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COOKING VINYL LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 1997



NEWMAN & COMPANY Chartered Accountants

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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTOR:

M GOLDSCHMIDT

SECRETARY:

R G K HODGSON (RESIGNED 20.3.98) S C M JOSEPH (APPOINTED 26.3.98)

REGISTERED OFFICE:

REGENT HOUSE 1 PRATT MEWS LONDON NW1 0AD

AUDITORS:

NEWMAN & COMPANY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

REGENT HOUSE 1 PRATT MEWS LONDON NW1 0AD

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The director presents his report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company are record production and distribution.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The director is disappointed with the company's results for the year, but confident that the results for the forthcoming year will be improved.

RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account. The director does not recommend the payment of a dividend.

FIXED ASSETS

Details of changes in the fixed assets are shown in the attached financial statements.

DIRECTOR

The director who served during the year and his interests in the ordinary shares of the company both at the beginning and end of the year was as follows:

M GOLDSCHMIDT

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AUDITORS

A resolution will be submitted at the annual general meeting proposing that Newman & Company be reappointed auditors and that their audit fee for the ensuing year be agreed with the director.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

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M GOLDSCHMIDT

CHAIRMAN

5 October 1998

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF

COOKING VINYL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out in note 2.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described in note 1 the company's director is responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards 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 judgements made by the director 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.

Fundamental Uncertainty

In forming our opinion we have considered the level of support given by the company's director and creditors. As stated in note 2 the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which assumes that level of support to continue. The continuation of the company's activities is ultimately dependent on its future profitable trading. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result in the company being unable to continue trading. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 December 1997, and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

NEWMAN & COMPANY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS AND REGISTERED AUDITORS

Regent House 1 Pratt Mews London NW1 0AD

5 October 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

	Note	1997 £	1996 £
TURNOVER - CONTINUING OPERATIONS		1,038,216	1,209,465
COST OF SALES		818,743	829,757
GROSS PROFIT		219,473	379,708
OPERATING EXPENSES		309,401	376,218
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	3	(89,928)	3,490
INTEREST PAYABLE & SIMILAR CHARGES	4	5,367	40
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(95,295)	3,450
TAXATION	5	(1,389)	458
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		(93,906)	2,992
RETAINED PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD		13,657	10,665
ACCUMULATED (LOSS)/RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		(80,249)	13,657

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1997

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FIXED ASSETS	Note	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	6		17,601		15,244
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock Debtors Cash at bank	7 8	137,826 190,398 474		94,986 282,598 494	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	9	328,698 426,448		378,078 379,565	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)			(97,750)		(1,487)
			(80,149)		13,757
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	10		100 (80,249)		100 13,657
SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS - (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	,		(80,149)		13,757

M GOLDSCHMIDT

) DIRECTOR

Approved by the board on 5 October 1998

OTHER STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

	1997 £	1996 £
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(93,906)	2,992
Total recognised (losses)/gains for the year	(93,906)	2,992
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NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFIT AND LOSSES

There is no material difference between the reported (loss)/profit for 1997 and 1996 and the (loss)/profit for those years restated on an historical cost basis.

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS

(Loss)/profit for the financial year	(93,906)	2,992
Opening shareholders funds	13,757	10,765
Closing shareholders funds - (deficit)/surplus	(80,149)	13,757
		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

1. STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 those financial statements the director is required to:

- (i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (iii) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The director is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable the director to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The director is 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.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, and on a going concern basis, the validity of which is dependent on the continuing support of the company's director and creditors.

As the company falls within the definition of a 'small company', it is not required to provide a cash flow statement.

(b) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on the reducing balance method in order to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives at the following rates:

Furniture, fixtures & equipment

25% reducing balance

(c) Stocks

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

(d) Turnover

Turnover represents invoiced sales excluding value added tax.

3.	OPERATING PROFIT	1997	1996
		£	£
	After charging:		
	Depreciation	5,868	5,081
	Auditors remuneration	4,500	5,000
	Director's remuneration	39,144	37,931

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4.	INTEREST PAYABLE & SIMILAR CHAR	RGES	1997	1996
			£	£
	Interest on bank loans & overdrafts wholly	<i>(</i>		
	repayable within five years		1,216	40
	Other interest		4,151	_
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			5,367	40
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5.	TAXATION			
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	Corporation tax payable		-	1,389
	Overprovision in previous year		(1,389)	(931)
			(1,389)	458
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6.	TANGIBLE ASSETS	Furniture, Fixtures		
		and Equipment		
		£		
	COST	-		
	At 1 January 1997	41,103		
	Additions	8,225		
	Additions	0,223		
	AT 31 December 1997	40.222		
	AT 31 December 1997	49,328		
				
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1 January 1997	25,859		
	Charge for the year	5,868		
	AT 31 December 1997	31,727		
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	AT 31 December 1997	17,601		
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	AT 31 December 1996	15,244		
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7.	STOCK		1007	4006
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			£	£
	Finished goods & goods for resale		137,826	94,986

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8.	DEBTORS	1997	1996
		£	£
	Trade debtors	66,912	162,767
	Other debtors	13,542	20,374
	Prepayments	109,944	99,457
		190,398	282,598
			
9.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE		
	WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Bank overdrafts	35,296	4,492
	Trade creditors	305,281	239,924
	Corporation tax	-	1,389
	Other taxation & social security	48,869	15,371
	Other creditors	30,942	43,913
	Accruals	6,060	74,476
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		426,448	379,565
10.	The bank overdraft was secured by a mortgage debenture over the co	ompany's fixed and floa	ting assets.
	Authorised, Issued and Fully Paid:		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
11.	EMPLOYEE INFORMATION		
	The average number of persons employed by the company including	director during the yea	r was 8 (1996: 6).
	Their total remuneration was:		
	Wages & salaries	139,858	100,719
	Social security costs	11,801	9,487
		151,659	110,206