EAC (SCOTLAND) XL3 LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

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Company Number: SC214870



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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

Principal activity, business review and results

The company's principal activity is to act as the General Partner of the EAC Fund III (Scotland) Limited Partnership ("the Limited Partnership"), a limited partnership established for the purposes of making private equity investments in the United Kingdom and Western Europe.

The company's overall performance is measured in profitability and profit before tax for the year was £40,276 (2007: £40,400). Details of the results for the year are set out on page 5. The Directors do not propose to pay a dividend for the year (2007: £nil).

The risks and uncertainties faced by the Company are those inherent within the private equity industry and are outlined further, along with the other risks and uncertainties faced by the Milestone group, in the Member's Report prepared by Milestone Capital Partners LLP, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking. Consolidated financial statements can be obtained from the address on page 11.

There have been no significant developments or changes in activities during the year and the Directors intend that the Company will continue as a General Partner.

No important events affecting the Company have occurred since the end of the financial year.

Directors, members and their interests

The directors of the company during the period, none of which had any interest in the shares of the company, were as follows:

C.W. Robinson E.R.M. Rinner

The members who served Milestone Capital Partners LLP, the ultimate parent undertaking, throughout the period were as follows:

C.W. Robinson (appointed 31 July 2007) E.R.M. Rinner (appointed 31 July 2007) P.R. Conboy (appointed 15 May 2008)

Political and charitable contributions

The Company made no political or charitable donations or incurred any political expenditure during the year.

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Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware; and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards.

The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Under applicable law the directors are also responsible for preparing a Directors' Report that complies with that

Auditors

Grant Thornton UK LLP, having expressed their willingness to continue in office, will be deemed reappointed for the next financial year in accordance with section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006 unless the company receives notice under section 488(1) of the Companies Act 2006.

By order of the Board

P.W. Dickson Company Secretary

13 August 2009

Registered Office: 16 Charlotte Square Edinburgh EH2 4DF

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF EAC (SCOTLAND) XL3 LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of EAC (Scotland) XL3 Limited for the year ended 31 December 2008 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. 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 auditor's 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 the directors and the auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Directors' Report and financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom law and Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

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 to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 judgments 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2008 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

GRANT THORNTON UK LLP REGISTERED AUDITOR

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

London 13 August 2009

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 2008

	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
Turnover	2	114,223	164,684
Administrative expenses		(82,508)	(137,459)
Operating profit		31,715	27,225
Interest receivable		8,561	13,175
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	40,276	40,400
Taxation	4	2,259	(12,119)
Profit for the year		42,535	28,281

The results above were all derived from continuing activities.

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those reported above and therefore no separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented.

The notes on pages 7 and 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2008

	Notes	2008 £	2007 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	5	1	1
Current assets			
Debtors	6	346,619	354,520
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(135,044)	(217,462)
Net current assets		211,575	137,058
Total assets less current liabilities		211,576	137,059
Provision for liabilities and charges			
Deferred tax	4	(31,982)	-
Net assets		179,594	137,059
Represented by			
Called-up share capital Profit and Loss account	8	179,593	137,058
Equity shareholders' funds	9	179,594	137,059

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 13 August 2009 and signed on its behalf by:

C.W. Robinson Director

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2008

1. Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom and under the historical cost convention.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences arising on the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised on all timing differences where the transactions or events that give the company an obligation to pay more tax in the future, or a right to pay less tax in the future, have occurred by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised when it is more likely than not that they will be recovered. Deferred tax is measured using rates of tax that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

Investments

Investments in limited partnerships are stated at the cost less any provision for permanent impairment in value.

2. Turnover

Turnover comprises fees receivable from EAC Fund III (Scotland) Limited Partnership in accordance with the Limited Partnership Agreements.

3. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging

	2008	2007
	£	£
Auditor's remuneration		
 Audit of 2008 financial statements pursuant to legislation 	2,750	-
 Audit of 2007 financial statements pursuant to legislation 	=	2,300
 Audit of prior financial statements pursuant to legislation 	-	675
 Other services relating to taxation 	4,575	3,000
Other taxation services	(200)	1,800

The company has appointed Milestone Capital Partners LLP (previously Milestone Capital Services Limited), it's ultimate parent undertaking, to act as investment manager on behalf of Fund III (Scotland) Limited Partnership. The company was charged fees during the year of £79,223 (2007: the former investment manager was charged £129,684), under the terms of the Investment Management Agreement.

Information Regarding Directors and Employees

The directors did not receive any remuneration from the company during the year (2007: £nil). There were no employees during the year (2007: nil).

4. Taxation

Analysis of charge in the year	2008 £	2007 £
Current tax: UK corporation tax on profits of the year Adjustments in respect of previous years Adjustments in respect of previous years – group relief	(111,781) 77,540	210,163
Total current tax	(34,241)	210,163
Deferred tax: Current year movement to deferred tax	31,982	(198,044)
Total deferred tax	31,982	(198,044)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	(2,259)	12,119
Factors affecting the tax charge for the current year	2008 £	2007 £
Factors affecting the tax charge for the current year Profit on ordinary activities before tax		
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before tax Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of	40,276	40,400
Profit on ordinary activities before tax Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 28.5% (2007: 30%) Effects of: Other short term timing differences Utilisation of trading losses Increase in non-recourse loan Group relief of currnet year losses	40,276 11,479 - (32,554) 21,075	12,120

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7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

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		2008 £	2007 £
	Taxation Accruals Amounts owed to other group companies Amounts owed to the ultimate holding undertaking	5,750 77,540 51,754	210,162 7,300
		135,044	217,462
8.	Called-up share capital		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	I Ordinary share of £1 each	<u> </u>	
9.	Reconciliation of movement in equity shareholders' funds		
		2008 £	2007 £
	Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	42,535 137,059	28,282 108,777
	Shareholders' funds at 31 December	179,594	137,059
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10. Cash flow statement

Under FRS1 (revised) Cash Flow Statements, the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a wholly owned subsidiary whose results are included in the publicly available consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent undertaking.

11. Related party transactions

Under FRS8 Related Party Transactions, the company is exempt from disclosing transactions within the group as it is wholly owned by that group whose consolidated annual financial statements, which include the company's results, are publicly available.

12. Ultimate parent undertaking

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of EAC Group Limited, a company incorporated in Guernsey. The ultimate parent undertaking is Milestone Capital Partners LLP an undertaking incorporated in England and Wales.

Copies of these financial can be obtained from Milestone Capital Partners LLP, 3rd Floor, 14 Floral Street, London WC2E 9DH.

13. Exemption from preparing group financial statements

The Company acts as the General Partner of a venture capital Limited Partnership in which the Company has a small participating interest. The limited partnership is a subsidiary undertaking under the Companies Act 1985.

The Company is exempt from the obligation, under section 228 of the Companies Act 1985, to prepare group financial statements and to deliver them to the Registrar of Companies on the grounds that the Company's results have been consolidated in the group financial statements of Milestone Capital Partners LLP, the ultimate parent undertaking. Consequently these financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.