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**MARCO (AGGREGATES) LIMITED**

**Company Number: 525908**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 1999**

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Chartered Accountants  
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**MARCO (AGGREGATES) LIMITED****REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS**

The directors have pleasure in submitting their report together with the audited financial statements of the company for the year to 31 December 1999.

**Review of the business**

The company has not traded during the year.

**Directors and their interests**

The directors of the company throughout the year were as follows:-

T.G. Mills (Chairman)  
S.T. Mills  
K.C. Cartwright  
T.F. Moxon  
P.J. Scarborough  
D.A. Sherwin

None of the directors has any beneficial interest in the shares of the company.

**Statement of 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

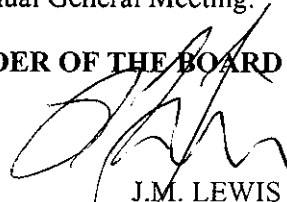
- \* select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- \* make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- \* state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- \* 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.

**Auditors**

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985 a resolution proposing the re-appointment of Fraser Russell, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD**



J.M. LEWIS  
Secretary

**Registered Office:**  
4 London Wall Buildings  
Blomfield Street  
LONDON EC2M 5UQ

Dated: 24 May 2000

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF  
MARCO (AGGREGATES) LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 5 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 4.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As described on page 1, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the 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.

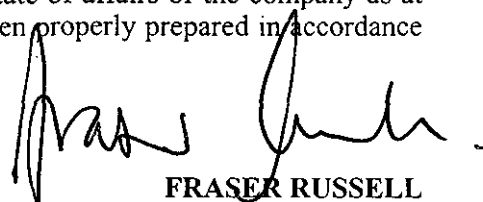
**Basis of opinion**

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 affairs of the company as at 31st December 1998 and of its result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



**FRASER RUSSELL**  
Chartered Accountants  
and Registered Auditors

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London EC2M 5UQ

Date: 24 May 2000

## MARCO (AGGREGATES) LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 1999

	1999	1998
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors - amount due from parent company	£200	£200
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>		
Called up share capital (including non-equity interests) (Note 3)	£200	£200
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Approved by the Board on 24 May 2000 and signed on its behalf by:

S.T. MILLS



) Directors

D.A. SHERWIN



*The notes on page 4 and 5 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.*

**MARCO (AGGREGATES) LIMITED**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For the year to 31 December 1999**

1. **Accounting policy**

**Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

2. **Profit and Loss account**

As this company is dormant, no profit and loss account has been prepared.

3. **Called up share capital**

	<b>1999 and 1998</b>		
	<b>Ordinary</b>	<b>5% non-cumulative</b>	
<b>Authorised</b>	<b>shares</b>	<b>preference</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equity - 13,900 ordinary shares of £1 each	13,900	-	13,900
Non equity - 1,100 deferred ordinary shares of £1 each	-	1,100	1,100
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	£13,900	£1,100	£15,000
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<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>			
Equity - 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	-	100
Non equity - 100 deferred ordinary shares of £1 each	-	100	100
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	£100	£100	£200
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**3. Called up share capital (continued)**

Rights of non-equity shares:

- |    |   |                             |
|----|---|-----------------------------|
| a) | Dividends (non-cumulative)<br>There are no dividends unpaid | No entitlement              |
| b) | Redemption  | Non-redeemable              |
| c) | Amounts receivable on winding up                            | £1 each                     |
| d) | Voting rights   | 1 vote for each shareholder |

**4. Contingent liabilities**

- a) The company has given a composite guarantee supported by a mortgage debenture and a legal mortgage in respect of the bank overdraft and loans of its immediate parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings. At 31st December 1998 the aggregate bank overdraft and loans covered by the guarantee amounted to £25,264,214 ( 1998 : £13,271,220).
- b) The company has a contingent liability to meet extraordinary calls by the sand and gravel association restoration guarantee fund should a claim be made on the fund. No such claim had been notified to the fund at the balance sheet date.

**5. Control**

The company's immediate holding company is A & J Bull Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales, which owns 100% of the issued share capital. Group Fabricom Plc is the parent undertaking of the smallest group for which group accounts are prepared. Copies of the accounts drawn up by this company can be obtained from the following address:

Group Fabricom Plc  
 Severalls Lane  
 Colchester  
 Essex  
 CO4 4PD

The company's ultimate holding company is Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux, a company incorporated in France whose principal place of business is in Paris. Copies of the accounts drawn up by this company can be obtained from the following address:

Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux  
 1 Rue d'Astorg  
 75008, Paris  
 France

**6. Related party transactions**

The company has taken advantage of the exemption not to disclose transactions with group companies. After taking into consideration the exemption above there were no material transactions with related parties as defined by FRS 8 'Related Party Transactions'.