Administrator's progress report

Name of Company	Company Number
COVTS (Realisations) Limited	01022107
In the	Court case number
High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Companies Court	8124 of 2012
(full name of court)	

(a) Insert full name(s) and address(es) of administrator(s) We (a) David Matthew Hammond of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Cornwall Court, 19 Cornwall Street, Birmingham, B3 2DT, Anthony Steven Barrell of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Cornwall Court, 19 Cornwall Street, Birmingham, B3 2DT, Ian David Green of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Benson House, 33 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1 4JP and Michael John Andrew Jervis of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, 7 More London, Riverside, London, SE1 2RT

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administrator(s) of the above company attach a prog	gress report for the period
from /	to
(b) 30 October 2012	(b) 29 Aprıl 2013
Joint / Administrator(s) Dated 23.5.3.	_

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COVTS (Realisations) Limited (formerly Manganese Bronze Services Limited) – in Administration

High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Companies Court Case No. 8124 of 2012

Joint Administrators' progress report for the period from appointment to 29 April 2013

24 May 2013

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Abbreviations us	ed in this report			
Matthew Hammond	l, Anthony Barrell, Mike .	Jervis and Ian Green	- "the Joint Administrators"	
COVTS (Realisation (formerly Manganes	s) Limited 5e Bronze Services Limite	d)	- "the Company"	
Manganese Bronze	Holdings plc		- "MBH"	,
COVT (Realisations (formerly LTI Limit			- "COVT"	
COVTP (Realisation (formerly Mangane	s) Limited se Bronze Property Servic	ces Limited)	- "COVP"	
The Company COVT COVTP MBH		together	-"the Group"	
Geely Opco UK Lims Geely International Geely Propco UK Lin	(Hong Kong) Limited	together	- "the Buyers" or "Geely"	
Black Horse Taxı Fır	nance		- "BHTF"	
Insolvency Rules 1986 Insolvency Act 1986			- "IR86" - "IA86"	

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Introduction

In accordance with Rule 2 47 IR86, we write to provide creditors with details of the progress of the Administration of the Company in the six months since our appointment. Separate progress reports have been prepared in respect of the other Group companies.

We are required to provide certain statutory information pursuant to Rule 2 47(1)(a) to (d) IR86, which is included in Section 2

At this time, we are unable to provide a reliable estimate of the likely dividend to creditors as there are material uncertainties regarding future net realisations and the final level of creditor claims. These matters are discussed below

Background information and initial actions taken by the Administrators

As at the date of our appointment, the position as regards the Company was as follows -

- It formed part of the Group which produced the distinctive and iconic London taxa cab
- The Company was established for the purpose of operating the Group's vehicle services business segment and its principal activity was providing services associated with the taxi market, including the making of arrangements for hire purchase and loan transactions
- The Company traded as a going concern on the basis of supporting the wider Group However, following a steering fault recall and the suspension of MBH's shares, the Group was unable to secure sufficient funding to continue to trade
- The Company was reliant on the Group and would be subject to a significant contingent pension tund deficit liability, as a result of administration appointments over other Group companies.
 Consequently, the directors placed the Company into administration

Following an initial review, we concluded that the most appropriate strategy was to fix the steering box problem and pursue a sale of the Group's business and assets in order to preserve the value of the Group's and consequently, the Company's assets

Approval of the Administrators' proposals

On 30 November 2012, we circulated to creditors our Proposals for achieving the purpose of Administration The proposals were approved by creditors without modification at a meeting held on 19 December 2012

Realisation of assets

The Company's main asset is a profit share agreement with Black Horse Taxi Finance ("BHTF")

A sale of the Group's business and certain assets to Geely took place on 31 January 2013 No consideration attributable to the Company's assets was received from the Buyers under the sale agreement

However, due to the going concern sale of the Group's business there remains a prospect that value may be obtained in relation to the profit share agreement as it remains a profit generating contract. The ultimate value attributable to this contract will only be known once the level of claims provided for by BHTF have been finalised. We continue to monitor this and liaise with BHTF regarding the level of these provisions and the profitability of the agreement.

Other issues

Although the Company did not directly benefit from the sale consideration of the Group's business, the wider group received a benefit from the administration of the Company. The negotiations with BHTF during the administration helped preserve the goodwill and customer base of COVT and resulted in greater realisations for COVT. As a result, a contribution to the expected total costs of the

Administration, totalling up to £155,109, will be paid from realisations received in COVT. Only £362,48 of this sum has been received to date. Should realisations be received by the Company in relation to the BHTF agreement, the contribution to costs will be refunded to COVT to the extent covered by the realisations.

Receipts and payments account

An account of the receipts and payments in the Administration for the period from appointment to 29 April 2013 is set out in Section 3

Expenses statement

A statement of the expenses we have incurred in the period from appointment to 29 April 2013 is included at Section 4

The statement excludes any potential tax liabilities that may be payable as an expense of the Administration in due course because amounts due will depend on the position at the end of the tax accounting period

Administrators' remuneration

Our remuneration has been approved on a time costs basis by the general body of creditors at a meeting held on 19 December 2012 To 29 April 2013, we have not yet drawn any remuneration in respect of the Company

The time cost charges incurred in the period covered by this report are £114,434. In accordance with the requirements of Statement of Insolvency Practice 9, a full analysis of our time costs and Category 2 disbursements for the period to 29 April 2013 is provided in Section 5.

Also set out in Section 5 are the relevant maximum charge-out rates per hour worked for the grades of the Administrators' staff actually or likely to be involved on this assignment. Time is charged by reference to actual work carried out on the assignment. There has been no allocation of any general costs or overhead costs.

Specialist departments within the Administrators' firm such as Tax, VAT, Property and Pensions may charge a small number of hours if and when the Administrators require their expert advice. Such specialists' rates do vary but the figures below provide an indication of the maximum rate per hour.

All staff who work on this assignment (including cashiers, support and secretarial staff) charge time directly to the assignment and are included within any analysis of time charged. Each grade of staff is allocated an hourly charge out rate which is reviewed from time to time. Work undertaken by cashiers, support and secretarial staff is charged for separately and is not included in the hourly rates charged by partners or other members of staff. Time is charged by reference to actual work carried out on the assignment in six minute units. The minimum time chargeable is three minutes (i.e. o.5 units).

Creditors' rights

An explanatory note giving creditors a statement of their rights in relation to our remuneration and expenses, and their rights to request further information, can be found online at

 $http://www.icaew.com/\sim/media/Files/Technical/Insolvency/creditors-guides/creditors-guide-administrators-fees-final.pdf$

A copy may also be obtained free of charge by telephoning Sarah Corbett, on 0113 289 4014

Pre-Administration costs

We are not currently proposing to seek payment of the unpaid pre-appointment costs detailed in our Proposals

Summary of legal and other professional firms instructed in the period to 29 April 2013

The following table below sets out details of professional firms instructed in the period

Service provided	Name of firm / organisation	Reason selected	Basis of fees
Legal advice	Wragges LLP	Prior knowledge of	Time costs and
<u> </u>		the Company	disbursement

Outcome for creditors

Secured and preferential creditors

The Company has no secured or preferential creditors

Unsecured creditors

The unsecured creditors listed in the directors' statement of affairs are limited to inter-Group creditors. However, we have also received claims from the Board of the Pension Protection Fund, which has taken over the rights of the Manganese Bronze Group Pension Scheme, and from Black Horse Limited.

We are currently unable to comment on whether there will be funds available for distribution to the Company's unsecured creditors. The timing and level of any dividend will be subject to the level of realisations in respect of the BHFT profit share agreement, the final level of unsecured claims and the costs of realisations.

Ending the Administration

We are also considering the most appropriate strategy for bringing the Administration to an end, taking into consideration the cost and tax implications. Creditors will be advised in due course

Next report

We anticipate that we will circulate our next report to creditors at the earlier of the conclusion of the Administration or in approximately six months

Yours faithfully for and on behalf of the Company

Matthew Hammond Joint Administrator

David Matthew Hammond, Anthony Steven Barrell, Ian David Green and Michael John Andrew Jervis have been appointed as joint administrators of the Company to manage its affairs, business and property as its agents without personal liability. All are licensed in the United Kingdom to act as insolvency practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. The joint administrators are Data Controllers of personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP will act as Data Processor on their instructions. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the administration.

Court details for the Administration:	High Court of Justice, Chancery Division,
Court details for the Administration.	Companies Court, County Court 8124 of 2012
Full name:	COVTS (Realisations) Limited
Former name/ Trading name:	Manganese Bronze Services Limited
Registered number:	010022107
Registered address:	Benson House, 33 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1
	4JP
Company directors:	John Kennedy Russell and Peter John Shillcock
Company secretary:	Mark Devin
Shareholdings held by the directors and	None
secretary:	<u> </u>
Date of the Administration appointment:	30 October 2012
Administrators' names and addresses:	David Matthew Hammond and Anthony Steven
	Barrell of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP,
	Cornwall Court, 19 Cornwall Street, Birmingham
	B3 2DT, Ian David Green of
	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Benson House, 33
	Wellington Street, Leeds LS 1 4JP and Michael
	John Andrew Jervis of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, 7 More London Riverside, London SE 1
	2RT
Details of any extension(s) to the initial	None
period of appointment	
Changes in office holder:	None
Appointor's / applicant's name and	Directors of the Company, Holyhead Road,
address:	Coventry, CV5 8JJ
Objective being pursued by the	Paragraph 3(1)(b) Sch B1 IA86 - achieving a
Administrators:	better result for the company's creditors as a
	whole than would be likely if the company was
	wound up (without first being in
	Administration)
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	be done by any of the Administrators acting
	jointly or alone
Proposed end of the Administration:	Should funds be available to distribute to the
	unsecured creditors move to creditors voluntary
	liquidation or should funds not be available to
	distribute to the unsecured creditors move to
	dissolution
Estimated dividend for unsecured	Too early to estimate
creditors:	
Estimated values of the prescribed part and	N/A
the company's net property:	<u> </u>
Whether and why the Administrators	N/A
intend to apply to court under Section	
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The European Regulation on Insolvency	The European Regulation on Insolvency
Proceedings (Council Regulation(EC) No.	Proceedings applies to this Administration and
1346/2000 of 29 May 2000):	the proceedings are main proceedings

3. Receipts and payments account for the period 30 October 2012 to 29 April 2013

Directors' Statement of Affairs Estimated to realise (£)		30 October 2012 to 29 April 2013 (£)
-	Fixed charge receipts realisations	-
-	Fixed charge payments	-
-	Floating charge realisations	
	Contribution to costs	362 48
-	Floating charge payments	
	Bank charges	(362 48)
	Uncharged receipts	
155,731	Receivable from Lloyds Black Horse Finance	-
155,731		
	Balance at bank	 -

4. Expenses incurred in the period

Expenses	30 October 2012 to 29 April 2013 £
Bank Charges Office Holders Fees	362 48 114,434 44
Office Holders Expenses	944 09
Legal Fees	361 44
Total	116,102.45

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Analysis of post appointment time costs for the period 30 October 2012 to 29 April 2013

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5. Analysis of the Administrators' remuneration and Category 2 disbursements for the period

The following is a summary of the key areas of our work on the Administration of the Company, please note time in relation to the Group activities, for the benefit of preserving the value of the Groups assets, have been allocated amongst the Group and not solely recorded against the Company

The main work types charged to in this period are

Strategy & planning

- Attendance on site
- Internal team briefings on case progression and resolution of outstanding issues
- Reviewing forecasts
- Administrator oversight of case progression
- Review of profit share agreement management information
- Liaising with Black Horse Limited regarding the management information and claims

Trading

- Negotiating with the funder for further finance
- Dealing with suppliers for continuance of trade
- Liaising with utility providers and negotiating terms for continued trade for the head office and the 6 dealership sites
- Managing the dealerships and ongoing provision of servicing to customers
- Review of warranty policy and position
- Development and implementation of a goodwill policy in place of warranty

Sale of business

- Involvement in the preparation of information memorandums
- · Liaising with interested parties and contacting potential buyers
- Involvement in coordinating and conducting management presentations to key parties
- · Responding to information requests and buyer queries
- Reviewing security documentation
- Liaising with purchaser and responding to purchaser gueries
- Reviewing sales contracts
- Dealing with post sale matters

Statutory and compliance

- Initial letters and notifications following the appointment of Administrators
- Arranging for the preparation of the statement of affairs
- Preparing the Administrators' statement of proposals
- Updating communications on the website

Tax/VAT/pensions

- Meetings with internal specialists, and advice prepared, to determine necessary actions and responsibilities on Tax, VAT and pension matters
- · VAT team attending Company premises to gather information from Company staff
- Reviewing the existing pension schemes and employee benefit arrangements
- Liaising with Pension Protection Fund ("PPF") regarding the movement of the company pension scheme to the PPF and discussing their claim
- Sending out statutory notices to pension regulators and scheme providers
- Liaising with the independent trustees of the pension scheme
- Submitting post appointment VAT returns

Administrator's progress report

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	(b) 30 October 2012	(b) 29 April 2013
	Signed	
	Joint Amministrator(s)	
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