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1 Company details

Company number 1 0 4 3 7 9 6 9

Company name in full Sapling Bidco Limited

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bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Simon James

Surname Bonney

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number High Holborn House

Street 52-54 High Holborn

Post town London

County/Region

Postcode WC 1 V 6 R L

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Michael

Surname Kiely

① Other liquidator

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another liquidator.

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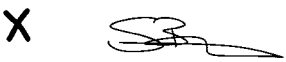
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- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed the form.

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**SAPLING BIDCO LIMITED
(IN LIQUIDATION)**

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' PROGRESS REPORT

18 May 2023

This report has been prepared for the sole purpose of updating the members for information purposes. The report is private and confidential and may not be relied upon, referred to, reproduced or quoted from, in whole or in part, by members for any purpose other than updating them for information purposes, or by any other person for any purpose whatsoever.

Simon Bonney and Michael Kiely of Quantuma Advisory Limited, High Holborn House, 52-54 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6RL were appointed Joint Liquidators of Sapling Bidco Limited on 22 March 2022.

Both Simon Bonney and Michael Kiely are licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioners by the Insolvency Practitioners Association.

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ABBREVIATIONS

For the purpose of this report the following abbreviations shall be used:

"the Act"	Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
"the Rules"	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
"the Joint Liquidators"	Simon Bonney and Michael Kiely of Quantuma Advisory Limited
"the Company"	Sapling Bidco Limited – In Liquidation
"SIP"	Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales)
"Review Period"	Period covered by the report from 22 March 2022 to 21 March 2023

1. INTRODUCTION

Introduction

This report has been prepared to provide Members with an update on the progress of the Liquidation of the Company since our appointment as Joint Liquidators on 22 March 2022.

A schedule of statutory information in respect of the Company is attached at Appendix 1.

Details of the appointment of the Joint Liquidators

Simon Bonney and Michael Kiely of Quantuma Advisory Limited were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company on 22 March 2022.

The Joint Liquidators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either one or both of them.

2. THE PROGRESS OF THE LIQUIDATION

The Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account

Attached at Appendix 2 is a receipts and payments account covering the Review Period together with a summary of the transactions in the previous Review Period. I confirm this has been reconciled with that held with the Bank, if applicable.

We have summarised the main asset realisations during the Review Period (if any) and provided an estimate of those assets yet to be realised, together with details of costs incurred but as yet remaining unpaid.

VAT Basis

Receipts and payments are shown net of VAT, with any amount due from HM Revenue and Customs shown separately. The Company is currently in a neutral VAT position.

Administrative, Statutory & Regulatory Tasks

The Joint Liquidators have met a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks have not had a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the estate, they have assisted in the efficient and compliant progressing of the Liquidation, which has ensured that the Joint Liquidators and their staff have carried out their work to high professional standards.

During the Review Period, primarily these tasks have included:

- Informing all relevant persons of the commencement of the Liquidation, including filing statutory documents at Companies House and meeting statutory advertising requirements;
- Drafting and issuing the progress report to Members;
- Consulting with and instructing staff and independent advisers as regards practical, technical and legal aspects of the case to ensure efficient progress;
- Maintaining electronic case files, which must include records to show and explain the Liquidation and any decisions made by the Joint Liquidators that materially affect the Liquidation;
- Monitoring and maintaining an adequate statutory bond;
- Conducting periodic case reviews to ensure that the Liquidation is progressing efficiently, effectively and in line with the statutory requirements;

- Maintaining and updating the estate cash book and bank accounts, including regular bank reconciliations and processing receipts and payments; and
- Completing periodic tax returns.

Realisation of Assets

As per the Declaration of Solvency, the Company's sole asset is that of an estimated £1.00 debt from owed from Accenture (UK) Limited. The Joint Liquidators are not aware of any other potential assets for the benefit of the estate. It is likely that this asset will be distributed in specie rather than cash however an update will be provided in due course.

Details of what remains to be done

Whilst no outstanding matters are expected, HM Revenue & Customs are yet to provide tax clearance. This has been requested and is being actively chased. As soon as clearance is received, the Joint Liquidators' can distribute the sole asset in specie and move the Liquidation to closure.

3. CREDITORS: CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Secured Creditors

The Company had not granted a fixed or floating charge to any creditor and accordingly did not have any secured creditors.

Preferential Creditors

There are no known preferential creditors of the Company.

Secondary Preferential creditors

From 1 December 2020, HM Revenue and Customs ('HMRC') is a secondary preferential creditor for the following liabilities:

- VAT;
- PAYE Income Tax;
- Employees' NIC;
- CIS deductions; and
- student loan deductions.

There are no known secondary preferential creditors and no such claims are expected.

Unsecured creditors

There are no known unsecured creditors of the Company and no such claims are expected.

4. SHAREHOLDERS DISTRIBUTIONS

There have been no distributions to shareholders during the Review Period. A distribution in specie of the Company's sole asset in the sum of £1 is expected once HM Revenue & Customs provide tax clearance.

5. ETHICS

Please be advised that Joint Liquidator is bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment.

General Ethical Considerations

Prior to the Joint Liquidator's appointment, a review of ethical issues was undertaken and no ethical threats were identified. A further review has been carried out and no threats have been identified in respect of the management of the insolvency appointment over the Review Period.

Specialist Advice and Services

When instructing third parties to provide specialist advice and services or having the specialist services provided by the firm, the Joint Liquidator is obligated to ensure that such advice or work is warranted and that the advice or work contracted reflects the best value and service for the work undertaken. The firm reviews annually the specialists available to provide services within each specialist area and the cost of those services to ensure best value. The specialists chosen usually have knowledge specific to the insolvency industry and, where relevant, to matters specific to this insolvency appointment. The Joint Liquidators have not utilised the services of any specialists during the Review Period.

6. THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

Pre-Appointment Costs

The Joint Liquidators' incurred pre-appointment time costs in the sum of £1,373.00. These have been written off.

Joint Liquidators' Remuneration

The Joint Liquidators' remuneration was approved by a resolution of the members to be paid as a set amount of £5,250.00 plus VAT. This fee has been paid outside of the Liquidation by Accenture (UK) Limited.

The Joint Liquidators have incurred post-appointment time costs in the sum of £5,275.00. All time in excess of the fixed fee will be written off.

The Quantuma Advisory Limited current and historic schedule of charge-out rates and chargeable expenses may be found at [HYPERLINK "https://www.quantuma.com/guide/creditors-guide-fees"](https://www.quantuma.com/guide/creditors-guide-fees).

A hard copy the Quantuma Advisory Limited charge-out rate and expenses policy may be obtained on request at no cost.

Joint Liquidators' Expenses

Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9) "Payments to Insolvency Office Holders & their Associates", outlines various disclosures in relation to Liquidators' fees and expenses.

SIP 9 does not apply to MVLs and therefore it is intended that while full information will be provided regarding fees and expenses during both the pre and post appointment period, the prescribed disclosure requirements will not be followed in full.

Information in relation to fees and expenses will be available upon request throughout the course of the case. However those parties who are responsible for paying the fees in an MVL may request disclosures in accordance with SIP 9, if they have not already done so.

An amended Statement of Insolvency Practice (SIP), SIP 9, was issued on 1 April 2021. The amended SIP 9 has changed some of the terminology.

Category 1 expenses represent payments to parties not associated with the firm, who have provided services or goods for the administration of the assignment. During the Review Period, the Joint Liquidators incurred Category 1 expenses in the sum of £447.72 plus VAT all of which was paid by Accenture (UK) Limited on account.

The category 2 expenses incurred during the Review Period total £2.40. The basis of calculation of this category of expense was approved by members on 22 March 2022. This has not yet been paid and will be discharged from the Liquidation estate in due course.

Expenses	Actual expenses incurred in the Review Period (£)	Costs incurred but not paid (£)
Category 1 Expenses:		
Statutory Advertising	276.00*	Nil
Indemnity Bond	20.00*	Nil
Postage costs of external provider.	36.72*	13.72
TOTAL	332.72	13.72**

*Some of all paid outside of the Liquidation by Accenture (UK) Limited.

**These will be written off.

Members' right to request information

A member may, with the permission of the Court or with at least 5% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the Company, request further details of the Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses, within 21 days of receipt of this report.

Members' right to challenge remuneration and/or expenses

A member may, with the permission of the Court or with at least 10% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the Company, apply to Court to challenge the amount and/or basis of the Joint Liquidators' fees and the amount of any proposed expenses or expenses already incurred, within 8 weeks of receipt of this report.

7. FUTURE OF THE LIQUIDATION

The Liquidation will continue until HM Revenue & Customs have provided the necessary tax clearances so that the Joint Liquidators can proceed to close the Liquidation. Once received, the Company's sole asset will be distributed in specie to the sole member and the Joint Liquidators will issue the Proposed Final Account and seek their release from office.

Further Information

Members should note that the Joint Liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment. Further information can be viewed at the following link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics> Additionally the Joint Liquidators are also bound by the regulations of their Licensing Bodies.

To comply with the Provision of Services Regulations, some general information about Quantuma Advisory Limited, including our complaints policy and Professional Indemnity Insurance, can be found at <https://www.quantuma.com/legal-information>.

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation, creditors, employees, shareholders, directors and any other stakeholder who is an individual (i.e. not a corporate entity) in these insolvency proceedings is referred to the Privacy Notice in respect of Insolvency Appointments, which can be found at this link [HYPERLINK "http://www.quantuma.com/legal-notice"](http://www.quantuma.com/legal-notice).

Should you have any queries in regard to any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Villain on 02038 566720 or by e-mail at stephanie.villain@quantuma.com.



Simon Bonney
Joint Liquidator

SAPLING BIDCO LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

STATUTORY INFORMATION

Company Name	Sapling Bidco Limited
Trading Address	30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3BD
Proceedings	In Liquidation
Date of Appointment	22 March 2022
Joint Liquidators	Simon Bonney and Michael Kiely Quantuma Advisory Limited, High Holborn House, 52-54 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6RL
Registered office Address	c/o Quantuma Advisory Limited, High Holborn House, 52-54 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6RL
Former Registered Office	30 Fenchurch Street, London, EC3M 3BD
Company Number	10437969
Incorporation Date	20 October 2016

SAPLING BIDCO LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT AS AT 21 MARCH 2023

Sapling Bidco Limited
(In Liquidation)
JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Declaration of Solvency £	From 22/03/2022 To 21/03/2023 £	From 22/03/2022 To 21/03/2023 £
RECEIPTS			
Debtor - Accenture UK Limited	1.00	0.00	0.00
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
PAYMENTS			
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Net Receipts/(Payments)		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS			
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

SAPLING BIDCO LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)

DETAILED LIST OF WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD

Description of work undertaken	May include:
<u>ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING</u>	
Initial Statutory and General Notifications & Filing e.g. Advertising the appointment, undertaking statutory notifications to Companies House, HMRC, preparing the documentation and dealing with other notification of appointment	Filing of documents to meet statutory requirements Advertising in accordance with statutory requirements
Obtaining a specific penalty bond.	
Setting up electronic case files and electronic case details on IPS.	
General Administration - Dealing with all routine correspondence and emails relating to the case.	
Case strategy & completing file reviews at 1 month, 3 months & 6 months.	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists
VAT & Corporation Tax matters and returns.	Preparation and filing of VAT Returns Preparation and filing of Corporation Tax Returns
<u>CREDITORS</u>	
Annual/Progress Reports	Preparing, circulating and filing progress reports.
<u>CASHIERING</u>	
Maintaining and managing the Office Holders' cashbook and bank account.	Preparing correspondence closing accounts Requesting bank statements Maintenance of the estate cash book
Dealing with cheque requisitions	Issuing cheques/BACS payments
Dealing with deposit forms	Banking remittances
Bank Reconciliations	
Preparing & Filing statutory Receipts & Payments accounts	Preparing and filing statutory receipts and payments accounts at Companies House
<u>CLOSURE</u>	
Liaising with HM Revenue & Customs in order to obtain the necessary tax clearances.	

Current Charge-out Rates of the staff working on the case

Time charging policy

Support staff and executive assistants do not charge their time to each case except when the initial set up is being performed or when a sizeable administrative task or appropriate ad hoc duty is being undertaken.

Support staff include secretarial and administrative support.

The minimum unit of time recorded is 6 minutes.

Rates are likely to be subject to periodic increase.

Staff	Charge out rates £
Partners	£665.00
Manager	£395.00
Assistant Manager	£360.00
Senior Administrator	£310.00
Administrator	£275.00
Support Staff/Executive Assistant	£140.00