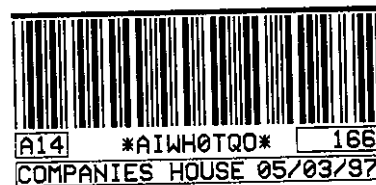


BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 1996

Registered number: 2496385



BARBER HARRISON & PLATT

Chartered Accountants

Sheffield

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ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED

(pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985)

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the period ended 31 December 1996.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page 2 and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

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 financial statements 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 under sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the period ended 31 December 1996, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Other information

On 17 February 1997 we reported, as auditors of the company, to the members on the financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the period ended 31 December 1996, and our audit report was as follows:

'We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 12 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, the company's directors are 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.

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED**(continued)****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 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 error or other irregularity. 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 of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 1996 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.'

Barber Harrison & Platt

BARBER HARRISON & PLATT
Chartered Accountants and
Registered Auditors

Sheffield

17 February 1997

BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED**ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET****AT 31 DECEMBER 1996**

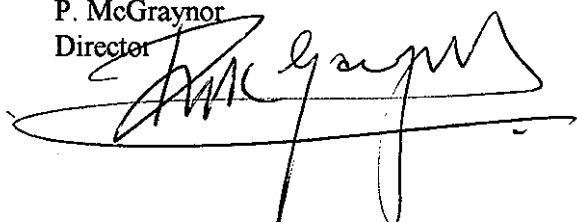
	Note	1996 £	1995 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	55,469	30,523
Current assets			
Stocks		38,760	51,026
Debtors		271,490	151,283
Cash in hand		649	70
		<u>310,899</u>	<u>202,379</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	3	<u>(334,349)</u>	<u>(230,361)</u>
Net current liabilities		<u>(23,450)</u>	<u>(27,982)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>32,019</u>	<u>2,541</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due payable after more than one year	3	<u>(26,112)</u>	<u>(19,557)</u>
		<u>5,907</u>	<u>(17,016)</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	4	100	100
Profit and loss account		5,807	(17,116)
Equity shareholders' funds		<u>5,907</u>	<u>(17,016)</u>

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the basis that the company qualifies as a small company.

In the preparation of the company's annual financial statements, the directors have taken advantage of special exemptions applicable to small companies under Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 were approved by the board of directors on 17 February 1997 and signed on its behalf by:

P. McGraynor
Director



BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996****1 Accounting policies****Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Sections 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is provided on a straight line basis at the following annual rates calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives:

Motor vehicles	20% - 25%
Plant and equipment	10% - 33%

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Assets which are financed by leasing and similar arrangements that give rights approximating to ownership are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. Outstanding obligations under such agreements net of interest are included as liabilities within creditors. Interest is charged to the profit and loss account using the sum of the digits method.

Operating lease rentals are charged to profit and loss account as incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the price at which the stock could be realised in the normal course of trade.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided for using the liability method in respect of all timing differences to the extent that it is anticipated that the tax will be payable in the foreseeable future.

BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996****2 Fixed assets**

	Tangible fixed assets £
Cost	
1 July 1995	40,205
Additions	45,273
Disposals	(811)
31 December 1996	<u>84,667</u>
Depreciation	
1 July 1995	9,682
Charge for period	19,516
31 December 1996	<u>29,198</u>
Net book amount	
31 December 1996	<u><u>55,469</u></u>
1 July 1995	<u><u>30,523</u></u>

3 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	1996 £	1995 £
Bank overdraft (secured)	72,270	69,746
Loan from associated undertaking	2,380	6,692
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	14,837	7,606
Other creditors	244,862	146,317
	<u>334,349</u>	<u>230,361</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
Loan from associated undertaking	10,000	10,000
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	16,112	9,557
	<u>26,112</u>	<u>19,557</u>

BAPP INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES (MANSFIELD) LIMITED**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996****4 Called up share capital**

	1996 £	1995 £
Authorised		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

5 Contingent liabilities

The company has an agreement to cross guarantee the bank overdrafts of the various companies in which the directors Mr. P. McGraynor, Mr. D.G. Cook and Mr. B.M. Cook have a material interest.