Automotive Distributors Limited

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 2231185 30th April 2003

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Directors and advisers

Directors

C D Jeffries – Chairman

M A R Hookway – Managing Director

M J Boutcher – Operations Director

S Nagiri – Non-Executive Director

N D Taylor – Finance Director

Y Haji – Non-Executive Director

D R Ambrose – Sales Director

M G Northeast – Purchasing Director (Appointed 22nd November 2002)

Company Secretary

N D Taylor

Registered Office

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Auditors

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Registered Number

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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30th April 2003.

Principal activities

The company's principal activity during the year was the import and distribution of motor components for Japanese and Far Eastern cars within Europe.

Business review

The directors are pleased to report continued improvement in the trading results for the 2002-03 financial year.

Dividend proposed and paid

The directors recommend that no ordinary dividend be paid and the retained profit for year of £378,320 (2002; Profit £147,644) be credited to reserves.

Preference dividends were declared in respect of the year to 30th April 2003 as follows:

'B' Cumulative Redeemable	5,933
`C' Cumulative Redeemable	11,047
'D' Cumulative Redeemable	16,755
	33,735

Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year and their beneficial interests in the company's issued share capital were as follows:

	Class of share	Interest at end of year	Interest at start of year or date of appointment
C D Jeffries	Ordinary	34,327	34,327
M A R Hookway	Ordinary	12,758	12,758
M J Boutcher	Ordinary	7,993	7,993
S Nagiri	Ordinary	· -	· -
N D Taylor	Ordinary	500	500
Y Haji	Ordinary	6,432	6,432
D R Ambrose	Ordinary	,	· -
M G Northeast	Ordinary	-	-

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Directors' report (continued)

As at 30th April 2003 the following options were held by the Director's of the company.

	Ordinary Shares	Option Price
N D Taylor	600	£12.93
D R Ambrose	400	£12.93
M G Northeast	400	£12.93

Mr M A R Hookway was Sales Director until 22^{nd} November 2002. He was appointed to Managing Director from that date.

Mr M Northeast was appointed to the board on the as Purchasing Director on 22nd November 2002.

Political and charitable contributions

The company made no political contributions during the year. Donations to UK charities amounted to £1,641.

Movements in share capital

In accordance with the Articles of the company the following redeemable preference shares held by TMY Corporation were redeemed during the year.

Class of Share	Number of shares	Nominal value	Date of redemption
'B' Cumulative Redeemable 'C' Cumulative Redeemable	71,875 131.875	£31,250 £81,505	30 th April 2003 30 th April 2003
'D' Cumulative Redeemable	136,800	£78,171	31 st October 2002

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Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 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

N D Taylor Company Secretary 9 Wheelbarrow Park Pattenden Lane Marden Kent TN12 9QJ

2nd August 2003

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors 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 for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then 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 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.



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Report of the independent auditors to the members of Automotive Distributors Limited

pursuant to section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 6 to 22 together with the financial statements of Automotive Distributors Limited prepared under section 226 of Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 30 April 2003.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 5 the company's directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with section 246A(3) 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 section 246A(3) 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 opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does 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 accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985 and the abbreviated accounts are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

KPMG LLP

KPMV-LLP

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor 4 August 2003

Profit and loss account for the year ended 30th April 2003

Gross profit Selling and distribution costs Administrative costs	Note	2003 £ (4,183,914) (2,114,389)		2002 £ (3,355,084) (1,936,714)	£ 5,747,718
Operating profit	2		(6,298,303) 853,390		(5,291,798) 455,920
Interest receivable Interest payable	5		45 (241,456)		1,085 (208,685)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation			611,979		248,320
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	ī	(199,924)		(60,000) –
Profit/(loss) for the financial year Dividends paid and proposed	7	7	412,055 (33,735)		188,320 (40,676)
Retained profit for the year			378,320		147,644

The company had no other gains or losses other than the profit for the years stated above, all of which was from continuing operations

No note of the historical cost profit and loss is given as there are no differences between the results as set out in the profit and loss account and their historical equivalents.

The notes on pages 9 to 22 form part of the financial statements.

Balance sheet at 30th April 2003

at 30 th April 2003					
•	Note	2003 £	£	2002 £	£
Fixed assets		-	-	-	_
Intangible assets	8		301,815		339,615
Tangible assets	9		791,968		476,388
			1,093,783		816,003
Current assets			•		-
Stocks	11	4,586,048		3,732,978	
Debtors	12	5069,546		4,346,871	
Cash at bank and in hand		19,413		73,221	
		9,675,007		8,153,070	
Creditors: amounts falling due within				·	
one year	13	(8,931,586)		(7,509,288)	
Net current assets			743,421		643,782
Total assets less current liabilities			1,837,204		1,459,785
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year	14		(242,463)		(42,895)
Net assets			1,594,741		1,416,890
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	18		470,242		670,712
Capital redemption reserve	19		853,963		663,037
Profit and loss account	19	•	270,536		83,142
Total Shareholders' funds			1,594,741		1,416,890
					
Analysis of Shareholders' funds			1 100 055		040 500
Equity			1,188,822		810,502
Non-equity			405,919		606,388
			1,594,741		1,416,890

The notes on pages 9 to 22 form part of the financial statements.

The accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part V11 of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium companies.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on the 2^{nd} August 2003 and were signed on its behalf by:

M A R Hookway Managing Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 30th April 2003

	Note	2003 £	2002 £
Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash flow from operating activities		_	_
Operating profit Depreciation charges Amortisation charges Loss on sale of fixed assets (Increase)/decrease in stocks Increase in debtors Increase in creditors Unrealised exchange (gain)/loss on re-valuation of		853,390 184,557 37,800 1,124 (853,070) (722,675) 182,684	455,920 194,073 37,699 2,866 (422,453) (1,124,551) 763,659
preference shares Investment in subsidiary written off		(13,402) -	(13,607) -
Net cash inflow from operating activities		(329,592)	(106,394)
Cash flow statement		**************************************	
Cash flow from operating activities Returns on investments	22	(329,592)	(106,394)
and servicing of finance Taxation (paid)/refund Capital expenditure and financial investment	22 22	(279,756) (90,114) (54,341)	(237,636) 18,191 (69,821)
Cash (outflow)/inflow before management of liquid		<u> </u>	
resources and financing	-	(753,803)	(395,660)
Financing	22	(371,627)	(244,560) ———
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		(1,125,430)	(640,220) ———
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	23		
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		(1,125,430)	(640,220)
Decrease in loans New finance leases		189,167 (446,919)	79,564 (115,569)
Decrease/(Increase) in net debt Net debt as at 1 st May 2002		(1,383,182) (2,418,898)	(676,225) (1,742,673)
Net debt as at the 30 th April 2003		(3,802,080)	(2,418,898)

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's 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. The company is exempt by virtue of s228/s248 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare group accounts. These financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Goodwill

Purchased goodwill (both positive and negative) arising on business combination in respect of acquisitions before 1 January 1998, when FRS 10 *Goodwill and intangible assets* was adopted, was written off to reserves in the year of acquisition. When a subsequent disposal occurs any related goodwill previously written off to reserves is written back through the profit and loss account as part of the profit or loss on disposal.

Purchased goodwill (representing the excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the separable net assets acquired) arising on business combinations in respect of acquisitions since 1 January 1998 is capitalised. Positive goodwill is amortised to nil by equal annual instalments over 10 years.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Freehold Buildings - 2% per annum straight line

Leasehold land and buildings - over the lease term
Plant and machinery - 25% straight line
Motor vehicles - 33% reducing balance

Office equipment - 12.5% - 25% per annum straight line

Fixtures and fittings - 10% per annum straight line Computer equipment - 20%-50% straight line

No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction or, if hedged forward, at the rate of exchange under the related forward currency contract. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

Leases

Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised and the outstanding future lease obligations are shown in creditors. Operating lease rentals are charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

1 Accounting policies (continued)

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, a FIFO basis is used.

Taxation

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 FRS 19.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax) derived from the provision of goods and services to customers.

2 Operating profit

- Factorial Production		
	2003	2002
	£	£
The operating profit is stated after charging /crediting:	_	-
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Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
owned assets	129,851	164,872
assets held under finance leases and hire purchase	54,706	29,201
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	1,124	2,866
Exchange (profits)/losses	(105,276)	19,313
Audit remuneration:	25,435	15,321
other professional services	4,500	4,000
Operating lease rentals:		
land and buildings	414,158	380,332
plant and equipment	2,737	93
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3 Directors and employees		
	2003	2002
	£	£
Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:		
Wages and salaries	2,326,919	1,979,203
Social security costs	221,786	195,245
Other pension costs	195,178	195,969
outer perision codes	155,176	10,000
	2,743,883	2,370,417
The average number of employees, including directors, during the year was	s as follows:	
the area generally and properly and an according and year than	2003	2002
	2003	2002
Administration	55	53
Distribution	35 35	29
Piod (QddQ)	35	29
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	90	82

4 Directors' remuneration

	2003 £	2002 £
Aggregate emoluments Pension contributions	680,924 103,020	500,046 128,267
	783,945	628,313

The highest paid director's emoluments were £257,211 (2002:£201,085) along with pension contributions of £25,500 (2002:£56,438)

Retirement benefits were accruing to directors under pension schemes as follows:

	Number	Number
Defined contribution pension scheme	6	4
		
5 Interest payable and similar charges		
	2003	2002
	£	£
Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts	135,841	117,358
Interest payable on deferred payments for shipped goods	90,786	83,799
Finance leases and hire purchase contracts	14,829	7,528
	241,456	208,685
	241,430	200,000

6 Taxation

	2003 £	2002 £
UK Corporation Tax Current tax on income for the year Adjustments in respect of prior years	170,000 29,924	60,000
Tax provision on ordinary activities	199,924	60,000

The current tax charge for the year is at the standard company rate of 30% (2002: 20%) The reconciliation of tax is explained below:

Current tax reconciliation	2003 £	2002
Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities before tax	611,979	248,320
Current tax at 30% Expense not deductible for tax purposes Capital allowances for the year in excess of depreciation charge Group Relief claimed Marginal Relief Adjustment to tax charge in respect of previous periods	183,593 74,825 (79,314) (9,104) 29,924	49,664 10,071 265
	199,924	60,000

The company has a deferred tax asset of £1,817 as at 30^{th} April 2003 relating to depreciation charged in excess of capital allowances. This has not been recognised in the financial statements as the amount is not significant.

7 Dividends and other appropriations

Net book value 30th April 2003

Net book value 30th April 2002

	2003 £	2002 £
Non equity and equity dividends		
'B' redeemable preference shares 'C' redeemable preference shares 'D' redeemable preference shares	5,933 11,047 16,755	10,106 20,511 10,059
Total dividends paid and proposed	33,735	40,676
8 Intangible fixed assets		
Goodwill		£
Cost At beginning and end of year		377,314
Amortisation At beginning of year Charge for year		37,699 37,800
Total Amortisation		75,499

301,815

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	•	vehicles 6	Furniture and equipment	Fixture and fittings	Computer equipment	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
At beginning of year Additions	42,987 -	284,379 24,153	170,224 49,899	270,025 70,923	434,046 177,459	496,724 194,331	1,698,385 516,765
Disposals		(1,500)	(34,714)	-	-	(123,542)	(159,756)
At end of year	42,987	307,032	185,409	340,948	611,505	567,513	2,055,394
Depreciation At beginning of year Charge for year	38,522 396		67,286 35,655		330,556 25,344	400,552 80,449	1,221,997 184,557
Disposals		(1,404)	(18,488)	•	-	(123,236)	(143,128)
At end of year	38,918	3 206,338	84,453	220,052	355,900	357,765	1,263,426
<i>Net book value</i> At 30 April 2003	4,069	100,694	100,956	120,896	255,605	209,748	791,968
At 30 April 2002	4,46	5 95,618	102,938	73,705	103,490	96,172	476,388

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase have an original cost of £511,723 (2002: £263,724) and a net book value of £412,567 (2002: £109,986). Depreciation charged for the year on these assets was £54,706 (2002: £29,201)

10 Investments in subsidiaries

Pacific Autoparts NV is a dormant subsidiary of Automotive Distributors Limited. The investment held in Pacific Autoparts NV was written off in the financial year ending 30 April 2000. Pacific Autoparts NV is currently in the process of being liquidated in accordance with Belgian law.

	Pacific Autoparts NV
Shareholding % in subsidiaries	99.99%
Capital and reserves @ 30 April 2003	402
Pre-tax profit for the year to 30 April 2003	4,590

11 Stocks

11 Stocks		
	2003 £	2002 £
Goods held for resale	4,586,048	3,732,978
12 Debtors		
	2003 £	2002 £
Trade debtors	4,534,696	3,908,425
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	•
Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	123,686 411,164	104,839 333,607
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	5,069,546	4,346,871
		
13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	2003 £	2002 £
Invoice discounting and overdrafts	3,475,922	2,404,300
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	108,546	44,924
Trade creditors	4,286,352	4,222,255
Corporation tax	170,000	60,191
Taxation and social security Preference dividends	206,172 11,762	170,780 16,372
Accruals and deferred income	672,832	590,466
	8,931,586	7,509,288
		

The finance leases and hire purchase contracts are secured on the assets concerned.

The bank overdraft and invoice discounting facilities are secured by a fixed and floating charge over all of the company's assets.

14 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	2003 £	2002 £
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	242,463	42,895
15 Analysis of borrowings		2007
	2003 £	2002 £
Bank borrowings Obligations under hire purchase and finance lease	3,475,922 351,009	2,404,300 87,819
	3,826,931	2,492,119
Analysis of bank borrowings		=======================================
Debt can be analysed as falling due:		
In one year or less, or on demand	3,475,922	2,404,300
16 Obligations under hire purchase and finance leases		
	2003 £	2002 £
Obligations under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are analysed between amounts payable:		
In the next year In the second to fifth years inclusive	108,546 242,463	44,924 42,895
	351,009	87,819

18 Called up share capital

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Authorised		
Equity: 114,750 Ordinary shares of £1 each	114,750	114,750
Non-Equity		
659,750 'A' cumulative redeemable preference shares of £1 each	659,750	659,750
310,000 'Y' cumulative redeemable preference shares of 100 JPY each	183,432	183,432
575,000 'B' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	340,237	340,237
1,055,000 'C' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	624,260	624,260
684,000 'D' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	380,000	380,000
	2,302,429	2,302,429
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Allotted, called up and fully paid		
Equity: 64,323 Ordinary shares of £1 each Non-equity	64,323	64,323
71,875 'B' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	38,851	79,861
131,875 'C' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	71,284	146,528
547,200 'D' cumulative preference shares of 100 JPY each	295,784	380,000
	470,242	670,712
		

Non-equity shares - rights

1) Redemption – The remaining 'B' and 'C' redeemable preference shares are to be redeemed in 1 remaining instalment on the 30th April 2004.

The 'D' redeemable preference shares are being redeemed in 5 equal annual instalments commencing 30th October 2002 and ending on 31st October 2006.

2) Dividends - 'B' @ 7.5% p.a. payable on a six monthly basis

'C' @ 7.5% p.a. payable on a six monthly basis

'D' @ 5.0% p.a. payable on the 31st October each year

19 Reserves

At beginning of year	Capital Redemption reserve £ 663,037	Profit and loss account £ 83,142
Premium on share issues, less expenses Transfer in respect of redemption of 'B' 'C' and 'D' class redeemable preference shares Retained profit for the year	190,926	(190,926) 378,320
At end of year	853,963	270,536

20 Commitments

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

2003	2002
Land and	Land and
buildings	buildings
£	£
464,000	388.829

Operating leases which expire: Over five years

The company's lease of land and buildings are subject to rent review every 5 years.

21 Pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the company to the scheme and amounted to £195,178 (2002:£195,969).

22 Analysis of cash flows

	2003 £	2002 £
Returns on investment and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid Preference dividend paid Interest element of finance lease rentals payment	45 (226,627) (38,345) (14,829)	1,086 (201,157) (30,037) (7,528)
	(279,756)	(237,636)
Capital expenditure and financial investment Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Proceeds from the sale of tangible fixed assets	(69,846) 15,505	(107,555) 37,734
	(54,341)	(69,821)
Financing Redemption of preference shares and ordinary shares Capital element of finance lease rentals payments	(182,460) (189,167) ————————————————————————————————————	(164,996) (79,564) ————————————————————————————————————
	(371,627)	(244,56

23 Analysis of net debt

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	At beginning of year	Cash flow	Other non cash Changes	At end of year
	£	£	£	£
Cash and at bank	73,221	(53,808)		19,413
Bank overdrafts	(2,404,300)	(1,071,622)		(3,475,922)
	(2,331,079)	(1,125,430)		(3,456,509)
Finance leases	(87,819)	189,167	(446,919)	(345,571)
Total	(2.419.909)	(036 363)	(446,919)	(3,802,080)
Iotai	(2,418,898)	(936,263)	(440,313)	(3,602,060)

24 Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2003 £	2002 £
Profit for the financial year Dividends	412,055 (33,735)	188,320 (40,676)
Transfers to reserves Revaluation of preference shares	378,320 (190,926) (9,543)	147,644 (163,161) (15,442)
Increase/(decrease) in the shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	177,851 1,416,890	(30,959) 1,447,849
Closing shareholders' funds	1,594,741	1,416,890

25 Related party disclosures

TMY Corporation are the holders of all the redeemable preference shares in Automotive Distributors Limited. During the year Automotive Distributors Limited had the following transactions with the TMY Corporation.

	2003	2002
	£	£
Purchases from TMY Corporation	7,681,268	6,735,949
Commissions, Advertising Support received	107,342	100,865
Preference dividends paid and proposed	33,735	40,676
Preference share redemption	190,926	112,734
Preference share issue	-	398,682
Ordinary share buy back	-	50,427

26 Foreign Currency Hedging

At 30 April 2003 the company had outstanding forward foreign currency contracts amounting to USD 495,084 and JPY 624,179,641 at a cost of £3,611,885 (2002: £3,492,947). The forward contracts were entirely held to meet foreign currency liabilities outstanding at 30 April 2003.