#### Section 94

Return of Final Meeting in a Members' Voluntary Winding Up

Pursuant to Section 94 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

**S.94** 

Company Number

00813378

Name of Company

Portals Limited

**(**) We

Steven Leslie Smith, 72 London Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 1NS

Peter John Godfrey-Evans, 72 London Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1 1NS

Note The copy account must be authenticated by the written signature(s) of the Liquidator(s)

give notice that a general meeting of the company was duly held on/<u>cummoned for-18</u> February 2015 pursuant to section 94 of the Insolvency Act 1986, for the purpose of having an account (of which a copy is attached) laid before it showing how the winding up of the company has been conducted, and the property of the company has been disposed of and that the same was done accordingly /-no quarum was present at the meeting

The meeting was held at 72 London Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire AL1 1NS

The winding up covers the period from 23 June 2014 (opening of winding up) to the final meeting (close of winding up)

The outcome of the meeting (including any resolutions passed at the meeting) was as follows

1 That the Joint Liquidators be released from office

Mercer & Hole 72 London Road St Albans Hertfordshire AL1 1NS

Ref DLR50K/SLS/PGE/CS/JHW/PM

TUESDAY

18 February 2015



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## Portals Limited (In Liquidation)

# Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments From 23 June 2014 To 18 February 2015

| S of A £     |                                                    | £            | £              |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 8,813,000 00 | ASSET REALISATIONS Intercompany Debt               | 8,813,000 00 | 8,813,000 00   |
|              | DISTRIBUTIONS<br>Ordinary Shareholders - in Specie | 8,813,000 00 | (8,813,000 00) |
| 8,813,000 00 |                                                    |              | NIL            |
|              | REPRESENTED BY                                     |              |                |

Steven Leslie Smith
Joint Liquidator

NIL

# IN THE MATTER OF PORTALS LIMITED – IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION JOINT LIQUIDATORS' FINAL REPORT 23 JUNE 2014 TO 18 FEBRUARY 2015

### STEVEN LESLIE SMITH AND PETER JOHN GODFREY-EVANS JOINT LIQUIDATORS

**APPOINTED 23 JUNE 2014** 

MERCER & HOLE 72 LONDON ROAD ST ALBANS HERTFORDSHIRE AL1 1NS

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#### Statutory information

Name

Portals Limited ("the Company")

Company number

00813378

Registered office

72 London Road, St Albans, Hertfordshire, AL1

1NS

Date of appointment

23 June 2014

Joint Liquidators

Steven Leslie Smith and Peter John Godfrey-

Evans

Trading Address

De La Rue House, Jays Close, Viables,

Basingstoke, RG22 4BS

**Appointer** 

The shareholder of the Company

### 2 Administration of the liquidation during the period 23 June 2014 to 18 February 2015

2.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the members with a summary of the administration of the liquidation of the Company for the period 23 June 2014 (appointment) to 18 February 2015. This report should be read in conjunction with the summary of the Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account, attached at Appendix A.

Assets

2 2 The declaration of solvency detailed an intercompany debt of £8,813,000 due from Portals Group Limited

Liabilities

2.3 The declaration of solvency detailed no liabilities HM Revenue & Customs have confirmed there are no outstanding tax liabilities and have provided clearance to finalise the liquidation

#### 3 Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses

- 3.1 At the meeting of members held on 23 June 2014, a resolution was passed that the Joint Liquidators' remuneration is to be £2,500 plus VAT and disbursements. The Joint Liquidators' remuneration and disbursements have been paid by the ultimate parent company, De La Rue Holdings Plc.
- 3 5 A copy of the Guide to Liquidators' Fees may be downloaded from our website at <a href="http://www.mercerhole.co.uk/p/guidance-notes-for-creditors-about-insolvency-practitioners-fees">http://www.mercerhole.co.uk/p/guidance-notes-for-creditors-about-insolvency-practitioners-fees</a> Alternatively you may request a hard copy by telephoning Jack Haycock-West at this office
- 3 6 Members' have the right to make a written request for further information regarding the Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses under Rule 4 49E of the Insolvency Rules 1986 and the right to challenge the Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses under Rule 4 148C of the Insolvency Rules 1986

Further information can be found within the Creditors' Guide to Liquidators' Fees referred to above, which also applies to Members

#### 4 Distributions to the sole shareholder

4.1 A first and final distribution in specie of the intercompany debt totalling £8,813,000, as detailed in 2.2 above, was declared and assigned to Portals Group Limited, the sole shareholder on 18 December 2014

#### 5 Final Meeting

5.1 The final meeting was held on 18 February 2015 at which a resolution was passed to release the Joint Liquidators from office

Steven Leslie Smith Joint Liquidator

18 February 2015

# APPENDIX A JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD 23 JUNE 2014 TO 18 FEBRUARY 2015

# Portals Limited (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments To 18/02/2015

| Dec of Sol £ |                                                    | £            | £              |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 8,813,000 00 | ASSET REALISATIONS Intercompany Debt               | 8,813,000 00 | 8,813,000 00   |
|              | DISTRIBUTIONS<br>Ordinary Shareholders - in Specie | 8,813,000 00 | (8,813,000 00) |
| 8,813,000.00 |                                                    |              | NIL            |
|              | REPRESENTED BY                                     |              |                |
|              |                                                    |              | NIL            |

# APPENDIX B STATEMENT OF POLICY ON FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS

#### MERCER & HOLE

#### STATEMENT OF POLICY ON FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS IN INSOLVENCY PROCEEDINGS

#### 4 Introduction

This statement has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines set out in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 issued by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals (R3) as at 1 November 2011

The following information applies to all appointments of partners or staff of Mercer & Hole. Chartered Accountants, to act as any of the following -

Liquidator Receiver Administrator or Administrative Receiver of a Limited Company

Trustee in Bankruptcy

Supervisor of an Individual, Company or Partnership Voluntary Arrangement

When acting as a Nominee the provisions of the Insolvency Act require that the amount of the fees payable to the office holder be specified within the Debtor's Proposal. Such fees will nevertheless be fixed to take account of the office holder's expected time costs arising as referred to below.

#### 2 Policy on fees

The insolvency Act and Rules 1986 set out the basis on which office holders' fees may be fixed. For detailed information on the basis on which fees can be charged and creditors rights to information please refer to the relevant creditors guides to insolvency practitioners fees on the Restructuring and insolvency section of our website at www mercarhole columbriguidance-notes-for-creditors-about-insolvency practitioners-fees. Unless otherwise agreed we will charge our fees by reference to time costs, as incurred, and will draw fees monthly. Partners and staff book their time to each assignment using units of six minutes charged at the firms usual rates applicable at the time the work is carried out. Rates are generally reviewed annually and may be varied from time to time. Any changes will be notified in the next report to members and creditors as appropriate.

| As at 29 September 2014 the maximum standard rates* applicable are - | Grade                       | £   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|
|                                                                      | Partner                     | 375 |
|                                                                      | Director                    | 300 |
|                                                                      | Manager                     | 260 |
|                                                                      | Other Senior Professional   | 180 |
|                                                                      | Assistant and Company Stoff | 120 |

<sup>\*</sup>Rates vary between individuals, reflecting experience and qualification. For certain more complex tasks. Mercer & Hole may seek to apply a higher rate in respect of work to be undertaken, but subject to prior authorisation in accordance with the Act. Charge out rates incorporate a charge for the firm's overheads but these do not incorporate the costs of secretarial, administrative and cashiening services which are charged separately. All rates are subject to the rate of VAT ruling at the date of invoicing.

#### 3 Disbursements

Sundry disbursements are split into two categories, category 1 are charges directly attributable to this case and are in respect of payment to a third party. Category 2 disbursements although they are also directly attributable to this case will not be directly payable to a third party since they represent shared or allocated costs. Disbursements will be charged in the accordance with the following standard provisions which maybe revised with changes notified to creditors on the same basis as set out above for fees. All disbursements are subject to the rate of VAT ruling at the date of invoicing

| Category 1 Disbursements |                                                                                                                      |   |      |  |  |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------|--|--|
| Ordinary Correspondence  | No charge is levied for stationary or postage                                                                        |   |      |  |  |
| Circulars & Reports      | A charge for UK postage of each copy as follows based upon estimated average costs                                   |   |      |  |  |
|                          | As Nominee in a Voluntary Arrangement                                                                                | £ | 1 24 |  |  |
|                          | Administrators Proposals                                                                                             | £ | 0 92 |  |  |
|                          | For all other circulars and reports and statutory notices                                                            | £ | 0 66 |  |  |
|                          | International postage is recharged at cost                                                                           |   |      |  |  |
| Travel & Subsistence     | Any properly reimbursed expenses are rechargeable                                                                    |   |      |  |  |
| Category 2 Disbursoments |                                                                                                                      |   |      |  |  |
| Ordinary Correspondence  | No charge is levied for stationery or postage                                                                        |   |      |  |  |
| Circulars & Reports      | A charge for production of each copy of a circular or report may be made as follows based on estimated average costs |   |      |  |  |
|                          | As Nominee in a Voluntary Arrangement                                                                                | £ | 6 00 |  |  |
|                          | Administrators' proposals                                                                                            | £ | 3 30 |  |  |
|                          | Administrators' progress and final reports                                                                           | £ | 1 70 |  |  |
|                          | Post S98 meeting pack together with statement of affairs and company history, CVL annual reports/final meetings      | £ | 1 00 |  |  |
|                          | Pre Section 98 Meeting reports post Administration<br>appointment notices and other reports and meeting<br>notices   |   | 0 35 |  |  |
|                          | Notifications reinternet based reports                                                                               | £ | 0 10 |  |  |
| For storage              | £ 8 58 per box per annum, being calculated at average cost including 15% handling charge                             |   |      |  |  |
| For box destruction      | £ 4 25 per box based on estimated charge from contractors and a £3 administration charge to cover labour             |   |      |  |  |
| Travel                   | The firm currently charges £0.45 per mile where staff use their own cars in connection with travel on                |   |      |  |  |
|                          | an assignment. This rate changes from time to time but will not exceed the approved mileage rate                     |   |      |  |  |
|                          | set down by HM Revenue and Customs                                                                                   |   |      |  |  |
|                          | •                                                                                                                    |   |      |  |  |

#### 5 Authorising Bodies

Peter Godfrey-Evans, Chris Laughton. Steve Smith and Henry Page are licensed to act as insolvency Practitioners in the UK under the authority of the institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales and each holds an enabling bond for the purpose of receiving appointments under their licences.