

Company Registration No. 2038664 (England and Wales)

SOIL INSTRUMENTS (HOLDINGS) LIMITED
ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO SOIL INSTRUMENTS (HOLDINGS) LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 5, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2003 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 247B 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 are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of audit opinion

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

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.


Knill James

25 October 2004

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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Lewes
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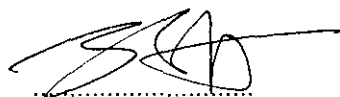
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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2003

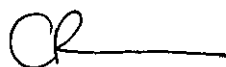
	Notes	2003 £	£	2002 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2	687,922		634,768	
Investments	2	300,000		300,000	
		<u>987,922</u>		<u>934,768</u>	
Current assets					
Debtors		-		694	
Cash at bank and in hand		-		2,711	
		<u>-</u>		<u>3,405</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(505,974)</u>		<u>(421,728)</u>	
Net current liabilities		<u>(505,974)</u>		<u>(418,323)</u>	
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>481,948</u>		<u>516,445</u>	
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	3	46,500		46,500	
Revaluation reserve		109,505		112,798	
Other reserves		15,500		15,500	
Profit and loss account		310,443		341,647	
Shareholders' funds		<u>481,948</u>		<u>516,445</u>	

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 25/10/2004



J H C Scott
Director



C P Rasmussen
Director

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of freehold land and buildings and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which assumes that the group of which it is a member will receive financial support from its bankers and debenture loan note holders. The directors have no reason to believe that this support will not continue for the foreseeable future.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represented management fees charged to its trading subsidiary for services provided.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets other than freehold land are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land and buildings Freehold	4% straight line on buildings only
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance

1.4 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.5 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

No provision has been made for deferred tax on gains recognised on revaluing property to its market value as the company does not intend to sell the revalued assets.

1.6 Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company and its subsidiary undertaking comprise a small-sized group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemptions provided by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2003

2 Fixed assets

	Tangible assets £	Investments £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2003	695,000	300,000	995,000
Additions	86,243	-	86,243
At 31 December 2003	781,243	300,000	1,081,243
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2003	60,232	-	60,232
Charge for the period	33,089	-	33,089
At 31 December 2003	93,321	-	93,321
Net book value			
At 31 December 2003	687,922	300,000	987,922
At 31 December 2002	634,768	300,000	934,768

Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies:

Company	Country of registration or incorporation	Shares held Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings			
Soil Instruments Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary £1 shares	100
Rock Instruments Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary £1 shares	100

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

	Capital and reserves 2003 £	Profit for the year 2003 £
Soil Instruments Limited	699,793	(200,718)
Rock Instruments Limited	200	-

The nature of each company's business is detailed below.

Soil Instruments Limited - manufacture of geotechnical equipment
Rock Instruments Limited - dormant

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3	Share capital	2003 £	2002 £
	Authorised		
	62,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	62,000	62,000
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	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	46,500 Ordinary shares of £1 each	46,500	46,500
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4 Ultimate parent company

The ultimate parent company is ITM-Soil Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.