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# Statement of administrator's proposals

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## Joint Administrators' Report and Statement of Proposals

Wagon Services Limited - In Administration

23 January 2009





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#### WAGON SERVICES LIMITED - IN ADMINISTRATION

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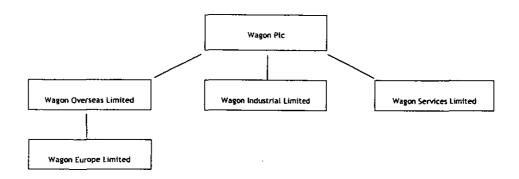
#### 1 Statutory Information

- 1.1 The registered number of Wagon Services Limited (the Company) is 01957932.
- 1.2 The trading address of the Company is 3500 Parkside, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham, B37 7YG.
- The registered office of the Company has been changed from 3500 Parkside, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham, B37 7YG to c/o Zolfo Cooper, Wellington Plaza, 31 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1 4DL.
- 1.4 Details of the Company's directors and secretary are as follows:

	Date appointed	Date resigned	Shares held
Director(s)		-	
David Thomas Bessant	7 February 2008	•	-
Kulbir Singh Kandhola	13 July 2008		•
Richard John Cotton	24 June 2005	31 October 2008	-
Jonathon David Jowett	1 April 2005	•	-
Secretary			
Jonathon David Jowett	1 April 2005	-	•

#### 2 Background to the Administration

- 2.1 The Company was incorporated on 12 November 1985. The Company provides a support service to its parent company, Wagon Plc (Plc).
- 2.2 The Company, along with Plc, Wagon Industrial Limited (Industrial), Wagon Europe Limited (Europe) and Wagon Overseas Limited (Overseas) form the group of Wagon Companies that are based in the UK and have entered into formal insolvency proceedings (the UK Group). The UK Group is part of an international structure of approximately 55 companies operating throughout Europe and parts of Asia.
- 2.3 The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Plc. The structure of the UK Group is outlined in the diagram overleaf.



- The Group had been underperforming against budget since the refinancing that took place in August 2008. Future performance for the Group was forecast to be well below that of previous years as a result of drops in demand for products by the groups' customers. In November 2008, the Group had a liquidity crisis and made an immediate short term cash call on its stakeholders (shareholders, lenders and customers). It was forecast that this cash crisis would continue for much of 2009, given the forecast downturn in sales.
- 2.5 The Group therefore required significant capital injection in order to realign its capital structure with the current and future business performance. Lengthy discussions were held with the stakeholders; however, no further funding was provided. Immediate steps were taken to place the various companies within the Group into a formal insolvency process.
- 2.6 The Company provided a support function to Plc and therefore held numerous employee and service contracts. A formal insolvency appointment was required over this company in order to deal with these contracts and mitigate ongoing liabilities as quickly as possible.
- 2.7 As a result, A P Beveridge, S J Appell and S C E Mackellar, licensed insolvency practitioners, were appointed Joint Administrators of the Company on 8 December 2008.
- 2.8 A P Beveridge, S J Appell and S C E Mackellar are all licensed by the Insolvency Practitioners Association.
- 2.9 The Administration is registered in the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Companies Court under reference number 10968 of 2008.
- 2.10 The EC Regulation on Insolvency Proceedings 2000 apply to the Administration. The proceedings are main proceedings as defined by Article 3 of the Regulation. The Company is based in the United Kingdom.
- 2.11 The Joint Administrators act jointly and severally, so that all functions may be exercised by either Administrator.

- 2.12 The Joint Administrators must perform their functions with the purpose of achieving one of the following objectives:
  - rescuing the Company as a going concern;
  - achieving a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely
    if the Company were wound up (without first being in Administration); or
  - realising property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors.

Further information on the pursuance of the above objectives is detailed in the next section.

#### 3 Administration Strategy and Objective

- 3.1 The first objective under the new Administration regime is based on the survival of the existing Company through a Company Voluntary Arrangement (CVA) or a Scheme of Arrangement under Section 425 of the Companies Act. This objective could not be achieved since a CVA would have required the support and involvement of the existing management and Directors, and a significant cash injection into the Group and this further funding was not available.
- 3.2 The Joint Administrators therefore decided to pursue the second objective of achieving a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Company were wound up without first being in Administration.
- 3.3 The Joint Administrators are proposing in Section 6.1 that they continue to manage the affairs of the Company.

This work will include:

- Conclusion of the realisation of the Company's assets.
- Dealing with statutory reporting and compliance obligations.
- Conducting investigations into the conduct of the directors of the Company and reporting to the Department for Business, Enterprise & Regulatory Reform (BERR) pursuant to the Company Directors Disqualification Act.
- 3.4 This Company provides support services to other entities in the Group and does not trade.

  It held a number of senior employee contracts, the majority of which have now been

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terminated. A small number of these employees have been retained in order to assist the Joint Administrators. In addition, this Company was responsible for re-charging the central costs to the other Group Companies. This process is continuing to ensure all pre and post re-charges are submitted.

- The Company does not hold any physical assets. According to the Director's Statement of Affairs, detailed in Appendix A, the Company is owed approximately £2,359,000 from inter-company debtors. However, given the financial position of the other companies within the Group, it is likely that only a small proportion of this amount will be collectable.
- The other 4 companies in the UK Group were also placed into Administration on 8

  December 2008. Since then 15 further companies in the group have filed for French and German insolvency proceedings.
- 4 Administrators' Receipts and Payments
- 4.1 There have been no receipts and payments for the Administration period.
- 5 Financial Position
- 5.1 Attached as Appendix A is a summary of the Directors' Estimated Statement of Affairs of the Company as at the date of the appointment of the Joint Administrators.
- 6 Proposals

It is proposed that the Joint Administrators continue to manage the affairs of the Company in order to achieve the objective of the Administration. In the circumstances it is proposed that:

- 6.1 The Joint Administrators will continue to manage the Company in order to achieve the intended objective detailed in paragraph 3.2.
- 6.2 If having realised the assets of the Company, the Joint Administrators think that a distribution will be made to the unsecured creditors, they propose filing a notice with the Registrar of Companies which will have the effect of bringing the appointment of the Administrators to an end and will move the Company automatically into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation (CVL) in order that the distribution can be made. In these circumstances, it is proposed that the Joint Administrators will become the Joint

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- Liquidators of the CVL. See Section 7 below on Exit Routes for further information on this process.
- 6.3 If the Joint Administrators think that the Company has no property which might permit a distribution to its creditors, they will file a notice with the Court and the Registrar of Companies for the dissolution of the Company. See Section 7 below on Exit Routes for further information on this process.
- The Joint Administrators shall do all such other things and generally exercise all of their powers as contained in Schedule 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986, as they consider desirable or expedient to achieve the statutory purpose of the Administration.
- The creditors consider establishing a Creditors' Committee and that if any such Committee is formed they be authorised to sanction the basis of the Joint Administrators' remuneration and any proposed act on the part of the Joint Administrators without the need to report back to a further meeting of creditors generally, to include any decision regarding the most appropriate exit route from the Administration.
- 6.6 Where no Creditors' Committee is appointed, the remuneration of the Joint Administrators shall be fixed by reference to time properly spent by them and their staff in managing the Administration.
- 6.7 The Joint Administrators be authorised to draw remuneration as and when funds are available on account of their time costs.
- 6.8 The Joint Administrators' will be discharged from liability under Paragraph 98 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 immediately upon their appointment as Administrators ceasing to have effect.

#### 7 Exit Routes

#### **Creditors Voluntary Liquidation**

7.1 Based on present information, the Joint Administrators think that it is unlikely that a dividend will be paid to the unsecured creditors. However, if funds become available, the Administrators will file a notice with the Registrar of Companies in order that the Administration will cease and the Company will move automatically into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation (CVL). It is proposed that the Joint Administrators will also become the Joint Liquidators of the CVL.

7.2 Creditors have the right to nominate an alternative Liquidator of their choice. To do this, creditors must make their nomination in writing to the Administrators prior to these proposals being approved. Where this occurs, the Administrators will advise creditors and provide the opportunity to vote. In the absence of a nomination, the Joint Administrators will automatically become the Joint Liquidators of the subsequent CVL.

#### Dissolution of the Company

7.3 If the Joint Administrators think that the Company has no property which might permit a distribution to its creditors, we propose filing a notice together with our final progress report at Court and with the Registrar of Companies for the dissolution of the Company. We shall send copies of these documents to the Company and its creditors. The appointment will end following the registration of the notice by the Registrar of Companies.

#### 8 Administrators' Remuneration

- The Joint Administrators' time costs at 16 January 2009 are £7,055.50. This represents 23.30 hours at an average rate of £303 per hour. A copy of "A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' fees can be downloaded from the Insolvency Practitioners Association Website (www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk select "Technical" "Creditors Guides to Fees" and then the Administration Guide). If you would prefer this to be sent to you in hard copy please contact us and we will forward a copy to you. We have also attached as Appendix B a Time Analysis which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade to the above date. We propose drawing fees in accordance with the proposals outlined above.
- 8.2 Attached as Appendix C is additional information in relation to our policy on staffing, the use of sub-contractors, disbursements and details of our current charge-out rates by staff grade.
- 8.3 A description of the work performed under the main activity codes in Appendix C as per the provisions of Statement of Insolvency Practice No. 9 are as follows:

#### Administration and Planning

The time recorded here reflects the statutory duties of the Joint Administrators including initial notifications to creditors. In addition, it covers the time spent formulating the strategy of the Administration and internal meetings.

#### Investigations

The time recorded here details the time spent completing the Directors conduct investigation. This is a confidential report submitted to the Insolvency Service.

#### Creditors

Time recorded here has been incurred in ongoing correspondence with creditors and employees, including telephone calls.

#### 9 Estimated Outcome

- 9.1 As the level of realisations is uncertain, the Joint Administrators do not propose to include an Estimated Outcome Statement.
- 9.2 The Company does not have any secured creditors.
- 9.3 Based on the directors' Estimated Statement of Affairs attached to this report, the estimated value of the preferential creditors is £36,000 and the unsecured trade creditors is nil. According to the Statement of Affairs inter-company creditors total approximately £4,273,000. It is uncertain whether there will be sufficient funds to enable a distribution to preferential creditors.

#### 10 Next Report

10.1 The Joint Administrators are required to provide a progress report within one month of the end of the first six months of the Administration.

#### 11 Meeting of Creditors

11.1 The Joint Administrators think that the Company has insufficient property to enable a distribution to be made to the unsecured creditors. In accordance with Paragraph 52 (1) (b) of Schedule B1 of The Insolvency Act 1986 an initial meeting of the Company's creditors is therefore not being convened. The Administrators are however obliged to hold an initial creditors' meeting if 10% in value of the creditors request it. If you wish for a meeting to be held, you must notify us in writing in the prescribed form on or before 9 February 2009.

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For and on behalf of Wagon Services Limited

A P Beveridge Joint Administrator

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Summary of the Directors' Statement of Affairs of the Company as at 8 December 2008

Appendix A

#### Statement of affairs

Name of Company
Wagon Services Limited

Company number
01957932

In the High Court of Justice Chancery Division Companies Court Court case number 10968 of 2008

(a) Insert name and address of registered office of the company

Statement as to the affairs of (a) Wagon Services Limited, 3500 Parkside, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham, B37 7YG

on the (b) 8 December 2008, the date that the company entered administration.

(b) Insert date

#### Statement of Truth

I believe that the facts stated in this statement of affairs are a full, true and complete statement of the affairs of the above named company as at (b) 8 December 2008 the date that the company entered administration.

Full name Signed

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Dated \_\_\_\_

23-DEC-08

# A-Summary of Assets (SEE BALANCE SHEET ATTACHED FOR MORE DETAIL)

Assets	Book	Estimated to
Assets subject to fixed charge:	Value £ @	Realise £
Assets subject to floating charge:  Inter-group recharges receivable  Uncharged assets:	2,359	
Estimated total assets available for preferential creditors	2,359	

Stat Date 23-DEC-08

### A1 – Summary of Liabilities

	Book to realise
Estimated total assets available for preferential	2000
creditors (carried from page A)	1 £
iabilities	£ 2,359
Preferential creditors:-	(36)
stimated deficiency/surplus as regards preferential creditors	2,32 <b>3</b> £
Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (to carry forward)	£ (468)
Stimated total assets available for floating charge holders	1,855 £
Debts secured by floating charges	£ —
Sstimated deficiency/surplus of assets after floating charges	1,855 £
stimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (brought down)	£ 468
otal assets available to unsecured creditors	2,323 :
Insecured non-preferential claims (excluding any shortfall to floating charge olders)	(4273)
Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards non-preferential creditors excluding any shortfall to floating charge holders)	(1,950)
hortfall to floating charge holders (brought down)	£
Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards creditors	(1,950):
ssued and called up capital	£ -
Estimated total deficiency/surplus as regards members	(1950)

Date 23-DEC-08

Summary of transactions since draft Financial statements drawn up to 31 March 2008

					Salaries		Removas of	Œ	•	Removal of	Costs			
	At 31 March	Reciss to	Mgt charges trf to Pic -	Recisse ext assets /	Or PALL	Reversal of bonus	satury & expenses for	Expenses Dr I-co Pic	Jurgen Von Hevden	salary & expenses for	recharged to	Group		At 6 December
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	7.597	(3,052)	(4,026)	(516)	9	0	0	0		0		2,359	°	2,359
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade Creditors Accusis & Other Cra	(1,223) (1,163)			1,223										9000
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	(2,406)			2,406	0	0	0		9			0	9	0
NET WORKING CAPITAL TRADING ASSETS	5,187 5,187	(3,042) (3,042)	(4,026) (4,026)	1,687	0.0	••	00		• •	• •		2,358	0 0	2,358
Bank Overdrif/Cred & Cash	-			€										•
Inter Group Loans Payable - Wagon pic	(6,441)	3,052	4,026	(1,886)	(2,331)	1,109	116	8	=	22	(2,003)	C	(36)	(4,308)
BALANCE SHEET TOTAL	(1,240)	°	0	0	(2,331)	1,109	. 118	7	٤	12	(2,003)	2,359	(36)	(1,950)
Share Capies & Reserves Profit for YTD BALANCE SHEET TOTAL	(1,248)	6	0	0	(2331)	1,108	116	2 2	===	77	(2,003)	2,359	(36)	(1,248) (702) (1,850)

Š	Wagon Services Limted - Preferential Creditors	imted - Prefe	rential Credito	ors		
	Full Name	Salary/Rate of pay (£)	Number of Holldays due (as at 8 Dec 08)	Contract with	Outstanding Salary	Outstanding Holiday
-	Rory Baker Johnson	84660.00	10 days	Wagon Services Ltd	829'13	£3,256
2	David Bessant	99450.00	7.5 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£1,912	£2,869
	David Carruthers	00:00009	4 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£1,154	£923
4	Jacquie Coombes	42000.00	6 days	Wagon Services Ltd	8083	6963
2	Claire Diston	40400.00	8 days	Wagon Services Ltd	22.23	E932
9	Frances Fielding	26529.00	8 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£510	2816
	Roy Gault	37473.00	5 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£721	£72 <u>1</u>
	Mrs Helen Gibbs	29687.04	0 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£27	60
	John Holmes	9000000	3.5 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£1,154	8083
10		45150.00	0 days	Wagon Services Ltd	8983	03
5	Jonathan Jowett	160062.00	13.5 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£3,078	£8,311
=		25000.00	3 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£481	£288
12	Neil Patterson	48645.12	9 days	Wagon Services Ltd	£835	£1,684
55	Sarah Walker	24000.00	4 days	Wagon Services Ltd		£369
	TOTAL				£14,515	£21,947

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# COMPANY CREDITORS

Note: You must include all creditors and identify all creditors under hire-purchase, chattel leasing or conditional sale agreements and customers claiming amounts paid in advance of the supply of goods or services and creditors claiming retention of title over property in the company's

possession.	NO EXTERNAL CREDITARS	EDITOR			•
Name of creditor or Claimant	Address (with postcode)	Amount of debt £	Details of any security held by creditor	Date security given	Value of security £
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Signature

# COMPANY SHAREHOLDERS

Name of Shareholder	Address (with postcode)	No. of	Nominal	Details of Shares held
		shares held	Value	
WAGON PCC	SSOO PREVIOE, BIRMINGHAN BUSINED PARK, BIRMINGHAN, 637749	7	22	Ordinary Share
				)
	TOTALS	7	22	

23-DEC-08 Date\_\_

## Time Analysis for the Period from 8 December 2008 to 16 January 2009

Appendix B

Classification	Partner / Director hrs	Senior . Associate . hrs	Associate/ Analyst Hrs	Junior Analyst/S upport	Total hrs	Time/ £	
Admin & planning	0.30	3.50	7.50	5.10	16.40	4,868.50	297
Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	137.00	274
Creditors	0.00	0.20	6.20	0.00	6.40	2,050.00	320
GRAND TOTAL	0.30	3.70	14.20	5.10	23.30	7,055.50	303

### Additional Information in Relation to Administrators' Fees Pursuant to Statement of Insolvency Practice 9

Appendix C

#### 1 Policy

Detailed below is Zolfo Cooper's policy in relation to:

- staff allocation and the use of sub-contractors;
- professional advisors; and
- disbursements.

#### 1.1 Staff Allocation and the use of Sub-contractors

Our general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case.

The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a Partner, a Senior Associate, an Associate and an Analyst. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and the experience requirements of the assignment. On larger, more complex cases, several staff at all grades may be allocated to meet the demands of the case. Our charge out rate schedule below provides details of all grades of staff and their experience level.

With regard to support staff, we would advise that time spent by cashiers in relation to specific tasks on an assignment is charged. Only if there is a large block of time incurred by a member of the secretarial team, eg, report compilation and distribution, do we seek to charge and recover our time in this regard.

We have not utilised the services of any sub-contractors in this case.

#### 1.2 Professional Advisors

On this assignment we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

Name of Professional Advisor	Basis of Fee Arrangement
Clifford Chance (legal advice)	Hourly rate and disbursements
Willis (insurance)	Risk based premium

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Our choice was based on our perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of our fee arrangement with them.

#### 1.3 Disbursements

Category 1 disbursements do not require approval by creditors. The type of disbursements that may be charged as a Category 1 disbursement to a case generally comprise of external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and external printing, room hire and document storage. Also chargeable will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case.

Category 2 disbursements do require prior approval by creditors before they are paid and whilst it is unlikely that any Category 2 disbursements will be incurred on the case, appropriate approval will be sought before any such expenses are paid.

#### 2 Charge-out Rates

A schedule of Zolfo Cooper charge-out rates for this assignment effective from 1 January 2009 is detailed below.

	(Per hour) £
Partner/Director:	
Partner 1*	690
Partner 2*	620
Director	515
Senior Associate:	
Senior Associate 1*	465
Senior Associate 2*	400
Associate/Analyst:	
Associate	320
Analyst*	290
Junior Analyst and Support Staff:	
Junior Analyst*	205
Senior Treasury Associate	230
Treasury Associate	155
Treasury Analyst	95
Support	85
*Key	
Partner 1 - Partners with 3 or more years experience at partner level	
Partner 2 - Partners with less than 3 years experience at partner level	
Senior Associate 1 - Staff who have been Senior Associates for over 2 years	
Senior Associate 2 - Staff who have been Senior Associates for less than 2 years	
Analyst - Staff who have been Analysts for more than 1 year	
Junior Analyst - First year Analysts	