FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 MARCH 1998

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MILLER & CO

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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for the year ended 31 March 1998

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Detailed trading and profit and loss account

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COMPANY INFORMATION

31 March 1998

INCORPORATED In England on 11 October 1993

NUMBER 02860933

DIRECTORS P E Wakelin

I D Wakelin J D Thompson I J Kettle

SECRETARY J D Thompson

REGISTERED OFFICE 86 Princess Street

Luton Beds

BANKERS Barclays Bank Plc

George Street

Luton Beds

AUDITORS Miller & Co

Chartered Accountants 86 Princess Street

Luton

DIRECTORS' REPORT

31 March 1998

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1998.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is the supply of auto electric parts to the automotive industry.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year and their interests in the shares of the company as recorded in the register of directors' interests were as follows

	31 March 1998 Ordinary shares	1 April 1997 Ordinary shares
P E Wakelin	1,875	1,875
I D Wakelin	1,875	1,875
J D Thompson	500	500
I J Kettle	500	500

Auditors

Miller & Co have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors of the company.

Small company exemptions

This report is prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board

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J D Thompson Secretary

86 Princess Street Luton Beds

17m June 1998

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 of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and 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.

On behalf of the board

P E Wakelin Director

/ June 1998

AUDITORS' REPORT

Auditors' report to the members of

Dalroad Distribution Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and 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.

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 March 1998 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Miller & Co

Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants

/ June 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 March 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
Turnover	2	1,513,887	1,524,695
Cost of sales		(849,663)	(988,347)
Gross profit		664,224	536,348
Net operating expenses			
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(345,319) 18,665	(282,086) 9,396
Operating profit	3	337,570	263,658
Interest payable	5	(198)	(17)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		337,372	263,641
Taxation		(94,922)	(76,070)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		242,450	187,571
Dividends	6	(50,000)	
Retained profit for the year	14	192,450	187,571

Movements in reserves are shown in note 14.

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

There are no recognised gains and losses in 1998 or 1997 other than the profit for the year.

BALANCE SHEET

at 31 March 1998

		1998		1997	
n	ote	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		69,526		40,391
Current assets					
Stocks	8	310,125		232,469	
Debtors	9	373,526		267,396	
Cash at bank and in hand		314,377	_	237,659	
		998,028		737,524	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(338,030)		(254,613)	
-		-	-		
Net current assets		_	659,998		482,911
Total assets less current liabilities	i		729,524		523,302
Creditors: amounts falling due					
after more than one year	11		(13,772)		-
			715,752	_	523,302
Capital and reserves		=		=	
Called up share capital	13		5,000		5,000
Profit and loss account	14		710,752		518,302
Total shareholders' funds	12	_	715,752	_	523,302
		=	 	=	

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the board of directors on $f_{7/7}$ June 1998 and signed on its behalf by:

P E Wakelin Director

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 1998

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 qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

Turnover

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities after deduction of trade discounts and value added tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Leasehold land and buildings 20% Straight line
Plant and machinery 20% Straight line
Motor vehicles 25% Reducing balance

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Pensions

Defined contribution scheme

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 1998

2 Turnover

In the opinion of the directors, 18% of the turnover of the company is attributable to geographical markets outside the UK. (1997 8%)

3 Operating profit

	1998 £	1997 £
Operating profit is stated after crediting		
Interest receivable	18,665	9,396
and after charging		
Auditors' remuneration Operating leases	1,700	1,500
Rent	32,716	1,255
Loss on sale of assets	870 	-
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 7)		
owned assets	15,549	7,865
leased assets	6,455	
	22,004	7,865
4 Directors		
	1998	1997
	£	£
Directors' emoluments	62,300	11,145
During the year the following number of directors accrued retirement benefits under:	Number	Number
Money purchase pension schemes	1	1

Defined contribution pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution 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 and amounted to £2,300 (1997 £152). Contributions totalling £0 (1997 £0) were payable to the fund at 31 March 1998 and are included in creditors.

5 Interest payable

	1998 £	1997 £
Finance lease and hire purchase contracts	130	-
Other interest payable	68 	17
	198	17
		

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6	Divi	dends
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9	DIAIGENGS		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Paid and proposed	50,000	-
			

7 Tangible fixed assets

	Motor Vehicles	Plant and Machinery	Land and Buildings	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
1 April 1997 Additions	12,729 42,604	37,048 13,452	7,330 453	57,107 56,509
Disposals	(12,729)	-	-	(12,729)
31 March 1998	42,604	50,500	7,783	100,887
Depreciation				
1 April 1997 Charge for year	7,359 10,651	7,891 9,796	1,466 1,557	16,716 22,004
Disposals	(7,359)	-	-	(7,359)
31 March 1998	10,651	17,687	3,023	31,361
Net book amount				
31 March 1998	31,953	32,813	4,760	69,526
1 April 1997	5,370	29,157	5,864	40,391

The net book amount of fixed assets includes £19,365 (1997 \pm 0) in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts, the depreciation of which is shown in note 3.

8 Stocks

	1998	1997
	£	£
Stocks	310,125	232,469
9 Debtors		
	1998	1997
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade debtors	352,510	258,529
Other debtors	21,016	8,867
	373,526	267,396

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10	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Trade creditors Obligations under finance leases	213,478	156,274
	and hire purchase contracts - note 11	7,014	-
	Corporation tax	94,922	76,089
	Other taxation and social security	18,384	8,251
	Other creditors	4,232	13,999
		338,030	254,613
11	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	1000 1000 1000 1000	1998	1997
		£	1997 £
		~	L
	Other creditors	13,772	
		13,772	-
	Amounts included above are repayable over varying periods by monthly instalments as follows:		
	In the next year	7 014	
	In the second to fifth years	7,014 13,772	-
	In the second to III in years		
		20,786	-
12	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders'	funds	
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Profit for the financial year	242,450	187,571
	Dividends	(50,000)	_
	Net addition to	-	
	shareholders' funds	192,450	187,571
	Opening shareholders' funds	523,302	335,731
	Closing shareholders' funds	715,752	523,302

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13	Called	up	share	capital

Τ.3	Called up share capital	1998		1997	
		Number of		Number of	
		shares	£	shares	£
	Authorised				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
	Allotted called up and fully paid				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
14	Profit and loss account				1998 £
	1 April 1997 Retained profit for the year				518,302 192,450
	31 March 1998				710,752

15 Guarantees and other financial commitments

Financial commitments under non-cancellable operating leases will result in the following payments falling due in the year to 31st March 1999

Demining	1998 Land and Buildings £	1997 Land and Buildings £
Expiring Within two to five years	31,505	36,732
	31,505	36,732

16 Related parties

As detailed in the directors' report the company is controlled by Mr P E Wakelin and Mrs I D Wakelin, who are directors of the company.

The following is a summary of the directors' transactions with the company during the year:

The company paid £20,004 (1997 £50,004) during the year in respect of service charges to Dalroad Limited, a company also controlled by Mr P E Wakelin and Mrs I D Wakelin.

Dividends of £18,750 each were paid to Mr P E Wakelin and Mrs I D Wakelin during the year.