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Friend & Co., CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 May 1998.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company continue to be the buying and selling of new and used motor vehicles, the supply of spare parts and vehicle servicing associated with its Volkswagen and Audi franchises.

TRADING RESULTS AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The profit for the year after taxation was £470,435 (1997 - £305,682). The directors do not propose the payment of a dividend and, accordingly, this amount has been transferred to reserves.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who held office throughout the year were as follows:

I D Cameron

M Cameron

C A Stewart

W D Anderson

None of the directors held any interest in the shares of the company during the year.

The interests of the directors in the shares of the parent company, Ian H Cameron Limited, are shown in the financial statements of that company.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Friend & Co as auditors will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the board on 20 October 1998.

Signed on behalf of the directors:

I D CAMERON Chairman

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CAMERON MOTORS (PERTH) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 which have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 6.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 1, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

OPINION

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 May 1998 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Fruit , Co.

FRIEND & CO Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

The Square 6 Vine Terrace High Street Harborne Birmingham B17 9PU

20 October 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1998

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1998</u> £	<u>1997</u> £
TURNOVER	1	17,628,990	14,095,349
Cost of sales		16,052,136	12,814,466
GROSS PROFIT		1,576,854	1,280,883
Other income		(556,556)	(423,283)
Administrative expenses		1,501,442	1,278,944
OPERATING PROFIT		631,968	425,222
Interest receivable		(50,178)	(31,076)
Interest payable	2	18,994	4,306
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2	663,152	451,992
Taxation	4	192,717	146,310
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	11	470,435	305,682
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		2,233,274	1,927,592
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		£2,703,709	£2,233,274

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MAY 1998

	Notes	£	<u>1998</u> £	<u>1997</u> £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	5		584,245	569,357
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks held for resale Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6 7	2,232,399 1,809,633 1,148,555		1,864,817 1,658,555 754,629
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	8	5,190,587 3,006,223		4,278,001 2,544,184
NET CURRENT ASSETS		***	2,184,364	1,733,817
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			2,768,609	2,303,174
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES Deferred taxation	9		44,900	49,900
			£2,723,709	£2,253,274
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	10		20,000 2,703,709	20,000 2,233,274
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	11		£2,723,709	£2,253,274

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 20 October 1998 and signed on its behalf.

I D CAMERON, Director

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -- 31 MAY 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The principal accounting policies of the company, which remain unchanged from the previous year, are set out below.

a) Turnover

Turnover comprises income from sales and work done, excluding value added tax, and is all within the United Kingdom.

b) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated, on an annual basis, so as to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their expected useful lives, as follows:

Property improvements

Plant and equipment

Fixtures and fittings

Computer equipment

Motor vehicles

2% straight line

15% reducing balance

10% reducing balance

25% straight line

33% straight line.

c) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard No 5 stocks include vehicles on consignment from the manufacturer.

d) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided, using the liability method, to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for taxation purposes. Provision is made only where there is a reasonable probability that such tax will become payable in the foreseeable future.

e) Pensions

The company operates a pension scheme providing benefits based on defined contributions. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company, being invested with insurance companies. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

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CAMERON MOTORS (PERTH) LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2. PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:	1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Auditors' remuneration Bank interest payable Other interest payable	72,097 8,500 - 18,994 ====	66,269 8,000 230 4,076
DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES		
Directors' remuneration	<u>1998</u> £	<u>1997</u> £
Emoluments Contributions to money purchase pension schemes	253,928 5,062	220,524 4,515
	£258,990	£225,039
The emoluments of directors disclosed above include the following an	nounts paid to the	highest paid
director:	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>
Emoluments	£158,400	£130,000
During the year the following number of directors	<u>1998</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>1997</u> <u>Number</u>
accrued benefits under a money purchase pension scheme	1	1 ===
	<u>1998</u> £	1997 £
Staff costs comprise: Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	1,045,332 94,810 24,252	861,062 82,721 12,872
	£1,164,394	£956,655

The average weekly number of employees (including directors) during the year was 60 (1997 - 54).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

4.	TAXATION

	1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
UK corporation tax based on the profit for the year at 31.0% (1997 - 32.7%) Adjustment in respect of previous year Deferred taxation credit	197,798 (81) (5,000)	150,338 (35) (3,993)
	£192,717	£146,310

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Property improvements £	Plant and equipment £	Fixtures and fittings	Computer equipment £	Motor vehicles	Total £
COST	460,879	174,395	119,516	82,523	77,784	915,097
At 1 June 1997	400,879	8,749	119,510	02,525	112,362	121,111
Additions Disposals	-	-	-	-	(53,254)	(53,254)
						
At 31 May 1998	460,879	183,144	119,516	82,523	136,892	982,954
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ACCUMULATED DEPI	RECIATION					
At 1 June 1997	92,285	116,552	68,887	46,330	21,686	345,740
Charge for the year	9,218	9,328	5,063	20,631	27,857	72,097
Disposals	-	-	-	· -	(19,128)	(19,128)
At 31 May 1998	101,503	125,880	73,950	66,961	30,415	398,709
NET BOOK VALUE						
At 31 May 1998	£359,376	£57,264	£45,566	£15,562	£106,477	£584,245
At 31 May 1997	£368,594	£57,843	£50,629	£36,193	£56,098	£569,357
		=====		=====		

The property improvements relate to buildings erected on land owned by the parent company, Ian H Cameron Limited.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

6.	STOCKS	1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
	New vehicles Used vehicles Parts Oils and consumables Work in progress Consignment vehicles	158,055 1,206,174 134,627 14,164 2,100 717,279	252,186 1,071,347 133,348 10,574 1,961 395,401
		£2,232,399 =======	£1,864,817
7.	DEBTORS Amounts falling due within one year:	199 <u>8</u>	1997 £
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Prepayments and accrued income	214,420 1,456,925 138,288	188,594 1,395,624 74,337
		£1,809,633	£1,658,555
8.	CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
	Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax Other taxes and social security Directors' current accounts Accruals Consignment stock creditor	493,684 807,878 197,717 130,594 408,435 250,636 717,279	484,903 795,284 150,338 128,337 365,710 224,211 395,401

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. DEFERRED TAXATION

Full provision has been made at 31% (1997 - 31%) for the potential taxation arising in respect of:

		1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
	Capital allowances in advance of depreciation Other timing differences	44,900	48,936 964
		£44,900	£49,900
	Movement in provision during the year:		£
	At 1 June 1997 Credit for the year		49,900 (5,000)
	At 31 May 1998		£44,900 =====
10.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	19 <u>98</u>	<u>1997</u>
	Ordinary shares of £1 each: Authorised, issued and fully paid	£20,000 =====	£20,000
11.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	1998 £	<u>1997</u> £
	Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	470,435 2,253,274	305,682 1,947,592
	Closing shareholders' funds	£2,723,709	£2,253,274

12. PENSION COSTS

The company operates a defined contribution scheme. The assets are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £24,252 (1997 - £12,872). No amounts were payable at the year end.

13. PARENT COMPANY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ian H Cameron Limited, a company registered in Scotland.