Report of the Directors and

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

<u>for</u>

Plastic Technology Services Limited

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Company Information for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

DIRECTORS:

K N Currie

D Antrobus

SECRETARY:

Mrs Mary Brown

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Garroch Business Park

Dumfries

Dumfries & Galloway

DG2 8PN

REGISTERED NUMBER:

133850 (Scotland)

AUDITORS:

FARRIES, KIRK & McVEAN

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors 30 Castle Street DUMFRIES DG1 1EN

BANKERS:

The Royal Bank Of Scotland

151 High Street

Dumfries

Dumfries & Galloway

DG1 2RA

SOLICITORS:

McJerrow and Stevenson

55 High Street Lockerbie DG11 2JJ

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st October 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of the salvage and processing of plastic waste materials.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the year and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

DIVIDENDS

No dividends will be distributed for the year ended 31st October 2000.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

On 1st December, 2000, the company merged with it's fellow group company, PTS (North West) Limited.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

K N Currie

D Antrobus

- appointed 30/5/00

The directors holding office at 31st October 2000 did not hold any beneficial interest in the issued share capital of the company at 1st November 1999 (or date of appointment if later) or 31st October 2000.

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 judgements 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.

AUDITORS

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

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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K N Currie - DIRECTOR

Dated: 1st March 2001

Report of the Auditors to the Shareholders of Plastic Technology Services Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages four to thirteen which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page nine.

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 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 31st October 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Dated: 1st March 2001

FARRIES, KIRK & McVEAN Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors
30 Castle Street

DUMFRIES

DG1 1EN

Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

| 1999 | | | 2000 |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| £ | | Notes | £ |
| 1,604,796 | TURNOVER | | 2,241,929 |
| 1,085,822 | Cost of sales | | 1,650,106 |
| 518,974 | GROSS PROFIT | | 591,823 |
| 341,934 | Administrative expenses | | 433,737 |
| 177,040 | | | 158,086 |
| 4,286 | Other operating income | | 5,536 |
| 181,326 | OPERATING PROFIT | 3 | 163,622 |
| 28,631 | Interest payable and similar charges | 4 | 32,138 |
| 152,695 | PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITE BEFORE TAXATION | ES | 131,484 |
| 46,537 | Tax on profit on ordinary activities | 5 | (9,587) |
| 106,158 | PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR TEXATION | AR | 141,071 |
| 810,110 | Retained profit brought forward | | 916,268 |
| £916,268 | RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FOR | RWARD | £1,057,339 |

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 31st October 2000

| 1999 | | | | 2000 |) |
|-------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------|------------|
| £ | £ | | Notes | £ | £ |
| | | FIXED ASSETS: | | | |
| 1,016,229 | | Tangible assets | 6 | | 1,327,736 |
| | | CURRENT ASSETS: | | | |
| | 36,126 | Stocks | 7 | 154,385 | |
| | 374,564 | Debtors | 8 | 341,614 | |
| | 273,511 | Cash at bank | | 281,552 | |
| | 684,201 | | | 777,551 | |
| | , | CREDITORS: Amounts falling | | • | |
| | 618,620 | due within one year | 9 | 674,351 | |
| 65,581 | | NET CURRENT ASSETS: | | | 103,200 |
| 1,081,810 | | TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES: | | | 1,430,936 |
| | | OPENITORS A (CIII) | | | |
| (10,855) | | CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year | 10 | | (236,662) |
| () | | | | | |
| (0.4.60m) | | PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES | 10 | | (7.6.02.5) |
| (94,687) | | AND CHARGES: | 12 | | (76,935) |
| £976,268 | | | | | £1,117,339 |
| | | CAPITAL AND RESERVES: | | | |
| 60,000 | | Carifal AND RESERVES: Called up share capital | 13 | | 60,000 |
| 916,268 | | Profit and loss account | 13 | | 1,057,339 |
| | | 1 tota and 1022 account | | | 1,037,339 |
| £976,268 | | SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS: | 16 | | £1,117,339 |

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

K N Currie - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 1st March 2001

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<u>Cash Flow Statement</u> for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

| 1999 | | _ | | 2000 | 0 |
|----------|---|-------------------------------------------------|-------|------|-----------|
| £ | £ | | Notes | £ | £ |
| | | Net cash inflow | | | |
| 397,361 | | from operating activities | 1 | | 582,878 |
| (28,631) | | Returns on investments and servicing of finance | 2 | | (32,138) |
| (68,402) | | Taxation | | | (69,987) |
| 53,488 | | Capital expenditure | 2 | | (572,712) |
| 353,816 | | | | | (91,959) |
| <u>-</u> | | Financing | 2 | | 100,000 |
| £353,816 | | Increase in cash in the period | | | £8,041 |
| | | | | | |

| | | Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds | 3 | |
|-----------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | | Increase | | |
| | 353,816 | in cash in the period | 8,041 | |
| | | Cash (inflow)/outflow | | |
| | | from (increase)/decrease in | | |
| | 244,515 | debt and lease financing | (87,873) | |
| | | Change in net funds resulting | | |
| 598,331 | | from cash flows | | (79,832) |
| 598,331 | | Movement in net funds in the period | | (79,832) |
| (510,511) | | Net funds/(debt) at 1st November | | 87,820 |
| £87,820 | | Net funds at 31st October | | £7,988 |

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

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

| | | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
|----|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| | Operating profit | 163,622 | 181,326 |
| | Depreciation charges | 265,562 | 222,528 |
| | Loss on sale of fixed assets | - | 3 |
| | Profit on sale of fixed assets | (4,357) | - |
| | Bad debt provision reduction | (1,000) | - |
| | Government grants | (5,536) | (4,286) |
| | Increase in stocks | (118,259) | (5,817) |
| | Decrease in debtors | 32,950 | 119,298 |
| | Increase/(Decrease) in creditors | 249,896 | (115,691) |
| | Net cash inflow | | |
| | from operating activities | 582,878 | 397,361 |
| 2. | ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CA | ASH FLOW STATEMENT | |
| | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Returns on investments and | | |
| | servicing of finance | | |
| | Interest paid | (56) | |
| | Interest element of hire purchase | ` ' | |
| | or finance lease rentals payments | (32,082) | (28,631) |
| | • • | | <u></u> |
| | Net cash outflow | | |
| | for returns on investments and servicing of finance | (32,138) | (28,631) |
| | Capital expenditure | | |
| | Purchase of tangible fixed assets | (583,111) | (45,563) |
| | Sale of tangible fixed assets | 10,399 | 99,051 |
| | Net cash (outflow)/inflow | | |
| | for capital expenditure | (572,712) | 53,488 |
| | Financing | | |
| | New loan taken out in year | 100,000 | - |
| | Net cash inflow | - | |
| | from financing | 100,000 | _ |
| | | ==== | |

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

| ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS | At 1/11/99 £ | Cash flow £ | At 31/10/00 £ |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Net cash: Cash at bank | 273,511 | 8,041 | 281,552 |
| | 273,511 | 8,041 | 281,552 |
| Debt: Hire purchase | | | |
| or finance leases | (185,691) | (87,873) | (273,564) |
| | (185,691) | (87,873) | (273,564) |
| Total | 87,820 ———— | (79,832) | 7,988 |
| Analysed in Balance Sheet | | | |
| Cash at bank Hire purchase or finance leases | 273,511 | | 281,552 |
| within one year after one year | (174,836) (10,855) | | (136,902) (136,662) |
| | 87,820 | | 7,988 |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

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 - at varying rates on cost

Fixtures and fittings - 25% on cost Motor vehicles - 25% on cost

Stocks

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to realisation.

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.

Government grants

Government grants in respect of capital expenditure are credited to a deferred income accountand are released to profit over the expected useful lives of the relevant assets by equal, annual instalments.

2. STAFF COSTS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Wages and salaries | 485,045 | 375,314 |
| Social security costs | 41,792 | 34,643 |
| Other pension costs | 5,336 | 4,928 |
| | 532,173 | 414,885 |
| The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows: | | |
| | 2000 | 1999 |
| Directors | 2 | 1 |
| Office and management | 4 | 4 |
| Direct employees | 20 | 17 |
| ** | | |
| | 26 | 22 |
| | = | == |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

3. **OPERATING PROFIT**

The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):

| | The operating profit is stated after | charging/(crediting): | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| | | | | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | Hire of plant and machinery | | | | £ 2,654 | £ 5,953 |
| | Depreciation - owned assets | nao combracta | | | 171,247 | 191,940 |
| | Depreciation - assets on hire purch or finance leases | | | | 94,315 | 30,588 |
| | (Profit)/Loss on disposal of fixed a Auditors' remuneration | ssets | | | (4,357) 2,250 | 3 3,750 |
| | | | | | | |
| | Directors' emoluments | | | | | • |
| | | | | | = | === |
| 4. | INTEREST PAYABLE AND SI | MILAR CHARGES | 3 | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | | | | | £ | £ |
| | Bank interest Hire purchase | | | | 56 32,082 | 28,631 |
| | | | | | 32,138 | 28,631 |
| | | | | | ==== | ===== |
| 5. | TAXATION | | | | | |
| | The tax (credit)/charge on the prof | it on ordinary activit | ies for the year was | as follows: | | |
| | | | | | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | UK corporation tax | | | | 5,089 | 68,699 |
| | Previous year adjustment Group relief | | | | 2,076 | (64,060) 59,377 |
| | Deferred taxation | | | | (16,752) | (17,479) |
| | | | | | (9,587) | 46,537 |
| 6. | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| U. | TANGIBLE TIMED ACCES | | | | Fixtures | |
| | | Totals | Buildings | Plant and machinery | and fittings | Motor vehicles |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| COST | | | | | | |
| At 1st l Additio | November 1999 ons | 1,484,849 583,111 | 332,629 | 1,068,689 576,945 | 64,131 6,166 | 19,400 |
| Dispos | | (6,078) | (5,729) | <u> </u> | (349) | - |
| At 31st | October 2000 | 2,061,882 | 326,900 | 1,645,634 | 69,948 | 19,400 |
| | ECIATION: | | | | | |
| | November 1999 | 468,620 265,562 | 8,172 6,538 | 432,675 237,073 | 18,081 17,093 | 9,692 |
| | for year ated on disposals | (36) | 0,556 | 237,073 | (36) | 4,858 |
| At 31st | October 2000 | 734,146 | 14,710 | 669,748 | 35,138 | 14,550 |
| | OOK VALUE: | <u>—</u> . | | | - | |
| At 31st | October 2000 | 1,327,736 | 312,190 | 975,886 | 34,810 | <u>4,850</u> |
| At 31st | October 1999 | 1,016,229 | 324,457 | 636,014 | 46,050 | 9,708 |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - continued

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

| | | Totals | Plant and machinery | Fixtures and fittings |
|----|----------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ |
| | COST: | 101 862 | 74161 | 1 2 500 |
| | At 1st November 1999 Additions | 101,763 498,707 | 54,161 498,707 | 47,602 |
| | At 31st October 2000 | 600,470 | 552,868 | 47,602 |
| | DEPRECIATION: | | | |
| | At 1st November 1999 | 30,588 | 18,688 | 11,900 |
| | Charge for year | 94,315 | 82,414 | 11,901 |
| | At 31st October 2000 | 124,903 | 101,102 | 23,801 |
| | NET BOOK VALUE: | | | |
| | At 31st October 2000 | 475,567 | 451,766 | 23,801 |
| | At 31st October 1999 | 71,175 | 35,473 | 35,702 |
| 7. | STOCKS | | | |
| | | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | | | £ | £ |
| | Raw materials | | 125,517 | 10,931 |
| | Finished goods | | 12,267 | 25,195 |
| | Machine parts | | 16,601 | - |
| | | | 154,385 | 36,126 |
| 8. | DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING | | | |
| | DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | 2000 | 1000 |
| | | | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | Trade debtors | | 314,548 | 178,209 |
| | Prepayments | | 16,386 | 87,355 |
| | Loan - PTS (North West) Ltd | | 10,680 | 109,000 |
| | | | 341,614 | 374,564 |
| 9. | CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING | | | |
| | DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | | |
| | | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | The de and diame | | £ | £ |
| | Trade creditors | | 385,490 | 215,847 |
| | Hire purchase Other creditors | | 136,902 1,478 | 174,836 878 |
| | Uner creditors Loan - Currie Group Holdings | | 62,183 | 83,341 |
| | Social security & other taxes | | 45,531 | 11,628 |
| | Taxation | | 5,089 | 67,911 |
| | Accrued expenses | | 26,607 | 47,573 |
| | Deferred government grants | | 11,071 | 16,606 |
| | | | 674,351 | 618,620 |
| | | | | |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

| 10. | | AMOUNTS FALLING ORE THAN ONE YEAR | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | DGE loan | | | | |
| | (see note 1 Hire purchase | 11) | | 100,000 136,662 | 10,855 |
| | | | | 236,662 | 10,855 |
| 11. | LOANS AND O | VERDRAFTS | | | |
| | An analysis of the | e maturity of loans and overdrafts is given be | olow: | | |
| | | | | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | Amounts falling of | lue between one and two years: | | * | £ |
| | DGE loan | | | 10,000 | |
| | Amounts falling of | iue between two and five years: | | | |
| | DGE loan | | | 67,500 | - |
| | Amounts falling d | lue in more than five years: | | | |
| | Repayable by inst | alments | | 22,500 | |
| | DOD Rom | | | ==== | |
| 12. | PROVISIONS F | OR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES | | 2000 | 1999 |
| | Deferred taxation Bad debt | | | £ 76,935 | £ 93,687 1,000 |
| | Bay Geor | | | 76,935 | 94,687 |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | Deferred taxation | Bad debt |
| | Balance at 1st No Charge for year | vember 1999 | | £ 93,687 (16,752) | £ 1,000 |
| | Balance at 31st O | ctober 2000 | | 76,935 | 1,000 |
| 13. | CALLED UP SH | IARE CAPITAL | | | |
| | Authorised: | | | | |
| | Number: | Class: | Nominal value: | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | 250,000 | Ordinary | £1 | 250,000 | - |
| | Allotted, issued ar | nd fully paid: | | | |
| | Number: | Class: | Nominal value: | 2000 £ | 1999 £ |
| | 60,000 | Ordinary | £1 | 60,000 | 60,000 |

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st October 2000

14. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The ultimate parent of the company is Currie Group Holdings Limited, which is registered in Scotland.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The company is related to PTS (North West) Limited by reason of common directorship and control.

During the year under review, the company made sales of £580,199 to PTS (North West) Limited and made purchases of £37,419 from them. At 31st October, 2000, Plastic Technology Services Limited owed the sum of £8,948 to PTS (North West) Limited and were owed the sum of £6,967 by them.

The company also paid a mangement fee of £100,000 to it's parent company, Currie Group Holdings Limited during the year under review.

16. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

| | 2000 | 1999 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Profit for the financial year | £ 141,071 | £ 106,158 |
| Net addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds | 141,071 976,268 | 106,158 870,110 |
| Closing shareholders' funds | 1,117,339 | 976,268 |
| Equity interests | 1,117,339 | 976,268 |