# Administrator's progress report

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	Name of Company	Company number
	RIVERTIME RESTAURANTS LIMITED	04872352
	In the High Court of Justice Manchester District Registry Chancery Division	Court case number 2426 of 2010  ull name of court]
(a) Insert full name(s) and address(es) of administrator(s)	I/We (a) J M Titley & A Poxon of Leonard Curtis, Hollins Hollins Lane, Lancashire BL9 8DG	Mount,
	administrator(s) of the above company attach a progress rep	ort for the period
	from	to
(b) Insert dates	(b) 27 October 2010	(b) 26 April 2011
	Signed MtHy  Joint Ademistrator(s)	
	Dated 10 May 2011	

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Registered Number: 04872352 Court Ref: 2426 of 2010 Manchester District Registry

Joint Administrators' first progress report in accordance with Rule 2.47 of the Insolvency Rules 1986

Report period 27 October 2010 to 26 April 2011

10 May 2011

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TO THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES
ALL CREDITORS
ALL MEMBERS

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

This report has been produced in accordance with Rule 2 47 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 to provide creditors with an update on the progress of the Administration of Rivertime Restaurants Limited ("the Company") for the period from 27 October 2010 to 26 April 2011

#### 2 STATUTORY INFORMATION

- A Poxon and J M Titley were appointed as Joint Administrators of Rivertime Restaurants Limited ("the Company") in the jurisdiction of Manchester District Registry, number 2426 of 2010 on 27 October 2010. The administration appointment was made by the directors.
- The administration is being handled by the Bury office of Leonard Curtis, which is situated at Hollins Lane, Bury, BL9 8DG
- 2 3 The trading address of the Company is Unit 6 Mercia Square Shopping Centre, Frodsham Street, Chester and Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd, Ruthin, Clwyd, Denbighshire
- The Company's registered office was changed from 4 Northern Diver Building, Appley Lane North, Appley Bridge, Wigan, WN6 9AE to Hollins Mount, Hollins Lane, Bury, Lancashire, BL9 8DG on 8 November 2010 The registered number is 04872352
- For the purposes of paragraph 100(2) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended), it should be noted that during the period in which the Administration Order is in force, any act or function required or authorised under any enactment to be done by the Administrator may be exercised by all or any of the persons holding that office
- The Company's main centre of operation is based in the UK. The EC Regulation on Insolvency Proceedings applies and the proceedings are main proceedings under the Regulation.

#### 3 JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' PROPOSALS

- Attached at Appendix I is a summary of the Joint Administrators' approved proposals for achieving one of the three statutory purposes of Administration
- 3 2 The Proposals were deemed approved on 6 January 2011
- The objective of the administration is to realise property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors
- This objective has already been achieved as a payment of £60,000 00 has already been made to the secured creditor

#### 4 PROGRESS OF THE ADMINISTRATION

4.1 Attached at Appendix II is the Joint Administrators' receipts and payments account for the period from 27 October 2010 to 26 April 2011

#### 4.2 Sale of Business

Prior to and upon appointment, the administrators investigated the possibility of concluding a sale of the business and assets as it was considered that a sale of all or part of the business as a going concern would allow the following

- Enhanced asset values.
- The potential of customer continuity and resultant improved debtor collections,
- Minimise preferential creditor claims,
- Mitigate any finance creditor shortfall

An offer of £90,000 00 for the business and assets was made by The Clwyd Gate Restaurant Limited ("the Purchaser") to the proposed Administrators. The Purchaser is a connected party as William Mapstone, a secured creditor of the Company, is a director and shareholder of the Purchaser. The consideration of £90,000 00 was apportioned as follows.

Category of asset	Value achieved
	£
Goodwill	50,000
Equipment	29,997
Stock	2,500
Contracts	1
Work-ın-Progress	1
Benefit of Claims against any Employee	1
The GAL assets	7,500
Total	90,000

Following advice from our appointed agents, Charles Taylor, who had carried out valuations of the Company's physical assets and goodwill, this offer was accepted and the sale was concluded on 27 October 2010. It should be noted that the GAL assets were not sold on a going concern basis as the restaurant had closed prior to the date of administration.

I can advise that a sum of £6,000 remains outstanding. We are currently in discussions with the purchaser and anticipate that the balance will be received shortly

#### 4 3 Balance at Bank

At the date of our appointment, the Company's bank account was in credit. I can advise that a sum of £7,175.80 has subsequently been received

#### 4.4 Debtors

Since our appointment, a sum of £624 00 has been received in respect of monies due to the Company

No further realisations are anticipated

### 4 5 Sundry Refunds and Interest

A sum of £780 07 has been received in respect of sundry refunds

Bank interest in the sum of £15 58 has also been received

#### 5 ASSETS STILL TO BE REALISED

The only asset which remains outstanding is the balance of the sales consideration detailed at 4.2 above

#### 6 JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' REMUNERATION

#### **Pre-Administration Costs**

6 1 On this assignment the Joint Administrators have used the professional advisors listed below

Name of Professional Advisor	Service Provided	Basis of Fees
Turner Parkinson LLP	Legal advice	Time costs
Charles Taylor	Asset & goodwill valuation advice	Time costs

The secured creditor approved our pre-appointment fees on 6 January 2011 and are detailed below

Charged by	Services provided	Total amount charged £	Amount paid £	Who payments made by	Amount unpaid
Leonard Curtis	Advising on the financial position, options available and consideration of the offer of the business and negotiations of the sale to The Clwyd Gate Restaurant Limited	£3,787	Nil	n/a	£3,787
Charles Taylor	Valuation of tangible assets & goodwill	£3,500	£3,500	Administrators	Nil
Turner Parkinson LLP	Dealing with sale contract	£3,530	£3,530	Administrators	Nil

#### Administrators' Remuneration

- The time charged by the Joint Administrators' for the period of this report amounts to £22,230.50. This represents 95.7 hours at an average rate of £232.29 per hour. Attached at Appendix III is a time analysis which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade during this period, along with a description of the work done by the Joint Administrators and their staff in respect of which the time has been charged.
- £20,000 00 has been drawn to date in respect of these time costs

The Joint Administrators have also incurred expenses during the period of this report. These expenses are detailed in the table below, which also indicates whether these expenses have yet been paid from the case funds.

Nature of expenses	By whom provided	Amount incurred this period	Total amount incurred to date £	Amount paid £	Amount unpaid £
Advertising	Courts Advertising	75 60	75 60	Nil	75 60
Solicitors' fees	Turner Parkinson LLP	1,834 00	1,834 00	1,834 00	Nil
IP bond	Locktons	40 00	40 00	Nil	40 00
Client identification checks	Business Tax Centre Ltd	9 95	9 95	Nil	9 95
Companies House searches	Companies House	5 00	5 00	Nil	5 00
Licence Fee	Pelstar Computing	75 00	75 00	75 00	Nil

- Attached at Appendix IV is additional information in relation to the firm's policy on staffing, the use of subcontractors, disbursements and details of our current charge-out rates by staff grade
- Unsecured creditors whose debts amount to at least 5% of the total value of the unsecured claims, or any secured creditor, may request further information regarding remuneration or expenses (other than pre administration costs) by submitting their written requests before 3 June 2011
- In addition, unsecured creditors whose debts amount to at least 10% of the total value of the unsecured claims, or any secured creditor, may apply to court, if they believe the remuneration charged or expenses incurred by the Joint Administrators to be excessive or the basis fixed for the Joint Administrators' remuneration to be inappropriate. Any application should be made within 8 weeks of receipt of this report.

#### 7 ESTIMATED OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

#### 7 1 Secured Creditors

#### William Mapstone

William Mapstone holds a debenture, dated 10 May 2010 and registered on 14 May 2010, creating fixed and floating charges over the Company's assets William Mapstone provided loans to the Company for the purposes of acquiring and outfitting the GAL and Clwyd Gate restaurants and at the date of appointment was owed £125,000 To date, William Mapstone has received a payment of £50,000 in respect of goodwill under the terms of his fixed charge. A further payment of £10,000 has been paid under the floating charge.

It is not anticipated that realisations will be sufficient to enable any further distributions to William Mapstone

### Royal Bank of Scotland plc ("RBS")

RBS holds a debenture, dated 14 May 2010 and registered on 19 May 2010, creating fixed and floating charges over the Company's assets RBS provided banking services to the Company, including an overdraft facility. On our appointment, the Company's current account was in credit and therefore RBS have no claim in the administration.

#### 7 2 Preferential Claims

The only categories of claims which have preferential status are those of employees in respect of wages and accrued holiday pay. The GAL closed prior to the date of administration and all employees were paid up until the date of dismissal.

A going concern sale of the business and assets of the Clwyd Gate was subsequently concluded on the date of appointment and all contracts of employment were transferred over to the buyer on the same day Consequently, no preferential claims have been received

#### 7.3 Prescribed Part

The Insolvency Act 1986 provides that, where a company has created a floating charge after 15 September 2003, the administrator must make a *prescribed part* of the company's net property available to the unsecured creditors and not distribute it the floating charge holder except in so far as it exceeds the amount required for the satisfaction of unsecured claims

As the floating charge distribution in this matter is not anticipated to exceed £10,000 and the costs in making a distribution to the unsecured creditors would be disproportionate to the benefits, there is no requirement to calculate a prescribed part

#### 7 4 Unsecured Non-Preferential Claims

I can advise that it is not anticipated that there will be sufficient realisations to enable a distribution to unsecured creditors. This statement is being made in accordance with paragraph 52(1)(b) of Schedule B1 to the Act. Creditors should however continue to submit details of their claims using the statement of claim form attached at Appendix V. These claims will be collated and passed to any subsequently appointed Liquidator in due course.

#### 8 EXTENSIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATION

- The appointment of administrators ordinanly ceases to have effect at the end of the period of one year from the date of their appointment
- In certain circumstances it may be necessary to extend the Administrators' term of office. In the circumstances of this case, this may be done for a specified period not exceeding six months with the consent of
  - each secured creditor of the Company
- 8 3 The appropriate body of creditors will be contacted in due course should an extension be required

#### 9 NEXT REPORT

9 1 The Joint Administrators are required to provide a progress report within one month of the end of the next six months of the Administration or earlier if the Administration has been finalised

If you wish to discuss the issues raised in this report or require any additional information please contact this office

For and on behalf of RIVERTIME RESTAURANTS LIMITED

A POXON
JOINT ADMINISTRATOR

Licensed in the UK by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

The affairs, business and property of the Company are being managed by the Joint Administrators, who act as agents of the Company without personal liability

APPENDIX I

#### SUMMARY OF JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' PROPOSALS

#### It is proposed that

- The Joint Administrators continue to manage the business, affairs and property of the Company in such a manner as they consider expedient with a view to achieving the statutory purposes of the Administration
- If appropriate, the Joint Administrators take any action they consider necessary with a view to the approval of a Company Voluntary Arrangement ("CVA") or Scheme of Arrangement in relation to the Company
- If appropriate, the Joint Administrators file a notice with the Registrar of Companies in order that the Administration will cease and the Company will move automatically into Creditors Voluntary Liquidation. It is further proposed that A Poxon and/or J M Titley be appointed (Joint) Liquidator(s) of the Company and that where Joint Liquidators are proposed any act required or authorised to be done by the Joint Liquidators may be exercised by both or either of them. NB. Creditors may nominate a different person as the proposed Liquidator, provided that the nomination is made after receipt of these proposals and before the proposals are approved.
- In the event that there are no monies remaining to be distributed to creditors and as soon as all matters relating to the Administration have been completed, the Joint Administrators file a Notice with the Registrar of Companies that the Company should be dissolved
- The Joint Administrators investigate and, if appropriate, pursue any claims that they or the Company may have against any directors or former directors, other third parties, officers or former officers, advisers or former advisers of the Company
- The Company may be placed into compulsory liquidation in circumstances where assets are still to be realised or investigations concluded yet there will be no return to unsecured creditors. In these circumstances it is further proposed that A Poxon and/or J M Titley be appointed (Joint) Liquidator(s) of the Company.
- The Joint Administrators shall do all such other things and generally exercise all of his powers as contained in Schedule 1 of the Insolvency Act 1986, as he considers desirable or expedient to achieve the statutory purpose of the Administration

### **APPENDIX II**

# SUMMARY OF JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 27 OCTOBER 2010 TO 26 APRIL 2011

	Statement of Affairs	Received to date
	£	£
RECEIPTS	~	_
Equipment	29,997	26,500 00
GAL Assets	7,500	7,500 00
Contracts	. 1	, +
Work in Progress	1	-
Benefit of Employee Claims	1	-
Stock	2,500	-
Debtors	•	624 00
Balance at Bank	7,000	7,175 80
Sundry Refunds	-	780 07
Interest	-	15 58
Goodwill	50,000	50,000 00
	97,000	92,595.45
PAYMENTS		
Administrators' Remuneration	-	(20,000 00)
Agents' Fees and Expenses	_	(3,500 00)
Solicitors Fees and Expenses	-	(5,364 00)
Sundry Expenses	-	(75 00)
•		(28,939.00)
DISTRIBUTIONS		
William Mapstone		( 60,000 00)
BALANCE IN HAND		3,656.45

SUMMARY OF JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' TIME COSTS FOR THE CURRENT PERIOD

	Dira	Director	Senior Manager	fanager	Manager 1	jer 1	Mana	Manager 2	Admini	Administrator 1	Administrator 4	trator 4	F	Total	Average
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Insurance and Pension	,	•		•	,	1		•	-	21 00		,	-	21 00	210 00
Assets		•	74	840 00	,		35	910 00	19	399 00		•	78	2,149 00	275 51
Labilities	•	•	£	385 00		ı	•	•	307	6,447 00	10	120 00	328	6,952 00	211 95
Landlords	18	711 00	19	00 599	•	ı	1	ı	5	273 00	2	24 00	25	1,673 00	321 73
Debenture Holder		٠		,		•		٠	12	252 00		•	12	252 00	210 00
General Administration	4	158 00	•	•	•	•	•	,	8	1,974 00	14	168 00	112	2,300 00	205 36
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All units are 6 minutes

**APPENDIX III (continued)** 

#### DESCRIPTION OF TIME SPENT BY CATEGORY

#### Statutory and Review

This involved undertaking regular reviews of the case file to ensure all matters were being progressed and statutory requirements were met

#### **Receipts and Payments**

This involved reviewing the cash receipts, payment and VAT position

#### Insurance and Pension

This involved undertaking the necessary statutory checks and notifications with regards to Company pension schemes

#### **Assets**

This involved monitoring the deferred consideration and dealing with ROT assets

#### Liabilities

A significant portion of time was spent dealing with creditor queries from trade creditors by post, telephone and email

#### Landlords

This included entering correspondence with the landlord with regards to various leases

#### **Debenture Holder**

This involved updating the secured creditor on the progress of the administration and payments under its security

#### **General Administration**

This includes setting up the case file and engaging in general correspondence. Further time has been spent in relation to the Company records

#### **Appointment**

This involved notifying creditors and all relevant parties of our appointment as administrators including complying with statutory requirements

#### **Post Appointment Creditors' Meetings**

Time was spent preparing and reviewing the Joint Administrators' proposals and report that was sent to all known creditors

### Investigations

Time was spent preparing and submitting the statutory report regarding the directors conduct to The Insolvency Service

APPENDIX IV

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN RELATION TO THE POLICY OF LEONARD CURTIS REGARDING FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS

The following information relating to the policy of Leonard Curtis is considered to be relevant to creditors Staff Allocation, Support Staff and the Use of Subcontractors

We take an objective and practical approach to each assignment which includes active partner involvement from the outset. Other members of staff will be assigned on the basis of experience and specific skills to match the needs of the case.

Time spent by secretarial and other support staff on specific case related matters, e.g. report despatching, is charged With effect from 1 January 2010 the following hourly charge out rates apply to all assignments undertaken by Leonard Curtis

Partner	£395
Senior Manager	£350
Manager 1	£300
Manager 2	£260
Administrator 1	£210
Administrator 2	£190
Administrator 3	£170
Administrator 4	£120
Support	£0

Details of any subcontractor(s) used will be reported to creditors

#### **Professional Advisors**

The choice of professional advisors is based around a number of factors including, but not restricted to, their expertise in a particular field, the complexity or otherwise of the assignment and their geographic location

On this case we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

Name of Professional Advisor	Service Provided	Basis of Fees
Turner Parkinson LLP	Legal advice	Time costs
Charles Taylor	Asset & Goodwill valuation advice	Time costs

#### Disbursements

Specific expenditure relating to the Administration of a particular case is recoverable without approval and is referred to as a "category 1 disbursement" Category 1 disbursements will generally comprise supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, typically for items such as identifiable telephone calls, postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and properly reimbursed expenses, including car mileage at 40p a mile, incurred by personnel in connection with the case. Also included will be services specific to the case where these cannot practically be provided internally such as printing, room hire and document storage.

Where we propose to recover costs which, whilst being in the nature of expenses or disbursements, may include an element of shared or allocated costs (such as room hire, documents storage or communication facilities provided by us) they must be disclosed and be authorised by those responsible for approving the administrator's remuneration. Such expenditure is referred to as a "category 2 disbursement". In the event of charging for category 2 disbursements the following items of expenditure are ordinarily recharged on this basis and are believed to be in line with the cost of external provision.

Internal photocopying General stationery, postage, telephone etc part thereof Storage of office files (6 years) 10p per copy £100 per 100 creditors/ members or

£66 09 per box

**APPENDIX V** 

# STATEMENT OF CLAIM FORM

Date of administration order:	27 October 2010
Name of creditor:	
Address of creditor:	
Gross amount of claim. (le including VAT)	
Amount of VAT	
Details of any document by reference to which the debt can be substantiated: (eg invoices)	
Particulars of how and when debt incurred.	
Particulars of any security held, the value of the security and the date it was given.	
Signature of creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf:	
Name in BLOCK CAPITALS:	
Position with or relation to creditor:	