

# AM23

## Notice of move from administration to dissolution



Companies House

THURSDAY



A15

\*A916F8DV\*

19/03/2020

#159

COMPANIES HOUSE

### 1 Company details

Company number 0 3 1 9 5 4 4 5

Company name in full Tesla Exploration International Limited (In Administration)

→ Filling in this form

Please complete in typescript or in  
bold black capitals.

### 2 Court details

Court name High Court of Justice, Birmingham District Registry, Chancery

Division

Court number 8 3 2 6 o f 2 0 1 6

### 3 Administrator's name

Full forename(s) Samuel James

Surname Woodward

### 4 Administrator's address

Building name/number 2

Street St Peters Square

Post town Manchester


County/Region

Postcode M 2 3 D F

Country United Kingdom

AM23

Notice of move from administration to dissolution

<b>5 Administrator's name ①</b>	
Full forename(s)	Colin Peter
Surname	Dempster
<b>① Other administrator</b> Use this section to tell us about another administrator.	
<b>6 Administrator's address ②</b>	
Building name/number	144
Street	Morrison Street
Post town	Edinburgh
County/Region	
Postcode	E H 3 8 E X
Country	United Kingdom
<b>② Other administrator</b> Use this section to tell us about another administrator.	
<b>7 Final progress report</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I have attached a copy of the final progress report	
<b>8 Sign and date</b>	
Administrator's signature	Signature X  X
Signature date	d 1 d 8 m 0 m 3 y 2 y 0 y 2 y 0



Ernst & Young LLP  
No 1 Colmore Square  
Birmingham  
B4 6HQ

Tel + 44 121 535 2000  
Fax + 44 121 535 2001  
ey.com

TO ALL KNOWN CREDITORS

18 March 2020

Ref: TEIL SW.KPJL'23.D16 1  
Direct line 0121 535 2456  
Direct Fax 0121 535 2001  
Jack Lavery

Dear Sirs

## **Tesla Exploration International Limited (In Administration) ("the Company")**

### **High Court of Justice, Number 8326 of 2016**

I write to provide you with our final progress report in the administration, which includes details of the outcome. The report covers the period from 21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020 and should be read in conjunction with the Joint Administrators' Proposals dated 8 November 2016 and our previous progress reports dated 14 October 2019, 17 April 2019, 11 October 2018, 18 April 2018, 16 October 2017 and 18 April 2017. Statutory information about the Company, the administration and the office holders is given at Appendix 1.

### **Summary of the administrators' proposals**

#### **Circumstances Giving Rise to the Appointment of the Administrators**

In the period leading up to the administration, the Company's cash flow came under increased pressure due to the combination of i) a downturn in demand for its services as a result of the challenging conditions in the wider oil and gas sector which led to reduced revenues; and ii) the Receivership of the Canadian parent company.

Prior to the appointment of the Joint Administrators, EY were engaged by the Company and HSBC Bank Plc ("HSBC") on 31 August 2016, to review and comment on the short term cash flow forecast of the Company and to report on the options available.

It was concluded that it was in the best interests of the Company and the Company's creditors to commence an accelerated sale process of the business and/or assets of the Company. The Directors of the Company had already begun an orderly wind down process of the business with all staff placed on notice of redundancy prior to our appointment.

EY subsequently assisted the Company in approaching parties who had shown interest, or could potentially be interested, in purchasing the business and/or assets of the Company and to assess the offers received. Due to the specialist nature of the equipment and limited time available a wider marketing process (e.g. listing assets on industrial auctions websites) was not considered appropriate.

In conjunction with the Company, EY approached 15 parties who were considered to have a strategic interest in the business and/or assets of the Company. Parties approached were both UK and International, reflecting input from the Directors as well as our EY oil and gas specialists. Of those parties approached, 11 were provided with an information pack to enable them to consider their interest and submit an offer.

A sale was not considered deliverable pre-appointment due to the limited time available given funding pressures and the insolvent position of the business. Therefore, on 21 September 2016, with no party interested in acquiring the Company as a going concern and no funding for the ongoing cash requirements of the Company, the Directors concluded that it was appropriate for them to take steps to place the Company in to administration.

On 21 September 2016 the Company entered Administration and S Woodward and T Lukic were appointed as Joint Administrators. The appointment was made by the Company's Directors under the provisions of paragraph 22(2) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986.

### **Purpose of the administration**

The purpose of an administration is to achieve one of three objectives:

- a. To rescue the company as a going concern
- b. To achieve a better result for the company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the company were wound up (without first being in administration)
- c. To realise property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors

Insolvency legislation provides that objective (a) should be pursued unless it is not reasonably practicable to do so or if objective (b) would achieve a better result for the company's creditors as a whole. Objective (c) may only be pursued if it is not reasonably practicable to achieve either objective (a) or (b) and can be pursued without unnecessarily harming the interests of the creditors of the company as a whole.

It was unlikely that objective (a) could be achieved given the following factors:

- ▶ The Company faced imminent cash flow insolvency and had extensive liabilities which were due.
- ▶ The level of creditors substantially exceeded the value of the highest offer received for the business and/or assets pre-appointment. All offers or expressions of interest that had been received to the date of our appointment were on a business and/or assets only basis. No party had expressed an interest in a share sale prior to our appointment as Joint Administrators.
- ▶ The Company had insufficient funding available to implement a more fundamental restructuring of the business.
- ▶ There was no immediately deliverable contract pipeline.

It was considered likely that objective (b) could be achieved, for the following reasons:

- ▶ Feedback from the pre-appointment sale process noted offers and expressions of interest in purchasing the Company's business and/or assets, either as a whole or as packages of assets in certain jurisdictions.
- ▶ The statutory moratorium that is provided by the administration would provide the Company with a period of time to explore and complete any potential sale of the Company's business and/or assets.

As a consequence, the Joint Administrators pursued objective (b) by marketing the Company's business and / or assets.

## **Summary of steps taken during the administration**

A summary of progress during the administration up to 18 March 2020 is provided below.

### **Asset Realisations**

There have been no further realisations since the previous progress report dated 14 October 2019. In summary the following realisations have been achieved during the administration.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

The Company had petty cash on appointment in 24 different currencies that amounted to £3k.

### **Accounts Receivable (excluding contingent assets)**

The Joint Administrators collected £28k in relation to accounts receivable which were due to the Company as at the date of our appointment.

### **Property, Plant and Equipment**

The property, plant and equipment of the Company which has been realised primarily consists of plant and machinery located in the following jurisdictions:

UK  
Dubai  
Ethiopia  
Uganda

To assist with the sale of the assets, an agent (Liquidity Services) was engaged to provide independent valuations of the assets.

#### *UK and Dubai assets*

The UK and Dubai assets of the Company were sold on 30 September 2016 for £200,000 and £95,000 respectively.

#### *Uganda assets*

The Ugandan assets of the Company were sold on 6 December for £50,000. The assets were sold in situ, with the purchaser agreeing to settle substantial ransom creditor claims in order to allow for the removal of assets.

#### *Ethiopia assets*

As previously reported, the Joint Administrators entered into an agreement with a purchaser ("Purchaser") who acted as an agent of the Company to export the assets from Ethiopia.

The assets were successfully exported and some of the conditions for the demobilisation fee (see 'Contingent assets' section below) to become payable were met. As a result, £5k of funds were received from the Purchaser, to complete the sale.

## Contingent assets

### *Demobilisation fee*

A demobilisation fee of c. \$800k (c.£656k) (net of VAT) was due to the Company following the exportation of the Ethiopian plant and machinery and transfer of the assets off the Profit Sharing Agreement ("PSA") to which they were attached. Of this amount, the Joint Administrators received \$435,652 (c.£324k) from the PSA holder.

The remaining outstanding balance was subject to the satisfactory completion of a number of matters, which included:

- ▶ **Provision to the PSA holder of export documentation in relation to certain assets.** Despite our best efforts to engage a former employee of the Company, this proved unsuccessful due to excessive payment demands.
- ▶ **Tax clearance from the Ethiopian Inland Revenue and Customs Authority ("the Ethiopian Tax Authorities").** The Company was involved in an historical tax dispute with the Ethiopian Tax Authorities and it was advised that a tax audit may also be required. We engaged a local agent ("the Agent") to assist in this matter but the Agent was unable to confirm how long the tax clearance process would last, nor was he able to provide any tangible evidence that this process would be successful.
- ▶ **Closure of the Company branch office in Ethiopia.** In order to close the Company's branch office, we required tax clearance from the Ethiopian Tax Authorities. The Agent was assisting with the closure of the Ethiopian branch office, however this was also dependent on assistance from the previous employee of the Company. As discussed, our attempts to engage with the former employee have been unsuccessful due to excessive payment demands.

As outlined in our previous progress report dated 14 October 2019, due to the complexity of the outstanding conditions left to realise the demobilisation fee, the Joint Administrators concluded that it would not be in the best interest of creditors to continue to pursue the remaining debtor balance.

### *Costs lodged at court*

Before the appointment of the Joint Administrators, the Company had c. £149k lodged at court in relation to a legal action against a debtor. Judgement was found in the Company's favour so the Court Funds Office refunded this sum to the Company. The Joint Administrators were unable to recover the judgement debt of c. \$6.8m (c. £5.6m), due to the liquidation of the debtor and there was no prospect for the Company to receive a dividend as an unsecured creditor.

## Other income

The Company received a bank refund of £34k in respect to interest incorrectly charged on the Company's foreign currency overdraft facility prior to the appointment of the Joint Administrators.

Other income relates to rent recharged to the purchaser of the UK assets of £5k, refunds on prepayments of £7k, and bank interest of £2k.

## **Distributions to creditors**

### **Secured Creditor**

HSBC Bank PLC had a total indebtedness estimated at c. £1.4m in the Directors' Statement of Affairs as at 21 September 2016 which is secured against the assets of the Company. Distributions totalling £339k have been paid to the Secured Creditor which amounts to 24p/£.

### **Preferential Creditors**

As previously reported, a first and final payment of £60k has been made to preferential creditors which amounted to 100p/£.

### **The Prescribed Part**

The Prescribed Part is a proportion of floating charge assets set aside for the non-preferential creditors pursuant to section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986. The Prescribed Part applies to floating charges created on or after 15 September 2003. The charge in respect of the Company is dated 31 October 2007 and as such the provisions of the Prescribed Part will apply.

On 19 December 2019, the Joint Administrators declared a dividend to all known unsecured creditors by virtue of the Prescribed Part. The value of the Prescribed Part is £88,573 which amounted to a dividend of 0.77p / £ payable to the unsecured creditors.

### **Unsecured non-preferential Creditors**

There were insufficient funds to enable a distribution to the respective non-preferential creditors other than by virtue of the Prescribed Part.

### **Notice of no further dividend**

In accordance with Rule 14.37(2) of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016, I give notice that we are unable to declare any further dividend to preferential or non-preferential creditors because the funds realised have already been distributed or used or allocated for paying the expenses of the administration.

### **Receipts and payments account**

I enclose a receipts and payments account for the period from 21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020.

The sum of £88,573 has been paid to unsecured creditors by virtue of the application of section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986 (the Prescribed Part).

### **Joint administrators' remuneration**

The statutory provisions relating to remuneration are set out in Part 18 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016. Further information is given in the Association of Business Recovery Professionals' publication 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees' a copy of which may be accessed from the web site of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales at <https://www.icaew.com/en/technical/insolvency/creditors-guides> or is available in hard copy upon written request to me.

In certain circumstances, creditors are entitled to request further information about our remuneration or expenses, or to apply to court if they consider the costs to be excessive (Rules 18.9 and 18.34 of the

Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016). Further information is provided in 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees' referred to above.

The Administrators' remuneration was fixed on a time-cost basis by a resolution of the creditors passed on 8 February 2017 by the secured creditor and the preferential creditors.

Total time costs incurred since the beginning of the administration are £486,879. Of this sum, £319,322 has been billed. The Administrators' time costs exceed the amount provided for in the original fee estimate, however, the Joint Administrators have not sought to recover these excess time costs. At Appendix 3 to this report there is an analysis and narrative explanation of the time spent.

### **Joint administrators' statement of expenses incurred**

During the period covered by this report, the Administrators have incurred and paid expenses totalling £4,958. There is a breakdown of expenses incurred in the period and to date at Appendix 3 to this report. The Joint Administrators will not recover the remaining £807 of unpaid expenses.

### **Pre-administration costs**

As previously reported, unpaid pre-Administration costs were approved for payment and have been drawn.

### **The outcome of the administration**

The purpose of the administration has been sufficiently achieved.

In accordance with the terms of the proposals, as there are no further assets to be realised or distributions to be made, the Company will move from administration to dissolution. The administration will come to an end on the date on which the notice is registered by Companies House and the Company will be deemed to be dissolved three months later.

Should you have any remaining questions about the administration, please do not hesitate to contact Jack Lavery at this office.

Yours faithfully  
For the Company



S Woodward  
Former Joint Administrator

**Enc: Copy of Form AM23**

S Woodward is licensed in the United Kingdom to act as insolvency practitioners by The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. C Dempster is licensed in the United Kingdom to act as an insolvency practitioner by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland.

The affairs, business and property of the Company are being managed by the Joint Administrators, C Dempster and S Woodward, who act as agents of the Company only and without personal liability.

The Joint Administrators may act as data controllers of personal data as defined by the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679, depending upon the specific processing activities undertaken. Ernst & Young LLP and/or the Company may act as a data processor on the instructions of the Joint Administrators. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the Joint Administrator's appointment. The Office Holder Data Privacy Notice can be found at [www.ey.com/uk/officeholderprivacy](http://www.ey.com/uk/officeholderprivacy)



## Appendix 1

### Information about the proceedings, the company and the office holders, as required by Rule 18.3(1) of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016

Name of court:	High Court of Justice
Court reference:	8326 of 2016
Registered name of the company:	Tesla Exploration International Limited (In Administration) ("the Company")
Registered office address of the company:	c/o Ernst & Young LLP, No. 1 Colmore Square, Birmingham, B4 6HQ
Registered number:	03195445
Country of incorporation (for a company incorporated outside the United Kingdom):	N/A
Date of appointment of the joint administrators:	21 September 2016
Details of any changes of administrator:	On 7 April 2017 Tomislav Lukic resigned and was replaced by Colin Peter Dempster.
Full names of the administrators:	Samuel James Woodward and Colin Peter Dempster
Office holder number(s):	Samuel James Woodward (12030) Colin Peter Dempster (8908)
Administrators' address(es):	Colin Peter Dempster c/o Ernst & Young LLP, 144 Morrison Street, Edinburgh EH3 8EX Samuel James Woodward c/o Ernst & Young LLP, 2 St Peter's Square, Manchester M2 3DF
Telephone number:	+44(0) 121 535 2456
Name of alternative person to contact with enquiries about the case:	Jack Lavery

## Appendix 2

### Tesla Exploration International Limited (Formerly in Administration)

		Fixed charge		Floating charge		Fixed charge		Floating charge		Total
	Realisable value as per Statement of Affairs	21 September 2016 to 20 September 2019	21 September 2016 to 20 September 2019	21 September 2016 to 20 September 2019	21 September 2016 to 20 September 2019	21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020	21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020	21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020	21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020	21 September 2016 to 18 March 2020
<b>Receipts</b>	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	3,045.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,045.93
Accounts Receivable	429,303.91	-	27,709.46	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,709.46
Property, Plant and Equipment	500,000.00	-	350,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	350,000.00
Contingent assets	-	-	148,826.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	148,826.58
Demobilisation fee	-	-	324,384.78	-	-	-	-	-	-	324,384.78
Other income	-	-	48,405.79	-	-	-	(169.28)	-	-	48,236.51
VAT Payable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	929,303.91	-	902,372.54	-	-	-	(169.28)	-	-	902,203.26
<b>Payments</b>										
Direct Labour	-	-	(10,562.81)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(10,562.81)
Trading	-	-	(5,915.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,915.00)
Agents Fees	-	-	(22,729.67)	-	-	-	(1,826.84)	-	-	(24,556.51)
Other Expenses	-	-	(1,808.31)	-	-	-	(81.29)	-	-	(1,889.60)
VAT Receivable	-	-	(607.97)	-	-	-	607.97	-	-	-
Corporation Tax	-	-	(53.20)	-	-	-	(2,204.76)	-	-	(2,257.96)
Preferential Creditor Distribution	-	-	(59,776.77)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(59,776.77)
Unsecured Creditor Distribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	(88,573.00)	-	-	(88,573.00)
Secured Creditor Distribution	-	-	(75,000.00)	-	-	-	(264,294.58)	-	-	(339,294.58)
Joint Administrators Fees	-	-	(210,000.00)	-	-	-	(109,322.00)	-	-	(319,322.00)
Joint Administrators Disbursements	-	-	(6,198.03)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6,198.03)
Legal Fees	-	-	(40,803.93)	-	-	-	(3,050.00)	-	-	(43,853.93)
		-	(433,455.69)	-	-	-	(468,744.50)	-	-	(902,200.19)
<b>Balance in hand</b>		-	<b>468,916.85</b>	-	-	-	<b>(468,913.78)</b>	-	-	<b>3.07</b>

#### Notes

1. Receipts and payments are stated net of VAT.
2. The Directors included costs lodged at court of £149k within Accounts Receivable. In line with previous reports, we have presented this in the 'Contingent assets' row.
3. Funds were held in interest bearing accounts until the 17 September 2019.
4. Total Administrators Fees are £319,322. Of this amount, £22,829.77 is in respect to VAT receivable which was due to the Company and subsequently assigned to Ernst & Young LLP on 13 March 2020.
5. The amount paid to unsecured creditors by virtue of the application of section 176A, Insolvency Act 1986 (the prescribed part) was £88,573.
6. A distribution to the secured creditor of £264,295 was made in the period. The remaining balance in hand has been set aside for bank charges. Any remaining balance in hand will be transferred to the secured creditor.

## Appendix 3

### Tesla Exploration International Limited (Formerly in Administration)

#### Summary of joint administrators' expenses incurred to 18 March 2020

Type of Expense	Per Estimate Dated 8 November 2016 (£)	Paid as at 20 September 2019 (£)	Paid in Period (£)	Outstanding (£)	Total (£)
<b>Payments made by the estate</b> (see notes 1 and 2 at the end of this table)					
Insurance	20,000	2,067	-	-	2,067
Advertising	200	85	-	-	85
Company staff costs	10,632	10,563	-	-	10,563
Agent's costs	5,000	13,608	-	-	13,608
Legal costs	5,000	40,804	3,050	-	43,854
Rent, rates and utilities	4,500	5,915	-	-	5,915
Books and records storage and /or destruction	5,000	7,979	1,827	-	9,806
Statement of affairs fee	-	-	-	-	-
Bank charges and interest	1,000	799	81	-	880
<b>Category 1 disbursements</b>					
Travel and accommodation costs	5,000	4,421	-	81*	4,421
Specific penalty bond	420	220	-	-	220
Document verification	-	-	-	46*	-
<b>Category 2 disbursements</b>					
Mileage	1,000	846	-	-	846
Internal bulk copying, printing and postage	550	711	-	681*	711
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,302</b>	<b>88,018</b>	<b>4,958</b>	<b>807*</b>	<b>92,976</b>

## Notes

- 1 *Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9) defines expenses as amounts properly payable from the insolvency estate which are not otherwise categorised as office holders' remuneration or distributions to creditors.*
- 2 *SIP 9 defines disbursements as a type of expense which is met by, and reimbursed to, an office holder in connection with an insolvency appointment. Disbursements fall into two categories: Category 1 and Category 2.*
  - *Category 1 disbursements are payments to independent third parties where there is specific expenditure directly referable to the appointment*
  - *Category 2 disbursements are expenses which are directly referable to the appointment but not a payment to an independent third party. They may include shared and allocated costs.*
- 3 *Certain expenses have either exceeded, or are expected to exceed, the original estimate dated 8 November 2016. Reasons for these expenses exceeding the initial estimate are detailed below:*
  - *Rent, rates and utilities – Relates to additional costs incurred during the administration in respect to the Company's property during the wind down period.*
  - *Agent costs – Additional costs incurred relate to the payment of an agent in Ethiopia that attempted to assist with the recovery of the demobilisation fee.*
  - *Legal costs – Increase in legal costs primarily due to sale of business and / or assets, recovery of demobilisation fee and extension of the administration.*
  - *Books and records storage and destruction – Additional costs incurred in respect to storage and destruction of the Company's records.*
  - *Internal bulk copying, printing and postage – Additional costs incurred in respect to the printing and postage of correspondence to creditors.*

\* The Joint Administrators have decided to write-off the remaining £807 of unpaid expenses.

**Tesla Exploration International Limited**  
(Formerly in Administration)

Joint administrators' time costs for the period from 21 September 2016 to 18 March 2020 and a comparison with the fee estimate dated 8 November 2016

Activity	Time costs incurred from 21 September 2016 to 18 March 2020			Time costs incurred from 21 September 2019 to 18 March 2020			Per Fee Estimate dated 8 November 2016		
	Total hours	Total time cost (£)	Average hourly rate (£)	Total hours	Total time cost (£)	Average hourly rate (£)	Total hours	Total time cost (£)	Average hourly rate (£)
Accounting and administration	247.4	57,587	233	12.9	3,087.0	239	177.0	40,270	228
Bank and statutory reporting	293.4	73,677	251	56.0	12,880	230	100.0	28,250	283
Creditors	329.0	80,403	244	121.9	28,727	236	150.0	34,425	230
Debtors	56.7	14,599	257	-	-	-	22.0	5,670	258
Employee matters	231.5	57,044	246	27.5	6,373	232	104.0	27,510	265
Immediate tasks	53.5	13,407	251	-	-	-	57.0	14,320	251
Investigations	29.0	6,934	239	-	-	-	52.0	13,250	255
Job acceptance & strategy	11.6	4,156	358	-	-	-	24.0	7,310	305
Legal issues	5.6	1,288	230	-	-	-	120.0	33,325	278
Other assets	138.4	39,731	287	0.5	115	230	90.0	26,550	295
Other matters	21.5	6,100	284	-	-	-	20.0	5,675	284
Pre-appointment	75.9	19,557	258	-	-	-	75.9	19,557	258
Property	26.1	6,033	231	-	-	-	35.0	9,125	261
Retention of title	7.0	1,610	230	-	-	-	15.0	3,750	250
Sale of Business	74.3	17,089	230	-	-	-	210.0	56,775	270
Statutory duties	172.4	41,199	239	9.5	2,455	258	165.0	42,550	258
Trading	27.3	6,822	250	-	-	-	25.0	6,825	273
VAT & taxation	175.0	39,647	227	53.6	12,927	241	80.0	22,350	279
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>1,975.6</b>	<b>486,879</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>281.9</b>	<b>66,564</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>1,521.9</b>	<b>397,487</b>	<b>261</b>

Note: Time is charged in 6 minute intervals

**Accounting & Administration:** this includes general administrative duties, preparation for the Company entering Administration, processing receipts and payments and maintaining the Joint Administrators' accounting records.

**Bank & Statutory Reporting:** this includes statutory reporting to all classes of creditors. Reports include the Joint Administrators Proposals to creditors, six monthly progress reports, report for change in the office holder, matters relating to the extension of Administration and filing of documents with the Registrar of Companies.

**Creditors:** this relates to correspondence with creditors and specific creditor matters. There were c.120 trade creditors of the Company per the Statement of Affairs.

**Debtors:** this relates to time spent in collecting the outstanding debtor book which is due to the Company.

**Employee Matters:** this relates to correspondence and calls with employees, answering queries, filing forms, liaising with the Redundancy Payments Office and processing claims. There were 13 employees who were made redundant prior to the Joint Administrators' appointment with all remaining employees made redundant during the administration period. Time spent also relates to the investigation of the employment status of certain individuals.

**Immediate Tasks:** this relates to carrying out tasks and duties on appointment, for example, business stabilization, matters in relation to physical security of Company assets, placing Company documentation in storage, notifying the insurance broker of the Administration.

**Investigation & CDDA:** time spent carrying out Administrators' investigations into the directors' conduct and any issues which the Administrators were made aware by creditors or other parties.

**Job Acceptance & Strategy:** time spent in complying with our firm's internal compliance, job acceptance procedures prior to accepting an appointment and the strategy pursued in the Administration.

**Legal Issues:** time spent in relation to realisations of the contingent asset as well as the £1.6m receivable balance. Details of these issues can be found in the report above.

**Other Assets:** relates to assets other than debtors and plant and machinery of the business. This includes matters relating to the demobilization fee.

**Other Matters:** time spent on other matters arising in the Administration, for example, matters in relation to the subsidiary and immediate parent of the Company which are not in Administration.

**Pre-Appointment:** time spent prior to the appointment of the Joint Administrators in relation to preparation for the insolvency, planning for employee matters and negotiations with interested parties for potential sale of the business and/or assets of the Company.

**Property:** time spent conducting site visits, arranging for third parties to collect assets and arranging vacation of the property, including negotiations with landlords.

**Retention of Title:** relates to adjudicating Retention of Title claims made against the Company and claims made by third parties that the Company is controlling plant and machinery which belongs to the third party.

**Sale of Business:** time spent in relation of sale of assets of the business.

**Statutory Duties:** time spent in complying with statutory matters including filing letters and forms advising of the Joint Administrators' appointment.

**Trading:** time spent in relation to the wind down of the business during the period for which employees were retained.

**VAT & Taxation:** investigating the Company's VAT and corporation tax position up to the date of appointment, preparation and submission of VAT and corporation tax returns for the post appointment period.

# AM23

## Notice of move from administration to dissolution



### Presenter information

You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Contact name Jack Lavery

Company name Ernst & Young LLP

Address No.1 Colmore Square

Post town Birmingham

County/Region

Postcode B 4 6 H Q

Country United Kingdom

DX

Telephone 0121 535 2456



### Checklist

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing.

Please make sure you have remembered the following:

- ☐ The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed the form.



### Important information

All information on this form will appear on the public record.



### Where to send

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,  
Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ.  
DX 33050 Cardiff.



### Further information

For further information please see the guidance notes on the website at [www.gov.uk/companieshouse](http://www.gov.uk/companieshouse) or email [enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk)

This form is available in an alternative format. Please visit the forms page on the website at [www.gov.uk/companieshouse](http://www.gov.uk/companieshouse)