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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Richard Morris Chris Leah Tom Birch Chris Dickinson Alan Galley Charles Horton Professor Derek Portwood Terry Worrall
Secretary	Chris Leah
Company Number	3923542
Registered Office	PKF Century House St James Court Friar Gate Derby DE1 1BT
Auditors	PKF Century House St James Court Friar Gate Derby DE1 1BT

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INSTITUTION OF RAILWAY OPERATORS
DIRECTORS' REPORT
PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2001

The directors submit their report and the financial statements for the period ended 28 February 2001.

The company was incorporated on the 8 February 2000. It commenced trading on the 22 February 2000.

Principal activity

The objectives of the Institute of Railway Operators "IRO" are to advance the safe and reliable operation of railways and to promote the training of personnel engaged in their operation. The IRO aims to achieve these objectives by improving the technical and general skill knowledge and competence of railway staff. This will involve inter alia, the provision of conferences and training courses, the development of a range of nationally recognised qualifications and the improvement of safety standards by the conducting of research, the instituting of tests and examinations and the promotion of high standards of conduct and good working practices.

Directors

The directors who served during the period were:

Richard Morris (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Chris Leah (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Tom Birch (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Chris Dickinson (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Graham Eccles (appointed on 8/2/2000 and resigned on 8/10/2001)
Alan Galley (appointed on 24/1/2000)
Charles Horton (appointed on 5/4/2000)
David Knight (appointed on 5/4/2000 and resigned 15/1/2001)
Professor Derek Portwood (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Ray Price (appointed on 24/1/2000 and resigned on 12/10/2001)
Terry Worrall (appointed on 8/2/2000)
Mike Tham (appointed on 8/2/2000 and resigned on 15/1/2001)

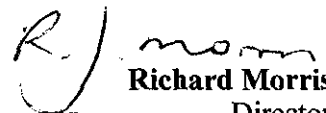
Auditors

The auditors, PKF, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Basis of preparation

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

By order of the board


Richard Morris
Director

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STATEMENT OF 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 judgments 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 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.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the directors' report is prepared in accordance with company law in the United Kingdom.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF INSTITUTION OF RAILWAY OPERATORS

We have audited the financial statements of Institution of Railway Operators for the period ended 28 February 2001 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards 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 United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

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 if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if 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 transactions with the company 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 United Kingdom Auditing Standards 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 judgments 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.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 28 February 2001 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Derby, UK

31 January 2002

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PKF
Registered Auditors

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2001

	Notes	2001 £
TURNOVER	2	93,455
GROSS PROFIT		<u>93,455</u>
Administrative expenses		(71,336)
OPERATING SURPLUS	3	<u>22,119</u>
Interest receivable and similar items		281
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		<u>22,400</u>
TAXATION		-
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u><u>22,400</u></u>

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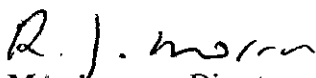
BALANCE SHEET 28 FEBRUARY 2001

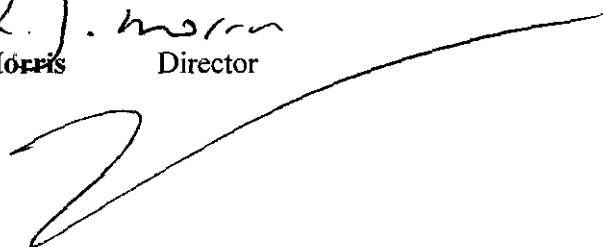
	Notes	2001 £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at bank and in hand		25,126
		<hr/> 25,126
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	4	(2,726)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>22,400</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES		
Profit and loss account	5	22,400
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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the board on

Signed on behalf of the board of directors


Richard Morris Director



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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2001

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

As a result of funding difficulties, the directors have undertaken a complete review of the business operations. The board subsequently wrote to all its members, setting out the position and asking that no more subscriptions be paid into the Institution until future plans had been confirmed.

This review has included the preparation of income and expenditure forecasts for the 24 months ended 31 December 2002 and as a result of money now being obtained for the educational programme and a more in depth study of the business arrangements for the Institution, it is now expected to be re-launched towards the end of the year 2001.

On this basis, the directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

2 INCOME

All income arose within the United Kingdom.

3 OPERATING SURPLUS

The operating surplus is stated after charging:

	£
Audit fees	1,250
	<u>1,250</u>

No director received any emoluments.

4 CREDITORS:

Amounts falling due within one year

	£
Trade creditors	885
Other creditors	1,841
	<u>2,726</u>

5 RESERVES

Profit and loss account	£
At 1 March 2000	-
Profit for the period	22,400
	<u>22,400</u>
At 28 February 2001	<u>22,400</u>

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6 CAPITAL

The company is limited by guarantee. Every member of the company may be required to contribute (not exceeding £1) in the event of the company being wound up.