## Clyde Valley Control Systems Limited Company No: SCO 69561

Accounts

For the year ended 31 May 1999



Hardie Caldwell

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Glasgow

# DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1999

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report, together with the audited accounts for the year ended 31 May 1999

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year after taxation was £107,254 (1998 - £97,941). The directors propose a final dividend of £28,221 (1998 - £28,221) leaving £79,033 (1998 - £69,720) to be transferred to reserves.

#### Principal activities and review of business

The principal activities of the company continue to be the design and manufacture of electronic control and monitoring equipment and computer flash drives, together with associated services related to electronic personnel hire, training and recruitment, and client product rework and repair activities.

Due to the company's ongoing product design activities and the increase in our cold store and vehicle recorders and other related products our product sales volumes is expected to produce increased revenues particularly in the UK market.

Our recently created training and recruitment facility will provide a firm foundation for future growth in the Personnel Hire sector along with revenue in its own right for in house training of client personnel.

The subsidiary did not trade in the year and group accounts have not been prepared in view of the insignificant amounts involved.

#### **Future developments**

The company continues to devote considerable amounts to the research and development of new and improved products in order to fuel our future growth.

The vehicle and cold store recorder range has been considerably broadened over the past period and sales of this product will continue to expand as our client base increases. Our new in-house automated assembly is now fully operational and is expected to continue to provide cost savings into the foreseeable future.

A new version of the data logger range is about to be introduced within the next few months which will strengthen growth potential using automated assemblies.

Our new EMTA approved training facility is expected to provide growth opportunities in the electronic training sphere whilst also providing support for our present hire business.

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#### DIRECTORS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1999 (CONT'D)

#### Directors and their interests

The directors at any time during the year and their interests in the issued ordinary share capital of the company were as follows:

	31/5/99	31/5/98
T S M Palmer	7,540	7,540
J W Graham	7,540	7,540
J A Whittle	1,290	1,290
L Graham	540	540
S Middleton (resigned 1/4/99)	-	-
I J Graham	-	-
A I Horne (resigned 30/7/98)	-	-

J Whittle retires by rotation and being eligible offers himself for re-election .

#### **Year 2000**

The directors have undertaken an assessment of the risk that the business and operations will be adversely affected by what is known as the Year 2000 problem and they are of the opinion that the company will have no problem in relation to this.

#### Auditors

A resolution to re-appoint Hardie Caldwell, Chartered Accountants, as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board on 28 October 1999 and signed on its behalf

A S Robertson

Secretary

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the company's state of affairs at the end of the year and of its results for that period. In preparing those accounts 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, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume 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 accounts 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 or other irregularities.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF CLYDE VALLEY CONTROL SYSTEMS LIMITED

We have audited the accounts on pages 5 to 15 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 8.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and to report our opinion to you.

#### Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of accounts, 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 accounts 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 the information in the accounts.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 May 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

Hardie Caldwell

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

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# PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1999

	Note		1998
		£	£
Turnover	2	3,891,807	3,684,232
Cost of sales		3,120,326	2,919,840
Gross profit		771,481	764,392
Distribution costs		17,365	12,122
Administrative expenses		646,048	634,909
		663,413	647,031
		108,068	117,361
Other operating income		34,416	1,780
Operating profit		142,484	119,141
Interest receivable		1,045	337
		143,529	119,478
Interest payable	3	11,170	9,380
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	4	132,359	110,098
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	6	25,105	12,157
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		107,254	97,941
Proposed dividend	7	28,221	28,221
Profit for year		79,033	69,720
Statement of accumulated profit:			
Balance brought forward		425,205	355,485
Retained profit		79,033	69,720
Balance to reserves		504,238	425,205

The profit and loss account contains all the gains and losses recognised in the current and preceding year.

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these accounts

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 May 1999			
AS AT 31 WAY 1999	Note		1998
	11000	£	£
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	8	2	2
Tangible assets	9	355,810	272,599
Investment	10	1	1
		355,813	272,602
Current assets			
Stocks	11	154,424	140,603
Debtors	12	758,784	547,527
Cash at bank and in hand		1,104	42,074
		914,312	730,204
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		<u></u>	
Trade creditors		192,665	267,654
Bank overdraft	13	176,271	59,832
Corporation tax payable		9,576	7,126
Other taxes and social security costs		71,218	47,919
Other creditors	13	129,882	55,497
Amount due to subsidiary		1,748	1,748
Proposed dividend		28,221	28,221
		609,581	467,997
Net current assets		304,731	262,207
Total assets less current liabilities		660,544	534,809
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	14	45,547	5,623
		614,997	529,186
Deferred taxation	15	18,864	12,086
Net assets		596,133	517,100
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	16	28,221	28,221
Reserves	17	567,912	488,879
Shareholders' Funds	21	596,133	517,100

Approved by the Board on 28 October 1999 and signed on its behalf

J W Graham

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Director

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these accounts

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 1999			
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	Note	£	1998 £
Net cash outflow from operating activities	22	(32,135)	177,711
Returns on Investment and Servicing of Finance	23	(10,125)	(9,043)
Taxation		(7,061)	(1,957)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	24	26,825	(108,609)
Equity dividends paid		(28,221)	(7,055)
Financing	25	(106,692)	(34,849)
(Decrease) / increase in cash	26	(157,409)	16,198
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	Note		1998
		£	£
(Decrease) / increase in cash		(157,409)	16,198
Cash outflow from decrease in HP financing		106,692	34,849
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows		(50,717)	51,047
New HP agreements		(179,880)	(26,213)
Movement in net debt		(230,597)	24,834
Net debt as at 1 June 1998		(50,702)	(75,536)
Net debt as at 31 May 1999	26	(281,299)	(50,702)

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these accounts.

Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31 May 1999

#### 1) Accounting policies

#### Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards except that the directors have taken advantage of certain exemptions available to medium-sized companies under the Companies Act 1985. The directors have also taken advantage of the exemption available under Section 248 of the Act not to prepare group accounts as the group which it heads qualifies as a medium sized group. The accounts therefore contain information about the company as an individual company and do not contain consolidated accounting information as the parent of a group.

#### Fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at the following rates which are calculated to write down the assets to their estimated value at the end of their useful working lives:-

Plant & equipment - 10% - 33.33% straight line
Office fittings & equipment - 10% - 33.33% straight line

Motor vehicles - 20% - 25% straight line

Plant & equipment - Additions in first 6 months receive a full year's charge.

Additions in second 6 months receive no charge.

Office fittings & equipment - As above

Motor vehicles - Depreciated from month of purchase to month of sale.

#### Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives.

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

#### Intangible assets - Patents application

Expenditure on the registration of patents has been written off to revenue leaving a nominal value on the balance sheet.

#### Stocks and work in progress

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Work in progress is valued at material cost, direct labour and attributable overheads.

#### Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences to the extent that they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future and calculated at present taxation rates.

#### Pensions

#### Defined contribution scheme

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of transaction. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 May 1999 (Cont'd)

## 2) Turnover

Turnover represents the total amount receivable for goods sold and services provided excluding value added tax.

An analysis of turnover by geographical market is given below.

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		•	1998
		£	£
	United Kingdom	1,637,236	1,920,544
	Rest of Europe	2,035,259	1,600,544
	USA	219,312	163,144
		3,891,807	3,684,232
3)	Interest payable		
	Bank overdraft	2,577	4,669
	Hire purchase	8,593	4,711
		11,170	9,380
4)	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
	This is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Depreciation of owned fixed assets	46,878	42,959
	Depreciation of hire purchase assets	32,625	20,456
	Research and development expenditure	198,068	155,002
	Profit on sale of fixed assets	(9,659)	(1,550)
	Hire of equipment	254	1,162
	Operating lease rentals	16,040	14,193
	Grant income	(34,416)	(1,780)
	Auditors remuneration	4,230	4,130
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5)	Staff costs		
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	Directors remuneration - emoluments	159,614	130,947
	Salaries	1,744,833	1,764,043
	Social security costs	179,075	179,196
	Pension contributions (Note 20)	13,923	12,452
		2,097,445	2,086,638
	Average monthly number employed including executive directors a categories:	are divided into	the following
		No.	No.
	Production and related services	97	98
	Managerial and clerical	19	18
		116	116
	Directors emoluments		
	Fees	3,500	7,175
	Other emoluments	156,114	123,772
	Benefits in kind	20,715	16,018
	Pension contributions	5,400	5,400
		185,729	152,365
6)	Taxation on profit on ordinary activities		
	Tax charge for year - 21/20% (1998 - 21%)	18,327	71
	Deferred taxation	6,778	12,086
		25,105	12,157
7)	Dividends		
	Payable		
	Ordinary dividend of £1 per share (1998 - £1 per share)	28,221	28,221
8)	Intangible assets		
	Patents at written down value	2	2

Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 May 1999 (Cont'd)

#### 9) Tangible assets

	Plant & Equipment £	Office Fittings & Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
Cost				
As at 1 June 1998	260,976	302,903	118,512	682,391
Additions	75,346	24,682	100,480	200,508
Disposals	-	-	(93,642)	(93,642)
As at 31 May 1999	336,322	327,585	125,350	789,257
Depreciation				
As at 1 June 1998	140,459	206,379	62,954	409,792
Charge for year	30,625	23,774	25,104	79,503
Disposals	-	-	(55,848)	(55,848)
As at 31 May 1999	171,084	230,153	32,210	433,447
Net book value				
31 May 1999	165,238	97,432	93,140	355,810
31 May 1998	120,517	96,524	55,558	272,599

At 31 May 1999 the net book value of assets held under hire purchase contracts was £175,970 (1998 - £69,569).

#### 10) Investment

This amount represents the investment by Clyde Valley Control Systems Limited in the ordinary share capital of its wholly owned subsidiary CVCS Distribution Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in Scotland. The subsidiary did not trade in the year and group accounts have not been prepared for the reasons stated in both the Directors Report and the accounting policies. The capital and reserves of the subsidiary at 31 May 1998 amounted to £1,749 (1998: £1,749). This included a balance owed by the holding company which amounted to £1,748.

#### 11) Stocks

	£	1998 £
Stocks comprise the following:	~	~
Stock of raw materials	121,887	117,686
Work in progress	26,867	12,917
Finished goods	5,670	10,000
	154,424	140,603
Finished goods		

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year ended 31 May 1999 (Cont'd)

12) Debtors
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_,		£	1998 £
	Trade debtors	744,970	523,690
	Other debtors	-	8,819
	Prepayments and accrued income	13,814	15,018
		758,784	547,527
13)	Other Creditors		
	Hire purchase creditors	60,585	27,321
	Accrued charges	69,297	28,176
		129,882	55,497

#### **Bank Overdraft**

The bank overdraft is repayable on demand and is secured by a bond and floating charge on the assets of the company.

### 14) Obligations under hire purchase contracts

The maturity of these contracts and amounts payable are as follows:

	106,132	32,944
In the second to fifth years inclusive	45,547	5,623
Within one year (see note 13)	60,585	27,321

### 15) Deferred taxation

The provision of £18,864 (1998 - £12,086) is in respect of capital allowances in advance of depreciation.

	£	1998 £
At 1/6/98	12,086	-
Movement in year	6,778	12,086
At 31/5/99	18,864	12,086

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#### 16) Share capital

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-				mulative Participating Preference res
	Ordinar	y Shares	Silai	ics
	1999	1998	1999	1998
	£	£	£	£
Authorised share capital				
Shares of £1 each	30,000	30,000	70,000	70,000
Issued and fully paid				
Shares of £1 each	28,221	28,221	-	_
Reserves				
				1998
			£	£
Share premium			61,534	61,534
Capital Redemption Reserve			2,140	2,140
Profit and loss account			504,238	425,205
			567,912	488,879
O. 14-1				
Capital commitments				
Future capital expenditure not otherwi	ise included in these	accounts:		

#### Contracted for

Commitments under operating leases

The company is committed to make the following payments under operating leases during the next 12 months:

47,640

	1999 Buildings	1999 Plant & Other	1998 Buildings	1998 Plant & Other
Expiring within one year	-	3,315	-	-
Expiring in the second to fifth years inclusive	30,000	3,024	30,000	9,204
Expiring over five years		-	-	

### 20) Pension contributions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions paid by the company to the fund and amounted to £13,923 (1998 - £12,452).

Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 May 1999 (Cont'd)

### 21) Reconciliation of movement in shareholders funds

	Share Capital	Share Premium	Capital Redemption Reserve	Profit & Loss Account	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 June 1997	28,221	61,534	2,140	355,485	447,380
Profit for year	-	-	-	97,941	97,941
Dividends	-	-	-	28,221	28,221
At 31 May 1998	28,221	61,534	2,140	425,205	517,100
Profit for year	-	-	-	107,254	107,254
Dividends	-		<b>-</b>	28,221	28,221
At 31 May 1999	28,221	61,534	2,140	504,238	596,133

## 22) Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash flow from operating activities

		1998
	£	£
Operating profit from continuing operations	142,484	119,141
Depreciation	79,503	63,415
Profit on sale of tangible assets	(9,659)	(1,550)
(Increase) / decrease in stocks	(13,821)	15,935
(Increase) in debtors	(220,073)	(99,602)
(Decrease) / increase in creditors	(10,569)	79,936
Increase in amounts owed to subsidiary company	-	436
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from continuing operating activities	(32,135)	177,711

## 23) Returns on investment and servicing of finance

	£	1998 £
Interest received	1,045	337
Interest paid	(11,170)	(9,380)
	(10,125)	(9,043)

## 24) Capital expenditure and financial investment

Capital expenditure	(20,628)	(113,226)
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets	47,453	4,617
	26,825	(108,609)

Notes to the Accounts For the year ended 31 May 1999 (Cont'd)

25)	Finan	cing
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	Capital element of hire purchase payments			106,692	34,849
26)	Analysis of movements in net del	bt			
				Other	
		At 31.5.98	Cash Flow	non cash changes	At 31.5.99
		£	£	£	£
	Cash at bank and in hand	(17,758)	(157,409)	-	(175,167)
	Hire purchase	(32,944)	106,692	(179,880)	(106,132)
		(50,702)	(50,717)	(179,880)	(281,299)