date 15 June 2017

DEFINITIONS

The Act Insolvency Act 1986

The Rules Insolvency Rules 1986 or Insolvency (England &

Wales) Rules 2016 (whichever applied at the time of

the event)

The Joint Administrators Brian Johnson and Peter Kubik of UHY Hacker

Young LLP

The Company Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limited (in

Administration)

The Court High Court of Justice

SIP Review Period Statement of Insolvency Practice Period covered by the report from 22 February 2021 to 21 August 2021

APPENDIX 2

INSECT TECHNOLOGY GROUP HOLDINGS UK LIMITED (IN ADMINISTRATION)

THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 FEBRUARY 2021 TO 21 AUGUST 2021

	Fixed	Floating	Total	Fixed	Floating	Total	Fixed	Floating	Total
	£	£	£	\$	\$	\$	€	€	€
Receipts									
Bank interest	0.00	0.43	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Business									
records	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash at bank	0.00	158,639.84	158,639.84	0.00	1,223,058.11	1,223,058.11	0.00	26,950.00	26,950.00
Goodwill	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Receipt from									
USD account	0.00	234,929.35	234,929.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Receipt from									
Euro account	0.00	5,759.31	5,759.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investment in									
subsidiaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Loans from subsidiaries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
subsidiaries									
	0.00	399,328.93	399,328.93	1.00	1,225,558.11	1,225,559.11	0.00	26,950.00	26,950.00
Payments									
Specific bond	0.00	(1,700.00)	(1,700.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Swear fee	0.00	(10.00)	(10.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statement of		, ,	, ,						
affairs fee	0.00	(23,900.00)	(23,900.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Legal fees	0.00	(60,030.59)	(60,030.59)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Professional		(0.700.75)	(0.700.75)						
fees	0.00	(8,739.75)	(8,739.75)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Administrators' fees	0.00	(102,247.33)	(102,247.33)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Visionblue fee	0.00	(110.00)	(110.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance of assets	0.00	(1,052.01)	(1,052.01)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Document	0.00	(1,052.01)	(1,052.01)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
upload	0.00	(28.00)	(28.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transfer to GBP	0.00	(28.00)	(28.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
account	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(331,665.60)	(331,665.60)	0.00	(6,900.00)	(6,900.00)
Advertising	0.00	(90.00)	(90.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	(197,907.68)	(197,907.68)	0.00	(331,665.60)	(331,665.60)	0.00	(6,900.00)	(6,900.00)
	0.00	(137,307.08)	(157,507.08)	0.00	(331,003.00)	(331,003.00)	0.00	(0,300.00)	(0,300.00)
Trading									
profit/(loss)	0.00	(130,854.41)	(130,854.41)	0.00	(850,334.56)	(850,334.56)	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Dividends									
Secured									
creditor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Preferential									
creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unsecured									
creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash in hand	0.00	70,566.84	70,566.84	1.00	43,557.95	43,558.95	0.00	20,050.00	0.00
Represented by									
VAT receivable	0.00	1,557.89	1,557.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Current									
account	0.00	67,837.07	67,837.07	0.00	1,107,972.04	1,107,972.04	0.00	26,950.00	26,950.00
	0.00	69,394.96	69,394.96	0.00	1,107,972.04	1,107,972.04	0.00	26,950.00	26,950.00

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Please note that the bank account for the UK \pounds is interest bearing, the US $\$$ and euro accounts are non-interest bearing.	
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THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' TRADING RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 22 FEBRUARY 2021 TO 21 AUGUST 2021

	£	\$	€
Trading income			
None	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trading expenditure			
Bank charges	(27.50)	(323.48)	0.00
Courier charges	(139.18)	0.00	0.00
Funding of AP California	0.00	(292,000.00)	0.00
Funding of Bioko	0.00	(200,000.00)	0.00
Funding of Group	(249.60)	0.00	(20,050.00)
Funding of ITG Pro India	(3,695.44)	(95,218.00)	0.00
Funding of Research	(249.60)	0.00	0.00
Funding of Services	(96,926.19)	(240,069.90)	0.00
Rents	(15,485.57)	0.00	0.00
Wages and salaries	(14,081.33)	(22,723.18)	0.00
	(130,854.41)	(850,334.56)	(20,050.00)
Trading profit/(loss)	(130,854.41)	(850,334.56)	(20,050.00)
	130,854.41	616,955.09	17,223.87

THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' CHARGE-OUT RATES AND BASES OF CATEGORY 2 EXPENSES



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Rates effective from * February 2020 and historic rates.

Grade	Rate <i>El</i> per hour	Rate £/ per hour	Rate & per hour	Rate E/ per hour
	2020	2019	2017	2016
Partners	£450 - £750	£450 - £750	£340 - £750	£340 - £750
Directors	£350 - £500	£325 - £725	£275 - £400	£275 - £400
Senior Managers	£300 - £400	£300 - £400	£255 - £320	£255 - £320
Managers	£280 - £350	£280 - £350	£175 - £300	£175 - £300
Assistant managers	£220 - £300	£200 - £300	£165 - £250	£165 - £250
Senior Administrators	£150 - £250	£150 - £250	£135 - £250	£135 - £250
Administrators	£120 - £180	£80 - £180	£80 - £150	£80 - £150
Junior Administrators	£70 - £120	£70 - £120	£70 - £85	£70 - £85

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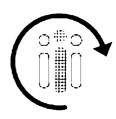
	Effective from 01.04.2021	Previously
Internal storage of Insolvency Practitioner's working papers		£5 per annum for ten years (£50)
Internal meeting room cost	-	£65 per meeting
Mileage (own car usage)	45p per mile	45p per mile
Photocopying / stationery / postage	•	-

VAT will be charged on the above disbursements where applicable

Time charging policy

Support staff do not marge their time to each case. Support staff include cashier isocretarial and administration support.

Heave be advised that the minimum unit of time recorded is 6 minutes



DETAILED LIST OF WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS

General description	Includes			
Administration (including statutory reporting)				
Statutory/advertising	Filing and advertising to meet statutory requirements			
Document	Filing of documents			
maintenance/file	Periodic file reviews, including ethical, anti-money laundering and			
review/checklist	anti-bribery matters			
	Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries			
	Updating checklists			
Bank account	Preparing correspondence opening and closing US dollar, Euro			
administration	and Sterling accounts			
	Requesting bank statements			
	Bank account reconciliations			
	Correspondence with bank regarding specific transfers			
	Maintenance of the estate cash book			
	Banking remittances and issuing cheques/BACS payments			
Planning / review	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued			
	Meetings with team members and independent advisers to			
	consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case			
	Liaising with the Company's CFO and management to deal with			
	the wind down process of certain of the Company's subsidiaries			
Books and records /	Dealing with records in storage			
storage	Sending case files to storage			
Creditor reports	Preparing proposal and six monthly progress report			
	Reporting to secured creditor			
Creditors' decisions	Preparation of decision notices, proxies/voting forms			
	Collate and examine proofs and proxies/votes to establish			
	decisions			
	Preparation of meeting file, including agenda, certificate of			
	postage, attendance register, list of creditors, advertisement of			
	meeting and draft minutes of meeting			
	Issuing notice of result of decision on Proposals			
Investigations				
SIP 2 Review	Collection, and making an inventory, of company books and			
	records			
	Correspondence to request information on the company's			
	dealings, making further enquiries of third parties			
	Reviewing questionnaires submitted by creditors and directors			
	Reconstruction of financial affairs of the company			
	Reviewing company's books and records			
	Preparation of deficiency statement			

General description	Includes				
1	Review of specific transactions and liaising with directors				
	regarding certain transactions				
Statutory reporting	Preparing statutory investigation reports				
on conduct of	Liaising with the Insolvency Service				
director(s)	Submission of report to the Insolvency Service				
Realisation of assets	•				
Sale as a going	Instructing and liaising with agents				
concern / sale of the	Review of the data room prepared and any advertising notices				
business and assets	Liaising with potential purchasers				
	Assessment and review of offers received				
	Negotiating with intended purchaser				
	Liaising with secured creditors and seeking releases				
	Exchanges with solicitors to agree sale and purchase agreement				
Intercompany	Collecting supporting documentation				
debtors	Liaising with solicitors				
Trading	District Controls				
Management of	Liaising with management and staff				
operations	Reviewing contracts of employment				
operations	Reviewing and authorising payments				
	Preparing and authorising payment vouchers				
	Liaising with RPO regarding redundancies				
	Liaising with external payroll advisors regarding new PAYE				
	scheme with HMRC				
	Liaising with external payroll advisors regarding completing the				
	monthly payroll for those employees who were being retained				
	Liaising with payroll advisors regarding P32 form to HMRC to				
	ensure monthly PAYE/NIC payments are made				
	Arranging monthly PAYE/NIC payments to HMRC				
	Concluding payroll and issuing P45 forms when trading ceases				
	Liaising with Pensions regulator regarding auto-enrolment				
	Liaising with the Landlord regarding occupation of the premises				
	during the administration trading period and payment of rent for				
	the period of occupation				
	Instructing solicitors to issue notice of termination to the Landlord				
Accounting for	Reviewing company's budgets and financial statements				
trading	Preparing budgets				
	Preparing weekly financial reports				
	Finalising trading profit or loss				
	Trading strategy review				
	Tax and VAT returns				
On-going employee	Consultation with staff, employee and sub-contractors				
issues	Review of staffing requirements for trading period				
-55405	Deciding on and making redundancies where necessary				
Creditors (claims and	·				
Creditor Creditor	Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone				
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General description	Includes		
communication	Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their		
	representatives via facsimile, email and post		
	Assisting employees to pursue claims via the RPO		
	Corresponding with the PPF and the Pensions Regulator		
Dealing with proofs	Receipting and filing POD when not related to a dividend		
of debt ('POD')	Corresponding with RPO regarding POD when not related to a		
	dividend		
Processing proofs of	Preparation of correspondence to potential creditors inviting		
debt	submission of POD		
	Receipt of POD		
	Adjudicating POD		
	Request further information from claimants regarding POD		
	Preparation of correspondence to claimant advising outcome of		
	adjudication		
	Seeking solicitors' advice on the validity of secured creditors'		
	claims and other complex claims		
Distribution	Agreeing allocation of realisations and costs between fixed and		
procedures	floating charges		

	PROOF OF DEBT - GENERAL FORM Insect Technology Group Holdings UK Limite Date of Administration:22/02/2021	d - In Administration
	DETAILS OF CLAIM	
1.	Name of creditor (if a company, its registered name)	
2.	Address of creditor (i.e. principal place of business)	
3.	 If the creditor is a registered company: For UK companies: its registered number For other companies: the country or territory in which it is incorporated and the number if any under which it is registered The number, if any, under which it is registered as an overseas company under Part 34 of the Companies Act 	
4.	Total amount of claim, including any Value Added Tax, as at the date of administration, less any payments made after this date in relation to the claim, any deduction under R14.20 of the Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 and any adjustment by way of set-off in accordance with R14.24 and R14.25	
5.	If the total amount above includes outstanding uncapitalised interest, please state	YES (£) / NO
6.	Particulars of how and when debt incurred	
7.	Particulars of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given	
8.	Details of any reservation of title in relation to goods to which the debt relates	
9.	Details of any document by reference to which the debt can be substantiated. [The administrator may call for any document or evidence to substantiate the claim at his discretion.]	
10.	Give details of whether the whole or any part of the debt falls within any (and if so which) of the categories of preferential debts under section 386 of, and schedule 6 to, the Insolvency Act 1986	Category Amount(s) claimed as preferential £

11.	If you wish any dividend payment that may be made to be paid in to your bank account please provide BACS details. Please be aware that if you change accounts it will be your responsibility to	Account No.: Account Name:
	provide new information	Sort code:
	AUTHENTICATION	
Signati behalf	ure of Creditor or person authorised to act on his	
Name	in BLOCK LETTERS	
Date		
_	ed by someone other than the Creditor, state your address and authority for signing on behalf of the or	
Are yo	u the sole member of the Creditor?	YES / NO