The Insolvency Act 1986

# Administrator's progress report

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Pursuant to Rule 2.38 of the Insolvency (Scotland) Rules 1986

Name of Company

United Freight Distribution Limited

from

Company number

SC097002

(a) Insert full name(s) and address(es) of administrator(s) I/We (a)
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administrator(s) of the above company attach a progress report for the period

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(b) 16 July 2008

(b) 15 January 2009

Signed

Joint / Administrator(s)

Dated

12th Februar

2009

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TO ALL KNOWN CREDITORS
OF UNITED FREIGHT DISTRIBUTION LIMITED

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13 February 2009

Our ref: JCR/SCR/SLG/MS

Dear Sirs

# United Freight Distribution Limited (In Administration) (the "Company")

As you are aware Bill Dawson and I ("the Administrators", "we" or "us") were appointed Joint Administrators to the Company on 16 July 2007.

The appointment was made under the out of Court procedure at the Court of Session, Edinburgh under paragraphs 22 to 34 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

This report is prepared pursuant to Rule 2.38 of the Insolvency (Scotland) Rules 1986. The purpose of this report is to provide creditors with an update on the progress of the Administration for the six months to 15 January 2009.

### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

#### Company Registered Address and Company Number

Registered Address:

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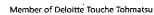
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# Name of Company Directors and Company Secretary

Directors:

Ronald George Forsyth, Brian James Imrie Kemp and Derek Page

Company Secretary:

Purple Venture Secretaries Limited

## **ESTIMATED OUTCOME**

Since our last report we have continued to:-

- Pursue the recovery of the remaining assets of the Company, in particular the Buncefield insurance claim; and
- finalise the claims of the creditors of the Company.

We have enclosed at Appendix I an Estimated Outcome Statement at 15 January 2009, a summary of which is set out below.

Table 1	
Summary of Estimated Outcome Statement at 15 January 2009	000£
Debts Subject to Specific Charge	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Book Debt Recoveries	4,036
Distributed to the Secured Creditor	(2,560)
Surplus Debts Subject to Specific Charge	1,476
Assets Subject to Floating Charge	
Surplus Debts Subject to Specific Charge	1,476
Insurance Claim	285
Financed Equipment, Vehicles & Fittings	642
Other Recoveries	463
Gross Realisations under Floating Charge	2,866
Costs	
Administrators' Fees	(1,000)
Finance Settlements Made	(450)
SPA Debt Costs/Legal Costs	(153)
Legal, Agents & Other Costs	(118)
	(1,721)
Preferential Creditors	(48)
Second Ranking Floating Charge Holder	(15)
Available to Unsecured Creditors	1,084
Estimated Unsecured Creditors	5,991
Dividend to unsecured creditors (p in the £)	18.1
Distributed to date (p in the £)	14.1
Estimated Distribution (p in the £)	4.0

Funds available for unsecured creditors have increased from £1,069,000 to £1,084,000 since our last report. The increase of £15,000 comprises mainly of bank interest received since our last report.

The current estimated dividend to creditors of 18.1p is subject to final asset recoveries. This outcome represents an increase compared with the 17.0p dividend advised in our previous report. The increase arises from:

• A fall in the level of estimated agreed claims from £6,300,000 to £5,991,000 following claims adjudication by the Administrators.

A copy of the Administrators' receipts and payments account for the six months to 15 January 2009 is attached at Appendix II.

#### REALISATION OF ASSETS

Since our last report we have secured the following additional asset recoveries:-

- £50,000 from UFD Holdings Limited;
- Interest on funds held of £22,000

We comment below on future realisations.

#### **Buncefield Insurance Claim**

The creditors committee passed a resolution by post on 9 January 2009 that the opinion of Counsel be sought in respect of the likelihood of recovering the uninsured losses (estimated value of £196,000) at a fee of £8,000. There is no recovery in the estimated outcome for these losses and counsel's opinion is expected at the end of February. This opinion will determine whether or not the Administrators will continue to pursue uninsured losses.

#### **CREDITORS**

#### **Secured Creditors**

The indebtedness of the Royal Bank of Scotland Invoice Finance ("RBSIF) at the date of appointment including accrued interest and termination charges totalled £2,560,198. RBSIF has now recovered its lending in full.

A second ranking floating charge is held by the estate of James Kemp, father of Brian Kemp a director of the Company, in respect of a director's loan. The floating charge is specifically secured over all road fund licences owned by the Company. The amount due to the second ranking floating charge holders has now been agreed in full and payment of £14,540 has now been remitted.

#### **Preferential Creditors**

All Company employees with the exception of those employed at Hemel Hempstead Depot were transferred to Ramage Distribution Limited. Preferential claims of £47,657 have been adjudicated and paid in full.

#### Unsecured creditors

The Administrators have power to distribute funds to secured and preferential creditors pursuant to paragraph 65 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

In accordance with paragraph 65(3) of Schedule B1 of the Act, the Administrators have now obtained approval from the Court to distribute funds to the unsecured creditors following an application to the Court on 7 November 2007.

We have now finalised the claims of the unsecured creditors which total £5,991,254.

We have spent considerable time and effort in the adjudication of creditors' claims, as a result of which our estimate of the final claims has dropped from £8.4m to £6.0m, increasing the dividend from 14.9p to 18.1p. This figure may change dependant on the final outcome of the Buncefield insurance claim.

We anticipate that a final dividend will be paid to creditors in the next few months.

#### JOINT ADMINISTATORS FEES AND EXPENSES

In accordance with Rule 2.39 and Rule 4.32 of the Insolvency (Scotland) Rules 1986, as applied by Section 53(1) of the Bankruptcy (Scotland) Act 1985, an Administrator's fees can be approved by a Creditors' committee or by the Court. A Creditors' committee was formed at the meeting of creditors on 11 September 2007.

For the period 16 July 2007 to 15 September 2008, we have incurred time costs and drawn fees of £989,762 plus VAT. These fees were approved by the Creditors' committee and a detailed analysis of the time costs drawn is attached below.

- Fees of £363,983 plus VAT and expenses of £5,819 for the period 16 July to 21 August 2007 were duly approved by the committee;
- Fees of £170,566 plus VAT and expenses of £4,587 for the period 22 August to 4 October 2007 were approved by the committee;
- Fees of £185,803 plus VAT and expenses of £630 for the period 5 October to 14 December 2007 were approved by the committee;
- Fees of £120,000 plus VAT for the period 15 December 2007 to 15 March 2008 were approved by the committee; and
- Fees of £149,410 plus VAT and expenses of £1,070.13 for the period to 15 September 2008 were approved by the Committee.

A detailed analysis of fees drawn is attached at Appendix III and summarised below:

United Freight Distribution Limited - In Administration Analysis of Administrators' Fees

				Other Senior	Support			
	Partners	Directors	Managers	Staff	Staff	Tota	I	Average
Area	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Fee (£)	Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	58.5	80.1	220.1	63.6	156.5	578.8	172,250	298
Creditors	65.8	39,8	306.4	67.4	327.6	807.0	206,392	256
Investigations	15.5	10.5	61.5	2.1	35.9	125.5	38,854	310
Realisation of Assets	79.9	89.7	469.2	189.9	46.0	874.7	268,399	307
Trading	24.0	20.5	164.6	77,8	47.6	334.5	87,074	260
Other	21,5	40.9	375.6	185.3	184.5	807,8	216,793	268
Total	265.2	281.5	1,597,4	586,1	798.1	3,528.3	989,762	

Average Rate (L)

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Source: Deloitte analysis

Yours faithfully

J C Reid

Joint Administrator

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	To Date £ 4,036,151 (2,560,198) 1,475,953	Future £ - -	Current Estimated Final £ 4,036,151 (2,560,198)	07/08/2008 Previous Final £ 4,036,151	Movement 
Book Debt Recoveries Distributed to the Bank  Surplus Debts Subject to Specific Charge  ASSETS SUBJECT TO FLOATING CHARGE Surplus Debts Subject to Specific Charge Debts Not Subject to Specific Charge Goodwill Insurance Claim	4,036,151 (2,560,198) 1,475,953	£ - -	4,036,151 (2,560,198)	£	
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Surplus Debts Subject to Specific Charge Debts Not Subject to Specific Charge Goodwill Insurance Claim					
Debts Not Subject to Specific Charge Goodwill Insurance Claim		_	1,475,953	1,475,953	-
Goodwill Insurance Claim	60 000	_	50,000	50,000	_
Insurance Claim	50,000	_	60,010	60,010	_
	60,010	-		285,294	
	285,294	•	285,294		_
	83,883	•	83,883	83,883	•
Financed Equipment, Vehicles & Fittings	641,847	-	641,847	641,847	•
Tax Refund	77,039	-	77,039	77,039	-
Rent Prepayments	52,891	-	52,8 <del>9</del> 1	52,891	-
Road Fund Licenses	14,440	-	14,440	14,440	-
Other Prepayments	20,342	-	20,342	20,342	-
Stocks	5,000	-	5,000	5,000	-
Petty Cash and Bank	75	_	75	75	-
Other Recoveries	99,607	-	99,607	77,534	22,073
Gross Realisations	2,866,381		2,866,381	2,844,308	22,073
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Administrators Fees	(989,762)			(43,730)	(6,023)
Legal Costs	(34,753)	(15,000)	(49,753)		(0,023)
Agents Costs	(31,580)		(31,580)	(31,580)	•
Administrators Trading Costs	(13,749)	(5,000)	(18,749)	(18,749)	-
Finance Settlements Made	(449,834)	-	(449,834)	(449,834)	-
SPA Debt Costs/Legal Costs	(122,780)	(30,000)	(152,780)	(152,780)	-
Other Costs	(17,967)	-	(17,967)	(16,729)	(1,238)
Available to Preferential Creditors	1,205,956	(60,238)	1,145,718	1,130,906	14,812
Preferential Creditors	(47,657)	-	(47,657)	(47,657)	
Available to Floating Charge Holder	1,158,299	(60,238)	1,098,061	1,083,249	14,812
Second Floating Charge Holder	(14,540)		(14,540)	(14,540)	-
Available to Unsecured Creditors	1,143,759	(60,238)	1,083,521	1,068,709	14,812
Unsecured creditors	(842,394)	•	(842,394)		
<del></del>	301,365	(60,238)	241,127		
-	301,303	(00,230)	272,127		
Represented By	202 - 22	(64 805)	244 425	1 060 700	
Bank Balance	302,709	(61,582)	241,127	1,068,709	
VAT	30,241	(30,241)	-	•	
PAYE	(23,812)	23,812	-	-	
Ramage Hemel Hempstead Depot Account	(6,971)	6,971	-	-	
Ramage General Account	315	(315)	-	-	
Other Debtors	-	-	-	-	
Other Creditors	(1,117)	1,117	-	-	
Ramage Debtors Account	-	, <u>-</u>	_	-	
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·	301,365	(60,238)	241,127	1,068,709	
Unsecured Creditors		-	5,991,254	6,300,000	
Dividend (p in the $E$ )			18.09	17.0	
Source: Deloitte Analysis					

	United Freight Distribution Limite Joint Administrators' Abstract of		Appendix II
Statement of Affairs		From 16/07/2008 To 15/01/2009	From 16/07/2007 To 15/01/2009
	GENERAL FIXED CHARGE Distribution to 2nd Chargeholder Book Debts - RBSIF Banked Direct Other debtors Distribution to RBSIF	NIL NIL -50,000.00 NIL 50,000.00	14,539.55 -2,610,298.18 -74,691.79 2,560,198.18
	ASSET REALISATIONS Goodwill and Sale of Business	30,000.00 N!L	110,252.24
90,000	Owned Equipment, Vehicles and Fittin Furniture & Equipment Financed Equipment, Vehicles and Fitti Stock	NIL NIL NIL NIL	45,009.85 63,181.61 83,882.50 493,400.00 5,000.00
15,000	Book Debts Rent Prepayments Road Fund Licences Other Prepayments and Debtors Tax Refund	NIL NIL NIL NIL NIL	1,401,161.02 52,890.93 14,439.55 20,342.18 77,039.44
445,000	Insurance Refund Petty cash and Bank Other Recoveries Rates Refund Racking Sale Bank Interest Gross Insurance Claims	N:L NIL NIL NIL NIL 22,072.76 NIL	268,035.55 74.91 23,596.54 7,445.87 85,265.41 68,563.84 25,940.64
	Treasury Bills Gains Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	NIL -11,587.97 10,484.79	67.33 -13,749.38 2,721,587.79
	COST OF REALISATIONS Specific Bond Other legal fees Administrators' Fees	NIL NIL 149,410.00	720 3,076.00 989,762.00
	Administrators' Expenses Legal Fees & Expenses Agents Fees & Expenses Finance Settlements Made SPA Debt Costs - Ramage Agents/Valuers Fees (2) Debt Collection Fees	1,070.13 6,023.00 NIL NIL NIL NIL NIL	12,106.54 31,677.20 31,580.23 449,833.96 103,434.16 8,750.00 18,510.24
	Stationery Debt Collection Storage Costs Postage & Redirection Statutory Advertising	NIL NIL 166.78 NIL NIL	2,429.66 835.72 640.36 23.25 1,187.49
	Rents Payable Bank Charges PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS	NIL NIL -156,669.91	750 110 -1,655,426.81
-256,000	Department of Employment Employees Wage Алтеагs	15,476.76 NIL -15,476.76	15,476.76 32,180.37 -47,657.13
•	UNSECURED CREDITORS Trade Creditors Unsecured employee	836,345.84 6,048.01 -842,393.85 -954,055.73	836,345.84 6,048.01 -842,393.85 286,362.24
	REPRESENTED BY		
 	VAT Receivable B Current A/C PAYE Payable Nat. Ins. Payable Trade Creditors VAT Payable VAT Payable VAT Received From HM R&C Ramage Hemel Hempstead Depot Acc Ramage Debtors Account		214,084.02 302,709.06 -23,637.42 -174.12 -400.42 -125,640.82 -58,202.32 -6,970.98 -15,000.00
	Wages due to RBS Due to Deloitte		315.24 -720 286,362.24

United Freight Distribution Limited - In Administration Analysis of Administrators' Fees

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Area	Task	Partners Hours	rs Fee (£)	Directors Hours	s Fee (£)	Managers Hours	rs Fee (£)	Staff Hours	Fee (£)	Support Staff Hours F	talî Fee (£)	Total Hours	Fee (£)	Average Rate (£)
Admin & Planning	Cashiers	4.3	2,193	7.2	3,096	31.3	10,983	7.6	1,580	60.0	11.370	110.4	29.222	765
	Compliance	12.2	6,347	12.2	5,246	65.1	19,427	34.9	7,390	46.4	6.510	170.8	44.920	163
	Immediate Actions	5.0	2,550	10.5	4,515	38.5	10,303	8.0	1,640	15.0	1,800	77.0	20.808	022
	Reporting	37.0	19,495	50.2	22,036	85.2	28,251	13.1	2,751	35.1	4,767	220.6	77,300	350
Creditors	Employees	6.1	696	8.1	3,483	20.5	5,358	11.7	2,399	78.5	10,612	120.7	22.821	189
	Relention of Title	•		6.0	2,580	11.3	3,013		•	7.5	006	24.8	6,493	262
	Hire Purchase & Leased Assets	3.3	1,683	0.6	3.870	28.5	9,653	4.2	861	15.0	1,800	0.09	17,867	865
	Landlords	12.8	6,528	9.5	4.085	19.3	5,920	8.4	984	7.5	006	53.9	18,417	342
	Unsecured	47.8	26,541	7.2	3,096	226.8	68.788	46.7	10,062	219.1	32,307	547.6	140,794	257
Investigations	Investigations	15.5	8,155	10.5	4,515	61.5	20,796	2.1	473	35.9	4,915	125.5	38,854	310
Realisation of Assets	Book Debts	42.5	22,300	46.8	20,372	196.1	60,489	124.3	26,190	24.8	3,864	434.5	133.215	307
	Sale of Business	10.5	5,355	27.3	11,739	172.5	52,025	36.8	7,534	6.7	1,260	256.8	77,913	303
	Insurance	15.5	8,105	7.5	3,225	28.3	7,405	9.1	360	4.5	900	57.4	19,695	343
	Equipment & Stocks	2.4	1,224	3,3	1,419	26.0	7,990	. [8]	3,706	2.5	350	52.3	14,689	281
	Other Assets	0.6	4,840	8.4	2,064	46.3	13,547	9.1	1,866	4.5	570	73.7	22,887	311
Trading	Initial Controls	10.0	5,100	0.9	2,580	34.5	9,343	0.01	2,050	12.9	1,766	73.4	20,839	384
	Ongoing Trading	7.5	3,825	4.5	1,935	36.8	20,820	20.0	4,100	22.2	3,108	141.0	33,788	340
	Depot Visits		•	1.5	645	27.5	7,763	27.0	5,535	1.0	140	57.0	14,083	247
	Closure of Trading	6.5	3,315	8.5	3,655	15.8	5,530	20.8	4,254	11.5	.019'1	63.1	18,364	167
Other	Pensions			1.0	430	5.3	1,260	,	,	2.0	280	8.3	0.970	137
	VAT & Tax	21.5	11,465	39.9	17,270	370.3	121,594	185.3	37,987	182.5	26,507	2.667	214,823	369
Total		265.2	139,990	281.5	121,856	1,597.4	490,258	586.1	121,722	798.1	115,936	3,528.3	989,762	
Averuge Rute (£)			538		433	· -	307		308		145		185	

Source: Deloitte analysis