BETABITE HYDRAULICS LIMITED ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 30th APRIL 1999

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ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COMPANY

PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 6, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th April 1999 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITORS

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 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 sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

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 to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

OPINION

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 6 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

2 Derby Street Colne Lancashire BB8 9AD

19th January 2000

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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

30th APRIL 1999

	Note	Note 1999		1998	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	2				
Tangible assets			515,688		513,785
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		391,786		301,590	
Debtors		417,516		390,627	
Cash at bank and in hand		22,339		15,263	
		831,641		707,480	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling				(
due within one year		(991,576)		(907,507)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(159,935)		(200,027)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT L	IABILITIE	S	355,753		313,758
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AN	D CHARG	SES	(43,323)		(37,801)
GOVERNMENT GRANTS	3		(32,000)		(36,000)
			280,430		239,957
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called-up equity share capital	5		100		100
Profit and loss account			280,330		239,857
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			280,430		239,957

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999).

These financial statements were approved by the directors on the, and are signed on their behalf by:

I. WILSON

The notes on pages 3 to 6 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 1999).

Turnover

The turnover shown in the profit and loss account represents amounts invoiced during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant & Machinery

10 - 20% straight line per annum

Motor Vehicles

25% reducing balance per annum

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Work in progress

Work in progress is valued on the basis of direct costs plus attributable overheads based on normal level of activity. Provision is made for any foreseeable losses where appropriate. No element of profit is included in the valuation of work in progress.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. The annual contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made, under the liability method, to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for tax purposes. Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is considered that a net liability may arise.

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YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Government grant

Government grants in respect of capital expenditure are credited to the profit and loss account over the estimated useful life of the relevant fixed assets. The grant shown in the balance sheet represents the total grant receivable to date less the amounts so far credited to the profit and loss account.

Deferred government grants

Government grants in respect of capital expenditure are treated as deferred income and are credited to the profit and loss account over the estimated useful life of the assets to which they relate.

2. FIXED ASSETS

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		Tangible Fixed Assets £
COST		-
At 1st May 1998		690,544
Additions		91,499
Disposals		(10,600)
At 30th April 1999		771,443
DEPRECIATION		
At 1st May 1998		176,759
Charge for year		84,872
On disposals		(5,876)
At 30th April 1999		255,755
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 30th April 1999		515,688
At 30th April 1998		<u></u> 513,785
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GOVERNMENT GRANTS		
	1999	1998
5	£	£
Received and receivable Amortisation	40,000	40,000
Amorusation	8,000	4,000
	(32,000)	(36,000)

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4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Controlling Parties

The ultimate controlling party is identified as Mr E.S. Fort.

Other related parties

The following are all identified as being under the ultimate control of Mr E.S. Fort:

Fort Vale Engineering Limited Fort Vale BV Hartley and Hartley Limited Atlantic Tool Leasing Limited Midland Investment Castings

Messrs. E.S. Fort and I. Wilson are trustees of The Fort Vale Engineering Limited Pension Plan which includes the company's employees amongst it's members.

Transactions with other related parties

	1999 £	1998 £
During the year the company incurred expendit	ure with related parties as follow	ws:
Sales to related parties	214,439	105,934
Cost of sales	23,113	16,126
General administrative expenditure	8,371	10,269
Provision of management services by		
Fort Vale Engineering Limited	60,500	139,000
Hire of plant and machinery under		
operating leases	29,642	75,992
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	399	129,070
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Sale of tangible fixed assets	4,250	_
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During the year the company incurred a rental cost of £50,000 (1998 - £40,000) in respect of the company's premises let by Messrs. E.S. Fort and I. Wilson. The company occupies premises, the lease of which has expired. A new lease is yet to be concluded although the company holds over upon the terms of the previous lease, subject to an adjustment, for the year.

Balances with other related parties

a) Owing by related parties:		
Trade debtors	93,414	3,854
b) Owing to related parties:		
Trade creditors	513,995	503,562

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YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999

5.	SHARE CAPITAL		
	Authorised share capital:		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
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	Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
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		£	£
	Ordinary share capital	100	100
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