Report and Financial Statements



31st December 1998

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The council present their annual report with the audited accounts of the Association for the year ended 31st December 1998.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Association during the year under review has continued to be to look after the interests of manufacturers of wallcoverings in Great Britain.

The Council has considered the impact of the year 2000 (Millennium Bug) and do not believe there will be any adverse impact on the business.

The surplus for the financial year after taxation was £29,405 and has been added to reserves.

COUNCIL

The Council is the supreme decision making body of the Association and at 31st December 1998 was comprised as follows:

David Aldred	Roger Graham
John Birtwell	Martin Kelloway
John Blake	Neil Sharrock
Alistair Brown	Tom Smail
David Catterall	Eric Thurston
Barry Forester	Robert Wood

Messrs. L. Abilgaard served on Council until January 1998, A. Brown until February 1998, G. Hayhurst until June 1998, E. Kilby until May 1998, M. Ferguson and K. Spencer until July 1998 and D. Kay until September 1998.

THE COUNCILS RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts the directors are required to:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * Follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- * Prepare the accounts 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 accounts 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

The Association has made an Elective Resolution which has dispensed with the obligation to appoint Auditors annually. Chantrey Vellacott DFK are the Auditors.

Signed on behalf of the Council:

Approved by the Council on

19/5/99

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Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31st December 1998

	1998	1997
INCOME	£	£
Subscriptions(note 2)		
Full Members		
Associate Members	109,019	95,871
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Campaign Funding	135,269	119,496
Interest receivable	0	97,403
	6,541	5,014
Golf Day	1,383	968
Education Day	314	507
	143,507	223,388
EXPENDITURE		
Management Fees due to Parent Co.	48,500	47,500
Office expenses	1,308	1,852
Meeting expenses etc.	16,366	
Professional charges	39,090	12,420
Marketing campaign	0	34,985
Bad debt	1,117	107,234
Audit fee	500	0
	106,881	500 204,491
Surplus/(Deficit) on ordinary activities(note 4)	36,626	18,897
Taxation(note3)	(7,221)	(4,557)
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	29,405	14,340
Retained Balance B/fwd	49,448	35,108
Retained Balance C/fwd	78,853	49,448

The Association has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the surplus above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the surplus shown above and their historical cost equivalents.

Income and surplus are derived wholly from continuing operations.

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements.

Balance Sheet at 31st. December 1998

	1998	1997
Current Assets	£	£
Trade & Other Debtors	68,635	99,282
Cash at Bank	96,146	84,172
Creditors	164,781	183,454
Accrual & deferred income	70,195	110,579
Amount due to Parent undertaking	400	5,243
Trade creditors	713	3,124
Corporation Tax	7,600	4,500
Other taxes	7,020	10,560
	85,928	134,006
Net current assets	78,853	49,448
Represented by the Surplus of		
the Association	78,853	49,448

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements

Signed on behalf of the Council on 19/5/99

Mrs Mydl

President

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements at 3st. December 1998.

1 STATUS

The Association is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of each member in the event of winding up is £10.

On 21st. December 1994 the British Coatings Federation Ltd. became the sole member.

2 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost basis of accounting.

The Association has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting No.1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

B) Taxation

Taxation is calculated on the surplus for the year on ordinary activities as shown in the accounts.

C) Income

Members subscriptions represent the invoiced amount of services provided and is stated net of Value Added Tax.

3 TAXATION

	1998	1997
United Viscotory	£	£
United Kingdom corporation tax charge on		
the results for the year at 21% (1997		
24% and 21%.)		
Current year	7,600	4,500
Prior year under/ (over) provision	(379)	57
	7,221	4,557

4 SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFOR TAXATION

These figures are stated after charging:-

Auditors remuneration 500 500

5 PARENT COMPANY

The sole member of the Association is British Coatings Federation Ltd. which is a company incorporated in England.

Supplementary information to the income and expenditure account for the year to 31st December 1998.

Management expenses	1998 £	1997 £
Charge by BCF Ltd.	48,500	47,500
Professional charges		
Whittle Industry	27,373	26,449
WG Niven	7,462	8,321
Warrington Fire	4,005	0
Chantrey Vellacott DFK	250	215
	39,090	34 985

AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WALLCOVERING MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN LIMITED

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

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2, the Council is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial 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 an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements 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 the association's affairs as at 31st December 1998 and of its surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chantrey Vellacott DFK

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