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Company Registration No. 03280893 (England and Wales)

EDDISONS COMMERCIAL LTD ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2003.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of chartered surveyors.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 March 2002:

R J R Allan

M J Brodrick

A P Backhouse

N McDonald

J R Senior

DW Lamb

KG Whittington

J R Padgett

M A Steel

M J Scholey

C J Baker (Appointed 1 October 2002)

P G M Vernon

J R Liddiment

A L Spencer (Appointed 1 January 2003)
R K Roe (Appointed 1 January 2003)

N A E Robinson (Resigned 1 March 2002)

Directors' interests

The directors' interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

	Ordinary Shares of £ 1 each		
	28 February 2003	1 March 2002	
R J R Allan	5,000	5,000	
M J Brodrick	5,000	5,000	
A P Backhouse	5,000	5,000	
N McDonald	5,000	5,000	
J R Senior	5,000	5,000	
D W Lamb	5,000	5,000	
K G Whittington	5,000	5,000	
J R Padgett	5,000	5,000	
M A Steel	5,000	5,000	
M J Scholey	5,000	5,000	
C J Baker	-	-	
P G M Vernon	5,000	5,000	
J R Liddiment	-	-	
A L Spencer	-	-	
R K Roe	-	_	

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

Auditors

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

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;
- 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

N McDonald

Director

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO EDDISONS COMMERCIAL LTD UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 4 to 14, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 28 February 2003 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246A 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 section 246A(3) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of audit opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered 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 section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 4 to 14 are properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

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Glazers

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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843 Finchley Road London NW11 8NA

ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

	Notes	2003 £	2002 £
Gross profit		4,347,947	3,826,730
Administrative expenses		(4,178,804)	(3,743,048)
Operating profit	2	169,143	83,682
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	3	56,595 (22,623)	71,117 (8,054)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		203,115	146,745
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	(64,087)	(49,904)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		139,028	96,841
Dividends	5	(75,812)	(49,764)
Retained profit for the year	13	63,216	47,077

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2003

		20	03	200	02
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		474,065		310,973
Current assets					
Stocks	7	36,470		32,863	
Debtors	8	1,046,713		919,473	
Cash at bank and in hand		3,335		2,200	
		1,086,518		954,536	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	9	(1,138,479)		(970,918)	
Net current liabilities			(51,961)		(16,382)
Total assets less current liabilities			422,104		294,591
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year	10		(122,579)		(36,782)
			299,525		257,809
					
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	12		55,000		60,000
Share premium account	13		13,986		13,986
Other reserves	13		10,000		-
Profit and loss account	13		220,539		183,823
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	14		299,525		257,809

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

N McDonald

Director

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

	20 £	03 £	200 £	2 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	~	324,732	2	38,631
Returns on investments and servicing of				
finance Interest received	56,595		69,304	
Interest paid	(22,623)		(8,054)	
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Net cash inflow for returns on investments				
and servicing of finance		33,972		61,250
Taxation		(49,904)		(43,395)
Capital expenditure				
Payments to acquire tangible assets	(86,125)		(65,797)	
Receipts from sales of tangible assets	6,859		14,351	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(79,266)		(51,446)
Equity dividends paid		(48,356)		(16,896)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before management				_
of liquid resources and financing		181,178		(11,856)
Financing				
Purchase of own shares	(21,500)		(17,550)	
Capital element of hire purchase contracts	(133,634)		(50,943)	
Net cash outflow from financing		(155,134)		(68,493)
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		26,044		(80,349)

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

1	Reconciliation of operating profit to net caractivities	sh inflow from o	perating	2003	2002
				£	£
	Operating profit Depreciation of tangible assets Profit on disposal of tangible assets (Increase)/decrease in stocks Increase in debtors Increase in creditors within one year			169,143 180,337 (514) (3,607) (127,240) 106,613	83,682 126,166 (55) 11,926 (223,283) 40,195
	Net cash inflow from operating activities			324,732	38,631
2	Analysis of net debt	1 March 2002	Cash flow	Other non- cash changes	28 February 2003
	M. C. andre	£	£	£	£
	Net cash: Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdrafts	2,200 (87,262) (85,062)	1,135 24,909 	- -	3,335 (62,353) (59,018)
	Debt:			-	
	Finance leases	(110,017)	133,635	(263,650)	(240,032)
	Net debt	(195,079)	159,679	(263,650)	(299,050)
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to moveme	nt in net debt		2003 £	2002 £
	Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lease	e financing		26,044 133,635	(80,349) 50,941
	Change in net debt resulting from cash flows New finance lease			159,679 (263,650)	(29,408) (151,462)
	Movement in net debt in the year Opening net debt			(103,971) (195,079)	(180,870) (14,209)
	Closing net debt			(299,050)	(195,079)

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for services net of VAT.

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:

Plant and machinery 33% straight line
Fixtures, fittings & equipment 25% straight line
Motor vehicles 25% straight line

1.5 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

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

1.6 Stock and work in progress

Work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.7 Pensions

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

1.8 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

2	Operating profit	2003	2002
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of tangible assets	180,337	126,166
	Operating lease rentals	177,659	177,503
	Auditors' remuneration	10,803	9,546
	and after crediting:		
	Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(514)	(55)

3	Interest payable	2003 £	2002 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts	1,089	2,215
	Hire purchase interest	16,746	5,839
	Other interest	4,788	-
		22,623	8,054
4	Taxation	2003 £	2002 £
	Domestic current year tax	_	~
	U.K. corporation tax	64,087	49,904
	Current tax charge	64,087	49,904
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	203,115	146,745
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of		
	UK corporation tax of 20.00 % (2002 : 20.00 %)	40,623	29,349
	Effects of:		
	Non deductible expenses	15,583	15,634
	Depreciation add back	36,067	25,233
	Capital allowances	(27,996)	(20,312)
	Chargeable disposals Other tax adjustments	(103) (87)	-
	•	23,464	20,555
	Current tax charge	64,087	49,904
5	Dividends	2003	2002
		£	£
	Ordinary interim paid	15,488	16,896
	Ordinary final proposed	60,324	32,868
		75,812	49,764

	sets	Plant and machinery	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 March 2002		132,737	96,472	288,715	517,924
Additions		33,350	26,378	290,047	349,775
Disposals		(20,219)	(5,257)	(16,920)	(42,396)
At 28 February 200	03	145,868	117,593	561,842	825,303
Depreciation					
At 1 March 2002		90,503	37,009	79,440	206,952
On disposals		(20,219)	(5,257)	(10,575)	(36,051)
Charge for the year	ar	34,912	24,341	121,084	180,337
At 28 February 20	03	105,196	56,093	189,949	351,238
Net book value					
At 28 February 20	03	40,672	61,500	371,893	474,065
At 28 February 200	02	42,233	59,464	209,276	310,973
Included above an	e assets held under fina	nce leases or hire purch	ase contracts	as follows:	Motor
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8	Debtors	2003	2002
		£	£
	Trade debtors	852,269	713,727
	Corporation tax	3,625	3,625
	Other debtors	277	29,846
	Prepayments and accrued income	190,542	172,275
		1,046,713	919,473
9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2003	2002
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	62,353	87,262
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	117,453	73,235
	Trade creditors	190,086	215,967
	Corporation tax	64,087	49,904
	Other taxes and social security costs	224,737	215,197
	Other creditors	-	(66)
	Accruals and deferred income	419,439	296,551
	Proposed dividend	60,324	32,868
		1,138,479	970,918
10	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2003	2002
	•	£	£
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	122,579	36,782
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts		
	Repayable within one year	117,453	73,235
	Repayable between one and five years	122,579	36,782
		240,032	110,017
	Finance charges and interest allocated to future accounting periods	(32,397)	(13,925)
		207,635	96,092
	Included in liabilities falling due within one year	(117,453)	(73,235)
		90,182	22,857

11	Pension costs			
	Defined contribution			
			2003 £	2002 £
	Contributions payable by the company for the year		120,864	111,378
12	Share capital		2003 £	2002 £
	Authorised 1,000,000 Ordinary Shares of £ 1 each		1,000,000	1,000,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 55,000 Ordinary Shares of £ 1 each		55,000	60,000
42	04-4			
13	•	Share remium account	Other reserves (see below) £	Profit and loss account £
13	pr a	remium account	reserves (see below)	loss account
13	Balance at 1 March 2002 Retained profit for the year Purchase of own shares Movement during the year	remium account £	reserves (see below) £	loss account £ 183,823 63,216 (26,500)

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

14	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2003 £	2002 £
	Profit for the financial year	139,028	96,841
	Dividends	(75,812)	(49,764)
		63,216	47,077
	Purchase of own shares	(21,500)	(17,550)
	Net addition to shareholders' funds	41,716	29,527
	Opening shareholders' funds	257,809	228,282
	Closing shareholders' funds	299,525	257,809

15 Financial commitments

At 28 February 2003 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

		Land ar 2003	Land and buildings 2003 2002		Other 2002
		£	£	£	£
	Expiry date:				
	Between two and five years	36,736	74,844	51,198	90,000
	In over five years	138,618	100,556		
		175,354	175,400	51,198	90,000
16	Directors' emoluments			2003	2002
				£	£
	Emoluments for qualifying services			795,326	756,285
	Company pension contributions to mone	ey purchase schemes		73,451	70,177
				868,777	826,462
					
	Emoluments disclosed above include the following amounts paid to the highest paid director:				
	Emoluments for qualifying services			92,248	78,220
	Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes			7,150	7,150

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2003

17 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the vear was:

year was:	2003 Number	2002 Number
	88	86
		
Employment costs		
	£	£
Wages and salaries	2,284,561	2,065,807
Social security costs	223,434	197,104
Other pension costs	120,864	111,378
	2,628,859	2,374,289