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# STACOURT LIMITED

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the Year Ended 31 December 2007



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## **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**DIRECTORS** 

B T S Michel

A Elliott

**SECRETARY** 

WK Corporate Services Limited

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04507516

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Orpington Kent **BR6 0NZ** 

**AUDITORS** 

Rawlinson & Hunter

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor

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# DIRECTORS' REPORT For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 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 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 that 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 the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements and other information included in Annual Reports may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

## **PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS**

So far as each of the directors is aware at the time the report is approved

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- 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

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is the commercial exploitation of television rights

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The company principally generates its revenue from the exploitation of televison rights for the Formula One Spanish Grand Prix which the company owns under licence until 2010

The directors consider the results for the year and current state of affiars of the company to be in line with expectations. Furthermore, on the basis of existing agreements, the directors expect revenue and profits to increase in the next year.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

#### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £674,856 (2006 - £474,494)

An interim dividend of £1,102,275 (2006 - £993,996) was paid during the year, representing £11,023 (2006 - £9,940) per ordinary share

The directors do not recommend the payment of final dividend

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors who served during the year were

B T S Michel A Elliott

#### FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The company's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including cash flow risk, credit risk, price risk and liquidity risk. The policies for managing financial risks set by the board of directors are implemented by the company's finance department. The finance department follows specific guidelines to manage exchange rate risk, interest rate risk and credit risk and to assess the circumstances where it would be appropriate to use financial instruments to manage these

#### Cash flow risk

The company's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The company has an agreement in place with its bank to cap losses arising from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates.

The company has interest bearing assets in the form of cash balances. Cash balances earn interest at floating rates.

#### Credit risk

The company's principal financial assets are cash balances and trade and other receivables

The company's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade receivables. The company monitors the recoverability of trade receivables and where there is evidence of a reduction in the recoverability of the cash flows makes appropriate provision.

The credit risk on cash balances is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies

The company has a significant concentration of credit risk with the majority of its revenue being derived from a small number of customers. The level of credit risk is mitigated by appropriate credit checks being carried out on potential customers and a proven track record of recovery of trade receivables from existing customers.

## Price risk and liquidity risk

Due to the nature of the company's activities and the level of its cash balances, the directors are of the opinion that the company has minimal exposures to price risk and liquidity risk

## DIRECTORS' REPORT For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

## **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Rawlinson & Hunter, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985

This report was approved by the board on 1810108

and signed on its behalf

Director

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF STACOURT LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Stacourt Limited for the year ended 31 December 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 in accordance with 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 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 members 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 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 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 irregulanty or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF STACOURT LIMITED

## **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 December 2007 and of its profit for the year 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

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor

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Date

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

Note	2007 £	2006 £
1, 2	12,103,461	10,650,900
·	(10,402,925)	(9,238,481)
	1,700,536	1,412,419
	34,688	(10,582)
3	1,735,224	1,401,837
	55,274	28,434
	1,790,498	1,430,271
5	(1,115,642)	(955,777)
	£ 674,856	£ 474,494
	1, 2	Note £  1, 2

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2007 or 2006 other than those included in the Profit and Loss Account

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements

## BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2007

		20	07		20	006	
	Note	£		£	£		£
CURRENT ASSETS							
Debtors	6	70,964			432,796		
Cash at bank		5,080,884			7,091,846		
		5,151,848			7,524,642		
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	7	(4,476,892)			(6,422,267)	•	
NET CURRENT ASSETS				674,956			1,102,375
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABIL	ITIES		£	674,956		£	1,102,375
CAPITAL AND RESERVES							
Called up share capital	8			100			100
Profit and loss account	9			674,856			1,102,275
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	10		£	674,956		£_	1,102,375

Director

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# CASH FLOW STATEMENT For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

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	Note	2007 £	2006 £
Net cash flow from operating activities	12	143,629	4,231,064
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	13	55,274	28,434
Taxation		(1,107,590)	(952,638)
Equity dividends paid		(1,102,275)	(993,996)
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH IN THE YEAR		£ (2,010,962)	£ · 2,312,864

# RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

	2007 £	2006 £
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the year	(2,010,962)	2,312,864
MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS IN THE YEAR	(2,010,962)	2,312,864
Net funds at 1 January 2007	7,091,846	4,778,982
NET FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007	£ 5,080,884	£ 7,091,846

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## 1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards

## 1.2 CASH FLOW

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company

## 13 TURNOVER

Turnover comprises the value of services supplied by the company, exclusive of Value Added Tax

Revenue is recognised when services have been provided in accordance with the underlying sales agreements

## 14 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

#### 1.5 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. TURNOVER

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the principal activity of the company

All turnover arose within the European Union excluding the United Kingdom

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

3	OPER	ATING	PROFIT
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The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting)

2007	2006
£	£
(76,848)	(35,136)
5 000	6,000
11,540	13,975
	£ (76,848) 5,000

## 4. STAFF COSTS

During the year, no director received any emoluments (2006 - £Nil)

The company has no employees other than the directors (2006 - Nil)

## 5 TAXATION

	2007 £		2006 £
ANALYSIS OF TAX CHARGE IN THE YEAR			
UK corporation tax charge on profits of the year Foreign tax charge on profit for the year	16,582 1,099,060		8,530 947,247
TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	£ 1,115,642	£	955,777

## **FACTORS AFFECTING TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR**

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2006 - higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (30%). The differences are explained below

	2007 £	2006 , £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	£ 1,790,498	£ 1,430,271
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2006 - 30%)	537,149	429,081
EFFECTS OF		
Unrelieved foreign tax arising in the year Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	578,493 -	526,516 180
CURRENT TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR (see note above)	£ 1,115,642	£ 955,777

## **FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE TAX CHARGES**

There were no factors that may affect future tax charges

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

6.	DEBTORS		
		2007 £	2006 £
	Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	53,762 16,652 550	431,388 887 521
		£ 70,964	£ 432,796
7.	CREDITORS. AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		,
		2007 £	2006 £
	Trade creditors Corporation tax Accruals and deferred income	11,416 16,582 4,448,894	337,883 8,530 6,075,854
		£ 4,476,892	£ 6,422,267
8.	SHARE CAPITAL		
	•	2007 £	2006 £
	AUTHORISED		
	1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£ 1,000	£ 1,000
	ALLOTTED, CALLED UP AND FULLY PAID		
	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£ 100	£ 100
9	RESERVES		
			Profit and loss account £
	At 1 January 2007 Profit for the year Dividends Equity capital		1,102,275 674,856 (1,102,275)
	At 31 December 2007		£ 674,856

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

10	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUND:		2007		2006
			£		£
	Opening shareholders' funds		1,102,375		1,621,877
	Profit for the year Dividends (Note 11)		674,856 (1,102,275)		474,494 (993,996)
	Closing shareholders' funds	£	674,956	£	1,102,375
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11	DIVIDENDS				
			2007 £	,	2006 £
	Dividends paid £11,023 (2006 - £9,940) per ordinary share	£	1,102,275	£	993,996 ————
12	NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
			2007 £		2006 £
	Operating profit		1,735,224		1,401,837
	Decrease in debtors (Decrease)/increase in creditors		361,832 (1,953,427)		113,084 2,716,143
	NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATIONS	£	143,629	£	4,231,064
13.	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN CASI	1 FLC	OW STATEMEN	١T	
			2007 £		2006 £
	RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE				
	Interest received	£	55,274	£٠	28,434

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 2007

## 14. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

			Other non-cash changes	31 December 2007
	1 January 2007	Cash flow		
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	7,091,846	(2,010,962)	-	5,080,884
NET FUNDS	£ 7,091,846	£ (2,010,962) £	<u>-</u>	£ 5,080,884

## 15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the company paid consultancy fees totalling £4,675,349 (2006 - £3,841,875) to Formula FB Business Limited, the immediate and ultimate parent undertaking included with accruals at 31 December 2007 was an amount of £Nil (2006 - £1,795,122) in respect of Formula FB Business Limited

During the year, the company paid consultancy fees of £20,000 (2006 - £20,000) to Massima Management Limited, a company with directors in common with Stacourt Limited

# 16. IMMEDIATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The directors consider that the immediate and ultimate parent undertaking is Formula FB Business Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands

The ultimate controlling party is the FB Trust