

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

1. The directors submit their report and accounts for the 6 months ended 30 September 1986.

Results and dividends

2. Details of the results for the 6 months are set out in the profit and loss account on page 4. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the 6 months ended 30 September 1986 (31 March 1986: £Nil).

Principal activities and review of the business and future developments

3. The principal activity of the company continues to be the renting of articulated trailers. Both the level of business and the year end financial position were satisfactory and it is envisaged that the present level of activity will be sustained for the foreseeable future.

Fixed assets

4. The movements in fixed assets are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

Directors

5. The following directors have held office during the whole of the 6 months ended 30 September 1986:

Mr N Mellors Mr G P McDougall Mr T S Blackshaw

6. In accordance with the Articles of Association, Mr G P McDougall retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Directors' interests in shares

7. According to the register required to be kept under Section 325 of the Companies Act 1985, none of the directors of the company at 30 September 1986 have any notifiable interests in the shares of the ultimate holding company, Trafalgar House Public Limited Company, or its subsidiaries.

Close company

8. The company is not a close company within the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, as amended, and there has been no change in this respect since 30 September 1986.



REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

Auditors

9. A resolution to reappoint the auditors, Touche Ross and Co, will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Woodville 27 March 1987 T S Blackshaw Secretary

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

of

EUROFLEET RENTAL LIMITED

We have audited the accounts and notes on pages 4 to 14 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion, the accounts and notes give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 30 September 1986 and of the profit and source and application of funds for the 6 months then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants Leeds

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

		months to 1 September 1986	2 months to 31 March 1986
	Note	£	£
Turnover	2	674,587	1,283,151
Cost of sales		444,042	775,301
Gross profit		230,545	507,850
Operating expenses	3	87,746	165,946
Operating profit		142,799	341,904
Net interest payable and similar charges	6	(95,585)	(225,554)
Profit on ordinary activities before and after taxation	4/7	47,214	116,350
Extraordinary item	16	(17,000)	-
Profit for the financial period carried forward		30,214	116,350
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STATEMENT OF RETAINED PROFITS

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Carried forward	634,280	604,066
Profit for the period	30,214	116,350
Brought forward	604,066	487,716

EUROFLEET RENTAL LIMITED BALANCE SHEET - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

		<u>30</u>	September 1986		<u>March</u> 1986
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8		3,606,984		3,412,249
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks Debtors Cash in hand	9 10	5,547 206,626 59		4,503 173,082 105	
		212,232		177,690	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within		,		177,090	
one year	11	1,694,438		1,617,922	1
NET CURRENT LIABILITI	ES	•	(1,482,206)	*************************************	· (1,440,232)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS					
CURRENT LIABILITIES			2,124,778		1,972,017
CREDITORS: amounts fa ing due after more	11-				
than one year	11		1,390,498		1,267,951
			734,280		704,066
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capita Profit and loss accour	11 13 nt		100,000 634,280		100,000 604,066
			734,280		704,066
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These accounts were approved by the board on 27 March 1987.

N Mellors

G P McDougall

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STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS FOR THE 6 MONTHS ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

	6 month 30 Septe 198	mber 31 Mar		ch	
SOURCE OF FUNDS	£.	£	£	£	
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation Adjustment for items not involve the movement of funds:	ring	47,214		116,350	
Depreciation	274,226		489,788		
Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets	(32,764)	241,462	(44,751)	445,037	
Extraordinary item Special provision		288,676 (17,000) 17,000		561,387	
Total generated from operations	5	288,676		561,387	
Funds from other sources: Sales proceeds of tangible fixed assets Increase in creditors falling due after more than one year	106,405 122,547	228,952	145,305 36,571	181,876	
Total source of funds	•	517,628		743,263	
APPLICATION OF FUNDS					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(559,602)		(883,633)	
Total &pplication of funds		(41,974)		(140,370)	
DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL		======		======	
Made up as follows: Increase/(decrease) in stocks Increase/(decrease) in debtors (Increase)/decrease in creditor	·s	1,044 33,544		(340) (691,370)	
falling due within one year, excluding bank overdraft		(38,164)		499,616	
		(3,576)		(192,094)	
Movement in net liquid funds Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdraft	(46) (38,352)	(38,398)	(237) 51,961	51,724	
		(41,974)	<u></u>	(140,370)	
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

1. Principal accounting policies

The accounts are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies of the Company, which have been applied consistently, are as follows:-

(a) Tangible fixed assets

Plant and equipment is depreciated on the straight line method at rates expected to write off the cost of the assets concerned to a residual value of 10% over a period of 10 years. Other rates of depreciation used are:

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Motor vehicles 25 Fixtures and fittings 10

(b) Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of common net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first in first the basis and includes transport and handling costs. Net realisable value is the price at which the stock can be realised in the normal course of business after allowing for the costs of realisation, and, where appropriate, the cost of conversion from their existing state to a finished condition. Provision is made for obsolescent, slow moving and defective stocks.

(c) Finance leases and hire purchase contracts

Certain items of plant and equipment are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ("finance leases"). These are included in the balance sheet as fixed assets at cost less depreciation and the capital element of future rentals is treated as a liability. The interest element is charged to profit and loss account over the period of the finance lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding. Assets held under hire purchase contracts are accounted for on a basis similar to that adopted for finance leases and are included in the balance sheet under that heading.

(d) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at the anticipated tax rates on differences arising from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the futura.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

2. Turnover

Turnover, all of which was within the United Kingdom, represents the invoiced amount of goods and services during the year, stated net of trade discounts and value added tax, including intercompany sales which are at normal commercial prices.

3. Operating expenses

	6 months to 30 September 1986	12 months to 31 March 1986
	£	£
Distribution costs Administrative expenses Profit on disposal of fixed assets	64,967 55,543 (32,764)	111,999 98,698 (44,751)
	87,746	165,946
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4. Profit or ordinary activities before taxation

This is part d after charging:

Directors' remuneration for management, including pension contributions		
(Note 5)	3,500	7,200
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	274,226	489,788
Auditors' remuneration	3,500	3,100
Hire of plant and machinery	2,005	1,884

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

5. Information regarding directors and employees

		6 months to 30 September 1986	12 months to 31 March 1986
(a)	Particulars of the remuneration of directors, excluding pension contributions:	£	£
	Emoluments of the chairman	1,500	1,200
	Emoluments of the highest paid director	2,000	3,000

Number of other directors whose remuneration was within the ranges:

				Number	Number
	£Nil	-	£5,000	1	2
(b)	Employme includ	ent cos ing exe	ts of all employees cutive directors:	£	£
			d salaries ional insurance	58,198 4,914	109,305 9,726
				63,112	119,031
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(c) The average number of persons, including executive directors, employed by the Company during the year is analysed below:

	Number	Number
Staff Manual workers	10 7	10 6
	17	16
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

6. Net interest payable and similar charg

Net interest payable and similar charges	6 months to 30 September 1986	12 months to 31 March 1986
Interest payable	£	£
Bank loans, overdrafts and other loans repayable within five years	-	3,000
Finance leases and hire purchase agreements Interest payable to group companies	80,094 15,679	153,331 69,223
Less Bank interest receivable	95,773 (188)	225,554
	95,585	225,554
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7. Taxation

There is no charge for corporation tax as the Company has incurred a tax loss for the year. Relief for the loss will be surrendered to other companies in the Group. Further losses are available for relief in future years.

8. Tangible fixed assets

8. Tangible fixed assets	<u>Total</u>	Freehold Lar and Buildings	nd <u>Plant</u>
Cost	£	£	£
At 31 March 1986 Additions Disposals	5,328,504 559,602 (228,333)	30,795 - -	5,297,709 559,602 (228,333)
At 30 September 1986	5,659,773	30,795	5,628,978
Depreciation			
At 31 March 1986 Disposals Charge for the year Special provisions (note 18)	1,916,255 (154,692) 274,226 17,000	11,515 1,540 17,000	1,904,740 (154,692) 272,686
At 30 September 1986	2,052,709	30,055	2,022,734
Net Book Value at 30 September 1986	3,606,984	740 =====	3,606,244
Net Book Value at 31 March 1986	3,412,249	19,280	3,392,969

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

9.	Stocks			30 September 1986	31 March 1986	
				£	£	
	Raw materials and	l consumables		5,547 ====	4,503	
10.	Debtors					
Amounts falling due within one year Trade debtors Amounts owed by group companies: Holding company and fellow				194,353	157,745	
	subsidiary comp Prepayments and	anies	e	3,935 8,338	15,337	
				206,626	173,082	
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11.	Creditors					
		Amounts fa within o		Amounts fa after more t		
		30 <u>September</u> 1986	31 March 1986	30 Septembe 1986	<u>31 March</u> <u>1986</u>	
		£	£	£	£	
Bank	overdraft	48,653	10,301	-	-	
Obligations under finance						
	ses and hire purch cracts	685,524	712,923	1,390,498	1,267,951	
Trade	creditors	55,911	53,178	-	-	
comp Hold	nts owed to group panies: ding company and ow subsidiary					
	panies	778,517	714,640	-	p	
Accru	als	125,833	126,880	-	-	
						

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

11. Creditors

Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts

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	Capita <u>elemer</u>	Future Total al finance future nt charges rentals		- <u>-</u>		Total future rentals
	£	£	£.	£	£	£,
Repayments ar	e due in:	:				
4 - 5 yrs 3 - 4 yrs 2 - 3 yrs 1 - 2 yrs	67,349 272,424 481,368 569,357		70,824 293,065 36,843 665,526		2,186 17,585 42,607 76,654	62,682 315,028 442,197 587,076
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1 yr or less	685,524	149,242	834,766	712,923	123,123	836,046
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12. Provisions for liabilities and charges

The potential liabilities to deferred taxation and the amounts provided in the accounts in accordance with the company's accounting policy described in note 1(d) are set out below:

	30 September 1986		31 M. rol <u>.</u> 1986	
	Total potential liability	Provided in the accounts	Total potential liability	Provided in the accounts
	£	£	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences	56,000 505,000	-	61,531 431,893	-
*	561,000	-	493,424	~
Less: Losses and charges	(44,000)	-	(57,933)	-
				
	517,000	_	435,491	-
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

12. Frovisions for liabilities and charges

To the extent required by SSAP15, deferred taxation is provided in the accounts of the ustimate holding company. It is normal group practice that tax losses and advance corporation tax are surrendered between group companies for no consideration.

Under the above policy no provision for deferred taxation is required.

13. Share capital

Authorised, allotte	ed and fully paid
30 September 1986	31 March 1986
100,000	100,000

14. Capital commitments

Ordinary shares of £1 each

	30 September 1986	31 March 1986
	£	£
Capital expenditure contracted for and approved by the board and not provided in the accounts	346,305	Nil ===

15. Contingent liabilities

(i) The Company has given fixed and floating charges over all its assets, undertakings and property and has executed guarantees in respect of the banking facilities of the Company, John Brown PLC and various fellow subsidiary companies in respect of John Brown PLC's issue of:-

5.5/8%	secured	loan	stock	2003	£1,616,915
4.7/8%	secured	loan	stock	2003	£408,352

(ii) The Company, jointly and severally with certain other subsidiary companies has given guarantees in respect of loans to the holding company.

In the opinion of the directors, no loss will arise in connection with the above.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 30 SEPTEMBER 1986

16. Extraordinary Item

	30 September 1986	31 March 1986
	£	£
Special provision	17,000	-
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	17,000	-
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Following the acquisition of John Brown PLC (see note 17) the directors of the Company have reappraised its assets and liabilities to determine their fair value to the new ultimate holding company.

The net adjustment arising from this appraisal has been treated as a special provision within extraordinary items in the profit and loss account.

17. <u>Ultimate holding company</u>

On 23 June 1986 as a result of a successful offer for the whole of the sh se capital of John Brown PLC, Tragalgar House Public Limited Company, which is incorporated in the United Kingdom, became the ultimate holding company.