# ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012



# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO ACORN GEOPHYSICAL SERVICES LTD UNDER SECTION 449 OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 3 to 7, together with the financial statements of Acorn Geophysical Services Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2012 prepared under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006

This report is made solely to the Company in accordance with section 449 of the Companies Act 2006. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company those matters we are required to state to it in a special 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, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTOR AND AUDITORS

The director is responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 444 of the Companies Act 2006. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the Company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the regulations made under that section and to report our opinion to you

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/4 issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the Company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts are properly prepared.

### **OPINION ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

In our opinion the Company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 444(3) of the Companies Act 2006, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 7 have been properly prepared in accordance with the regulations made under that section

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### OTHER INFORMATION

On 24/9/13 we reported as auditors to the members of the Company on the financial statements prepared under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and our report included the following paragraph

### **Emphasis of matter- Going concern**

In forming our opinion, which is not qualified, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosure made in note 1 to the financial statements concerning the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The company's liabilities exceed its total assets by £2,712,046 and its continuance is dependent on the support of companies within the group of which the company is a member as well as third party creditors. The matters outlined in that note indicate the existence of a material uncertainty, particularly in regard to the partnershare charges accrued amounting to £1,495,344 which may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include the adjustments that would result if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

Simon Kinna (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Sinclairs Bartrum Lerner

Statutory Auditors

39A Welbeck Street London W1G 8DH

Date 26th September 2013

### ACORN GEOPHYSICAL SERVICES LTD REGISTERED NUMBER: 04123189

## ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2012

	Note	£	2012 £	£	2011 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	2		31,943		46,065
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	3	65,095		83,166	
Cash at bank and in hand		63,153		58,301	
		128,248		141,467	
CREDITORS. amounts falling due within one year		(2,872,237)		(3,061,205)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(2,743,989)		(2,919,738)
NET LIABILITIES			(2,712,046)		(2,873,673)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	4		1		1
Profit and loss account			(2,712,047)		(2,873,674)
SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT			(2,712,046)		(2,873,673)

The abbreviated accounts, which have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 23 September 2013

A Vigeland (

Director

The notes on pages 4 to 7 form part of these financial statements

### NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The full financial statements, from which these abbreviated accounts have been extracted, have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, which the director believes to be appropriate for the following reasons

Since becoming a member of the group controlled by SJI Investment Limited (a company registered in Belize), the Company has continued to receive support from group companies to meet its day to day working capital requirements. The Company's forecasts and projections, taking account of reasonably possible changes in trading performance, indicate that the group should be able to continue its support to the company in regard to its day to day operations.

In previous years the Company had made provision for a partnershare liability (refer to note 1.4 below) amounting to £1,495,344 (2011 - £1,564,062) which is included in other creditors and accruals (shown in note 10). The contract partner to whom the partnershare liabilities are payable had not sought immediate payment from the company while it has not been in a position to settle the liability. In 2009 the contract partner re-asserted their claim to the partnershare debt and since that time the company has been discussions periodically to discuss settlement. Although there has been no final resolution the director is of the opinion that the Company's contracting partner will not seek immediate repayment while the Company has only limited resources of its own

After making all reasonable enquiries, the director has a reasonable expectation that the Company will continue to be provided with adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future — Accordingly, the Company continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements

The financial statements do not include any adjustments that would result from the basis of preparation being inappropriate

### 1.2 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 of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases.

L/Term Leasehold Property

over the period of the lease

Fixtures & fittings

- 33 33% reducing balance

Office equipment

33 33% reducing balance

### 1.3 Investments

Investments held as fixed assets as shown at cost less provision for impairment

### NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### 1.4 Turnover

Turnover comprises revenue recognised by the Company in respect of goods and services supplied during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax and trade discounts

Turnover comprises revenue recognised by the company in respect of consultancy data and related services supplied, exclusive of Value Added Tax. This includes agency and facilitation fees and commissions which are recognised when the data or services are provided to the customer Turnover also includes Partnershare revenues resulting from joint contractual agreements net of amounts receivable by joint contractors.

In addition the Company also provides operational and administrative support to the group which is included as other operating income and recognised by reference to the services provided

#### Revenue sharing

Where the Company enters into partnershare agreements, for example, with those (being contract partners) who hold land or sea bed rights or similar data assets, such agreements commonly provide that proportions of the Company's income derived from sales shall be attributable to the contract partner. These amounts are deducted from turnover of the Company.

### 15 Leasing and hire purchase

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible fixed assets. Assets acquired by finance lease are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Assets acquired by hire purchase are depreciated over their useful lives. Finance leases are those where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership are assumed by the Company. 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.

#### 16 Pensions

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Company to the fund in respect of the year

### 1.7 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as 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 assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted

# NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### 1.8 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Profit and loss account

### 2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Cost	_
At 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2012	74,389
Depreciation At 1 January 2012 Charge for the year	28,324 14,122
At 31 December 2012	42,446
Net book value At 31 December 2012	31,943
At 31 December 2011	46,065

The Company's bankers have a fixed and floating charge over all assets of the Company

### 3. DEBTORS

Debtors include a lease deposit of £31,574 (2011 - £31,574)

A lease deposit, disclosed as other debtors due after more than one year, is subject to a legal charge

### 4. SHARE CAPITAL

	2012	2011
	£	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
1 Ordinary share of £1	1	1

£

## NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012

### 5 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

At the balance sheet date, the company was a wholly owned by intermediate parent company - Acorn Geophysical Limited, a Bermudan company

Acorn Geophysical Limited is ultimately controlled by SJ Investments Ltd, a company registered in Belize SJ Investments Ltd is controlled by a Belizean discretionary Trust Mr. A Vigeland, who is trustee for this trust, has no beneficial interest