

**P THORNE & SON (SAFES AND SECURITY
SYSTEMS) LIMITED**

ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

31 JULY 1999



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COMPANY

PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5, together with the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 July 1999 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITORS

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the accounts.

OPINION

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Solomon Hare

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31 May 2000

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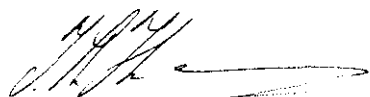
ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

31 JULY 1999

	Note	1999	1998
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS	2		
Tangible assets		30,388	25,037
Investments		-	3,964
		<u>30,388</u>	<u>29,001</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		43,711	44,307
Debtors		62,513	174,872
Cash at bank and in hand		4,163	39,099
		<u>110,387</u>	<u>258,278</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>(110,684)</u>	<u>(145,638)</u>
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(297)	112,640
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>30,091</u>	<u>141,641</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year		(4,742)	(4,742)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES		(796)	(764)
		<u>24,553</u>	<u>136,135</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called-up equity share capital	3	1,000	1,000
Profit and loss account		23,553	135,135
SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS		<u>24,553</u>	<u>136,135</u>

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

These accounts were approved by the directors on the 31 May 2000 and are signed on their behalf by:



T A Thorne
Director

The notes on pages 3 to 5 form part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Cash flow statement

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cashflow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company.

Turnover

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Leasehold property	- 5% on cost
Plant and machinery	- 15% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% on reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made, under the liability method, to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for tax purposes. Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is considered that a net liability may arise.

Investments

Investments are stated at cost less any provision made for any impairment in value.

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2. FIXED ASSETS

	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Investments £	Total £
COST			
At 1 August 1998	81,195	3,964	85,159
Additions	19,484	4,024	23,508
Disposals	(19,633)	(7,988)	(27,621)
At 31 July 1999	<u>81,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81,046</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 August 1998	56,158	-	56,158
Charge for year	5,435	-	5,435
On disposals	(10,935)	-	(10,935)
At 31 July 1999	<u>50,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,658</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 July 1999	<u>30,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30,388</u>
At 31 July 1998	<u>25,037</u>	<u>3,964</u>	<u>29,001</u>

3. SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised share capital:	1999 £	1998 £
1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid:	1999 £	1998 £
Ordinary share capital	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

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4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company was charged rent of £nil (1998: £14,000), a management charge of £40,000 (1998: £16,000) and insurance of £nil (1998: £1,840) during the year by Thorne Holdings Limited, the parent company. It also made sales of £133 (1998: £382) to the same company during the year. At the year end, P Thorne & Son (Safes and Security Systems) Limited was owed £3,760 (1998: £85,790) by Thorne Holdings Limited.

During the year, goods of £9,863 (1998: £5,042) were sold at an arms length basis to Thorne Secure Limited, a fellow subsidiary. Also, purchases of £454 (1998: £6,473) were made from the same company during the year. At the year end, P Thorne & Son (Safes and Security Systems) Limited owed to Thorne Secure Limited £25,174 (1998: £13,280).

At the year end £14,742 (1998: £12,353) was owed to the Executive Pension Scheme. T A Thorne, A Thorne and D Thorne are beneficiaries of the scheme. Interest of £1,158 (1998: £698) was paid to the executive pension scheme during the year.

5. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Thorne Holdings Limited, a company which is registered in England.

The ultimate controlling party is T A Thorne.