# **BILLBOARD POSTERS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

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### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**Directors** 

L.A. Barrow

B. M. Dix

Secretary

B. M. Dix

Company number

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8 St Andrews Way

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**Auditors** 

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009.

#### Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of lithographic printing.

Turnover for the year was £9,415,409, a decrease of 10% on the prior year (2008 - £10,467,244).

For a review of the group performance please see the financial statements of the ultimate parent company, Augustus Martin Limited.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5.

The directors do not recommend payment of an ordinary dividend.

#### **Directors**

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2008:

L.A. Barrow

B. M. Dix

#### **Taxation status**

The company was a close company within the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 and this position has not changed since the end of the financial year.

#### **Auditors**

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Goodman Jones LLP be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

#### 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;
- state whether applicable UK 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

#### Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board

L.A. Barrow

Director 28/1/2010

B.M. Dix

Director

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

### TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BILLBOARD POSTERS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Billboard Posters Limited for the year ended 31 March 2009 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 235 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 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 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' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF BILLBOARD POSTERS LIMITED

#### Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2009 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Goodman Jones LLP

28 January 2010

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

29/30 Fitzroy Square London W1T 6LQ

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

	Notes	2009 £	2008 £
Turnover	2	9,415,409	10,467,244
Cost of sales		(8,001,705)	(9,010,752)
Gross profit		1,413,704	1,456,492
Administrative expenses		(1,357,487)	(1,441,809)
Operating profit	3	56,217	14,683
Other interest receivable and similar			
income	4	17	41
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(2,799)	(1,845)
Profit on ordinary activities before			
taxation		53,435	12,879
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	(19,044)	(8,922)
Profit for the year	13	34,391	3,957

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

## **BALANCE SHEET**

## **AS AT 31 MARCH 2009**

AS AT ST WATOUT 2009			Company	Registration N	o. 0269133 <u>5</u>
		20	109	20	108
	Notes	£	£	3	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		8,422		10,527
Current assets					
Debtors	8	1,812,094		1,810,061 	
		1,812,094		1,810,061	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(512,962)		(547,425)	
Net current assets			1,299,132	<del></del>	1,262,636
Total assets less current liabilities			1,307,554		1,273,163
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Capital and reserves	12		1,000		1,000
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	13		1,306,554		1,272,163
Shareholders' funds	14		1,307,554		1,273,163
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Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on .. 2.8/1/2010.

L.A. Barrow

Director

B.M. Dix Director

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The company is expected to continue to generate positive cash flows on its own account for the foreseeable future. The company paticipates in the group's centralised treasury arrangements and so shares banking arrangements with its parent. The group is well placed with sufficient financial resources and facilities and therefore the directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual financial statements.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (Revised 1996) from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a subsidiary undertaking where 90 percent or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group.

#### 1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated).

#### 1.3 Turnover

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

#### 1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

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

Computer equipment
Plant and machinery
Fixtures, fittings & equipment

25% on a straight line basis 20% reducing balance

20% reducing balance

#### 1.5 Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.6 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with FRS 17.

#### 1.7 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in financial statements. Deferred tax is not provided on timing differences arising from the revaluation of fixed assets where there is no commitment to sell the asset, or on unremitted earnings of subsidiaries and associates where there is no commitment to remit these earnings. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

#### 2 Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

3	Operating profit	2009 £	2008 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging:  Depreciation of tangible assets	2,106	2,632
	Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery	1,198,280	1,953,042
	Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's annual accounts	10,000	10,000
4	Investment income	2009 £	2008 £
	Bank interest	2	3
	Other interest	15	38
		17	41
5	Interest payable	2009 £	2008 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts	2,799	1,845

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

Taxation	2009 £	2008 £
Domestic current year tax	_	
U.K. corporation tax	17,365	9,517
Deferred tax		
Deferred tax charge/credit current year	1,679	(595)
	19,044	8,922
Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	53,435 ———	12,879 ————
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of		
UK corporation tax of 28.00% (2008: 20.00%)	14,962	2,576
Effects of:	,	
Non deductible expenses	7,819	7,428
Depreciation add back	590	526
Capital allowances	(851)	(1,013)
Marginal relief	(5,155)	-
	2,403	6,941
Current tax charge	17,365	9,517

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

7	Tangible fixed assets	Computer equipment	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Total
		£	£	3	3
	Cost				
	At 1 April 2008 & at 31 March 2009	1,490	64,855	5,006	71,351
	Depreciation				
	At 1 April 2008	1,490	55,135	4,199	60,824
	Charge for the year		1,944	161	2,105
	At 31 March 2009	1,490	57,079	4,360	62,929
	Net book value				
	At 31 March 2009	-	7,776	646	8,422
	At 31 March 2008	-	9,720	807	10,527
8	Debtors			2009 £	2008 £
	Trade debtors			1,142,954	925,595
	Amounts owed by parent and fellow subsidiary ur	ndertakings		591,602	833,629
	Other debtors			66,548	30,467
	Prepayments and accrued income			9,947	17,648
	Deferred tax asset (see note 10)			1,043	2,722
				1,812,094	1,810,061
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one yea	r		2009 £	2008 £
	Poply Joans and avardes to			10,691	493
	Bank loans and overdrafts Trade creditors			15,132	51,528
	Corporation tax			21,479	13,631
	Other taxes and social security costs			276,880	271,897
	Other creditors			24,070	22,756
	Accruals and deferred income			164,710	187,120
				512,962	547,425

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

#### 10 Provisions for liabilities

The deferred tax asset (included in debtor	rs, note 8) is made up as
follows	

IONOWS.	2009	
•	£	
Balance at 1 April 2008	(2,722)	
Profit and loss account	1,679	
Balance at 31 March 2009	(1,043)	
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	2009	2008
	£	£
Decelerated capital allowances	(1,043)	(2,722)
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## 11 Pension and other post-retirement benefit commitments

**Defined contribution** 

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

		2009 £	2008 £
	Contributions payable by the company for the year	33,990	61,759
12	Share capital	2009 £	2008 £
	Authorised 1,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 1,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

		Profit and loss account £
Balance at 1 April 2008 Profit for the year		1,272,163 34,391
Balance at 31 March 2009		1,306,554
Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2009 £	2008 £
Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	34,391 1,273,163	3,957 1,269,206
Closing shareholders' funds	1,307,554	1,273,163
Employees		
The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:	2009 Number	2008 Number
Administration	1	1
Production		60
		3 2
Directors		
	57 ———	66
Employment costs	2009 £	2008 £
Wages and salaries	3,249,699	3,551,188
Social security costs	415,962	360,164
Other pension costs	33,990	61,759
	3,699,651	3,973,111
	Profit for the year Balance at 31 March 2009  Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds  Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds  Closing shareholders' funds  Employees  Number of employees The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:  Administration Production Sales Directors  Employment costs  Wages and salaries Social security costs	Profit for the year  Balance at 31 March 2009  Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds  Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds  Closing shareholders' funds  Employees  Number of employees The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:  2009 Number  Administration Production Sales Directors  Employment costs  Employment costs  2009  Wages and salaries Social security costs  3,249,699 Social security costs

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

#### 16 Control

The ultimate parent company is Augustus Martin Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

Augustus Martin Limited prepares group financial statements and copies can be obtained from The Registrar of Companies, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

#### 17 Related party transactions

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 ultimate parent company.

At the year end, PP Sales Limited, a company in which the directors of Billboard Posters Limited have a significant interest owed the company £62,077 (2008 - £62,077).