Report and Financial Statements

Year ended

31 August 2007



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# Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007

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# **Directors**

R Lehmann M J Lehmann

T C F Maltin (Chairman)

# Secretary and registered office

M J Lehmann, Lloyds Avenue House, 6 Lloyds Avenue, London, EC3N 3EH

# Company number

3204961

### **Auditors**

Shipleys LLP, 10 Orange Street, London, WC2H 7DQ

# **Solicitors**

Baker & McKenzie, 100 New Bridge Street, London, EC4V 6JA

# **Bankers**

Barclays Bank PLC, Howardcentre, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6HA

### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 August 2007

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007

#### Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 6 and shows a profit before tax for the year of £123,516 (2006 £136,959) and sales of £973,537 (2006 £843,707)

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year (2006 - £Nil)

# Principal activities, trading review and future developments

Lehmann Communications Plc, is a marketing and communications agency specialising in corporate, financial, professional services and consumer sectors

Following the success of the strategic alliance with Jaffe Associates Inc, in the United States, the company continues to conclude similar arrangements with companies operating throughout Europe, Africa, Asia and the Far East

The directors are confident that the company will continue to consolidate its position in 2008 and achieve continued growth in its profitability

# Principal risks and uncertainties

The management of the business and the execution of the company's strategy are subject to a number of risks. The key business risks and uncertainties affecting the company are considered to relate to competition from both national and international competitors and retention of key employees.

### Financial risk management objectives and policies

The company's principle instruments comprise bank balances and overdrafts, trade creditors and trade debtors. The main purpose of these instruments is to raise funds for the company's operations

Due to the nature of the financial instruments used by the company, there is no exposure to price risk. The company's approach to managing other risks applicable to the financial instruments concerned is shown below.

In respect of the bank balance the liquidity risk is managed by maintaining facilities sufficient to meet the funds required for the company's operations

Trade debtors are managed in respect of credit and cash flow risk by ensuring that the amounts due are collected within the company's credit terms

Trade creditors' liquidity risk is managed by ensuring sufficient funds are available to meet amounts due

# Report of the directors for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

### Key performance indicators ("KPIs")

Given the straightforward nature of the business, the company's directors are of the opinion that analysis using KPIs is not necessary for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business

#### Directors

The directors of the company during the year and their interests in the ordinary share capital of the company were

Tompany were		Ordinary shares of £1 each	
		2007	2006
R Lehmann		56,666	49,999
M J Lehmann		1	1
S L Fielding (Non-Executive)	(resigned 31 May 2007)	•	-
J Scott-Barrett (Non-Executive)	(resigned 31 May 2007)	-	-
T C F Maltin (Chairman)	(appointed 4 June 2007)	-	-

## 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 then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- 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.

So far as each of the directors at the time of report approval are aware

- a) there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- b) the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

# Report of the directors for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

# Creditor payment policy

The company's policy concerning the payment of its trade creditors is to establish terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing transactions and to pay in accordance with those terms. This policy applies to all creditors for both revenue and capital supplies.

The number of days purchases of the company represented by trade creditors at the year end was 81 days (2006 - 69 days)

### **Auditors**

Shipleys LLP has indicated its willingness to remain in office and a resolution to reappoint Shipleys LLP as auditors will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board

M J Lelfmann Secretary

26 March 2008

### Report of the independent auditors

#### To the shareholders of Lehmann Communications Plc

We have audited the financial statements of Lehmann Communications Plc for the year ended 31 August 2007, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and 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 auditor's 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

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

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.

# Report of the independent auditors (Continued)

### 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 August 2007 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- 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

# Emphasis of matter - recoverability of significant trade debtor balance

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In forming our opinion on the financial statements, which is not qualified, we have considered the disclosures made in note 17 to the financial statements concerning the recoverability of a significant trade debtor balance. The recoverability of this debt is affected by a global freezing order placed on the client's assets as a result of a contested legal action between the client and its former bankers. This matter does not relate to the client's dealings with the company and the outcome of the matter cannot be presently determined. No provision has been made in the financial statements.

Shipleys LLP
Registered Auditors

10 Orange Street

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27 March 2008

Lehmann Communications Plc Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 August 2007

	Note	2007 £	2006 £
Turnover	2	973,537	843,707
Cost of sales		466,681	339,187
Gross profit		506,856	504,520
Administrative expenses		364,827	353,730
Operating profit	5	142,029	150,790
Interest payable and similar charges	6	18,513	13,831
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		123,516	136,959
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	7	28,600	28,500
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		152,116	165,459
Retained loss brought forward		(1,174,152)	(1,339,611)
Retained loss carried forward		(1,022,036)	(1,174,152)

All amounts relate to continuing activities
All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account for the year

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements

# Balance sheet at 31 August 2007

	2007 £	2007 £	2006 £	2006 £
	-	_	<del>-</del>	_
8		33,254		49,886
9		24,915		19,964
		58,169		69,850
10	565,467 31		237,001 171	
	565,498		237,172	
11	477,389		312,860	
		88,109		(75,688)
		146 270		(5.020)
		140,2 / 8 ———		(5,838)
12		97,346		85,576
13		1,070,968		735,293
13		-		347,445
13		(1,022,036)		(1,174,152)
14		146,278		(5,838)
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The financial statements were approved by the Board on 26 March 2008

T C F Maltin	) Chairman To Mar.
R Lehmann	) Director 2. Whyann

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

# Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 August 2007

	Note	2007 £	2007 £	2006 £	2006 £
Net cash outflow from operating activities Returns on investments and	20		672		(75,866)
servicing of finance Interest paid			(18,513)		(13,831)
Taxation Corporation tax paid			-		-
Capital expenditure and financial investment  Purchase of tangible fixed assets			(11,376)		(595)
Financing New share subscriptions			-		-
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Decrease in cash in the year	21		(29,217)		(90,292)

The notes on pages 9 to 16 form part of these financial statements

## Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007

### 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The following principal accounting policies have been applied

#### Goodwill

Goodwill arose on acquisition of the net liabilities of Lehmann Communications an unincorporated business and is amortised through the profit and loss account over the directors' estimate of its useful economic life of 10 years

#### Turnover

Turnover represents sales at invoiced amounts less value added tax and are recognised in full when invoiced

### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets over their expected useful lives 
It is calculated at the following rate

Office equipment

- 25% reducing balance

Furniture and fixtures

- 25% reducing balance

IT equipment

- 25% reducing balance

### Deferred taxation

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date except that the recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that the company anticipates to make sufficient taxable profits in the future to absorb the reversal of the underlying timing differences

Deferred tax balances are not discounted

### Leased assets

Annual rentals on operating leases, where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor, are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease

### Foreign currency

Assets and monetary liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating profit.

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

# 2 Turnover

Turnover is wholly attributable to the principal activity of the company and arises solely within the United Kingdom

3	Employees	3005	2007
		2007 £	2006 £
	Staff costs consist of	*	*
	Wages and salaries	234,071	155,989
	Social security costs	24,207	14,412
		258,278	170,401
	The monthly average number of employees, excluding directors, during the year was 8 (2006 – 6)	<del></del>	
4	Directors	2007	2004
		2007 £	2006 £
	Directors' emoluments consist of	*	*
	Fees and remuneration for management services Payments to defined contribution scheme	107,500	27,561 -
		107,500	27,561
5	Operating profit		
		2007	2006
	This has been arrived at after charging	£	£
	Depreciation	6,425	5,708
	Amortisation	16,632	16,632
	Auditors' remuneration - audit fees	5,500	5,500
	Operating lease rentals	37,272	33,367
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# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

Interest payable and similar charges		
	2007	2006
	£	£
Bank interest	7,884	850
Other interest	4,685	8,518
Bank charges	5,944	4,463
	18,513	13,831
Taxation on profit from ordinary activities		
	2007	2006
	£	£
Current tax		
UK corporation tax	-	-
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	28,600	28,500

The differences between the total current tax shown above and the amount calculated by applying the company's standard rate of UK Corporation Tax of 19% is as follows -

	2007 £	2006 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	123,516	136,959
Tax on profit at the company's standard Corporation Tax rate of 19% Other timing differences  Effects of	23,468 21,937	26,022
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Depreciation in excess of capital allowances Relief for losses brought forward	4,000 (453) (48,952)	4,413 354 (30,789)
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The company has taxation losses relating to trading and interest of approximately £700,000 (2006 - £915,000) available to carry forward against future taxable profits. A deferred tax asset amounting to £nil (2006 £28,500) has been recognised based on historical results and projected profits for the forthcoming accounting period. In addition, a deferred tax asset of £28,600 (2006 £nil) has been recognised in respect of short term timing differences.

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

8	Intangible assets				Goodwill £
	Cost At 1 September 2006 and 31 August 2007				166,308
	Amortisation At 1 September 2006 Provision for period				116,422 16,632
	At 31 August 2007				133,054
	Net book value At 31 August 2007				33,254
	At 31 August 2006				49,886
9	Tangible assets	Office equipment £	Furniture and fixtures	IT equipment	Total
	Cost At 1 September 2006 Additions	15,050	£ 126,701 753	£ 36,301 10,623	£ 178,052 11,376
	At 31 August 2007	15,050	127,454	46,924	189,428
	Depreciation At 1 September 2006 Provided for the period	13,673 307	118,445 1,986	25,970 4,132	158,088 6,425
	At 31 August 2007	13,980	120,431	30,102	164,513
	Net book value At 31 August 2007	1,070	7,023	16,822	24,915
	At 31 August 2006	1,377	8,256	10,331	19,964

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

10	Debtors				
				2007	2006
				£	£
	Trade debtors (see note 17)			416,576	149,616
	Other debtors			3,564	3,564
	Deferred taxation			57,100	28,500
	Directors loan account (see note 18)			30,352	-
	Prepayments and accrued income			57,875	55,321
				565,467	237,001
	All amounts shown under debtors fall due	for payment wi	thin one year		
11	Creditors: amounts falling due within one	year		2005	2004
				2007 £	2006 £
	Bank overdraft			123,295	94,219
	Trade creditors			110,330	91,129
	Taxation and social security			11,763	20,305
	Other creditors			7,112	
	Accruals and deferred income			224,889	70,079
	Directors' loan accounts (see note 17)			, -	37,128
				477,389	312,860
12	Share capital				<del> </del>
	-		uthorised	and	d, called up fully paid
		2007 £	2006 £	2007 £	2006 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000	97,346	85,576

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

13	Reserves	Share capital £	Share premium £	Share capital to be issued £	Profit and loss account £
	At 1 September 2006 Result for the year	85,576	735,293	347,445	(1,174,152) 152,116
	Share capital issued	11,770	335,675	(347,445)	-
	At 31 August 2007	97,346	1,070,968	-	(1,022,036)
14	Reconciliation of movement in shareholde	ers' deficit		2007 £	2006 £
	Result for the year			152,116	165,459
	Opening shareholders' deficit			(5,838)	(171,297)
	Closing shareholders' funds/(deficit)			146,278	(5,838)

Share capital issued relates to additional funding from investors received prior to 1 September 2005

# 15 Commitments under operating leases

As at 31 August 2007, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below

	2007 Land and	2007	2006 Land and	2006
	buildings	Other	buildings	Other
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases which expire				
In two to five years	-	4,989	-	-
In five to ten years	36,400	· -	36,400	-
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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

### 16 Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments at 31 August 2007 or 31 August 2006

# 17 Recoverability of significant trade debtor balance

Included in trade debtors is an amount of £274,575 due from a single client. The recoverability of this debt is affected by a global freezing order placed on the client's assets as a result of a contested legal action between the client and its former bankers. This matter does not relate to the client's dealings with the company and no provision has been made in the financial statements regarding the ultimate recoverability of the balance.

### 18 Related party transactions

During the year, an amount of £19,500 (2006 - £19,500) was paid to Ronel Lehmann, a director of the company, in respect of an annual royalty fee for the use of the 'Lehmann Communications Plc' trademark in the United Kingdom, the USA and the Republic of South Africa

At 31 August 2007 Ronel Lehmann, a director of the company, owed the company £30,352 (2006 - £37,128 was owed by the company) This amount was repaid in full in December 2007.

Mr Ronel Lehmann has also provided a Limited Guarantee for £100,000 (2006 £75,000) to the company's bankers

# 19 Controlling interests

Ronel Lehmann, a director of the company, together with family shareholdings, retains a controlling interest in the issued share capital of the company At 31 August 2007 Mr Lehmann held 58 2% (2006 - 58 4%) of the issued share capital

### 20 Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash outflow from operating activities

	2007 £	2006 £
	I.	£
Operating profit	142,029	150,790
Depreciation	6,425	5,708
Amortisation	16,632	16,632
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(299,867)	(45,784)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	135,453	(203,212)
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Net cash outflow from operating activities	672	(75,866)

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2007 (Continued)

21	Analysis of net debt			
		At 1 September 2006 £	Cash flow £	At 31 August 2007 £
	Cash in hand and at bank Bank overdraft	172 (94,219)	(141) (29,076)	31 (123,295)
		(94,047)	(29,217)	(123,264)
22	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	t		£
	Decrease in cash for the year Net debt at 1 September 2006			(29,217) (94,047)
	Net debt at 31 August 2007			(123,264)