MITIE SERVICES (RETAIL) LIMITED (formerly MITIE (28) Limited)

Report and Financial Statements

For the period from incorporation on 3 February 2003 to 3 April 2004

Deloitte & Touche LLP Bristol



REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2004

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

P D Faulkner N R Goodman R McGregor-Smith C F Russell I R Stewart P W Stirland

SECRETARY

C K Ross

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BANKERS

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AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche LLP Bristol

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and audited financial statements for the period from incorporation on 3 February 2003 to 3 April 2004.

On 7 August 2003 the company changed its name from MITIE (28) Limited to MITIE Services (Retail) Limited.

These financial statements have been made up to 3 April 2004, being a date not more than seven days after the accounting reference date as permitted by Section 223 of the Companies Act 1985.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

United Kingdom 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 as at the end of the financial year 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed; 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 the system of internal control, safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company commenced trading on 20 August 2003.

The company provides cleaning services to retail clients.

The first period of trading to 3 April 2004 was profitable and the directors consider that the company is in a good position to continue that development.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the financial year after taxation amounted to £111,058. The directors propose a dividend payment of £62,215 to the holders of non-equity shares.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors during the financial year and subsequently were as follows:

| I R Stewart | (appointed 3 February 2003) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| P D Faulkner | (appointed 22 August 2003) |
| N R Goodman | (appointed 22 August 2003) |
| C F Russell | (appointed 22 August 2003) |
| P W Stirland | (appointed 22 August 2003) |
| R McGregor-Smith | (appointed 7 October 2003) |

The beneficial interests of the directors and their families in the share capital of the company were as follows:

| | At 3 April 2004 £1 'B' ordinary shares No. | At 3 February 2003 or date of appointment £1 'B' ordinary shares No. |
|------------------|--|--|
| P D Faulkner | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| R McGregor-Smith | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| C F Russell | 65,000 | 65,000 |
| I R Stewart | 2,000 | 2,000 |
| P W Stirland | 5,000 | 5,000 |

No other director had a beneficial interest in the share capital of the company or any other group company during the financial year, except as disclosed below.

N R Goodman, I R Stewart and R McGregor-Smith are directors of MITIE Group PLC, the parent undertaking, and their interests in the share capital of that company are shown in the financial statements of MITIE Group PLC.

PAYMENT POLICY

The company's policy is to comply with the terms of payment agreed with a supplier. Where terms are not negotiated, the company endeavours to adhere with the supplier's standard terms. As at 3 April 2004 trade creditors, as a proportion of amounts invoiced from suppliers for the financial year, represented 27 days.

EMPLOYEES

The company offers equal opportunities to all applicants for employment whatever their sex, race or religion. Disabled persons are considered for employment, training, career development and promotion on the basis of their attitudes and abilities in common with all employees, providing the disability does not make the particular employment impractical or the employee unable to conform to the stringent regulations which apply to the operations of the company.

The company recognises the importance of good communications and employee relationships. In each company there is a relationship between the Chief Executive of MITIE Group PLC and individual employees in the company. In these conditions, complex consultative procedures are seldom required to ensure that there is an understanding of the purpose of the business and the commercial realities of success. Employees are encouraged to become shareholders through the Savings Related Share Option Scheme.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

AUDITORS

During the financial year Deloitte & Touche LLP were appointed as auditors.

A resolution for the reappointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

R McGregor-Smith

Director

26 November 2004

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

MITIE SERVICES (RETAIL) LIMITED (formerly MITIE (28) Limited)

We have audited the financial statements of MITIE Services (Retail) Limited (formerly MITIE (28) Limited) for the financial year 3 April 2004 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement and related notes 1 to 20. These financial statements have been prepared under 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

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant United Kingdom legal and regulatory requirements and 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 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 for the above period and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements.

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 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 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 3 April 2004 and of its profit for the financial year then ended have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Bristol

26 November 2004

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the period from 3 February 2003 to 3 April 2004

| | Notes | Continuing operations 2004 |
|---|--------|----------------------------|
| TURNOVER | 1 | 4,155,007 |
| Cost of sales | | (3,592,144) |
| GROSS PROFIT | | 562,863 |
| Administrative expenses | | (404,611) |
| OPERATING PROFIT | 2 | 158,252 |
| Interest receivable Interest payable | 3 3 | 7,341 (5,775) |
| PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION | | 159,818 |
| Tax on profit on ordinary activities | 4 | (48,760) |
| PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION | | 111,058 |
| Non-equity dividend | 5 | (62,215) |
| RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR | 10 | 48,843 |

There are no recognised gains and losses for the current financial year other than as stated in the profit and loss account. Accordingly, no statement of total recognised gains and losses in presented.

BALANCE SHEET At 3 April 2004

| | Notes | 2004 £ £ |
|---|---------|---|
| FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets | 6 | 115,131 |
| CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand | 7 | 1,868,757 219,481 |
| CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | o | 2,088,238 |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | 8 | (1,654,526) ———————————————————————————————————— |
| NET ASSETS | | 548,843 |
| SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account | 9 10 | 500,000 48,843 |
| TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS | 11 | 548,843 |
| Attributable to equity shareholders Attributable to non-equity shareholders | | 268,933 279,910 |
| | | 548,843 |

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 November 2004.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

R McGregor-Smith Director

CASH FLOW STATEMENT For the period from 3 February 2003 to 3 April 2004

| | Notes | - | 2004 |
|---|-------|------------------|-----------|
| | | £ | £ |
| Net cash outflow from operating activities | 12 | | (130,658) |
| Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid | | 7,341 (5,296) | |
| Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance | | | 2,045 |
| Taxation UK corporation tax paid | | | (10,370) |
| Capital expenditure Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets | | | (141,536) |
| Cash outflow before financing | | | (280,519) |
| Financing Issue of ordinary share capital | | | 500,000 |
| Increase in cash in the financial year | 14 | | 219,481 |

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards.

Turnover

Turnover represents the total, excluding sales taxes, receivable in respect of goods and services supplied. All turnover arises within the United Kingdom, from the company's principal activity.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected life, as follows:

| Plant | 3 to 5 years |
|------------------|--------------|
| Office equipment | 3 to 5 years |
| Motor vehicles | 4 years |

Leasing commitments

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

Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements. Deferred tax is not provided on timing differences arising from the revaluation of fixed assets where there is no commitment to sell the asset, or on unremitted earnings of subsidiaries and associates where there is no commitment to remit these earnings. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Pension costs

Pension costs represent amounts paid to one of the group's pension schemes. Details of the schemes are given in the financial statements of MITIE Group PLC.

2. OPERATING PROFIT is stated after charging: Depreciation Auditors' remuneration - audit services Hire of plant and machinery Hire of vehicles 20,405 22,405 43,405 44,534 46,566

(c) Factors affecting future tax charges

| 3. | INTEREST | 2004 |
|----|--|---------------------|
| | Interest receivable | 2004 £ |
| | Bank interest | 7,341 |
| | Interest payable | £ |
| | Bank interest | (5,775) |
| 4. | TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES | 2004 |
| | (a) Analysis of charge in period | £ |
| | United Kingdom corporation tax at 30% (note 4(b)) | 50,549 |
| | Deferred taxation: Timing differences - origination and reversal | (1,789) |
| | Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities | 48,760 |
| | (b) Factors affecting tax charge in period | |
| | The tax assessed for the period differs from that resulting from applying the standard rate of co the UK of 30%. The differences are as follows: | rporation tax in |
| | | £ |
| | Profit on ordinary activities before tax | 159,818 |
| | | £ |
| | Tax at 30% thereon | 47,945 |
| | Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Capital allowances in excess of depreciation Other timing differences | 815 1,454 335 |
| | Current tax credit for the period (note 4(a)) | 50,549 |

The company is not aware of any matters that will materially affect the future tax charge.

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| 5. | DIVIDENDS | | | | 2004 £ |
|----|---|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| | 24.4p per share cumulative dividend on £1 | 'A' ordinary shares | | | 62,215 |
| 6. | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | Plant £ | Office equipment £ | Motor vehicles £ | Total £ |
| | Cost At 3 February 2003 | | | | |
| | Additions | 23,988 | - | 7,088 | 31,076 |
| | Transfers in | - | 7,565 | 159,949 | 167,514 |
| | At 3 April 2004 | 23,988 | 7,565 | 167,037 | 198,590 |
| | Depreciation At 3 February 2003 | - | - | - | - |
| | Charge for the financial year | 1,476 | 1,206 | 23,723 | 26,405 |
| | Transfers in | | 3,565 | 53,489 | 57,054 |
| | At 3 April 2004 | 1,476 | 4,771 | 77,212 | 83,459 |
| | Net book value | | | | |
| | At 3 April 2004 | 22,512 | 2,794 | 89,825 | 115,131 |
| | Capital commitments | | | | |

At 3 April 2004 the directors had authorised capital expenditure of nil.

| 7. | DEBTORS | 2004 £ |
|----|---|-----------------------------|
| | Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Deferred tax asset | 1,865,863 1,105 1,789 |
| | | 1,868,757 |

| 7. | DEBTORS (continued) | |
|----|---|------------------|
| | The deferred tax asset recognised in the financial statements is analysed as follows: | 2004 £ |
| | Negative accelerated capital allowances Short-term timing differences | (1,454) (335) |
| | | (1,789) |

The directors are of the opinion that suitable profits will be available in the periods in which these differences will reverse. The amount credited to the profit and loss account in the financial year was £1,789.

| 8. | CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | 2004 £ |
|----|--|--|
| | Trade creditors Other taxes and social security costs Accruals and deferred income Corporation tax Other creditors Amounts due to group companies Dividend payable | 276,583 527,892 731,641 40,179 2,236 13,780 62,215 |
| | | 1,654,526 |
| 9. | CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL Authorised | 2004 £ |
| | 510,000 £1 'A' ordinary shares 490,000 £1 'B' ordinary shares | 510,000 490,000 |
| | | 1,000,000 |
| | | £ |
| | Allotted and fully paid 255,000 £1 'A' ordinary shares 245,000 £1 'B' ordinary shares | 255,000 245,000 500,000 |
| | | <u> </u> |

The 500,000 ordinary shares were issued at par during the period to provide working capital for the company.

9. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

Rights attached to shares

The rights to dividends are as follows:

- the holders of the £1 'A' ordinary shares are entitled to a fixed cumulative dividend equal to a threshold divided by the number of 'A' shares in issue per annum. The threshold is defined as 101,100 post corporation tax at the mainstream rate and index linked;
- the holders of the £1 'A' ordinary shares and the £1 'B' ordinary shares are entitled to a dividend as decided by the Board;
- MITTE Group PLC, the holder of the £1 'A' ordinary shares, is entitled to one half of the company's annual profits available for distribution less the above amount already paid; and
- thereafter, the balance of profits available for distribution may be distributed amongst the holders of each class of share pari passu.

In all other respects the shares rank pari passu.

10. STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

| | | Share capital £ | Profit and loss account | 2004 Total £ |
|-----|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| | Opening balance | - | - | <u>-</u> |
| | Profit for the financial year | - | 111,058 | 111,058 |
| | Issue of ordinary shares | 500,000 | - | 500,000 |
| | Non-equity dividends | | (62,215) | (62,215) |
| | Closing balance | 500,000 | 48,843 | 548,843 |
| 11. | RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS | | | 2004 £ |
| | Retained profit for the financial year Issue of ordinary shares | | | 48,843 500,000 |
| | Closing shareholders' funds | | | 548,843 |

| 12. | RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO SOUTFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | NET CASH | | 2004 £ |
|-----|---|----------------------------|----------------|---|
| | Operating profit Depreciation charge Increase in debtors Increase in creditors | | | 158,252 26,405 (1,866,968) 1,551,653 |
| | Net cash outflow from operating activities | | | (130,658) |
| 13. | ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS | At 3 February 2003 £ | Cash flow £ | At 3 April 2004 £ |
| | Cash at bank and in hand | - | 219,481 | 219,481 |
| 14. | RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOIN NET FUNDS | VEMENT | | 2004 £ |
| | Increase in cash in the financial year Net funds at beginning of financial year | | | 219,481 |
| | Net funds at end of financial year | | | 219,481 |

15. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Operating leases

At 3 April 2004 the company had no annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases.

Commitments on behalf of group undertakings

The company is party with other group undertakings to cross-guarantees of each other's bank overdrafts. As at 3 April 2004, the overall commitment was nil.

16. DIRECTORS

| The emoluments of directors of the company were: | 2004 £ |
|--|-----------|
| Fees and other emoluments (including benefits-in-kind) | 85,476 |
| | No. |
| The number of directors who were members of a defined benefit pension scheme | 2 |

N R Goodman, I R Stewart and R McGregor-Smith are directors of MITIE Group PLC and their emoluments and pension details are disclosed in the group accounts.

17. EMPLOYEES

Number of employees

The average number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the financial year was:

| | No. |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Operatives Administration and management | 606 |
| | 609 |
| Employment costs | £ |
| Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs | 2,929,984 171,273 7,656 |
| | 3,108,913 |

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18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

MITIE Group PLC is a 54.3% shareholder of the company.

| | Goods and services provided to £ | Goods and services provided by | Management charges payable to £ | Fixed assets transferred from £ | Balance at period end £ |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| Cole Motors Ltd | _ | 5,183 | - | - | (1,725) |
| MITIE Cleaning (South East) Ltd | - | - | - | 98,371 | - |
| MITIE Cleaning (South West) Ltd | 940 | 19,110 | - | 12,089 | 501 |
| MITIE Cleaning (Southern) Ltd | - | 1,200 | - | - | - |
| MITIE Cleaning Ltd | - | 111,525 | 5,000 | - | - |
| MITIE Industrial Cleaning (North) Ltd | - | 11,899 | - | - | (3,290) |
| MITIE Olscot Ltd | - | 18,259 | - | - | (8,161) |

All the above companies are subsidiaries of MITIE Group PLC.

During the year an existing sales contract was transferred from MITIE Cleaning South East Limited, a fellow subsidiary, to MITIE Services (Retail) Limited. The assets and future liabilities relating to this contract were transferred at net book value at that time and are included in the above table.

19. PENSION ARRANGEMENTS

The company participates in the MITIE Group PLC Pension Scheme. This is a defined multi-employer scheme, the assets and liabilities of which are held independently from the group. The company is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme and accordingly accounts for the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme.

Contributions to the scheme for the period are shown in note 17 and the agreed contribution rate for the next 12 months is 10% (2003: 10%) and 7.5% (2003: 7.5%) for the group and employees respectively.

An updated FRS17 valuation of the scheme as at 31 March 2004 indicated that the scheme was 85% funded.

20. PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The directors regard MITIE Group PLC, a company registered in Scotland, as the company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party. MITIE Group PLC is both the smallest and largest group for which group accounts are prepared. Copies of the group financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary at the registered office.