The Insolvency Act 1986

Administrator's progress report

Name of Company

Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Ltd

Company number

3198916

In the

High Court of Justice, Chancery Division,

Manchester District Registry

(full name of court)

Court case number 3954 of 2008

(a) Insert full name(s) and address(es) of administrator(s) I (a)
David M Riley
Grant Thornton UK LLP
4 Hardman Square
Spinningfields
Manchester
M3 3EB

administrator(s) of the above company attach a progress report for the period

From

(b) Insert date

(b) 19 May 2014

(b) 18 November 2014

Signed

Administrator

Dated

18/11/14

Contact Details:

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18 November 2014

Dear Sus

Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited
Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited
Harringtons Exports Limited
Fairfax Gerrard International Limited
Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited
Assetline Limited
Assetline Trading Limited
All in administration (together the Companies)

On 22 October 2014 the Court ordered that the Administrator's term of office as Administrator be extended in accordance with paragraph 76(2)(a) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 for a period of nine months giving a revised date for the automatic termination of the administration of 15 August 2015

I enclose a copy of the progress report for 19 May 2014 to 8 October 2014 which was provided to the Court in order to obtain the extension

The only company to record any receipts and payments in the period 9 October 2014 to 18 November 2014 is Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited, a summary of which is below

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Receipts	7.0
Book Debts - FGT	11,500 00
	11,500.00
Payments	
Legal Fees (1)	600 00
Bank Charges	28 72
Vat Receivable	120 00
	748.72
Net Receipts/(Payments)	10,751.28

Should you have any queries, please do not he sitate to contact Nicola Jackson on 0161 $\,953\,\,6921$

Yours faithfully for and on behalf of the Companies

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PP David M Riley Administrator

The affairs, business and property of the Companies are being managed by David M Riley

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To the creditors

9 October 2014

Dear Sirs

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High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Manchester Court No's: 3954, 3955, 3956, 3957, 3958, 3959 and 3960 of 2008

- 1 Introduction
- 11 I now report on the progress of the administrations to date and attach
 - Appendix A, Form 2 24B, together with an accounts of my receipts and payments for the period from 19 May 2014 to date and also for the whole administrations to date
 - Appendix B, an analysis of my time costs as required by Statement of Insolvency Practice 9
 (SIP 9)
 - Appendix C, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the administrator (Rule 2 48A)
 - Appendix D, an extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the administrator's remuneration or expenses, if excessive (Rule 2 109)
- 1.2 Leslie Ross was appointed as joint administrator of the Companies by the Co-Operative Bank Plc (the Bank) on 19 November 2008 Matthew Dunham was also appointed as joint administrator by order of the court on 8 November 2010
- 1 3 Both Matthew Dunham and Leslie Ross have now left the firm and were formally removed from these cases with effect from 6 August 2013 and 27 June 2014 respectively
- 1 4 Due to the above, I was subsequently appointed as sole administrator by order of the court on 27 June 2014
- 1 5 I am authorised by the Insolvency Practitioners Association to act as an insolvency practitioner

Chartered Accountants

2 Statutory information

2.1 The Companies' statutory details are as follows

	Registered	
Company	number	Registered office
Fairfax Gerrard Holdings	03198916	Grant Thornton UK LLP, 4 Hardman
Limited		Square, Spinningfields, Manchester, M3 3EB
Fanfax Gerrard Traders	03197027	as above
Limited		
Harringtons Exports	03239482	as above
Limited		
Fairfax Gerrard	02964504	as above
International Limited		
Fairfax Gerrard Contracts	03204571	as above
Limited		
Assetline Limited	03210543	as above
Assetline Trading Limited	03244831	as above

3 Progress report Book debt recovery

- 3.1 The principal assets of the Companies are book debts. At the date of appointment, according to the Companies' records, c£9 million remained outstanding
- 3.2 To date, £1,118,641 has been recovered. The table below summarises the recoveries per each company

	Book debt
Company	recovery
	£'000
Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited	479
Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited	440
Fairfax Gerrard International Limited	178
Assetline Limited	22
Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited	-
Assetline Trading Limited	-
Harringtons Exports Limited	
	1,119

- 3 3 Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited is currently holding £87,688 which is due to Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited and £175,183 which is due to Fairfax Gerrard International Limited These amounts will be transferred in due course
- 3 4 The debt collection is now focused on a small number of debtors where recovery is considered possible. These debtors are subject to on-going legal action or separate formal insolvency proceedings where we await distributions.

- 3 5 The collection process has been complicated and protracted as a significant proportion of the debts are owed by companies, individuals and guarantors which are either subject to insolvency procedures, dispute the debts and or have limited assets
- 3 6 Debtor receipts in the period total £6,000 However, progress has been made with certain debtors during the period where legal action is being taken

4 Outcome for creditors Secured creditors

- 41 The principal secured creditor is the Bank, which at the date of appointment was owed £1,410,000 by Fairfax Gerrard International Limited and Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited The Bank has cross-guarantees over the Companies
- 4 2 To date the Bank has received distributions totalling £350,000 Unfortunately, for the reasons noted above in relation to the collectability of the debtors ledger, it is unlikely that the Bank will be repaid in full in relation to its indebtedness
- 4.3 In certain cases where debts have not been recovered or settled prior to the end of the administrations, the administrators will consider assigning debts to the Bank

Preferential creditors

- 4.4 The preferential creditors of Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited were estimated at £7,000 in the estimated financial position provided to creditors with my statement of proposals. I do not anticipate there will be a dividend for these creditors.
- 4.5 There are no preferential creditors in any of the other companies

Unsecured creditors

- 4 6 I do not anticipate the Companies' unsecured creditors will receive a dividend since, as noted above, it is estimated the Bank's debt will not be paid in full
- 47 As the Bank's security is dated prior to 15 September 2003, there will be no prescribed part carve out in favour of unsecured creditors

5 Administrators' remuneration and expenses

- In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice (SIP 9), I confirm my time costs to date for the administrations amount to £771,794, representing 3,063 hours at an average of £252 per hour. To date we have drawn fees of £200,000
- The table below summarises the administrator's time costs and remuneration across the Companies

Company	Hours	Time Adm	inistrators' fees
• •		£	£
Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited	1,472	385,452	-
Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited	688	169,953	115,000
Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited	447	110,509	75,000
Fairfax Gerrard International Limited	215	52,729	-
Assetline Limited	107	23,111	10,000
Harringtons Exports Limited	67	15,066	-
Assetline Trading Limited	68	14,976	
	3,063	771,794	200,000

- 5.3 I have obtained approval of my fees from the Bank in accordance with Rule 2 106 of the Insolvency Act 1986
- 5 4 Background information regarding the fees of administrators can be found at www insolvency-practitioners orguk (navigate via 'Regulation and Guidance' to 'Creditors Guides to Fees') Alternatively, we will supply this information by post on request Time is charged in six minute units

6 Extension of the administration

61 Further time is required to complete the recovery of the Companies debts. Therefore, I am seeking the consent of the court to an extension of the administration for a further year pursuant too paragraph 76 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

7 Other expenses incurred by the administrator

7 1 Gateley LLP continues to be engaged to provide legal advice, and is advising the administrators on the recovery of the remaining debts with the assistance of Counsel

Yours faithfully
for and on behalf of Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited
Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited
Harringtons Exports Limited
Fairfax Gerrard International Limited
Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited
Assetline Limited
Assetline Trading Limited

David Riley Administrator

The affairs, business and property of Lairfax Gerrard Holdings Limited, Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited, Fairfax Gerrard International Lamited, Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Lamited, Assetline Limited, Assetline Limited, Assetline Limited and Harringtons Lixports Limited are being managed by David Riley, following the Companies going into administration on 19 November 2008

Fairfax Gerrard Holdings Ltd - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

£	£ 81,687 98	£	£
	81.687 98		
Receipts	81,687 98		
Book Debts - FGT		6,000 00	87,687 98
Book Debts - FGI	175,182 78	0 00	175,182 78
Misc Float Receipts	481 59	0 00	481 59
Misc Refunds	2,000 09	0 00	2,000 09
Vat Control Account	5,585 42	0 00	5,585 42
	264,937 86	6,000 00	270,937.86
Payments			
Insurance	530 00	530 00	1,060 00
Bank/ISA InterestGross	9 48	0 00	9 48
Misc Float Payments	4,134 56	0 00	4,134 56
Agents/Valuers Fees (1)	991 20	0 00	991 20
Legal Fees (1)	9,510 00	3,283 00	12,793 00
Professional Fees	390 00	0 00	390 00
Debt Collection	6,868 05	0 00	6,868 05
Stationery & Postage	590 47	0 00	590 47
Storage Costs	2,813 06	3,826 32	6,639 38
Statutory Advertising	226 80	0 00	226 80
Insurance of Assets	3,294 13	0 00 0 00	3,294 13
Bank Charges Vat Receivable	6,879 88 5,585 42	1,365 26	6,879 88 6,950 68
	41,823.05	9,004.58	50,827 63
Net Receipts/(Payments)	223,114.81	(3,004.58)	220,110.23
Made up as follows			
Floating Current Account - NIB Bank term	223,114 81	(3,004 58)	220,110 23
	223,114 81	(3,004.58)	220,110 23

Fairfax Gerrard Traders Limited - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

	From 19/11/2008	From 19/05/2014	
Statement	to	to	
of Affairs	18/05/2014	08/10/2014	Total
£	£	£	£
Receipts			
Book Debts	352,562 36	0 00	352,562 36
Cash at Bank	1,458 96	0 00	1,458 96
Misc Float Receipts	1,251 48	0 00	1,251 48
Bank/ISA InterestGross	0 45	0 00	0 45
Vat Control Account	27,070 85	0 00	27,070 85
	382,344 10	0 00	382,344.10
Payments			
Administrators Fees	115,000 00	0 00	115,000 00
Administrators Expenses	2,541 27	0 00	2,541 27
Legal Fees (1)	35,420 20	0 00	35,420 20
Professional Fees	2,456 24	0 00	2,456 24
Debt Collection	39,361 52	0 00	39,361 52
Bank Charges	288 04	0 00	288 04
Floating Charge Creditor	130,000 00	0 00	130,000 00
Vat Receivable	27,070 85	0 00	27,070 85
	352,138.12	0.00	352,138.12
Net Receipts/(Payments)	30,205 98	0 00	30,205 98
Made up as follows			
Floating Current Account NIB Bank te	30,205 98	0 00	30,205 98
	30,205 98	0 00	30,205 98

Harringtons Exports Limited - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

	Statement of Affairs £	From 19/11/2008 to 18/05/2014 £	From 19/05/2014 to 08/10/2014 £	Total £
Receipts				
		0 00	0 00	0 00
Payments				
		0.00	0.00	0 00
Net Receipts/(Payments)		0 00	0 00	0.00
Made up as follows				
		0.00	0.00	0 00

Fairfax Gerrard International Ltd - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

Statement	From 19/11/2008 to	From 19/05/2014 to	
of Affairs	18/05/2014	08/10/2014	Total
£	£	£	£
Receipts Book Debts	2,400 00	0 00	2,400 00
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Payments			
Administrators Expenses	256 41	0 00	256 41
Bank Charges	11 58	0 00	11 58
Vat Receivable	29 15	0 00	29 15
	297 14	0.00	297 14
Net Receipts/(Payments)	2,102 86	0.00	2,102.86
Made up as follows			
Floating Current Account - NIB Bank term	2,102 86	0 00	2,102 86
	2,102 86	0 00	2,102 86

Fairfax Gerrard Contracts Limited - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

Total
£
478,521 25
190 23
32,228 80
510,940 28
75,000 00
921 59
92,670 15
25,000 00
46 62
11,203 04
110 00
69 40
220,000 00
32,228 80
457,249 60
53,690.68
53,690 68
53,690 68

Assetline Limited - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

	From 19/11/2008	From 19/05/2014	
Stateme		to	
of Affair		08/10/2014	Total
	£	£	£
		~	~
Receipts	22.204.04	0.00	22.201.01
Book Debts	22,286 94	0 00	22,286 94
Vat Control Account	2,655 40	0 00	2,655 40
	24,942 34	0.00	24,942 34
Payments			_
Administrators Fees	10,000 00	0 00	10,000 00
Administrators Expenses	95 97	0 00	95 97
Legal Fees (1)	3,205 00	0 00	3,205 00
Debt Collection	1,995 80	0 00	1,995 80
Statutory Advertising	253 80	0 00	253 80
Bank Charges	33 30	5 60	38 90
Vat Receivable	2,706 16	0 00	2,706 16
	18,290.03	5 60	18,295.63
Net Receipts/(Payments)	6,652.31	(5 60)	6,646.71
Made up as follows			
Floating Current Account - NIB Bank term	6,652 31	(5 60)	6,646 71
	6,652 31	(5.60)	6,646.71

Assetline Trading Limited - in administration Summary of receipts and payments from 19 November 2008 to 8 October 2014

	Statement of Affairs £	From 19/11/2008 to 18/05/2014	From 19/05/2014 to 08/10/2014 £	Total £
Receipts				
		0.00	0 00	0 00
Payments				
		0 00	0 00	0 00
Net Receipts/(Payments)		0.00	0 00	0 00
Made up as follows				
		0 00	0.00	0 00

B SIP 9 information

Introduction

The following information is provided in connection with the administrators' remuneration and disbursements in accordance with SIP 9

Explanation of Grant Thornton UK LLP charging and disbursement recovery policies

Time costs

All partners and staff are charged out at hourly rates appropriate to their grade, as shown on the attached schedule. Details of the hourly charge-out rates are made available to creditors or committees at the time of fixing the basis of our fees. Support staff (ie secretaries, cashiers and filing clerks) are charged to the case for the time they work on it

	From	From	From	From	From	From
	01/07/09	01/07/10	01/07/11	01/07/12	01/07/13	01/07/14
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Partners up to	510	535	560	580	600	615
Managers up to	385	405	425	440	455	470
Administrators up to	275	285	300	310	320	330
Assistants and support staff up to	190	195	205	210	220	230

Disbursements

Out of pocket expenses are charged at cost Mileage is charged at standard rates which comply with HM Revenue and Customs limits or AA recommended rates VAT is added to disbursement charges as necessary

Faurfax Gerrard Holdings Limited - F30200934 - SIP 9 TIME COST ANALYSIS

Transaction period All transactions

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Standard		Partner			Manager	***	Executive		Administrator	trator		Total	
	Hrs	-ω		Hrs.	 	Hrs	4	-	H _{IS}	u	Hrs	3	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning	44 55	20 041 5	<u> </u>	155 55	49,693 25	175 88	36,973 65	308	308 19 42,828 25	28 25	684 17	684 17 149,536 65	218 57
Creditors	96 95	37,623		97 15	30,653	54 28	3 10,977 95		64 7,9	7,971 5	312 38	87 225 45	279 23
Hiatus perlod			j										
Investigations	14 45	5,631 75	<u> </u>	26	8,678 75	26	536		7.2	006	50 25	15,746 5	313 36
Realisation of Assets	1214	49,380	<u> </u>	224 2	77,263 5	8 25	4,353 50	85	85 45 10,15	10,158 25	422 8	422 8 132,448 25	313 26
Trading	5	247 5							15 2	247 5	2	495	247 5
Total	277 85	277 85 112,923 75	<u> </u>	502 9	166,288 5	224 51	44,1341	466 34	L	62,105 5	1,4716	1,471 6 385,451 85	26193

Total fees billed to date (Time) £ 10,000



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Standard		Partner		Manager		Executive		Administrator			Total	
**************************************	Hrs	4	H.	cH.	H	Hrs £	Hrs	41		Hrs	म	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning	14 8	5 532 75	32 55	9 622 25	35 71	71 8,46175	98 02	13,718 02		181 08	37,334 77	206 18
Creditors	15	551 5	15 02	4,319 25	24 4	4 5,522		\$		41 32	10,446 75	252 83
Hatus period												
Investigations	6 65	3,3915	5	130		7 154				7 85	3,675 5	468 22
Realisation of Assets	265	9,788 5	2416	72,390 25	160 7	7 33 359	29 35	2,958 25		458 15	118 496	258 64
Trading									<u></u>		1	
Total	49 45	49 45 19,264 25	289 67	86,461 75	221 51	51 47,496 75	127 77	16,730 27		6884	688 4 169,953 02	246 88



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Standard		Partner		Manager		-4	Executive	⋖	Administrator		Total	
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Administration and Planning	195	833 5	15 95	4 986 5		14 94	3,437 3	24 31	3,377 42	57 15	12,634 72	~
Creditors	3	109 5	277	948		75	146 25	-	16.5	3	3 92 1,220 25	311 29
Hiatus period												_
Investigations			5	130		<u> </u>					5 130) 260
Realisation of Assets			2 95	789.5				23	291 5	2	5 25 1,081	205 9
Trading					<u> </u>	-						ı
Total	2 2 5	943	22 17	6,854		15 69	3,583 55	26 71	3,685 42	99	66 82 15,065 97	7 225 47



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Standard		Partner		Manager			Executive	Adi	Administrator			Total	
	Hrs	4	Hrs	cu		H	બ	Hrs	4		Hrs	- F	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning	2 85	1,189 75	23 9	7,186		23 74	5 444 8	35 76	4,746 05		86 25	18,566 6	215 26
Creditors	2	734	3 77	1,253		75	146 25	10 1	1,284 75		16 62	3 418	205 66
Hiatus period										<u>. </u>			
Investigations	2.5	1,200	5	130							3	1 330	443 33
Realisation of Assets	25 8	9,547	56 35	16,209 5	<u> </u>	6.7	1 676	203	1,981 5	1	109 15	29,414	269 48
Trading													
Total	33 15	33 15 12,670 75	84 52	24,778 5		31 19	7,267 05	66 16	8,0123	' <u></u>	215 02	52,728 6	245 23
Total fees billed to date (Time) . £	ed to date	(Time) . £	1		-	+						; ;]

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Standard		Partner			Manager		Exe	Executive	⋖	Administrator			Total	
	Hrs	es es		H H	CH CH		Hrs	4 4	Hrs	G1		Hrs	ш	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning	2 35	989 5		23 05	7,383	49	49 35 1:	12,080 6	20 92	7,127 7]	130 77	27,5908	210 99
Creditors	88	296	••••••	4 27	1,690 5	3	3 97	915 05	Ş	89	<u> </u>	952	2,969 55	31127
Hiatus period							<u> </u>				<u> </u>			
Investigations				65	171 25		1.8	396			ļ	2 45	567 25	231 53
Realisation of Assets	17	6425		106 95	37,287 75	18(180 7	39 919	14 3	1,509		303 65	79,358 25	261 35
Trading							-	23				-	23	230
Total	4 85	1,938		134 92	46,532 5	235 92		53,333 65	70 82	8,704 7	<u>, </u>	446 51	110,508 85	247 49
Total fees billed to date (Time) £ 75,000	ed to date	(Time) £	75,000	1	1		1 -	, !	-		-	1		

Assetting Limited - A30202920 - SIP 9 TIME COST ANALYSIS

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Standard		Partner		Manager		-	Executive		Administrator			Total	
	Hrs	СH	Hrs	ü		Hrs	4	Hrs	4d		Hrs	ધ	Avg Hrly Rate
Administration and Planning	17	770	32 45	9,247		16 52	3,833 65	44 25	5,773 85		94 92	19,624 5	206 75
Creditors	9	223	277	948		1 15	230 25	-	16.5		4 62	1,417 75	306 87
Hiatus period						 					ļ		
nvestigations			5	130	<u> </u>	ļ	<u> </u>			<u> </u>	5	130	260
Realisation of Assets			4	1 541 75		22	105	23	2915		69	1,938 25	280 91
Trading		<u>,</u>				<u> </u>				<u> </u>			
Total	23	993	39 82	11,866 75		18 17	4,1689	46 65	6,081 85		106 94	23,110 5	216 11



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Standard		Partner	F	1	- Manager	-		Executive		Administrator			Total	ı
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Administration and Planning	1 55	657 5	<u> </u>	14 65	4,549		14 42	3,349.9	263	3,4114		56 95	11 967 8	210 26
Creditors	9	223		272	928		75	146 25		16.5		4 17	1,313 75	315 05
Hiatus period			<u> </u>				-							•
Investigations				2	130				,			9	130	260
Realisation of Assets	15	547 5		2.5	725				23	291 5		63	1,564	248 25
Trading														
Total	3 65	1,428	<u></u>	20 37	6,332		15 17	3,496 15	28 7	3,719.4		67 89	14,975 55	220 59
Total fees billed to date (Time) . £	ed to date	(Time) . £	!								•			



C An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to request additional information from the administrator

Rule 2 48A

- (1) If
 - (a) within 21 days of receipt of a progress report under Rule 2 47
 - i) a secured creditor, or
 - (ii) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), or
 - (b) with the permission of the court upon an application made within that period of 21 days, any unsecured creditor makes a request in writing to the administrator for further information about remuneration or expenses (other than pre-administration costs) set out in a statement required by Rule 2 47(1)(db) or (dc), the administrator must, within 14 days of receipt of the request, comply with paragraph (2)
- (2) The administrator complies with this paragraph by either -
 - (a) providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) so far as the administrator considers that
 - (i) the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive, or
 - (1) disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the administration or might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person, or
 - (iii) the administrator is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in respect of the information,

giving reasons for not providing all of the information

- (3) Any creditor, who need not be the same as the creditor who requested further information under paragraph (1), may apply to the court within 21 days of -
 - (a) the giving by the administrator of reasons for not providing all of the information asked for, or
 - (b) the expiry of the 14 days provided for in paragraph (1), and the court may make such order as it thinks just
- (4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (3), the order of the court under that paragraph may extend the period of 8 weeks provided for in Rule 2 109(1B) by such further period as the court thinks just

D An extract from the Insolvency Rules 1986 relating to creditors' rights to challenge the administrator's remuneration or expenses if excessive

Rule 2 109

- (1) Any secured creditor, or any unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors (including that creditor) or the permission of the court, may apply to the court for one or more of the orders in paragraph (4)
- (1A) Application may be made on the grounds that -
 - (a) the remuneration charged by the administrator,
 - (b) the basis fixed for the administrator's remuneration under Rule 2 106, or
 - (c) expenses incurred by the administrator, is or are, in all the circumstances, excessive or, in the case of an application under subparagraph (b), inappropriate
- (1B) The application must, subject to any order of the court under Rule 2 48A(4), be made no later than 8 weeks after receipt by the applicant of the progress report which first reports the charging of the lemuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report")
- (2) The court may, if it thinks that no cause is shown for a reduction, dismiss it without a hearing but it shall not do so without giving the applicant at least 5 business days' notice, upon receipt of which the applicant may require the court to list the application for a without notice hearing. If the application is not dismissed, the court shall fix a venue for it to be heard, and give notice to the applicant accordingly.
- (3) The applicant shall, at least 14 days before the hearing, send to the administrator a notice stating the venue and accompanied by a copy of the application, and of any evidence which the applicant intends to adduce in support of it
- (4) If the court considers the application to be well-founded, it must make one or more of the following orders -
 - (a) an order reducing the amount of remuneration which the administrator was entitled to charge
 - (b) an order fixing the basis of remuneration at a reduced rate or amount
 - (c) an order changing the basis of remuneration
 - (d) an order that some or all of the remuneration or expenses in question be treated as not being expenses of the administration
 - (e) an order that the administrator or the administrator's personal representative pay to the company the amount of the excess of remuneration or expenses or such part of the excess as the court may specify

and may make any other order that it thinks just, but an order under sub-paragraph (b) or (c) may be made only in respect of periods after the period covered by the relevant report

(5) Unless the court orders otherwise, the costs of the application shall be paid by the applicant, and are not payable as an expense of the administration