Castle Oils Limited

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 01742061 30 September 2008

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Company information

Directors

MR Hewitt PK Meister AM Elliott DJ Tustin

Secretary

PK Meister

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Auditors

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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2008.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is waste treatment and disposal.

Business review

The company trades as Castle Environmental.

2007/8 was another positive year. Although profits were lower than in the prior year, considerable progress has been made in development and commissioning of new plant and processes which treat and wash waste ash to a standard suitable for reuse / recycling. Commercialisation of this project will take place during 2008/9 and is expected to deliver material profits over the coming years. The project marks a significant milestone in the Castle Group's strategy to take advantage of the market opportunities presented by the EU landfill directive and move wastes away from the traditional treatment routes and disposal to landfill.

The Directors remain of the opinion that the company is well positioned to profit from its market position.

Dividends and transfers to reserves

The results for the year are shown in the profit and loss account on page 5.

Dividends of £nil (2007: £2,400,000) were paid during the year.

Market value of land and buildings

In the opinion of the directors there is no significant difference between the present market value of the company's properties and the amounts at which they are stated in the financial statements.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

MR Hewitt

PK Meister

AM Elliott

DJ Tustin

Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG LLP as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

PK Meister

Secretary

Dated: 30-1-09

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the directors' report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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.

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 its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

KPMG LLP

St Nicholas House Park Row Nottingham NG1 6FQ United Kingdom

Report of the independent auditors to the members of Castle Oils Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Castle Oils Limited for the year ended 30 September 2008 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities on page 3.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgments made 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, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2008 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor Dated: 30 James 2009.

Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 September 2008

	Note	2008 £	2007 £
Turnover	2	2,671,325	3,087,581
Cost of sales		(1,422,533)	(1,513,682)
Gross profit		1,248,792	1,573,899
Administrative expenses		(1,099,188)	(1,321,217)
Operating profit	3	149,604	252,682
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(7,982)	(11,685)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		141,622	240,997
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	7	7,372	(84,345)
Profit for the financial year	17	148,994	156,652

In both the current and the preceding year, the company made no material acquisitions and had no discontinued operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses in either the current or the preceding year other than those disclosed in the profit and loss account.

Balance sheet as at 30 September 2008

as at 30 September 2008	Note	£	2008 £	£	2007 £
Fixed assets Intangible assets Tangible assets	9 10		31,928 592,795		41,577 342,490
Current assets Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	569,207 212,973	624,723	2,855,663 481,098	384,067
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	782,180 (439,018)		3,336,761 (2,962,376)	
Net current assets			343,162		374,385
Total assets less current liabilities			967,885		758,452
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14		-		(9,696)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	15		(100,636)		(30,501)
Net assets			867,249		718,255
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Profit and loss account	16 17		162,408 704,841		162,408 555,847
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	18		867,249		718,255

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 30-1-09 and were signed on its behalf by:

MR Hewitt

Director

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements, except as noted below.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost less any residual value over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold buildings

- 2% to 6% on cost

Plant and machinery

- 25% on net book value

Fixtures and fittings

- 25% on net book value

Motor vehicles

- 25% to 35% on net book value

Licences

Costs incurred in the acquisition of site operating licences are capitalised as intangible assets and are amortised on a straight line basis over five years.

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred tax is recognised without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by Financial Reporting Standard 19.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In determining the cost of raw materials, consumables and goods purchased for resale, purchase price is used.

Cash flow statement

Under Financial Reporting Standard 1, the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that the ultimate parent undertaking includes the cash flows of the company in its consolidated cash flow statement.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Classification of financial instruments issued by the company

Under Financial Reporting Standard 25, financial instruments issued by the company are treated as equity (i.e. forming part of shareholders' funds) only to the extent that they meet the following two conditions:

- a) they include no contractual obligations upon the company to deliver cash or other financial assets or to exchange financial assets or financial liabilities with another party under conditions that are potentially unfavourable to the Company; and
- b) where the instrument will or may be settled in the company's own equity instruments, it is either a non-derivative that includes no obligation to deliver a variable number of the company's own equity instruments or is a derivative that will be settled by the company's exchanging a fixed amount of cash or other financial assets for a fixed number of its own equity instruments.

To the extent that this definition is not met, the proceeds of issue are classified as a financial liability. Where the instrument so classified takes the legal form of the company's own shares, the amounts presented in these financial statements for called up share capital and share premium account exclude amounts in relation to those shares.

Finance payments associated with financial liabilities are dealt with as part of interest payable and similar charges. Finance payments associated with financial instruments that are classified as part of shareholders' funds (see dividends policy), are dealt with as appropriations in the reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds.

Dividends on shares presented within shareholders' funds

Dividends unpaid at the balance sheet date are only recognised as a liability at that date to the extent that they are appropriately authorised and are no longer at the discretion of the company. Unpaid dividends that do not meet these criteria are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

2 Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities, entirely within the United Kingdom, stated net of value added tax.

3 Operating profit

		. 2008	2007
		£	£
Operating profit is stated after (e	crediting)/charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed as	sets - owned assets	77,596	45,377
-	- leased assets	17,655	59,636
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed	assets	(5,419)	(14,773)
Hire of plant and machinery	- rentals payable under operating leases	40,140	20,660
Hire of other assets	- rentals payable under operating leases	18,346	21,904
Auditors' remuneration:			
- audit of these financial stateme	nts	5,500	4,000
			

4 Directors and employees

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year (including directors), analysed by category was as follows:

	2008	2007
	Number	Number
Office and management	4	4
Operations and sales	5	5
	9	9
	£	
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
Wages and salaries	223,934	219,760
Social security costs	25,751	24,613
	249,685	244,373
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5 Remuneration of directors		
	2008	2007
	£	£
Director's emoluments	71,750	63,185

Director's remuneration is recharged from Castle Waste Services Limited, the immediate parent company. The above emoluments are in respect to the management of the affairs of the company.

6 Interest payable and similar charges

2008	2007
£	£
Hire purchase interest 7,982	11,685

7 Taxation

Analysis of charge in period	2008	2007
	£	£
UK corporation tax		
Current tax on income for the period	(45,310)	66,017
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(32,197)	5,843
Total current tax	(77,507)	71,860
Deferred tax (see note 15)		
Origination/reversal of timing differences - current year	71,455	(697)
- prior year	(1,320)	13,182
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(7,372)	84,345
Factors affecting the tax charge for the current period		
The current tax charge for the period is lower (2007: lower) than the stand	dard rate of corporation tax i	n the UK of
29% (2007: 30%). The differences are explained below.		
	2008	2007
Current tax reconciliation	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	141,622	240,997
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Current tax at 29% (2007: 30%)	41,070	72,299
Effects of:		0.00
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	421	829
Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation Marginal rate tax adjustment	(74,913)	530
Additional tax credit for research and development	(13,350)	(7,641)
Depreciation on ineligible assets	1,462	-
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(32,197)	5,843
Total current tax charge (see above)	(77,507)	71,860
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8 Dividends		
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	2008 £	2007 £
Dividends paid in respect of the current year	•	2,400,000
	•	2,700,000

9 Intangible assets

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Cost: At 1 October 2007 Additions					48,243
At 30 September 2008					48,243
Accumulated amortisation: At 1 October 2007 Charge for year		·			6,666 9,649
At 30 September 2008					16,315
Net book value: At 30 September 2008					31,928
At 30 September 2007					41,577
10 Tangible fixed assets	Freehold buildings £	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost: At 1 October 2007 Additions Disposals	205,620 17,000	339,027 380,645 (158,402)	44,272 1,065	371,168 4,024 (196,098)	960,087 402,734 (354,500)
At 30 September 2008	222,620	561,270	45,337	179,094	1,008,321
Accumulated depreciation: At 1 October 2007 Charge for year Disposals	115,706	231,722 42,337 (156,011)	39,742 1,790	230,427 39,958 (141,311)	617,597 95,251 (297,322)
At 30 September 2008	126,872	118,048	41,532	129,074	415,526
Net book value: At 30 September 2008	95,748	442,900	3,805	50,342	592,795
At 30 September 2007	89,914	107,305	4,530	140,741	342,490

The net book value of plant and machinery and motor vehicles includes £30,762 (2007: £37,679) and £nil (2007: £123,827) respectively in relation to assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts. Depreciation charged on these assets during the year totalled £17,655 (2007: £19,032) and £nil(2007: £51,093) respectively.

11	Stocks		
		2008 £	2007 £
Finished	goods and goods for resale	-	-
			
12	Debtors		
12	Deptors	2000	2002
		2008 £	2007 £
m J. J.	alas a	410.050	(16.800
Trade de	entors s owed by group companies	412,059 68,614	616,808 2,221,404
Prepaym		56,337	17,451
	tion taxation	32,197	•
	·	569,207	2,855,663
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13	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2008	2007
		£	£
Obligati	ons under finance leases and hire purchase contracts (note 14)	7,612	76,338
Trade cr		261,053	270,139
	s owed to group companies	128,928	2,513,520
	xation and social security tion taxation	31,520	9,455 32,197
	s and deferred income	9,905	60,727
		439,018	2,962,376
14	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
		2008	2007
		£	£
Obligati	ons under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	-	9,696
Obligati	ons under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are repayable		4
	rying periods by monthly instalments as follows:		76.335
	than one year to two years	7,612	76,338 9,696
	to five years	-	9,090 -
		7 612	86,034
		7,612	00,034

15 Provisions for liabilities and charges

Deferred tax		£
At beginning of year Charge to the profit and loss account		30,501 70,135
At end of year		100,636
	2008 £	2007 £
The elements of deferred taxation are as follows: Difference between accumulated depreciation and capital allowances	100,636	30,501
16 Called up share capital		
	2008 £	2007 £
Authorised Ordinary shares of £1 each	171,908	171,908
Allotted, called up and fully paid Ordinary shares of £1 each	162,408	162,408
17 Profit and loss account		
		£
At beginning of year Profit for the year Dividends		555,847 148,994
At end of year		704,841
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18 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2008	2007
	£	£
Profit for the financial year Dividends	148,994 -	156,652 (2,400,000)
Net increase/(reduction) in shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	148,994 718,255	(2,243,348) 2,961,603
Closing shareholders' funds	867,249	718,255

19 Commitments

Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2008			2007	
	Land and buildings £	Other £	Land and Buildings £	Other £	
Operating leases which expire: Within one year In the second to fifth years inclusive		- -	-	11,277	
	-	· -	-	11,277	

The company had £18,708 (2007:£nil) capital commitments outstanding at the end of the financial year.

20 Contingent liabilities

The company has guaranteed the bank loans and overdraft of its ultimate holding company. The amount outstanding at the year end was £7,826,838 (2007: £7,826,838).

21 Ultimate parent company and controlling party

The company's immediate parent company is Castle Waste Services Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

The ultimate parent company and only group in which the results of the company are consolidated is Hillbridge Investments Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

The consolidated financial statements of Hillbridge Investments Limited are available to the public and may be obtained from Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF14 3UZ.

The ultimate controlling party is Bridgepoint Capital Limited.

22 Related party disclosures

The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in Financial Reporting Standard 8 which applies to subsidiary undertakings and has not disclosed details of transactions with group companies which are included in the consolidated financial statements of Hillbridge Investments Limited.