The Insolvency Act 1986

Administrative Receiver's Report

Pursuant to Section 48(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986 and Rule 3.8(3) of the Insolvency Rules 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

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Company Number 04054472

Insert full name of Company Name of Company

Rekri8 Limited

Insert full name and Address

We, Christopher Ratten Tenon Recovery, Arkwright House, Parsonage Gardens, Manchester, Thomas Campbell Maclennan Tenon Recovery One Royal Terrace Edinburgh EH7 5AD

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Administrative Receivers of the company attach a copy of our report to creditors and a copy of the statement of affairs of the company.

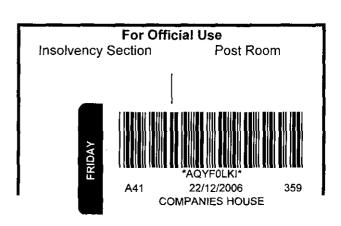
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Date

20/12/06

Presenter's name, address and reference (if any) 3023331 Rekri8 Limited

Christopher Ratten Tenon Recovery Arkwright House, Parsonage Gardens, Manchester, M3 2LF



## **Strictly Private & Confidential**

Rekri8 Limited ("The Company")

In Administrative Receivership

Report Prepared Pursuant to Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986

# **Tenon** recovery

28 November 2006

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#### 1 **Statutory Information**

Company Number:

04054472

Date Incorporated:

17 August 2000

Nature of Business:

Manufacturer of domestic gas products for leisure and DIY

Market

Trading Address:

Unit 34 Meadow Industrial Estate

Water Street Stockport

Cheshire SK1 2BU

Registered Office:

Unit 34 Meadow Industrial Estate

Water Street Stockport

Cheshire SK1 2BU

Following the appointment as Receivers the registered

office was changed to:

Tenon Recovery Arkwright House, Parsonage Gardens,

Manchester, M3 2LF

Directors:

S J Nash

P Pintossi K Botham

Company Secretary:

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Share Capital:

1,000 ordinary shares of £1, all of which were authorised,

allotted and fully paid up

Ordinary Shares of £1 each

£

Outdoor Lifestyle Holdings Limited

800

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200

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## 2 Background and Events Leading to the Appointment of the Joint Administrative Receivers

#### 2.1 Background

Rekri8 Limited ("the Company") was incorporated on the 17th August 2000 and traded in the specialist gas appliance market. The Company was involved in the design, manufacture, distribution and marketing of specialist gas appliances and associated accessories to the DIY, outdoor and caravan sectors.

The Company was formed following the buyout of part of the business from Go Gas when it went into Receivership. The Company originally went under the name of Cadac UK Limited but changed its name to Rekri8 Limited in 2002. The Company operated from leasehold premises in Stockport.

#### 2.2 Events leading up to the Appointment

The Company sourced component parts and engaged in the manufacture of products for sale to major UK distributors and retailers. The Company also had an increasing number of overseas customers and had been looking to expand this area of the business.

The Company also operated a fully automated gas filling plant and undertook contract filling and testing. The Company had experienced financial difficulties since commencement which had been financially supported by its shareholders who continued to fund the losses of the Company.

The directors had a plan to turnaround the business by subcontracting the manufacture overseas and importing the finished product. However, during the last 18 months they incurred a number of issues, namely:-

- Poor trading results during January to July 2006.
- Departure of key staff in the period which resulted in delays in plans to subcontract manufacturing.
- Continued rising prices in raw materials that could not be passed on to customers due to fixed price contracts.

The directors implemented a number of measures to reduce the cost base carried by the business, including 7 redundancies in July 2006. By August 2006 it became apparent that the Company could not continue to trade without a significant capital investment. Shareholders were reluctant to provide further funding. The Directors were approached by a number of parties who expressed an interest in the assets of the Company. Due to the financial position of the Company and concerned about the trading position, the directors invited the bank to appoint Administrative Receivers.

Thomas Campbell MacLennan and Christopher Ratten of Tenon Recovery were appointed as Joint Administrative Receivers of the Company on 28 September 2006 by Bank of Scotland ("BOS") who was the debenture holder.

## 2.3 Trading History

A summary of the results for the Company is set out below:-

	Man Accs Period Ended 30 Jul '06 £'000	Audited Year Ended 30 Sept '05 £'000	Audited Year Ended 30 Sept '04 £'000
Turnover Cost of Sales	2,420 (2,059)	2,472 (1,997)	2,876 (2,068)
Gross Margin Gross Margin %	361 15%	475 19%	808 28%
Administration Expenses Distribution Expenses	(1,073)	(900) (156)	(856) (143)
Loss before interest and taxation	(712)	(581)	(194)
Interest Payable Interest Receivable	-	(18) 25	(20) 45
Loss after interest before taxation	(712)	(574)	(169)
Taxation	-	•	-
Loss after Taxation	(712)	(574)	(169)
Dividends	-	• •	· · · · ·
Retained Loss	(2,332)	(1,653)	(1,079)
Net Liabilities	(2,332)	(1,620)	(1,045)

We have not yet verified the accuracy of the management accounts.

#### 3 Actions following Appointment

3.1 Prior to my appointment I had been notified that a party was interested in purchasing the assets of the business. I progressed these negotiations and instructed independent agents, Eddisons, to prepare a valuation of the assets. It was apparent that a sale of the business as a going concern would generate a significantly higher level of realisations than could be achieved on a break-up of the business. This is due to the main asset of the Company being stocks of gas bottled products.

The Company's main source of turnover was in the Leisure industry and they had a number of supply agreements with major retailers. These agreements contained penalty clauses in the event of non supply and thus a sale as a going concern would preserve debtor realisations.

#### Sale of Assets

- 3.2 I instructed Eversheds to act as solicitors in this matter and to prepare a Sale Agreement and deal with the legal matters following my appointment. A sale of the assets completed on Thursday 5 October 2006 with the effective relevant transfer date of Monday 2 October 2006
- 3.3 The consideration for the assets is as follows:-

	Book Value £'000	Agents Value £'000	Sales Value £'000
Fixed Assets	157	38	25
Stock	190	64	114
	347	102	139
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A consideration of £25,000 was agreed for the assets of the company which was paid upon completion.

A consideration of 60% of the cost value for the stock was agreed based upon the physical stocks of finished goods. A physical stock count was carried out and we are in the process of finalising these figures. It is estimated that the consideration for the stock will be approximately £114,000.

The Raw materials were subject to ROT claims from suppliers and the agents considered this had little or no value due to its consistency of components for production of gas bottles.

The Company did not have any WIP.

#### **Book Debts**

3.4 The debtors of the Company on appointment amounted to £245,297. I entered into an agreement with the purchaser to assist with the collection of these debts for 5% of the realisations.

To date collections have amounted to £137,755 and it is expected that collections will continue for a number of months.

#### 4 Amounts due to the Secured and Preferential Creditors

#### 4.1 Secured Creditors

The security of the debenture holder is comprised of the following charges:-

Debenture dated 31 January 2003 in favour of The Governor and Company of the Bank of Scotland secured by a fixed and floating charge over the undertaking and property of the Company.

At the date of appointment the debenture holder was owed £252,666 in capital. This balance is subject to interest and charges.

#### 4.2 Preferential Creditors

The only preferential creditors relate to the employees of the Company.

A total of 7 staff members were made redundant by the Company prior to my appointment. Claims have been submitted to the Redundancy Payments Office (RPO) and I am currently awaiting details of their preferential claim for arrears of pay and holiday pay. For the purpose of the Statement of Affairs, this has been estimated at £15,000.

#### 4.3 The Prescribed Part

The charges of the Bank of Scotland were registered prior to the introduction of the Enterprise Act and hence there is no requirement to calculate a prescribed part.

#### 5 Other Matters

#### 5.1 Dividend Prospects

I have not yet received a sworn copy of the Statement of Affairs but include with this report as Appendix 1 an estimated statement of Affairs.

It is anticipated that the preferential creditors will be paid in full. It is also anticipated that the secured creditor will be paid in full. Until book debt collections are completed, it is not currently anticipated that there will be a dividend to unsecured creditors.

5.2 Should you have any queries relating to this matter please contact John Radford on +44 (0) 161 834 3313.

Yours faithfully

For and on behalf of

Rekri8 Limited

Christopher Ratten

Joint Administrative Receiver

Christopher Ratten is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Thomas Campbell Maclennan is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland

## Rekri8 Limited . Statement Of Affairs as at 28 September 2006

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		Estimated to Realise £
Estimated total assets available for preferential creditors (Carried from F	'age A)	335,000.00
Liabilities		
Preferential Creditors:-	45.000.00	
Employee Arrears/Hol Pay	15,000.00	64
		15,000.00
Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards preferential creditors		320,000.00
Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (to carry forward)		NIL
Estimated total assets available for floating charge holders		320,000.00
Debts secured by floating charges		
Due to HBOS	253,000.00	
		253,000.00
Estimated deficiency/surplus of assets after floating charges		67,000.00
Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (brought down)		NIL
Fotal assets available to unsecured creditors		67,000.00
Insecured non-preferential claims (excluding any shortfall to floating charge h		
Trade & Expense Creditors	509,270.00	
Outdoor Lifestyle Shareholders Loans	2,127,878.00	
Gnali Shareholders Loan Account	151,580.00	2,788,728.00
Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards non-preferential creditors		2,700,720.00
excluding any shortfall to floating charge holders)		(2,721,728.00)
Shortfall to floating charge holders (brought down)		NIL
Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards creditors		(2,721,728.00)
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ssued and called up capital		
Ordinary Shareholders	1,000.00	
		1,000.00
Estimated total deficiency/surplus as regards members		(2,722,728.00)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_