The Insolvency Act 1986

Liquidator's Progress Report

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To the Registrar of Companies

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Company Number
OC337034

Name of Company

(a) Insert full name of company

AEGIS TAX LLP

(b) Insert full name(s) and address(es)

I, Lane Bednash, 37 Sun Street, London EC2M 2PL

the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of my/our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

Signed Date 27 July 2016

Presenter's name, address and reference (if any) CMB Partners UK Limited 37 Sun Street London EC2M 2PL

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Liquidator's Annual Progress Report to Creditors

AEGIS TAX LLP - IN LIQUIDATION 27 July 2016



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Introduction and Statutory Information

- I, Lane Bednash of CMB Partners UK Limited, was appointed as Liquidator of Aegis Tax Llp ("the Partnership") on 30 May 2014. This report provides an update on the progress in the liquidation for the year ended 29 May 2016.
- 1 2 The trading address of the Partnership was 2 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, London, WC2A 3RH and it traded as specialist tax advisors
- The registered office of the Partnership has been changed to CMB Partners UK Limited, 37 Sun Street, London EC2M 2PL and its registered number is OC337034
- The liquidation commenced in May 2014 with estimated realisable asset values of £52,986 90 and anticipated liabilities of £34,670, although the Partnership had a potential, but disputed, claim against it for circa £1 5m

2 Realisation of Assets

2 1 Attached at Appendix A is my Receipts and Payments Account for the period from 30 May 2015 to 29 May 2016 together with a cumulative Receipts and Payments Account for the period from 30 May 2014 to 29 May 2016

Book Debts

The sum of £196.87, representing a full and final dividend, was received from the Joint Liquidators of a debtor, representing 0.66 pence in the £ on an outstanding claim of £29,909.87. Also see 8 - Outstanding Matters

Bank Interest

All funds received within the liquidation are placed in a specifically designated interest bearing account and interest received to 29 May 2016 totalled £0.68 (gross) and £0.06 (net)

3 Investigations

- In accordance with the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986 I have submitted a report on the conduct of the Directors of the Company to the Department for Business Innovation & Skills (BIS). As this is a confidential report, I am not able to disclose the contents
- Shortly after appointment, I made an initial assessment of whether there could be any matters that might lead to recoveries for the estate and what further investigations may be appropriate. This assessment took into account information provided by creditors either at the initial meeting or as a response to my request to complete an investigation questionnaire. My investigations have not revealed any issues requiring further report

4 Creditors

Secured Creditors

4 1 There were no secured creditors

Preferential Creditors

4 2 There were no preferential creditors

Unsecured Creditors

- 4 3 I have received claims totalling £1,568,618 34 from four creditors. I have yet to receive claims from two creditors whose debts total £34,670 as per the directors' statement of affairs.
- It should be noted that the most significant claim is that of a joint party in the sum of £1,536,085 34 which had been disputed by the Partnership's members and had not been included as a creditor on the Statement of Affairs. The disputed claim dates back to early 2014 when two individuals issued a negligence claim against the Partnership. Although the Members dispute both the veracity and quantum of the claim, there were insufficient funds to defend it prior to liquidation.
- Following my appointment I instructed solicitors to correspond with the claimants solicitors with a view to seeking resolution. The claimants solicitors continue to demand that I consent to the matter being dealt with by arbitration. However, on the basis that there have been no material realisations, I have continued to take a neutral stance rather than being embroiled in an arbitration.
- Accordingly to the latest advice received in June 2016, I do not propose to consent to the arbitration on the basis that I can not incur any costs since I have no assets to discharge them with and there remains the possibility that an arbitrator could impose costs against me

5 Liquidator's Remuneration

- The Creditors approved that the basis of the Liquidator's remuneration be fixed by reference to the time properly spent by him and his staff in managing the Liquidation
- My time costs for the period from the year end 29 May 2016 are £1,975. This represents 8.50 hours at an average rate of £232 per hour. Attached as Appendix B is a Time Analysis which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade during this period in respect of the costs fixed by reference to time properly spent by me and my staff in managing the Liquidation. To date, no fees have been drawn in respect of time costs incurred.
- 5 3 Below is a breakdown of the work carried out in relation to the costs incurred

Administration and Planning

Preparing the documentation and dealing with the formalities of appointment

- Statutory notifications and advertising
- Preparing documentation required
- Dealing with all routine correspondence
- Maintaining physical case files and electronic case details on IPS
- Review and storage
- Case bordereau
- Case planning and administration
- Preparing reports to members and creditors
- Convening and holding meetings of members and creditors

Cashiering

- Maintaining and managing the Liquidator's cashbook and bank account
- Ensuring statutory lodgements and tax lodgement obligations are met

Creditors

- Dealing with creditor correspondence and telephone conversations
- Preparing reports to creditors
- Maintaining creditor information on IPS
- Reviewing and adjudicating on proofs of debt received from creditors

Investigations

- Review and storage of books and records
- Preparing a report pursuant to the Company Directors Disqualification Act
- Conducting investigations into suspicious transactions
- Review books and records to identify any transactions or actions a Liquidator

Realisation of Assets

- Corresponding with debtors and attempting to collect outstanding book debts
- Liaising with the Partnership's bank regarding the closure of the account
- Liaising with my solicitors to seek enforcement of the equity release
- Also attached as Appendix C is a cumulative Time Analysis for the period from 30 May 2014 to 29 May 2016 which provides details of my time costs since appointment
- Attached as Appendix D is additional information in relation to this firm's policy on staffing, disbursements and details of our current charge-out rates by staff grade
- 5 6 Since the date of appointment, no Category 2 disbursements have been drawn
- 5 7 A copy of a "Creditors Guide to Liquidator's Fees" is available on request or can be downloaded from www.cmbukltd.co.uk

6 Liquidator's Expenses

6 1 The following expenses have been incurred since my appointment as Liquidator

Supplier / Service Provider	Nature of expense incurred	Amount	Paid to date	Amount
Service Provider		incurred to date 2	2	Outstanding £
SGH Martineau	Legal costs	3,009 00	3,009 00	Nil
Courts Advertising	Statutory Advertising	150 00	Nil	150 00
Marsh Limited	Statutory Bond	220 00	Nil	220 00

7 Creditors' rights

- *7* I 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) may request in writing that the Liquidator provide further information about his remuneration or expenses which have been itemised in this progress report
- 72 Any secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors) may within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the Liquidator's remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the Liquidator, as set out in this progress report, are excessive

8 **Outstanding Matters**

Book Debts

- 8 1 As previously advised, in August 2013 three members left the Partnership unexpectedly and took a number of clients with them. It had been agreed that the Partnership would receive £53,000 in respect of work in progress from of one customer. Following the completion of this work, no payment was forthcoming and the Partnership, prior to liquidation, obtained a Court Order against the customer whose outstanding work was completed and placed a restriction over their property
- 8 2 Following my appointment, I was advised that the property was in the process of being sold and I advised the customer's solicitors of my beneficial interest. Due to the lack of information and funds being received, despite numerous correspondences, I instructed solicitors to pursue the matter. This matter is ongoing and solicitors are seeking Counsels opinion as to directions
- 83 I am required to provide a further report on the progress of the liquidation within two months of the next anniversary of the liquidation, unless I have concluded matters prior to this, in which case I will write to all creditors with my final progress report ahead of convening the final meeting of creditors

Yours faithfully

Lane Bednash

Liquidator

Appendix A

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FROM 30 MAY 2015 TO 29 MAY 2016 TOGETHER WITH CUMULATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD FROM 30 MAY 2014 TO 29 MAY 2016

AEGIS TAX LLP (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments

From 30/05/2014 To 29/05/2016	From 30/05/2015 To 29/05/2016		Statement of Affairs
		ASSET REALISATIONS	
196 87	196 87	Book Debts	52,986 90
4,238 27	NiL	Cash at Bank	
1 50	0 68	Bank Interest Gross	
0 06	0 06	Bank Interest Net of Tax	
4,436 70	197 61		
		COST OF REALISATIONS	
3,009 00	NIL	Legal Fees (1)	
(3,009 00)	NIL	. , ,	
		UNSECURED CREDITORS	
NIL	N!L	Trade & Expense Creditors	Uncertain
NIL	NIL	Mr C Gillespie	(5,670 00)
NIL	NIL NIL	Member's Loan	9,000.00)
NIL	NIL		
1,427 70	197 61		18,316 90
1,42/ /0	19701		18,316 90
		REPRESENTED BY	
601 20		Vat Receivable	
826 50		Bank 1 Current	
1,427 70			

Lane Bednash Liquidator

Name, Aegis Tax LLP							
Period 30 May 2015 to 29 May 2016 Time & Chargeout Summary							
Classification Administration/Planning	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals Hours	Assistants & Support Staff Hours	Total Hours	Time Casts	Average Hourly Rate Eir
Statutory Reports & Returns Cashering Job Planning & review Taxelton Company Records Agents/Advisors Partner/Manager Review Other Sub-total	888888888888888888888888888888888888888	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	2 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	888888888	2.20 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	495 00 0 00 705 00 0 00 0 00 650 00 0 00	225 00 0 00 185 53 0 00 0 00 325 00 0 00
Directors Correspondence Books and Records Review Legal Claims CDDA 1986 Obligations Asset Tracing/Searches Other Sub-total	888888	95 95 95 95 95 95 95 95 95	888888	888888	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	0.00 0.00 125.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 250.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
Debt Collection Sale of Business Sale of Business Property Motor Vehicles Parber/Manager Review Other Sub-total	8888888	888888888888888888888888888888888888888	8888888	888888888888888888888888888888888888888	88888888	88888888	888888888888888888888888888888888888888
Pension Schemes Secured Creditors Preferential Creditors/Employees Unsecured Creditors Shareholders Creditors Committee Sub-total	888888	8888888	8 8 8 8 8 8 8	8888888	8888888	8888888	88888888
On Site Employees Employees throcing Purchasing Other Sub-total Total fours Total Time Costs	800000000000000000000000000000000000000	800000000000000000000000000000000000000	888888888888888888888888888888888888888	88888888	00000000000000000000000000000000000000	8888888	8888888
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Appendix C

CUMULATIVE TIME ANALYSIS FOR THE PERIOD FROM 30 MAY 2014 TO 29 MAY 2016

Name Aedis Tax LLP							
Period, 30 May 2014 to 29 May 2016 Time & Chargeout Summary							
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			-				
Classification	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Costs	Average Hourly
AdministrationPlanning	Hora	Hours	Hours	Hours			
Sint they Deports 9 Dates	,	;					
Casheng	8 8	86	5 50	88	370	1057 50	285 81
Job Planning & review	000	989	22,5	88	0 4 0 4	0.00 2545.00	000
Laxation Company Records	88	000	800	80	000	800	80
Agents/Advisors	88	8 8	88	88	- s	375.00	250 00
Partner/Manager Review	8.5	283	88	88	3 S	0.00 1025.00	0 00 292 86
Sub-lotal	990	7 52	0.40	8 8	3.20	755 00	235 94
Investigations	3	0.2	8	80	2600	5 757 50	221 44
Discontinuo Commence		į					
Books and Records Review	88	8 6	8 8	88	020	125 00	250 00
Legal Claims	80	80	88	88	35	000	000
CDDA 1986 Obligations	000	000	000	900	000	000	000
Asset Hading/oearches Other	000	8 8	88	88	000	000	000
Sub-total	8 8	8 8	3	3	80	00 0	000
	8	3	000	80	100	250 00	250 00
Realisation of Assets							
Debt Collection Sale of Business	800	000	000	000	030	112 50	375 00
Cash at Bank	88	900	88	88	88	000	900
Property	000	000	88	88	900	8 8	250 00
Partner/Manager Review	0 0	000	88	000	000	80	88
Other	88	000	88	8 6	0 0 0	00 c 00 c	250 00
Sub total	030	0.70	000	85	8	387.50	00.0
Creditors					3	26, 30	787.30
Pension Schemes	000	2	8	Ş			
Secured Creditors	000	000	880	88	8 8	88	88
Treatment Creditors/Employees Unsecured Creditors	8 8	90 7	000	000	80	000	300
Shareholders	88	200	04 C	88	320	515.00	147 14
Creditors' Committee	000	000	80	88	38	88	000
Sub-totel	000	1 10	2.70	000	3.80	545.00	443 42
Trading						3	143 42
On Site	80	000	000	80	800	5	8
Employees Director mechans	88	000	000	000	000	88	38
Invoicing	8 6	88	8 8	8 8	88	88	000
Purchasing Other	88	88	8	80	86	88	8 0
Such dated	000	80	000	000	000	000	000
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Total hours	2 80	16 50	12 50	000	3180		
Total Time Costs	1 075 00	4 125 00	1 640 00	000		6 840 00	245
						200	617

Appendix D

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN RELATION TO LIQUIDATOR'S FEES PURSUANT TO STATEMENT OF INSOLVENCY PRACTICE 9 (SIP9)

1 Policy

Detailed below is CMB Partners UK Limited policy in relation to

- Staff allocation and the use of subcontractors
- Professional advisors
- Disbursements

1.1 Staff allocation and the use of subcontractors

Our general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case

The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a Partner, Manager, Administrator and/or an Assistant. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and additional staff may be allocated to meet the demands of the case.

We have not utilised the services of any subcontractors in this case

1 2 Professional advisors

On this assignment we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis

Name of Professional Advisor	Basis of Fee Arrangement
SGH Martineau (legal advice)	Hourly rate and disbursements
MHS Sprecher Grier (legal advice)	Hourly rate and disbursements

Our choice was based on our perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of our fee arrangement with them

1.3 Disbursements

Category 1 disbursements do not require approval by creditors. The type of disbursements that may be charged as a Category 1 disbursement to a case generally comprise of external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and external printing, room hire and document storage. Also chargeable will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case.