Registered No: 01363164

Coats Statutory Company No: 133

# A. L. PAUL LIMITED

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2006

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors submit their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2006

## 1 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The company did not trade during the financial year or preceding financial year and received no income and incurred no expenditure. Consequently, during these periods, the company made neither a profit nor a loss and has no recognised gains and losses. There was no movement in shareholders' funds. The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2005 £nil). No change to the company's activities is expected in the foreseeable future.

#### 2 DIRECTORS

The following served as Directors during the year

Massimo Petronio

Roger Bevan (resigned 11 September 2006)
Coats Patons Limited (appointed 11 September 2006)

#### 3 SECRETARY

At the date of this report, the company secretary is Coats Patons Limited

#### 4 DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

None of the directors have any beneficial interest in the shares of the company

#### 5 DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

## 5 DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES (Continued)

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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.

By Order of the Board

Coats Patons Limited

Director

17 August 2007

Registered office

1 The Square Stockley Park Uxbridge Middlesex UB11 1TD

| BALANCE SHEET 31 December 2006                     | Note | 2006<br>£ | 2005<br>£ |
|--|------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>DEBTORS</b> - falling due in more than one year | 8    | 1,000     | 1,000     |
| NET ASSETS   |      | 1,000     | 1,000     |
| SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital | 9    | 1,000     | 1,000     |
| TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS                          |      | 1,000     | 1,000     |

The company is entitled to exemption under Subsection (1) of Section 249AA of the Companies Act 1985 in respect of its accounts for the year ended 31 December 2006. No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 249B(2). The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the company keeps accounting records that comply with Section 221 of the Companies Act 1985. The directors also acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year in accordance with Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of that Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company

Approved by the Board of Directors on 17 August 2007 and signed on their behalf

Coats Patons Limited

Director

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 2006

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounts are prepared on the basis of historical cost and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards

#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Guinness Peat Group plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Guinness Peat Group plc which are publicly available. Consequently the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (Revised 1996). The company is also exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 8 from disclosing related party transactions with entities that are part of the Guinness Peat Group or investees of the Guinness Peat Group

#### 2. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

The company has not traded during the year and has made neither a profit nor loss in the year or the preceding year and accordingly no profit and loss account has been prepared. There were no other recognised gains or losses or movements in shareholders' funds in either year. None of the directors received any emoluments in respect of their services to the company in the current or prior year. There were no employees of the company in either year.

#### 3. **DEBTORS**

|    |   | 2006<br>£ | 2005<br>£ |
|----|---|-----------|-----------|
|    | Amounts falling due in more than one year – amounts due from fellow group undertaking | 1,000     | 1,000     |
| 4. | CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL   |           |           |
|    | Authorised, called up, allotted and fully   |           |           |
|    | paid:-  | 2006      | 2005      |
|    |   | £         | £         |
|    | 1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each  | 1,000     | 1,000     |
|    |   |           |           |

## **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS – 31 DECEMBER 2006 (Continued)**

## 6. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company's ultimate parent company and controlling party is Guinness Peat Group plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales The consolidated accounts of Guinness Peat Group plc can be obtained from its registered office at First Floor, Times Place, 45 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5GP

The company's immediate parent company is I P Clarke & Co Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales The smallest group of which this Company is a member and for which consolidated accounts are prepared is Coats plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales Copies of its accounts are available from the company's registered office, 1 The Square, Stockley Park, Uxbridge, Middlesex UB11 ITD