Liquidator's Progress Report

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Pursuant to Sections 92A and 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

01007434

Name of Company

Alan Dick & Company Limited

We

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the liquidators of the company attach a copy of our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

The Progress Report covers the period from 10 July 2014 to 9 July 2015

Signed _____

Date

03/09/15

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To the creditors and members

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4 September 2015

Dear Sirs

Alan Dick & Company Limited - In Liquidation (the Company)

Introduction

- 11 Following the appointment of Nicholas Wood and myself as joint liquidator of the Company on 9 July 2014, in accordance with section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986, I now report on the progress of the liquidation for the year ended 8 July 2015 and attach
 - Appendix A, an account of our receipts and payments for the year ended 8 July 2015
 - Appendix B, a statement of the remuneration charged by the joint liquidators in the period 9 July 2014 to 8 July 2015 and a statement of expenses incurred in the period,
 - Appendix C, an analysis of time costs as required by Statement of Insolvency Practice 9,
 - Appendix D, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the liquidator (rule 4 49E), and
 - Appendix E, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the liquidator's remuneration or expenses if excessive (rule 4 131)
- 12 Please note that we are both authorised by the Insolvency Practitioners Association to act as insolvency practitioners

2 Statutory information

The Company's statutory details are as follows

Registered number

01007434

Registered office

c/o Grant Thornton UK LLP 4 Hardman Square Spinningfields Manchester

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3 Progress report

Assets

No statement of affairs has been prepared for the liquidation. To date the only asset is the balance transferred from the administration of £134,278

Alan Dick & Co (Pakistan) Limited (ADP)

3 2 The Company owns ADP which is a Pakistani registered company ADP is dormant Recovering the modest amount of cash has proved difficult. We instructed a local law firm to assist us. However it soon became apparent that the cost of any court process/insolvency would exceed the balance held. We have therefore abandoned our action and there will be no realisations to the Company in respect of this matter.

Alan Dick (Thailand) Co Limited (ADT) and Alan Dick Bangladesh (ABB)

- 3 3 The Company owns both ADT and ABB, which are registered companies in Thailand and Bangladesh respectively. There is also a further entity in Bangladesh which is a branch of ADT. It is understood that both ADΓ and ABB hold cash balances. Recovery of these balances has proved difficult, particularly in light of the very strict Bangladesh foreign exchange restrictions and we do not anticipate that there will be any realisations to the Company in respect of this matter.
- 3 4 Additionally, the Joint Liquidators are seeking to wind up ADT in order to release the cash held in Thailand. The cash balance is expected to be approximately £10,000 and received within the next six months.

Liabilities

Secured creditors

- 3 5 Lloyds Bank Plc (the Bank) holds fixed and floating charges over the Company's assets and is owed approximately £100 million as a result of the Company cross-guaranteeing the group's borrowing
- 3 6 Barclays Bank Plc (Barclays) also holds a fixed and floating charge over the Company's assets and is owed £25 million. The Bank's charge ranks ahead of Baiclays' charges
- 37 Based on current information there will be a significant shortfall to the Bank and Baiclays

Preferential creditors

- 3 8 The Company had four employees who were made redundant with effect from 31 January 2013 Preferential claims of £6,222 have been received and are currently being agreed
- 39 I anticipate that preferential creditors will be settled in full shortly

Unsecured creditors

- 3 10 I have received and agreed unsecured creditor claims totalling £372,936 to date
- 3 11 In accordance with section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986, as the first floating charge which is held over the assets of the Company post-dates 15 September 2003, a prescribed part is to be carved out of the floating charge assets

- 3 12 The prescribed part carve out is payable when there is sufficient floating charge realisations. It is likely there will be a distribution to the unsecured creditors via the prescribed part, although the quantum and timing of this distribution is currently uncertain.
- 3 13 Creditors who have yet to submit a claim in the liquidation are invited to do so using the attached claim form

4 Joint liquidators' remuneration and expenses

- 41 Our fees for acting as the joint administrators were fixed by reference to our time costs
- 4 2 Pursuant to rule 4 127(5A) of the Insolvency Rules 1986, this basis applies also in the liquidation
- 43 You will note from the SIP 9 table attached at Appendix C that our time costs for the liquidation to date are £19,848, against which we have not drawn any fees to date
- Outstanding time costs in relation to the administration period totalling £35,000 have been settled with approval from the secured creditors
- 45 Time is charged in units of 6 minutes Background information regarding the fees of liquidators can be found at http://www.insolvency-practitioners org.uk (navigate via 'Regulation and Guidance' to 'Creditors Guides to Fees') Alternatively I will supply this information by post on request

5 Other expenses incurred by the Joint Liquidators

- 51 I attach at Appendix B, a summary of all expenses incurred or accrued to date
- 5 2 The sum of £2,500 has been paid in the period to Altaf & Altaf Associates in relation to legal fees associated with the attempted recovery of funds from the Pakistani subsidiary (see Section 3 2)

Yours faithfully

for and on behalf of Alan Dick & Company Limited

David Dunckley
Joint Liquidator

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Alan Dick & Company Limited - in liquidation Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account from 9 July 2014 to 8 July 2015

Receipts	Statement of Affairs (£)	Total (£)
Administrator's Surplus		134,277 89
HMRC - VAT received/paid		7,016 92
		141,294 81
Payments		
Administrators Fees		35,000 00
Legal Fees (1)		2,500 00
Statutory Advertising		84 60
Bank Charges		45 00
Vat on Purchases		7,016 92
•	100-40	44,646 52
Balance - 8 July 2015		96,648 29
Made up as follows		
Floating Current Account NIB		96,648 29
	_	96,648 29

B Remuneration charged and expenses incurred by the joint liquidators in the period

	Charged/incurred in period 09/07/2014 to 08/07/2015	Cumulative charged/incurred to 08/07/2015	Of which paid to 08/07/2015
	£	£	£
Joint liquidators' fees			
Time costs	19,848	19,848	0
Expenses	-	-	-
Legal fees			
Altaf & Altaf Associates	2,500	2,500	2,500

C SIP 9 information

Introduction

The following information is provided in connection with the liquidators' remuneration and disbursements in accordance with SIP 9

Explanation of Grant Thornton UK LLP charging and disbursement recovery policies

Time costs

All partners and staff are charged out at hourly rates appropriate to their grade, as shown on the attached schedule. Details of the hourly charge-out rates are made available to creditors or committees at the time of fixing the basis of our fees. Support staff (ie secretaries, cashiers and filing clerks) are charged to the case for the time they work on it

	From 01/07/10	From 01/07/11	From 01/07/12	From 01/07/13	From 01/07/14
					to date
	£	£	£	£	£
Partners up to	535	560	580	600	740
Managers up to	405	425	440	455	470
Administrators up to	285	300	310	320	345
Assistants and support staff up to	195	205	210	220	230

Disbursements

Out of pocket expenses are charged at cost and mileage is charged at standard rates VAT is added to disbursement charges as necessary

Alan Dick & Company Limited - in CVL - A30200945 - SIP 9 TIME COST ANALYSIS

Transaction period All transactions

		Partner			Manager			Executive		4	Administrator			Total	
	Hrs	Ü		Hrs	G		Hrs	G	r	Hrs	G		Hrs	Ü.	Avg Hrly
Administration and Planning	80	49 20	*	069	3,100 00		20 98	6,166 00	•	11 70	1,889 50	•	39 68	11,204 70	282 52
Creditors							14 00	4,500 00	•	140	112 00		15 40	4,612 00	299 48
Investigations			•			-			•	20	80 00		20	80 00	160 00
Realisation of Assets			1				11 90	3,927 00	•	င္က	24 00		12 20	3,951 00	323 85
Trading			•						•						
Total	80	49 20		06 9	3,100 00		46.88	14,593 00	, '	13 90	2,105 50		92 29	19,847 70	292 91

Total fees billed to date (Time) : £ nil

D An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the liquidator

Rule 4 49E edited for application to a progress report in a creditors' voluntary liquidation

- (1) If
 - (a) within the period mentioned in paragraph (2)
 - (1) a secured creditor, or
 - (11) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or
 - (b) with the permission of the court upon an application made within the period mentioned in paragraph (2), any unsecured creditor makes a request in writing to the liquidator for further information about remuneration or expenses set out in the progress report, the liquidator must, within 14 days of receipt of the request, comply with paragraph (3) except to the extent that the request is in respect of a matter which was previously included in a progress report
- (2) The period referred to in paragraph (1)(a) is 21 days of receipt of the progress report
- (3) The liquidator complies with this paragraph by either -
 - (a) providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) so far as the liquidator considers that
 - (1) the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive, or
 - (ii) disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the liquidation or might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person, or
 - (iii) the liquidator is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in respect of the information,

giving reasons for not providing all of the information

- (4) Any creditor, who need not be the same as the creditor who requested further information, may apply to the court within 21 days of -
 - (a) the giving by the liquidator of reasons for not providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) the expiry of the 14 days provided for in paragraph (1), and the court may make such order as it thinks just
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (4), the order of the court under that paragraph may extend the period of 8 weeks provided for in Rule 4 131(1B) by such further period as the court thinks just

E An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the liquidator's remuneration or expenses if excessive

Rule 4 131

- (1) Any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may apply to the court for one or more of the orders in paragraph (4)
- (1A) Application by a creditor may be made on the grounds that -
 - (a) the remuneration charged by the liquidator,
 - (b) the basis fixed for the liquidator's remuneration under Rule 4 127, or
 - (c) expenses incurred by the liquidator, is or are, in all the circumstances, excessive or, in the case of an application under subparagraph (b), inappropriate
- (1B) The application must, subject to any order of the court under Rule 4 49E(5), be made no later than 8 weeks (or in a case falling within Rule 4 108, 4 weeks) after receipt by the applicant of the progress report or the draft report under Rule 4 49D, which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report")
- (2) The court may, if it thinks that no cause is shown for a reduction, dismiss the application, but it shall not do so unless the applicant has had an opportunity to attend the court for a hearing, of which he has been given at least 5 business days' notice, but which is without notice to any other party

 If the application is not dismissed under this paragraph, the court shall fix a venue for it to be heard, and give notice to the applicant accordingly
- (3) The applicant shall, at least 14 days before the hearing, send to the liquidator a notice stating the venue and accompanied by a copy of the application, and of any evidence which the applicant intends to adduce in support of it
- (4) If the court considers the application to be well-founded, it must make one or more of the following orders -
 - (a) an order reducing the amount of remuneration which the liquidator was entitled to charge
 - (b) an order fixing the basis of remuneration at a reduced rate or amount
 - (c) an order changing the basis of remuneration
 - (d) an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question be treated as not being expenses of the liquidation
 - (e) an order that the liquidator or the liquidator's personal representative pay to the company the amount of the excess of remuneration or expenses or such part of the excess as the court may specify

and may make any other order that it thinks just, but an order under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) may be made only in respect of periods after the period covered by the relevant report

(5) Unless the court orders otherwise, the costs of the application shall be paid by the applicant, and are not payable as an expense of the liquidation

Liquidator's ref DJD/PAM/RJJ/A00945/7 Claimant's ref

Alan Dick & Company Limited - In Liquidation

Creditor's Claim Form Name and address of creditor _____ Amount claimed in the liquidation f Particulars of any security held_____ Value of security £_____ Name and position of signatory (if not personally the creditor) Telephone _____ E-mail_____ Date _____ Please provide appropriate documentation in support of your claim

If you are registered for VAT the amount claimed should include VAT even if VAT bad debt relief has been claimed under the Value Added Tax Act 1994

Please return this form when you have completed it to

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- Deproduing til anmeldelse af fordringer Vær opmærksom på fristerne ↓ "Aufforderung zur Anmeldung einer Forderung Etwaige Fristen beachten!"
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