Reports and Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

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Company Information

Directors

K E Gee
H J L Kappen
E W Brongersma

Secretary K E Gee

Bankers

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Company Registration Number 1668906

Report of the Directors

The directors present their report and the abbreviated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997.

Principal Activity

The principal activity of the company is the import and distribution of commercial vehicle components.

Business Review

A summary of the results of the year's trading is given on page 6 of the abbreviated financial statements.

The directors consider the state of the company's affairs to be satisfactory.

Results and dividends

The profit for the year, after taxation was £146,995.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year, together with their beneficial interests in the issued share capital were as follows:

	Ordinary Shares of £1 each	
	31 December 1997	31 December 1996
K E Gee	1,000	1,000
H J L Kappen	-	-
E W Brongersma	-	-

Directors' Responsibilities

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

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements 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 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.

Report of the Directors (continued)

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985 a resolution proposing the re-appointment of Lyon Pilcher as auditors to the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

By Order Of The Board

K E Gee, Secretary

Auditors' report to Industrial Machinery Supplies Limited under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 6 to 13, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1997 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Section 246A(3) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements 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 full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985 and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 6 to 13 are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

Lyon Pilcher

Registered Auditors

10 July 1008

Southampton

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
Gross profit		1,211,820	946,365
Distribution costs		98,061	75,833
Administrative expenses		720,123	598,433
		818,184	674,266
Operating profit	1	393,636	272,099
Provision against group company loan		110,128	-
Profit on ordinary activities before interest and other income		283,508	272,099
Income from participating interest		50,000	60,352
Interest receivable		8,341	8,977
		341,849	341,428
Interest payable	4	70,094	82,517
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		271,755	258,911
Taxation	5	124,760	90,272
Retained profit for the year	15	£146,995	£168,639

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account.

A separate Statement of Movements on Shareholders' Funds is not provided as there are no changes apart from the profit for the year.

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets Investments	6 7	86,296	111,019
		86,296	111,019
Current assets			
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8 9	646,651 2,163,995 306,329	617,800 1,463,025 156,594
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	3,116,975 (2,061,563)	2,237,419 (1,357,063)
Net current assets		1,055,412	880,356
Total assets less current liabilities		1,141,708	991,375
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	11	(666,000)	(666,000)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	12	(10,198)	(6,860)
Net assets		£465,510	£318,515
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	14 15	10,000 455,510	10,000 308,515
Equity shareholders' funds		£465,510	£318,515

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on: 29 June 1998 and are signed on its behalf by:

E W Brongeruna, Direc

Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The company and its subsidiary comprise a medium group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemption provided by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group financial statements. The financial statements therefore present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by FRS 1 (revised) not to prepare a cash flow statement, as its parent's consolidated financial statements are publicly available.

Turnover

Turnover represents the value, exclusive of Value Added Tax, of goods invoiced in the UK and Eire during the year.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets in equal annual instalments over their estimated useful lives, using the following rates:

Plant and equipment	10% - 20%
Office equipment	10% - 33 1/3%
Motor vehicles	25% - 33 ¹ / ³ %

Stocks

Stocks are stated in the balance sheet at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation arises when items are recognised for tax purposes in periods that differ from the periods in which the items are recognised for accounting purposes. The company provides for deferred taxation at the current rates of tax on timing differences except where it can be reasonably demonstrated that no corporation tax liabilities will arise.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of prevailing at the date of the transaction.

Pension costs

The company makes payments to individual employees personal pension schemes. Contributions payable to the schemes are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

Operating leases

Annual rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Operating profit

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

1	Operating profit	1997 £	1996 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):	~	
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Auditors' remuneration	41,066 8,500	46,757 8,500
	Operating lease rentals – land and building	75,127	69,557
	Profit on sale of fixed assets	-	(2,203)
	Foreign currency gains	(48,624)	
2	Staff costs		
	Staff costs consist of:	1997	1996
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	348,631	293,318
	Social security costs	36,941	25,928
	Other pension costs	18,209	12,971
	Medical insurance	3,464	3,187
		£407,245	£335,404
	The average number of employees (including directors) during the		
	Sales	year was: Number	Number 6
	Sales Administration	year was: Number 5 10	Number 6 7
	Sales	year was: Number	Number 6
	Sales Administration Warehouse	year was: Number 5 10 3	Number 6 7 3
3	Sales Administration Warehouse	year was: Number 5 10 3 3	Number 6 7 3 2
3	Sales Administration Warehouse Technical	year was: Number 5 10 3 3 21	Number 6 7 3 2
3	Sales Administration Warehouse Technical Directors	year was: Number 5 10 3 3	Number 6 7 3 2
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One director was a member of the company's defined contribution pension scheme (1996: one).

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

4	Interest payable			1997	1996
	Interest payable to parent company			£70,094	£82,517
5	Taxation			1997 £	1996 £
	UK Corporation tax Transfer to deferred taxation (Over)/under provision in respect of	f prior years		124,786 - (26)	90,290 (1,750) 1,732
				£124,760	£90,272
6	Tangible fixed assets	Motor Vehicles	Plant and Equipment	Office Equipment	Total
	Cost	£	£	£	£
	At 1 January 1997 Additions in year Disposals	133,975 19,475	71,158 - -	162,330 8,823 (378)	367,463 28,298 (378)
	At 31 December 1997	153,450	71,158	170,775	395,383
	Depreciation				
	At 1 January 1997 Provided	89,467 32,423	48,589 4,250	118,388 15,970	256,444 52,643
	At 31 December 1997	121,890	52,839	134,358	309,087
	Net Book Value				
	At 31 December 1997	£31,560	£18,319	£36,417	£86,296
	At 31 December 1996	£44,508	£22,569	£43,942	£111,019

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7	Fixed asset investments	1997 £	1996 £
	Unlisted investments:		
	Shares in subsidiary At 31 December 1997 and 31 December 1996	1	1
	Provision against investment At 31 December 1997 and 31 December 1996	(1)	(1)
		£-	£-

The company owns 100% of the share capital of ICS Black Box (UK) Limited a company incorporated in England.

8	Stocks	1997	1996
	Finished goods for resale	£646,651	£617,800
9	Debtors	1997 £	1996 £
	Trade debtors Other debtors Due from group companies Prepayments Taxation recoverable	1,892,828 67,843 174,613 28,711 - £2,163,995	1,124,273 106,782 194,710 31,864 5,396 £1,463,025

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

10	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		1997	1996
		£	£
		001.262	266 200
	Trade creditors	801,263	366,388
	Social security and other taxes	310,491	202,188
	Due to holding company	830,551	693,515
	Accruals and deferred income	39,679	26,438
	Due to other group companies	862	-
		1,982,846	1,288,529
	Company to y	78,717	68,534
	Corporation tax		·
		£2,061,563	£1,357,063

11	Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year		
	•	1997	1996
	Due to the parent company	£666,000	£666,000
			2
12	Provision for liabilities and charges		
		1997	1996
			0.6.0.60
	Provision for warranty claims	£10,198	£6,860
13	Deferred taxation		
	There was no deferred tax provided or unprovided at either 31 De	cember 1997 or 3	1 December 1996.
14	Called up share capital		
		1997	1996
	Authorised:		010 000
	10,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	£10,000	£10,000
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	Allotted, issued and fully paid:	£10,000	£10,000
	10,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	210,000	210,000

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 1997

15	Profit and loss account	1997 £	1996 £
	Retained profit at 1 January 1997 Profit for the year	308,515 146,995	139,876 168,639
	Retained profit at 31 December 1997	£455,510	£308,515
16	Commitments	1997	1996
	Capital expenditure Contracted but not provided	£-	£ -
	Pension Pension contributions payable at the balance sheet date	£-	£796
	Operating leases As at 31 December 1997, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:	Land a 1997	nd Buildings 1996
	Operating leases which expire after more than five years	£75,127	£69,557

17 Contingent liability

The company's assets are pledged as guarantee against its ultimate holding company's liabilities.

18 Immediate and ultimate holding company

The company's immediate and ultimate holding company is Pon Holdings BV, a company incorporated in the Netherlands.