Abbreviated Accounts

for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

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Company Information for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

DIRECTORS:

M P Willcock D R Giles R Sadler A T Gittins J N Lamond

SECRETARY:

A F S Hughes

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Welsh Bridge Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8LA

REGISTERED NUMBER:

02536213 (England and Wales)

AUDITORS:

Turner Peachey

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

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Report of the Directors for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

The directors present their report with the accounts of the company for the period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008.

CESSATION OF TRADING

The company ceased trading on 30 September 2007.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the period under review was that of agricultural market operators in the county of Shropshire.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the period and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed accounts.

Halls 2008 Limited (formerly Halls Holdings Limited) is part of the Halls group of companies that was sold to Humberts Plc on 4 September 2007. During spring 2008 Humberts Plc began experiencing financial difficulties which led the directors that had previously owned the Halls group to enter negotiations to buy back these companies. The re-purchase was completed on 28 May 2008.

Following the sale to Humberts Plc it was decided that as of 1 October 2007 that all trading would be reported through one of the other group members, Halls Auctioneers Ltd. This will continue following the re-acquisition.

DIVIDENDS

No dividends will be distributed for the period ended 30 September 2008.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 May 2007 to the date of this report.

M P Willcock

D R Giles

R Sadler

A T Gittins

J N Lamond

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

N Hyne - resigned 8 July 2008

S M Ziff - appointed 4 September 2007 - resigned 20 May 2008

N R Cartwright - appointed 4 September 2007 - resigned 4 June 2008

M C Nower - appointed 2 April 2008 - resigned 4 June 2008

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to 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 these 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;
- 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 are 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.

Report of the Directors for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M P Willcock - Director

12 June 2009

Report of the Independent Auditors to Halls 2008 Limited Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages five to thirteen, together with the financial statements of Halls 2008 Limited for the period ended 30 September 2008 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to it in a special auditors' 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, for our 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 246A 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 abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2006/3 "The Special Auditor's Report on Abbreviated Accounts in the United Kingdom" issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts are properly prepared.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 246A(3) of the of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

Turner Peachey
Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors
Column House
London Road
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
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12 June 2009

Abbreviated Profit and Loss Account for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

		Period 1.5.07 to 30.9.08	Year Ended 30.4.07
GROSS PROFIT	Notes	£ 188,342	£ 537,893
GROSSINOTI		100,342	331,073
Administrative expenses		212,503	465,105
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	3	(24,161)	72,788
Interest payable and similar charges	4	517	
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTI	VITIES		
BEFORE TAXATION		(24,678)	72,788
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	5	4,238	32,982
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL AFTER TAXATION	L PERIOD	(28,916)	39,806

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

All of the company's activities were discontinued during the current period.

Per the Directors Report all trading activities have been transferred to a sister company Halls Auctioneers Limited.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the current period and the profit for the previous year.

Abbreviated Balance Sheet 30 September 2008

		30.9.0	8	30.4.0	7
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		-		93,511
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CURRENT ASSETS	-	272 507		227.227	
Debtors	7	272,596		336,337	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	4,239		132,575	
,					
NET CURRENT ASSETS			268,357		203,762
					
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			<u>268,357</u>		297,273
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	9		98,000		98,000
Share premium	10		74,966		•
			,		74,966
Capital redemption reserve	10		12,000		12,000
Profit and loss account	10		83,391		112,307
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	13		268,357		297,273
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These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 June 2009 and were signed on its behalf by:

M P Willcock - Director

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Cash Flow Statement for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

		Period 1.5.07	
		to 30.9.08	Year Ended 30.4.07
	Notes	£	£
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	1	(66,555)	15,168
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	2	(517)	-
Taxation		(17,813)	(15,168)
Capital expenditure	2	84,885	
Increase in cash in the period			<u>-</u>
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	3		
Increase in cash in the period		<u></u>	<u></u>
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows			<u></u>
Movement in net debt in the period Net debt at 1 May		<u>-</u>	
Net debt at 30 September		<u> </u>	

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT TO NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

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Cash at bank and in hand

		Period	
		1.5.07	
		to	Year Ended
		30.9.08	30.4.07
		£	£
Operating (loss)/profit		(24,161)	72,788
Depreciation charges		8,626	22,222
Increase in debtors		(51,020)	(79,842)
merease in debiors		(31,020)	(12,042)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(66,555)	15,168
ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTE	D IN THE CASH	FLOW STAT	EMENT
		Period	
		1.5.07	
		to	Year Ended
		30.9.08	30.4.07
		£	£
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		-	~
Interest paid		(517)	_
morest paid		(317)	
Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of	of finance	(517)	_
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Capital expenditure			
Sale of tangible fixed assets		84,885	
			
Net cash inflow for capital expenditure		84,885	-
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT			
			At
	At 1.5.07	Cash flow	30.9.08
	£	£	£
Net cash:			

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings

- 25% on cost,

10% on cost and

4% on cost

Motor vehicles

- 25% straight line

Following the conclusion that from 1 October 2007 all trading will be reported through sister company Halls Auctioneers Limited (see directors report), the fixed assets have been transferred across at their net book value at 30 September 2007.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

2. STAFF COSTS

	Period	
	1.5.07	
	to	Year Ended
	30.9.08	30.4.07
	£	£
Wages and salaries	59,758	168,777

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

3. **OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT**

The operating loss (2007 - operating profit) is stated after charging:

	Hire of plant and machinery Other operating leases Depreciation - owned assets	Period 1.5.07 to 30.9.08 £ 232 71,056 8,626	Year Ended 30.4.07 £ 473 134,740 22,222
	Directors' emoluments		
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES Interest on corporation tax	Period 1.5.07 to 30.9.08 £ 517	Year Ended 30.4.07 £
5.	TAXATION		
	Analysis of the tax charge The tax charge on the loss on ordinary activities for the period was as follows: Current tax:	Period 1.5.07 to 30.9.08 £	Year Ended 30.4.07 £
	UK corporation tax Over/under provision for earlier years	4,238	17,814 15,168
	Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	4,238	32,982

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

5. TAXATION - continued

Factors affecting the tax charge

The tax assessed for the period is higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The difference is explained below:

			Period 1.5.07 to 30.9.08 £	Year Ended 30.4.07 £
	(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before tax		<u>(24,678</u>)	72,788
	(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities			
	multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax			
	in the UK of 20% (2007 - 30%)		(4,936)	21,836
	Effects of:			
	Depreciation		1,725	6,667
	Entertainment		323	2,333
	Legal and professional		400	-
	Balancing charge		6,726	-
	Capital allowances		-	(5,126)
	Marginal relief		-	(7,896)
	Under provision in earlier years			15,168
	Current tax charge		4,238	32,982
6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			
		Fixtures		
		and	Motor	
		fittings	vehicles	Totals
	COCT	£	£	£
	COST	101.506	10.200	150.004
	At 1 May 2007	131,526	19,398	150,924
	Disposals	(131,526)	<u>(19,398</u>)	(150,924)
	At 30 September 2008	·		
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1 May 2007	46,905	10,508	57,413
	Charge for period	6,605	2,021	8,626
	Eliminated on disposal	<u>(53,510</u>)	<u>(12,529</u>)	<u>(66,039</u>)
	At 30 September 2008			
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 30 September 2008	-		<u>-</u>
	At 30 April 2007	84,621	8,890	93,511

Following the conclusion that from 1 October 2007 all trading will be reported through sister company Halls Auctioneers Limited (see directors report), the fixed assets have been transferred across at their net book value at 30 September 2007.

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

7.	DEBTORS:	AMOUNTS FALLING DUE	E WITHIN ONE	YEAR		
					30.9.08	30.4.07
		11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1			£	£
	Other debtors	ed by group undertakings			272,596	179,009
	Oniei debioi:	S			<u>-</u>	157,328
					272,596	336,337
8.	CREDITOR	S: AMOUNTS FALLING D	UE WITHIN ON	E YEAR	20.000	20.405
					30.9.08 £	30.4.07 £
	Tax				4,239	17,814
	Other credito	rs			<u>-</u> _	114,761
					4,239	132,575
9.	CALLED U	P SHARE CAPITAL				
	Authorised:					
	Number:	Class:		Nominal	30.9.08	30.4.07
	1 000 000	Ordinami		value:	£	£
	1,000,000	Ordinary		£1	1,000,000	1,000,000
		ed and fully paid:				
	Number:	Class:		Nominal	30.9.08	30.4.07
	98,000	Ordinary		value: £1	£	£
	90,000	Ordinary		LI	98,000	98,000
10.	RESERVES					
			Profit		Capital	
			and loss	Share	redemption	
			account	premium	reserve	Totals
			£	£	£	£
	At 1 May 200)7	112,307	74,966	12,000	199,273
	Deficit for the		(28,916)			(28,916)
	A+ 20 Camt	.h 2009	92.201	74.066	12.000	150.255
	At 30 Septem	1061 2008	<u>83,391</u>	<u>74,966</u>	<u>12,000</u>	170,357

11. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company is a subsidiary of Halls Participations Limited, a company registered in England & Wales. During September 2007 the entire issued share capital of Halls Participations Limited was acquired by Humberts Group Plc, but then reacquired during May 2008. The buy back of the shares in May 2008 was facilitated by the incorporation of a new company Pinedeck Limited, a company also registered in England & Wales.

Pinedeck Limited has since changed its name to Halls Holdings Limited and it is the ultimate parent company of Halls 2008 Limited (formerly Halls Holdings Limited).

12. **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The company's bankers hold a debenture and an unlimited inter company composite guarantee in respect of all companies in the Halls group.

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Period 1 May 2007 to 30 September 2008

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Halls Participations Limited which is the immediate controlling entity. The ultimate controlling entity as at 30 September 2008 was Halls Holdings Limited (formerly Pinedeck Limited).

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from the requirement to disclose transactions with group companies on the grounds that consolidated financial statements are prepared by the parent company. These financial statements will be publicly available from Companies House in Cardiff.

13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

(Loss)/Profit for the financial period	30.9.08 £ _(28,916)	30.4.07 £ 39,806
Net (reduction)/addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	(28,916) 297,273	39,806 257,467
Closing shareholders' funds	268,357	297,273