

Charter Broadcast Limited

Annual report and financial statements

For the year ended 30 September 2009

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Charter Broadcast Limited Directors and advisers

Directors	DJ Nicholson JL Christmas MC Ransome IP Martin
Company secretary	NS Conn
Registered office	Unit E2 Sussex Manor Business Park Gatwick Road Crawley West Sussex RH10 9NH
Independent auditors	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors First Point Buckingham Gate Gatwick RH6 0PP
Solicitors	Norton Rose LLP 3 More London Riverside London SE1 2AQ

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Directors' report for the year ended 30 September 2009

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2009

Business review, principal activities and future developments

The principal activity of the company was the hire of specialist broadcast equipment

On 14 April 2008 the company was purchased by Avesco Holdings Limited, a subsidiary of Avesco Group plc. Subsequent to this the ownership of the company was transferred to Presteigne Charter Limited, another Avesco Group plc company. On 2 May 2008 the trade and assets of the company were transferred to Presteigne Charter Limited. The company ceased trading from 2 May 2008.

Future developments of Avesco Group plc, which includes the company, are discussed on page 3 of the Group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

On 22 December 2009, two dormant UK subsidiaries of Charter Broadcast Limited were dissolved: Cinevideo Limited and Pantherwood Limited.

Key Performance Indicators ("KPIs")

The directors of Avesco Group plc manage the Group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of Charter Broadcast Limited. The development, performance and position of Avesco Group plc, which includes the company, is discussed on pages 4 and 5 of the Group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

Dividends

No dividends were paid or proposed for the year (2008: £nil).

Directors

The names of the directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signing of the financial statements are set out below:

DJ Nicholson
JL Christmas
MC Ransome
IP Martin

Principal risks and uncertainties

The directors of Avesco Group plc manage the Group's principal risks (including financial risks) and uncertainties at Group level, rather than on an individual company basis. For this reason, the directors believe that a discussion of the Group's risks would not be appropriate for an understanding of the performance of Charter Broadcast Limited's business. The principal risks and uncertainties of Avesco Group plc, which include those of the company, are discussed on page 5 of the Group's annual report which does not form part of this report.

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Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Annual 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 judgements and accounting 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,
- 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors confirm, so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken in his duty as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Independent auditors

A resolution to reappoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors to the company will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the Board



NS Conn

Company Secretary

14 January 2010

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Independent auditors' report to the members of Charter Broadcast Limited for the year ended 30 September 2009

We have audited the financial statements of Charter Broadcast Limited for the year ended 30 September 2009 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 3 the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2009 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

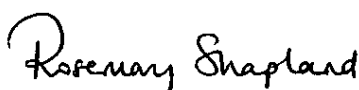
Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.



Rosemary Shapland (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Gatwick
21 January 2010

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Profit and loss Account for the year ended 30 September 2009

	Note	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
Turnover	2	-	1,200
Cost of sales		-	(693)
Gross profit		-	507
Administrative expenses		(53)	(1,016)
Operating loss	3	(53)	(509)
Net interest receivable / (payable) and similar income	6	124	(15)
Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation		71	(524)
Tax on profit / (loss) on ordinary activities	7	-	674
Profit for the year	15	71	150

All amounts relate to discontinued operations

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

There is no difference between the results stated above and their historical cost equivalents

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Balance sheet as at 30 September 2009

	Note	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Fixed Assets:			
Investments	9	-	957
		-	957
Current assets:			
Debtors	10	9,629	3,973
		9,629	3,973
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(4,575)	-
Net current assets/(liabilities)		5,054	3,973
Total assets less current liabilities		5,054	4,930
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-
Provisions for liabilities	12	(442)	(389)
Net assets		4,612	4,541
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	13	1,600	1,600
Share premium account	14	6,090	6,090
Profit and loss account	14	(3,078)	(3,149)
Total shareholders' funds	15	4,612	4,541

The financial statements on pages 5 to 15 were approved by the board of directors on 14 January 2010 and were signed on its behalf by

JL Christmas
Director



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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2009

1 Accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, applicable United Kingdom accounting standards and on the going concern basis. A summary of the more important accounting policies is set out below. These have been applied consistently throughout the period and the preceding period.

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Avesco Group plc and is included in the consolidated financial statements of Avesco Group plc which are publicly available (see note 17). Consequently the company has taken advantage of the following exemptions from

- Preparation of a cash flow statement in accordance with paragraph 5(a) of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) Cash flow statements
- Disclosure of transactions with other members of the Avesco Group or investees of the Avesco Group qualifying as related parties in accordance with paragraph 3(c) of Financial Reporting Standard 8 Related party disclosures
- Preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with section 228 of the Companies Act 2006

Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax liabilities arising from timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and their recognition for tax purposes (except as otherwise required by Financial Reporting Standard 19). Deferred tax assets are also recognised in full subject to them being regarded as more likely than not to be recoverable. Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

Foreign currencies

Transactions undertaken in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All foreign exchange differences are recognised in the profit and loss account.

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Hire purchased and leased assets

Assets held under hire purchase contracts or leases where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to the company are included in the balance sheet at cost less accumulated depreciation and the future capital payments are shown as a liability

The interest element of payments is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the arrangement in proportion to the balance of capital payments outstanding. Such assets are depreciated over the shorter of their estimated useful life or the term of the lease

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease

Post retirement benefits

The post retirement benefits policy is a Group operated defined pension contribution scheme and the assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. Costs in respect of the pension arrangements are charged on an accruals basis in line with the amounts payable in respect of each accounting year. The company does not provide any other post retirement benefits

Property lease provisions

These provisions cover costs resulting from the strategic reorganisation and relocation resulting in vacated properties and onerous lease costs. Provisions are recognised when a *detailed formal plan for the restructuring and reorganisation* has been drawn up and the main features of the plan have been announced to those affected by it. Where the time value of money would give rise to a material difference in the future cash outflows of the company, the provisions are discounted at a rate to reflect the time value of money and the risks associated with the liability

Investments

Investments are recognised at cost less any provision for impairment

Turnover and revenue recognition

Turnover represents the value of services and goods supplied to customers excluding value added tax and other sales taxes, and net of customer discounts. Revenue is recognised as follows

- (a) Supply of services - proportionally over the duration of the service or hire period, provided a right to consideration has been established
- (b) Supply of goods - when the goods are dispatched to the customer

Revenue recognised in the profit and loss account but not yet invoiced is held on the balance sheet within prepayments and accrued income. Revenue invoiced but not yet recognised in the profit and loss account is held on the balance sheet within accruals and deferred income. Revenue from the disposal of fixed assets is not treated as turnover

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2 Turnover

Turnover by geographical destination

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
United Kingdom	-	917
Mainland Europe	-	9
United States of America	-	8
Rest of the world	-	266
Total	-	1,200

3 Operating loss

Operating loss is stated after charging / (crediting)

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
Depreciation of owned assets	-	266
Amortisation of goodwill	-	40
Operating lease costs		
Hire of land and buildings	84	-
Hire of other	-	146
Auditors' remuneration for audit	-	-
Currency exchange differences	-	59
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	(475)

Auditors' remuneration for the year ended 30 September 2009 and for the period ended 30 September 2008 was borne by the ultimate parent company

During the year Charter Broadcast Limited wrote off the investment in two dormant UK subsidiaries Cinevideo Limited and Pantherwood Limited (see note 9). The value of the write down on investments was equal to the amounts owed to the subsidiaries. Therefore there was no impact on the profit and loss account in the year. Cinevideo Limited and Pantherwood Limited were both dissolved on 22 December 2009.

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4 Directors' emoluments

No emoluments were paid to directors by the company during the current or prior period

As at 30 September 2009 three of the directors were also directors of Avesco Group plc, the ultimate parent company. Their remuneration in relation to the company is recharged as part of a general management charge for services and it is not possible to determine the amount relating to the company. Details of their remuneration for their services to the Avesco Group plc group are disclosed in the Avesco Group plc accounts, which are available as set out in note 17.

As at 30 September 2009 one of the non Avesco Group plc directors was entitled to shares under the Avesco Group plc long term incentive plan (LTIP). Further details regarding the LTIP scheme are included in the Avesco Group plc annual report and accounts, available as set out in note 17.

One of the non Avesco Group plc directors (2008 one of the non Avesco plc directors) was also an employee of another company within the Avesco Group and did not receive any remuneration in relation to their services for the company.

There were no retirement benefits accruing to any director at the current or prior balance sheet date.

5 Employee information

The average monthly number of staff including directors employed by the company during the year was

By activity	Year ended 30 September 2009 Number	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 Number
Operations	-	14
Administration	-	4
Total	-	18

The aggregate payroll costs of these employees was as follows

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
Wages and salaries	-	388
Social security costs	-	46
Other pension costs	-	9
Total	-	443

There were no retirement benefits accruing to employees at the current or prior balance sheet date.

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6 Net interest (receivable) / payable and similar income

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
On hire purchase contracts and finance leases	-	-
On loans from other Group companies	-	102
Interest payable	-	102
Group interest receivable	(124)	(87)
Total interest (receivable) / payable	(124)	15

7 Tax on profit / (loss) on ordinary activities

Analysis of tax (credit)/charge for the year

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
UK corporation tax on profits for the year	-	(1,064)
Deferred tax	-	390
Total tax	-	(674)

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Factors affecting the tax charge

The tax assessed for the year is higher (2008 higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (28%)

	Year ended 30 September 2009 £'000	Nine months ended 30 September 2008 £'000
Profit / (loss) before tax	71	(524)
Profit / (loss) before tax multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax of 28% (2008 29%)	20	(152)
Surrender of Group relief	(11)	(1,103)
Difference between depreciation and capital allowances	-	191
Other permanent differences	(9)	-
Current tax credit for the year	-	(1,064)

8 Intangible assets

	Goodwill £'000
Cost	
At 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2009	200
Accumulated depreciation	
At 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2009	200
Net book value	
At 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2009	-

The above goodwill relates to purchases of an unincorporated business, Radio Camera Systems, on 5 October 2004

9 Investments

	Investments £'000
Cost	
At 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2009	957
Impairment	
At 1 October 2008	-
Charge for the year	957
At 30 September 2009	957
Net book value	
At 30 September 2009	-
At 30 September 2008	957

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Subsidiary companies

During the year Charter Broadcast Limited wrote off the investment in two dormant UK subsidiaries Cinevideo Limited and Pantherwood Limited

10 Debtors

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year		
Trade debtors	28	-
Amounts owed by Group companies	9,516	3,973
Other debtors	41	-
Prepayments and accrued income	44	-
	9,629	3,973
Amounts falling due after more than one year		
Amounts owed by Group companies	-	-
Total debtors	9,629	3,973

The amounts due from other Group companies are unsecured, repayable on demand and bear interest based on the UK base rate

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Trade creditors	38	-
Amounts owed to other Group companies	4,537	-
Total	4,575	-

The amounts owed to other Group companies are unsecured, repayable on demand and interest free

12 Provisions for liabilities

	Onerous lease (i) £'000
At 1 October 2008	389
Charge to profit and loss account	84
Used during the year	(31)
At 30 September 2009	442

(i) Onerous lease

Following the cessation of trade in 2008, provision was made for an onerous lease at Borehamwood. The charge in the year relates to a recalculation of the provision at 30 September 2009

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13 Called up Share capital

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Authorised		
2,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	2,000	2,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
1,600,001 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,600	1,600

14 Reserves

	Share premium account £'000	Profit and loss account £'000
At 1 October 2008 as previously stated	6,090	(3,149)
Profit for the year	-	71
At 30 September 2009	6,090	(3,078)

15 Reconciliation of movements in equity shareholders' funds

	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Profit for the year	71	150
Opening shareholders' funds	4,541	4,391
Closing shareholders' funds	4,612	4,541

16 Commitments and contingent liabilities

The company had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases

	Land & buildings		Plant & equipment	
	2009 £'000	2008 £'000	2009 £'000	2008 £'000
Operating leases which expire				
After more than 5 years	190	195	-	-

The company is a member of the Avesco value added tax Group and is a party to the cross guarantee arrangements Avesco Group plc has in respect of its UK borrowings with HSBC Bank Plc. The total Group borrowings as at 30 September 2009 is £14,349,000 (2008 £14,366,000)

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17 Ultimate parent and controlling party

The company's immediate parent company is Presteigne Charter Limited. The ultimate parent company and controlling party is Avesco Group plc, a company registered in England & Wales. Avesco Group plc is the parent undertaking of the largest and only Group of undertakings to consolidate these financial statements at 30 September 2009.

The consolidated financial statements of Avesco Group plc may be obtained from The Company Secretary, Avesco Group plc, E2 Sussex Manor Business Park, Gatwick Road, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 9NH.

18 Post balance sheet events

On 22 December 2009, two dormant UK subsidiaries of Charter Broadcast Limited were dissolved: Cinevideo Limited and Pantherwood Limited. Both companies were 100% owned.