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Director

.Secretary

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31st December 1973

(a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Expanded Metal Company Limited which is incorporated in England)

DIRECTORS:

W. A. Haynes

(Chairman)

J. B. Close

G. A. Stevens

(resigned 31.5.73.)

J. R. Lambert

Secretary:

J. M. Helme

#### OF THE DIRECTORS REPORT

#### PROFITS

The net profit for 1973 after providing for tax, amounted to The Directors recommend the payment of a dividend of £12,087. £12,088.

#### ACTIVITIES

The company is engaged in the supply and erection of road furniture.

#### DIRECTORS

The Directors of the company are listed above. Mr. W.A. Haynes and Mr. J.R. Lambert retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

#### SHAREHOLDINGS

The interests of Directors, who are not also Directors of the holding company, in the capital of that company are set out below:-

> Number of Ordinary Stock Units (all beneficially owned)

31st December 1973

1st January 1973 (or date of appoint-

ment)

Mr. W. A. Haynes Mr. J.R. Lambert 1,541 3,835

3,835

# EMPLOYEES

The average number of persons employed by the company in each week of 1973 was 32 (1972: 50) and the aggregate remuneration paid or payable in respect of that year was £71,432 (1972 : £83,933).

#### AUDITORS

The Auditors, Price Waterhouse & Co., are willing to continue in office and a resolution as to their remuneration will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

J. M. Helme, Secretary

Dated the 11th day of April 1974

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# BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December 1973

FIXED ASSETS	Notes	197	3	197	'2
Plant and Equipment .	5		23,242		32,276
GROUP BALANCES			(84,551)		(155,627)
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock and Work-in-Progress Debtors Cash and Bank Balances	6	117,192 143,678 119 260,989		170,308 154,915 10,739 335,962	
Deduct:		у			·
CURRENT LIABILITIES	•			-	
Creditors Bank Overdraft Tax	4	29,999 10,290 11,983 52,272		15,889 18,515 64,404	
NET CURPENT ASSETS			208,717 147,408	· ·	<u>271,558</u> 148,207
Deduct:					
Deferred Tax	4	£	4,200 143,208	,	
Representing			•		
SHARE CAPITAL					
Authorised, issued and fully paid 10,000 shares of £1. each			10,000		10,000
RESERVES	7		133 <u>,208</u> 143,208		<u>133,207</u> £ 143,207
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W. Alan Haynes Directors

James B. Close

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# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

- 1. Accounting policies are included under the appropriate headings in the notes.
- 2. Net Sales are the amounts invoiced by the company for goods and services provided to external customers.

# 3. PROFIT

The profit for the year is stated after charging:

	1973	1972
Depreciation Auditors' Remuneration	7,901 750	7 <b>,</b> 185 650
Emoluments of Directors (including pension contributions)	6,599	7,976
DIRECTORS: EMOLUMENTS		
Chairman £4,565 (1972 : £4,200)	1	1
Other directors:-	•	
0 - £2,500 £2,501 - £5,000	2 = 3 =	14 1 1 6 =

# 4. TAXATION

Corporation Tax based on the profit for the year has been provided at the rate of 49%. (40% for 3 months and 52% for 9 months).

Using the deferral method proposed by the Joint Accountancy Bodies, provision is made for corporation tax at the average rate for the year in which it is deferred because of differences between depreciation and other charges in the accounts and the corresponding allowance for tax purposes.

The liability in the Balance Sheet of £11,982 (1972: £18,515) includes Corporation Tax payable on 1st January 1975 of £11,500 (1974: £500).

# 5. PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Cost at 31st December 1972 Additions	£ 41,649 <u>6,198</u> 47,847
Disposals Cost at 31st December 1973	11,83 <u>1</u> 36,013
Depreciation at 31st December 1972 Provided	9,372 7,901 17,273
Released on disposals  Depreciation at 31st December 1973	<u>4,502</u> £12,771
Net Book Amount at 31st December 1973	£ <u>23,242</u>

The policy of the company is to write down the book value of each fixed asset over its estimated life: annual reviews are made of the residual lives of all productive assets, taking into account commercial and technical obsolescence as well as normal wear and tear. Depreciation on assets qualifying for investment grants is calculated on their net cost.

# 6. STOCK VALUATION

Stock and work-in-progress are stated at the lower cost and net realisable value and include manufacturing overheads. Work-in-progress is after deducting progress payments amounting to £10,351 (1972:£26,872). No profit is taken on long term contracts until completion but provision is made in full for estimated future losses on uncompleted contracts.

### 7. RESERVES

Balance at 31st December 1972	133,207
Profit retained	<u>. 1</u>
Balance at 31st December 1973	£133,208

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# for the year ended 31st December 1973

	Notes	1973	1972	
NET SALES	2	<u>61<sub>1</sub>5, 1<sub>1</sub>92</u>		<u>774,786</u>
PROPIT BEFORE TAX	3	21,123		9,178
Deduct:		•	*	
TAX - Corporation Tax	•	9,835	(485)	
Deferred Tax		<u>(800)</u> 9.035	<u>3,500</u>	3,015
NET PROFIT AFTER TAX		12,068		6,163
Deduct:				
Dividend		12,087		
TRANSFERRED TO RESERVES	.7.	£ 1,		£6,163

# AUDITORS! REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BERGO LIMITED

In our opinion the annexed accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31st December 1973 and of the profit for the year then ended, and complies with the Companies Acts 1948 and 1967.

PRICE WATERHOUSE & Co.

31 Mosley Street NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE NE99 1PL PRICE WATERHOUSE & COMPANY
Chartered Accountants

Dated the 11th day of April, 1974