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BUILDING SOLUTIONS LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998



TEE AND COMPANY
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998

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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- follow applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a 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.

Directors

D J Brennan Mrs C A E Brennan A M Sills S Wynn (appointed 1st November 1997)

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Abbey Group of Gloucester Limited. The interests of the directors in the ordinary share capital of the holding company at 31 October 1998 and for the whole of the year ended on that date are reflected in the holding company's accounts.

Secretary

Mrs C A E Brennan

Registered Office

Abbey House Ashville Road Gloucester

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the company throughout the year were damp proofing, timber and property repair and preservation, together with the provision of protective coating, structural waterproofing, floor refurbishment and concrete repair in new and old structures.

Results and Dividends

The results of the year's trading and the financial position of the company are shown in the annexed accounts.

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998 (CONT)

Directors

The present directors are as shown on the previous page.

Auditors

The auditors, Tee and Company, have indicated their willingness to accept re-appointment under Section 385(2) of the Companies Act 1985.

The financial statements have 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

D J BRENNAN - DIRECTOR

Date: 20 JANUARY 1999

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BUILDING SOLUTIONS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 9 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1, 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 judgements 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 31 October 1998 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

TEE AND COMPANY Registered Auditors

Date: 20 JANUARY 1999

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS 6 BRUNSWICK SQUARE GLOUCESTER GL1 IUG

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998

	Note	1998 £	1997 £
TURNOVER	2	962,731	880,267
Cost of sales		553,659	473,113
GROSS PROFIT		409,072	407,154
Net operating expenses	3	463,556	382,689
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	4	(54,484)	24,465
Interest payable and similar charges		2,944	1,836
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(57,428)	22,629
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	5	(15,019)	6,181
RETAINED (LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(42,409)	16,448
Retained profit brought forward		228,636	212,187
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		186,227	228,635

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 OCTOBER 1998

	Note		1998 £		1997 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	6		118,861		92,760
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Cash at bank	7	13,677 198,882 100		9,768 255,943 100	
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one		212,659		265,811	
year	8	145,193		122,748	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			67,466		143,063
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			186,327		235,823
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year	9		-		(4,264)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	10		-		(2,824)
NET ASSETS			186,327		228,735
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital Profit and loss account	11		100 186,227		100 228,635
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			186,327		228,735

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities.

These financial statements were approved by the board on 20 January 1999.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

D J BRENNAN - DIRECTOR

Date: 20 JANUARY 1999

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below and have remained unchanged from the previous year, and also have been consistently applied within the same accounts.

Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

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

The effect of events in relation to the year ended 31 October 1998 which occurred before the date of approval of the financial statements by the Board of Directors, have been included in the statements to the extent required to show a true and fair view of the state of affairs at 31 October 1998 and of the results for the year ended on that date.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been computed to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their expected useful lives using the following rates:

Leasehold property	- equal instalments over the period of the lease
Plant and machinery	- 20% per annum of cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% per annum of cost
Motor vehicles	- 20% per annum of cost

2. TURNOVER

The company's turnover represents the value, excluding Value Added Tax, of goods and services supplied to customers during the year.

3. NET OPERATING EXPENSES

		1998	1997
		£	£
	Administrative expenses	463,556	382,689
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4.	OPERATING LOSS		
	Operating loss is stated after charging/(crediting):		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Directors' emoluments	72,120	49,370
	Exceptional item - relocation costs	15,790	-
	Loss on sale of fixed assets	1,202	3,061
	Depreciation of owned assets	30,583	16,988
	Depreciation of assets held under		
	finance leases and hire purchase	3,460	8,380
	Auditors remuneration	1,500	1,700

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998 (CONT)

5. TAXATION ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

	1998 £	1997 £
Current year		
Corporation tax at 22.25% Deferred Tax at 21% Receipts from group companies for tax losses surrendered	(3,319) (2,824) (8,876)	3,357 2,824
	(15,019)	6,181

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold property £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 November 1997 Additions Disposals	23,249 -	9,389 1,175 -	2,053 18,603	148,044 25,919 (18,350)	159,486 68,946 (18,350)
At 31 October 1998	23,249	10,564	20,656	155,613	210,082
Depreciation					
At 1 November 1997 Charge for the year Elimination on disposals At 31 October 1998	2,153	2,994 2,113 - 5,107	918 4,101 5,019	62,814 25,676 (9,548) 78,942	66,726 34,043 (9,548) 91,221
Net book value					
At 31 October 1998	21,096	5,457	15,637	76,671	118,861
At 31 October 1997	-	6,395	1,135	85,230	92,760

Included in the total net book value of tangible fixed assets held at 31 October 1998 was £28,430 in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998 (CONT)

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7.	DEBTORS		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Trade debtors	176,455	208,904
	Amount owed by undertakings in which	0.077	44.010
	company has an interest Other debtors	8,876 13,551	44,212 2,827
		198,882	255,943
8.	CREDITORS - AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	55 541	56 000
	Obligations under finance leases and hire	55,541	56,888
	purchase contracts	3,015	10,967
	Trade creditors	33,818	2,451
	Corporation tax payable Social security and other taxes	29,330	3,357 30,252
	Other creditors	23,489	18,833
		145,193	122,748

	The bank overdraft is secured.		
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are se	cured.	
9.	CREDITORS - AMOUNTS DUE AFTER ONE YEAR		
		1998	1997
		£	£
	Other creditors	-	4,264
10.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES		
			Deferred
			taxation
			£
	Balance at 1 November 1997		(2,824)
	Provided for the year		2,824
	Balance at 31 October 1998		

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 1998 (CONT)

11. SHARE CAPITAL

	1998 £	1997 £
Authorised 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
Allotted, called up and fully paid 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100

12. LEASING COMMITMENTS

At 31 October 1998 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as detailed below:

	1998 £	1997 £
Operating leases which expire:		
After more than five years	26,000	-
	26,000	-
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13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company has given unlimited cross guarantees in support of the bank facilities of other Group Companies.

14. RELATED PARTIES

During the year the company purchased goods and services from group companies as follows:-

The Abbey Group of Gloucester Limited	£110,000
Thoro Midwest Limited	£28,669

During the year the company sold goods and services to group companies as follows:-

Gloster Woodworm Control Limited £5,000

The company leased property owned by the trustees of the Brennan Retirement Fund for a rental of £12,167. D J Brennan and Mrs C A Brennan are beneficiaries of the Brennan Retirement Fund.