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## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1997

**FOR** 

S SACKER (CLAYDON) LIMITED

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## COMPANY INFORMATION For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

**DIRECTORS:** C A R Dodds

Mrs B I Dodds
A A Dodds
D G Dodds
E C C Dodds
Mrs H C Dodds
Mrs R G Dodds

**SECRETARY:** E C C Dodds

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** Railway Sidings

Great Blakenham

Ipswich Suffolk IP6 0JE

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 1526052 (England and Wales)

AUDITORS: Ballams

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

Crane Court 302 London Road

Ipswich IP2 0AJ

BANKERS: Midland Bank Plc

20 Market Place Stowmarket Ipswich IP6 0JE

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th April 1997.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of scrap metal recycling.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

C A R Dodds

Mrs B I Dodds

A A Dodds

D G Dodds

E C C Dodds

Mrs H C Dodds

- appointed 1/5/96

Mrs R G Dodds

- appointed 1/5/96

The beneficial interests of the directors holding office on 30th April 1997 in the issued share capital of the company were as follows:

		1.5.96 or date of appointment
	30.4.97	if later
Ordinary £1 shares		
C A R Dodds	40	40
Mrs B I Dodds	40	40
A A Dodds	10	10
D G Dodds	10	10
E C C Dodds	-	-
Mrs H C Dodds	-	-
Mrs R G Dodds	-	_

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 those 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;
- 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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 and other irregularities.

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, Ballams, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

E C C Dodds - SECRETARY

Dated: 11 September 1997

#### REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF S SACKER (CLAYDON) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages five to seventeen which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page eleven.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page two the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements 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 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 of the state of the company's affairs as at 30th April 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Ballams

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Crane Court 302 London Road

Ipswich

IP2 OAJ

Dated:

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

		1997	1996
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER	2	3,539,965	4,388,713
Cost of sales		2,999,163	3,764,669
GROSS PROFIT		540,802	624,044
Administrative expenses		400,417	458,550
		140,385	. 165,494
Other operating income		-	2,344
OPERATING PROFIT	4	140,385	167,838
Interest receivable and similar income	5	. <u>-</u>	797
		140,385	168,635
Interest payable and similar charges	6	74,587	99,221
PROFIT ON ORDINARY AGBEFORE TAXATION	CTIVITIES	65,798	69,414
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	13,922	18,414
PROFIT FOR THE FINANC AFTER TAXATION	IAL YEAR	51,876	51,000
Retained profit brought forwar	đ	480,608	429,608
RETAINED PROFIT CARR	ED FORWARD	£532,484	£480,608
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### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current and previous years.

#### TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profits for the current and previous years.

## BALANCE SHEET 30th April 1997

		199	97	199	96
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					•
Tangible assets	8		950,167		1,029,759
CURRENT ASSETS:					•
Stocks	9	113,161		107,783	
Debtors	10	795,726		693,028	
Cash at bank and in hand		6,979		5,471	
		915,866		806,282	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling				•	
due within one year	11	877,857		929,102	
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABIL	ITIES):		38,009		(122,820)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					•
LIABILITIES:			988,176		906,939
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due after more than one year	12		(410,928)		(378,637)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES					
AND CHARGES:	15		(44,664)		(47,594)
			£532,584		£480,708
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	16		100		100
Profit and loss account			532,484		480,608
Shareholders' funds	17		£532,584		£480,708

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

- DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on U. Sept. 97

## CASH FLOW STATEMENT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

		199	97	199	06
	Notes	£	£	£	. £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	1		168,222		510,501
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	2		(77,534)		(95,139)
Taxation			(21,673)		(16,520)
Capital expenditure	2		(39,231)		(57,456)
			29,784		341,386
Financing	2		56,699		(189,386)
Increase in cash in the period			£86,483		£152,000
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	3				
Increase in cash in the period Cash inflow		86,483		152,000	
from increase in debt and lease financing		47,047		364,012	
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows New finance leases			133,530 (15,500)		516,012 (10,486)
Movement in net debt in the period Net debt at 1st May 1996	l		118,030 (380,504)		505,526 (886,030)
Net debt at 30th April 1997			£(262,474)		£(380,504)

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

# 1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	1997	1996	
	£	£	
Operating profit	140,385	167,838	
Depreciation charges	143,876	169,941	
Loss on sale of fixed assets	-	1,778	
Profit on sale of fixed assets	(9,553)	1,770	
Increase in stocks	(5,378)	(10,390)	
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(102,698)	260,959	
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	1,590	(79,625)	
Net cash inflow			
from operating activities	168,222	510,501	
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## 2. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	1997	1996
	£	£
Returns on investments and		
servicing of finance		
Interest received	_	797
Interest paid	(42,004)	(50,660)
Interest element of hire purchase	(12,001)	(50,000)
or finance lease rentals payments	(35,530)	(45,276)
	(55,050)	(15,270)
Net cash outflow		
for returns on investments and servicing of finance	(77,534)	(95,139)
	====	====
Capital expenditure		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(78,526)	(58,956)
Sale of tangible fixed assets	39,295	
	39,493	1,500
Net cash outflow	<del></del>	
for capital expenditure	(20.221)	(57 450)
L	(39,231)	(57,456)

## NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

# 2. ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT - continued

	- continued				
	·			1997	1996
				£	£
	Financing				
	New loan taken out in year			23É 000	•
	Loan repayments in year			225,000	(56.006)
	Finance leases			(55,117)	(56,236)
	Amount withdrawn by directors			(95,349)	(130,255)
	William of Chronolog			(17,835)	(2,895)
	Net cash inflow/(outflow)				
	from financing			56,699	(189,386)
	-			====	(105,580)
3.	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET	r steren			
٥.	ANADISIS OF CHANGES IN NE	I DEDI		Other	
				Other non-cash	
		At 1.5.96	Cash flow	changes	At 30.4.97
		£	£	£	£ 50.4.97
	Net cash:	-	~	~	ž.
	Cash at bank and in hand	5,471	1,508		6,979
	Bank overdraft	(295,327)	84,975		(210,352)
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	•	(289,856)	86,483		(203,373)
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	Debt:				
	Hire purchase				
	or finance leases	(00,640)	47.047	(15 500)	(#6.454)
	or imance reases	(90,648)	47,047	(15,500)	(59,101)
		(90,648)	47,047	(15,500)	(50.101)
		(50,010)		(15,500)	(59,101)
	Total	(380,504)	133,530	(15,500)	(262,474)
		=======================================		<del>====</del>	=====
	Analysed in Balance Sheet				
	Cash at bank and in hand	5,471			6,979
	Bank overdraft	(295,327)			(210,352)
	Hire purchase	, , ,		•	(210,332)
	or finance leases				
	within one year	(90,648)			(59,101)
		-			
•		(380,504)			(262,474)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

Plant and machinery

- 20% on reducing balance

Fixtures and fittings

- 20% on reducing balance

Motor vehicles

- 25% on reducing balance

The freehold property is maintained to ensure that its value does not diminish over time. The maintenance costs are charged to profit and loss in the year incurred. In the directors' opinion, depreciation would be immaterial and has not been charged.

#### Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

#### **Deferred taxation**

Provision is made at current rates for taxation deferred in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

### Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet. Those held under hire purchase contracts are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

#### **Pensions**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

#### 2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

### 3. STAFF COSTS

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STAFF COSTS		
•	1997	1996
	£	£
Wages and salaries	269,478	299,172
Social security costs	24,492	31,033
Other pension costs	14,245	10,313
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	308,215	340,518
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as	follows:	
The divings monally maniety of employees during and year was as	1997	1996
	2001	1000
Office & management	9	9
Production & sales	11	11
Cleaning	2	2
•		
	22	22
OPERATING PROFIT		
The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	1997	1996
	£	£
Hire of plant and machinery	1,611	4,932
Depreciation - owned assets	69,945	57,403
Depreciation - assets on hire purchase contracts	•	,
or finance leases	73,931	112,539
(Profit)/Loss on disposal of fixed assets	(9,553)	1,778
Auditors' remuneration	3,250	3,975
Directors' emoluments	130,493	108,250
INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME		
·	1997	1996
	£	£
Deposit account interest	•	797

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

## 6. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	1997	1996
	£	£
Bank interest	36,415	50,445
Bank loan interest	2,642	3,500
Hire purchase	35,530	45,276
	74 597	00.001
	74,587	99,221

## 7. TAXATION

The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities for the year was as follows:

	1997	1996
	£	£
UK Corporation Tax	16,852	23,070
Deferred taxation	(2,930)	(4,656)
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	13,922	18,414

UK Corporation Tax has been charged at 23.92% (1996 - 24.92%).

#### 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Totals
	£	£	£	£	£
COST:					
At 1st May 1996	361,757	935,219	35,114	195,683	1,527,773
Additions	•	28,716	940	64,370	94,026
Disposals		(750)	<b>-</b>	(63,678)	(64,428)
At 30th April 1997	361,757	963,185	36,054	196,375	1,557,371
DEPRECIATION:				<del> </del>	· · ·
At 1st May 1996	-	395,835	16,310	85,869	498,014
Charge for year	-	109,038	3,876	30,962	143,876
Eliminated on disposals	<u>-</u>	(504)	• -	(34,182)	(34,686)
At 30th April 1997		504,369	20,186	82,649	607,204
NET BOOK VALUE:		•		<del></del>	
At 30th April 1997	361,757	458,816	15,868	113,726	950,167
At 30th April 1996	361,757	539,384	18,804	109,814	1,029,759
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

#### 8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - continued

Fixed assets, included in the above, which are held under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are as follows:

		Plant and machinery	Motor vehicles	Totals
		£	£	£
	COST:			
	At 1st May 1996	459,700	115,205	574,905
	Additions	•	31,995	31,995
	Disposals	·	(27,684)	(27,684)
	Transferred to ownership	(56,700)	(71,725)	(128,425)
	At 30th April 1997	403,000	47,791	450,791
	DEPRECIATION:			
	At 1st May 1996	102,032	32,668	134,700
	Charge for year	63,515	10,416	73,931
	Eliminated on disposals	-	(12,959)	(12,959)
	Transferred to ownership	(16,632)	(20,765)	(37,397)
	At 30th April 1997	148,915	9,360	158,275
	NET BOOK VALUE:		<del></del>	
	At 30th April 1997	254,085	38,431	292,516
	At 30th April 1996	357,668	82,537	440,205
9.	STOCKS			
<b>J.</b>	STOCKS		1997	1996
			£	£
	Materials for reprocessing		113,161	107,783
	·			
10.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
			1997	1996
			£	£
	Trade debtors		780,935	674,818
	Amounts owed by S Sacker (Ipswich) Limited			4.056
	Prepayments .		13,892	4,056 14,154
	Other Debtors	·	899	17,1 <i>3</i> 4
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			795,726	693,028
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

## 11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	1997	1996
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts		
(see note 13)	318,852	329,589
Trade creditors	216,887	204,528
Directors current accounts	3,620	6,403
Hire purchase	59,101	90,648
V.A.T.	89,485	80,737
Social security & other taxes	6,548	5,987
Taxation	16,899	21,720
Accrued expenses	166,465	189,490
and the second	877,857	929,102
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	1007	1006
	1997	1996
Bank loans	£	£
(see note 13)	72,000	107,000
Hire purchase	,	201,000
(see note 13)	185,454	233,756
Directors loan B I Dodds	22,829	37,881
Commercial mortgage	130,645	-
	410,928	378,637

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

## 13. LOANS AND OVERDRAFTS

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An analysis of the maturity of loans and overdrafts is given below:

	1997 £	1996
Amounts falling due within one year or on demand:	r	£
Bank overdrafts Bank loans	210,352 108,500	295,327 34,262
	318,852	329,589
Amounts falling due between one and two years:		
Bank loans Hire purchase	17,000 87,879	107,000 46,444
	104,879	153,444
Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans Hire purchase	55,000 97,575	187,312
	152,575	187,312
SECURED DEBTS		
The following secured debts are included within creditors:		
	1997 £	1996 £
Bank loans	210,352 180,500	295,327 141,262
	390,852	436,589
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES		
	1997 £	1996 £
Deferred taxation	44,664	47,594

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

## 15. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES - continued

				Deferred	
				taxation	
				£	
	Balance at 1s	st May 1996		47,594	
		rences in respect			
	of capital a	_		(2,930)	
	_			· · ·	
	Balance at 30	Oth April 1997		44,664	
10	CALLEDI	DOTANG CARITAI			
16.	CALLED U	P SHARE CAPITAL			
	Authorised,	allotted, issued and fully paid:			
	Number:	Class:	Nominal	1997	1996
			value:	£	£
	100	Ordinary	£1	100	100
		•			<u></u>
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17.	RECONCH	LIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN	SHAREHULDERS. F		1006
				1997 £	1996 £
	Dunca for the	a financial ways		51,876	51,000
	Prom for the	e financial year		51,670	J1,000
	NET ADDI	TION TO SHAREHOLDERS' I	FUNDS	51,876	51,000
	Opening sha	reholders' funds		480,708	429,708
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	CLOSING	SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		532,584	480,708
	Equity interes	acto		532,584	480,708
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# TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

	199	1997		1996	
	£	£	£	£	
Income:	~	~	a.	ı.	
Metal Sales	3,496,685		4,341,465		
Other sales & work done	43,280		47,248		
		3,539,965		4,388,713	
Cost of sales:					
Opening stock	107,783		97,393		
Purchases	2,531,948		3,251,026		
Rebated discount	4,962		14,398		
Wages	161,546		168,867		
Plant hire	1,611		4,932		
Industrial gases	-,		7,820		
General expenses	35,807		28,045		
Plant repairs	52,391		102,097		
Transport & carriage	147,756		128,225		
Vehicle expenses	67,625		65,167		
Hire of Labour	895		4,482		
	3,112,324		3,872,452		
Closing stock	(113,161)		(107,783)		
		2,999,163		3,764,669	
GROSS PROFIT		540,802		624,044	
Other income:					
Rents received	-		2,344		
Deposit account interest	**		2,5 <del>11</del> 797		
•	4.5.	-		3,141	
		540,802		627,185	
		5-10,002		027,165	
Expenditure:					
Directors' remuneration	91,484		108,250		
Pension contributions	10,170		6,301		
Wages	16,448	•	22,055		
Social security	24,492		31,033		
Pensions	4,075		4,012		
Medical Insurance	2,659		2,566		
Telephone	5,836		5,973		
Printing & stationery	3,456		3,523		
Advertising	10,204		11,903		
Travelling	920		2,507		
Postage & carriage	1,060		1,361		
Carried forward	170,804	540,802	199,484	627,185	

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# TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For The Year Ended 30th April 1997

	1997		1996	
	£	£	£	£
Brought forward	170,804	540,802	199,484	627,185
Life insurance	2,188	,	3,688	027,105
Sundry expenses	9,374		7,613	
Auditors remuneration	3,250		3,975	
Accountancy	4,765		6,520	
Legal fees	2,868		1,774	
Entertainment	1,678		175	
Bad debts	-		121	
Rates & water	7,421		6,901	
Insurance	20,037		21,777	
Light & heat	26,379		20,613	
Repairs to property	7,071		2,552	
		255,835	·	275,193
		284,967		351,992
Finance costs:				
Bank interest	36,415		50,445	·
Bank loan interest	2,642		3,500	
Hire purchase	35,530		45,276	
Bank charges	10,259		11,638	
	<del></del> .	84,846		110,859
		200,121		241,133
Depreciation:				
Plant & machinery	109,038		132,881	
Fixtures & Fittings	3,876		4,321	
Motor vehicles	30,962		32,739	
		143,876		169,941
		56,245		71,192
Profit/(Loss) on disposal of fixed assets:				
Plant & machinery	254		(745)	
Motor vehicles	9,299		(1,033)	
	·	9,553		(1,778)
NET PROFIT		£65,798		£69,414
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