REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1997

FOR

TESTED SPRING COMPANY LIMITED

Henn & Westwood Chartered Accountants Rumbow House Rumbow, Halesowen West Midlands B63 3HU



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COMPANY INFORMATION for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

DIRECTORS:

P N Woodward Esq.

Mrs. M Woodward

SECRETARY:

M Woodward

REGISTERED OFFICE:

20 Hainge Road

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West Midlands

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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AUDITORS:

Henn & Westwood Chartered Accountants Rumbow House

Rumbow, Halesowen West Midlands

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 28th February 1997.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of manufacturers of springs within the United Kingdom.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

P N Woodward Esq.

Mrs. M Woodward

The beneficial interests of the directors holding office on 28th February 1997 in the issued share capital of the company were as follows:

WOLD HE TOLLOWER	28.2.97	1.3.96
Ordinary £1 shares		
P N Woodward Esq.	1,333	1,333
Mrs. M Woodward	1,334	1,334

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 judgments 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 company has elected to dispense with the annual appointment of auditors. In the absence of a specific resolution to the contrary Henn & Westwood will continue in office.

This report has 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:

M Woodward - SECRETARY

Dated: 12th December 1997

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF TESTED SPRING COMPANY LIMITED

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

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 judgments 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 28th February 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Henn & Westwood Chartered Accountants Rumbow House

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Rumbow, Halesowen West Midlands

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Dated: 12th December 1997

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

		1997	1996
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER	2	464,710	438,538
Cost of sales		355,304	353,440
GROSS PROFIT		109,406	85,098
Administrative expenses		71,646	68,355
OPERATING PROFIT	4	37,760	16,743
Interest receivable and similar income	5	2,142	2,268
		39,902	19,011
Interest payable and similar charges		1	26
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACT BEFORE TAXATION	IVITIES	39,901	18,985
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	9,558	4,700
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIA AFTER TAXATION	L YEAR	30,343	14,285
Dividends	7	22,500	8,000
		7,843	6,285
Retained profit brought forward		146,421	140,136
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIE	D FORWARD	£154,264	£146,421

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 28th February 1997

		1997		1996	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:					
Tangible assets	8		17,431		25,588
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Stocks	9	2,500		2,500	
Debtors	10	120,642		133,228	
Cash at bank and in hand		112,208		62,127	
		235,350		197,855	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year	11	94,228		72,723	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			141,122		125,132
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES:			158,553		150,720
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES					
AND CHARGES:	12		1,289		1,299
			£157,264		£149,421
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	13		3,000		3,000
Profit and loss account			154,264		146,421
Shareholders' funds	14		£157,264		£149,421

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Current

P N Woodward Esq. - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 12th December 1997

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

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

Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company.

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.

Plant and machinery - 10% on reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings - 10% on reducing balance
Motor vehicles - 25% on reducing balance

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

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.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before taxation are attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

3. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs include the following:

Pension costs (other than social security costs) $\begin{array}{ccc}
1997 & 1996 \\
£ & £ \\
6,575 & 6,273
\end{array}$

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

4. OPERATING PROFIT

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

	Hire of plant and machinery Depreciation – owned assets Profit on disposal of fixed assets Auditors' remuneration	1997 £ 633 3,812 (1,509) 4,500	1996 £ 807 6,675 (2,567) 4,000
	Directors' emoluments	15,425	11,800
5.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME	1997 £	1996 £
	Bank interest received	2,142	<u>2,268</u>
6.	TAXATION		
	The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities for the year was as follows:	1997 £	1996 £
	UK Corporation Tax	9,568 (10)	4,310 390
	Deferred taxation	9,558	4,700
	UK Corporation Tax has been charged at 24% (1996 - 25%).		
7.	DIVIDENDS	1997 £	1996 £
	Equity shares: Final – share type 1	22,500	8,000
			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

8.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Totals
		£	£	£	£
	COST:	10 777	0.000	40.005	77,793
	At 1st March 1996	18,776	9,022	49,995	1,646
	Additions	-	1,646	(35,000)	(35,000)
	Disposals			(55,000)	(55,000)
	At 28th February 1997	18,776	10,668	14,995	44,439
	DEPRECIATION:				
	At 1st March 1996	13,610	5,837	32,758	52,205
	Charge for year	517	483	2,812	3,812
	Eliminated on disposals	-	_	(29,009)	(29,009)
					27.000
	At 28th February 1997	14,127	6,320	6,561	27,008
	NET BOOK VALUE:				
	At 28th February 1997	4,649	4,348	8,434	17,431
	At 29th February 1996	5,166	3,185	17,237	25,588
9.	STOCKS			1997	1996
	Raw materials			£ 2,500	£ 2,500
10.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING				
	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			1997 £	1996 £
				119,638	132,092
	Trade debtors Prepayments			1,004	1,136
	1 topuj monio			120,642	133,228
11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
				1997	1996
				£	£
	Trade creditors			20,288	22,976
	Directors current accounts			22,500	8,000
	Other creditors			5,510 26.741	4,408 24,000
	Social security & other taxes			26,741 9,568	4,310
	Taxation			9,621	9,029
	Accrued expenses				
				94,228	72,723
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the Year Ended 28th February 1997

12.	PROVISIONS	S FOR LIABILITIES AN	TD CHARGES	1997	1996
	Deferred taxati	ion		1,289	£ 1,299
				Deferred taxation £	
	Balance at 1st Credit to profit			1,299 (10)	
	Balance at 28th	h February 1997		1,289	
13.	CALLED UP	SHARE CAPITAL			
	Authorised, all Number:	lotted, issued and fully paid Class: Ordinary	d: Nominal value: £1	1997 £ 3,000	1996 £ 3,000
	·	•		3,000	
14.	RECONCILI	ATION OF MOVEMEN	TS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	1997 £	1996 £
	Profit for the f Dividends	înancial year		30,343 (22,500)	14,285 (8,000)
	NET ADDITION Opening share	ION TO SHAREHOLDE holders' funds	RS' FUNDS	7,843 149,421	6,285 143,136
	CLOSING SI	HAREHOLDERS' FUND	os	157,264	149,421
	Equity interest	ts		157,264	149,421