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**ACE HOMECARE SERVICES LIMITED** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD

1 APRIL 2005 TO 31 JULY 2006

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# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

# ACE HOMECARE SERVICES LIMITED

**Directors** 

M G Rogers J P Coleman D A Neill

**Company Secretary** 

J P Coleman

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**Auditors** 

CLB Littlejohn Frazer Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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**Company Number** 

3739470

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the Financial Statements of the Company for the 16 month period ended 31 July 2006. During the period the Company changed its accounting reference date from 31 March to 31 July Consequently, these Financial Statements are for the 16 months ended 31 July 2006.

## Principal Activities and Business Review

The principal activity of the Company continued to be that of the provision of domiciliary care

#### **Results and Dividends**

The trading results for the period and the Company's financial position at the end of the period are shown in the attached Financial Statements

The Company paid dividends of £10,000 in the period (2005 - £239,000) The Directors propose a final dividend of £350,000. In accordance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard No 21 and the Companies Act 1985, the final proposed dividend is not provided for in these Financial Statements.

#### The Directors

The Directors who served the Company during the period were as follows

C Adams (resigned 9 August 2005)
M G Rogers (appointed 9 August 2005)
J P Coleman (appointed 9 August 2005)
D A Neill (appointed 10 September 2005)

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary and the interests of the group Directors are disclosed in the Financial Statements of the parent company

# **Relevant Audit Information**

The Directors who held office at the date of approval of this Directors' Report confirm that, so far as they are individually aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each Director has taken all the steps that they ought reasonably to have taken as a Director to make themselves aware of that information

## **Auditors**

CLB Littlejohn Frazer were appointed as auditors during the period. A resolution to re-appoint CLB Littlejohn Frazer as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the Board

J P Coleman

Company Secretary

19 APRIL 2007

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the Directors to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the Financial Statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The Financial Statements are required by law to 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 these 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 UK 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 irregulanties.

#### REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

# Independent Auditors' report to the shareholders of Ace Homecare Services Limited

We have audited the Financial Statements of Ace Homecare Services Limited for the period 1 April 2005 to 31 July 2006 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Accounting Policies and the related notes 1 to 17 These Financial Statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders, 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 shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

## Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The Directors' responsibilities for preparing the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

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 not 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 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 irregulanty or error 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 July 2006 and of its profit for the period then ended,

the Financial Statements 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

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# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Period ended 31 July 2006

	Note	16 months ended 31 July 2006	Year ended 31 March 2005
Turnover	1	2,953,027	2,246,032
Cost of sales		(1,770,785)	(1,285,176)
Gross Profit		1,182,242	960,856
Administrative expenses		(919,234)	(651,503)
Operating Profit	2	263,008	309,353
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	4 5	11,158 (251)	3,471
Profit on Ordinary Activities before Taxation		273,915	312,824
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	(65,325)	(64,224)
Profit for the Financial Year		£208,590	£248,600

All of the activities of the Company are classed as continuing

The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the periods as set out above

# BALANCE SHEET As at 31 July 2006

	Note	200	)6	200	)5
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	8		5,082		13,146
Current Assets					
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9	584,139 82,874 ————————————————————————————————————		6,833 290,985 121,906 	
Creditors: due within one year	10	(250,369)		(209,734)	
Net Current Assets			416,644		209,990
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			£421,726		£223,136
Capital and Reserves					
Called-up share capital Profit and loss account	12 13		2 421,724		2 223,134
Equity Shareholders' Funds	14		£421,726		£223,136

Approved by the Board on

J P Coleman

Director

18 APAIL 2007

# **Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention

#### **Cash Flow Statement**

The Directors have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (Revised) from including a cashflow statement in the Financial Statements on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary and its ultimate parent company publishes a consolidated cashflow statement

#### Turnover

Turnover comprises the value of services supplied by the Company during the period, exclusive of Value Added Tax. Turnover is recognised when the individual item of service has been completed. Turnover relating to the completed items of service uninvoiced at the period end is accrued and disclosed under prepayments as accrued income.

All turnover is attributable to the one principal activity of the Company, and totally derived in the United Kingdom

#### **Fixed Assets**

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost

## 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

Fixtures, fitting and computer equipment - 25% on cost

## **Operating Lease Agreements**

Rentals applicable under 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

## **Deferred Taxation**

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less or to receive more tax, with the following exceptions

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# 1 Turnover

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the Company An analysis of turnover is given below

	analysis of turnover is given below	16 months ended 31 July 2006	
	United Kingdom	£2,953,027	£2,246,032
2	Operating Profit		
	Operating profit is stated after charging		
	Depreciation of tangible assets Auditors' remuneration – audit Director's emoluments and pension contributions	£ -	£ 10,498 £ 5,500 £117,688
3	Employees		
	Staff Costs (including Directors)		
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs	135,879	1,527,063 93,394 62,000
		£2,274,678	£1,682,457
	Average monthly number of employees during the period	No	
	Care staff Administrative staff	175 16	
		191	
	Directors' Emoluments	_	
	Aggregate emoluments Pension contributions	22,042 5,600	55,688 62,000
		£27,642	£117,688
		-	

At the period end no benefits were accruing to Directors under money purchase pension schemes (2005-1)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4	Interest Receivable	16 months Y ended 31 July 2006	
	Bank interest receivable Interest receivable from group entities	6,276 4,882	3,471
		£11,158	£3,471
5	Interest Payable		
	Interest on late payment of tax	£251	£ -
6	Taxation		
	Analysis of the charge in the Period		
	Current tax		
	UK Corporation Tax based on the results for the period	65,325	64,224
	Total current tax	£65,325	£64,224
	Factors Affecting Current Tax Charge		
	The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the period is lowe (2005 – higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2005 - 19%)	r	
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	£273,915	£312,824
	Profit on ordinary activities by rate of tax Expenses not deductible for tax Depreciation in excess of capital allowances for period Utilisation of group relief Marginal rate relief	82,174 238 2,862 (18,847) (1,102)	59,437 2,577 2,210
	Total current tax	£65,325	£64,224

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7	Intangible Fixed Assets			Goodwill
	Cost			
	At 1 April 2005 and 31 July 2006			1
	Amortisation			
	At 1 April 2005 and 31 July 2006			1
	Net Book Value			
	At 31 July 2006			£ -
	At 31 March 2005			£ -
8	Tangible Fixed Assets  Cost	Land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings and computer equipment	Total
	At 31 March 2005 Additions Disposals	1 - -	35,112 2,792 (889)	35,113 2,792 (889)
	At 31 July 2006	1 	37,015	37,016
	Depreciation			
	At 31 March 2005 Charge for the period Disposals	- - -	21,967 10,553 (586)	21,967 10,553 (586)
	At 31 July 2006	-	31,934	31,934
	Net Book Value	_		
	At 31 July 2006	£1	£5,081	£5,082
	At 31 March 2005	£1	£13,145	£13,146

# **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

9	Debtors	2006	2005
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors, prepayments and accrued income	319,632 238,450 26,057	270,977
		£584,139	£290,985
	The debtors above include the following amounts falling due after more than one year		
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	£238,450	£-
		<u> </u>	
10	Creditors: due within one year		
	Bank loans and overdrafts Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxation and social security Other creditors, accruals and deferred income	13,999 65,233 61,235 109,902 ———— £250,369	•

# 11 Pension Costs

The Company contributes towards a defined contribution pension 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 £5,600 (2005 - £62,000)

Allotted, called-up and fully paid Authorised  Ordinary shares of £1 each £2 £2 £1,000 £1,00	12 Share Capital	2006	2005	2006	2005
Ordinary shares of £1 each £2 £2 £1,000 £1,00		calle	ed-up	Auth	onsed
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	£2	£2	£1,000	£1,000

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

13 Profit and Loss Account	2006	2005
Balance brought forward Profit for the financial year Dividends paid	223,134 208,590 (10,000)	213,534 248,600 (239,000)
Balance carned forward	£421,724	£223,134

The aggregate amount of dividends proposed before the date of approval of these Financial Statements, which have not been provided for in accordance with the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard No 21 and the Companies Act 1985, is £350,000

## 14 Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Funds

Profit for the financial period Dividends paid	208,590 (10,000)	248,600 (239,000)
	198,590	9,600
Opening equity shareholders' funds	223,136	213,536
Closing shareholders' equity funds	£421,726	£223,136

# 15 Related Party Transactions

No details are shown of related party transactions with companies in which the ultimate parent company holds 90% or more of the voting rights in accordance with the exemption stated in Financial Reporting Standard No 8

# 16 Commitments under Operating Leases

At 31 July 2006 the Company had annual commitments under operating leases expiring as follows

		2006
	Land and buildings	Other
Between two and five years After more than five years	- 21,500	8,487 -
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	£21,500	£8,487

# 17 Ultimate Parent Company

The immediate and ultimate parent company is Careforce Group plc, a company incorporated in England and Wales Group Financial Statements are prepared and are available from Companies House On 4 April 2007 Mears Group PLC acquired the entire share capital of Careforce Group plc