

WEATHERBEETA LIMITED
ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31st DECEMBER 1996

Registered number: 3006765



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for the year ended 31st December 1996

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AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Auditors' report to the directors of
Weatherbeeta Limited
pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8
to the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st December 1996.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page 2 and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled under section 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the year ended 31st December 1996, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Other information

On 20th February 1997 we reported, as auditors of the company, to the members on the financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31st December 1996, and our audit report was as follows :

' We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 12 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, 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.

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AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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**Auditors' report to the directors of
Weatherbeeta Limited
pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8
to the Companies Act 1985**

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 error or other irregularity. 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 December 1996 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.'

Michael Stranks

ELLACOTT STRANKS & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
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Oxon.

Dated *20th February* 1997

WEATHERBEETA LIMITED
ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

at 31st December 1996

	Note	1996 £	1995 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	50,798	59,535
Current assets			
Stocks		596,638	512,663
Debtors (£10,695 due after 1 year)	3	712,526	371,401
Cash at bank and in hand		171,117	278,793
		<u>1,480,281</u>	<u>1,162,857</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(358,186)</u>	<u>(162,702)</u>
Net current assets		<u>1,122,095</u>	<u>1,000,155</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>1,172,893</u>	<u>1,059,690</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	4	<u>(1,085,904)</u>	<u>(968,866)</u>
		<u>86,989</u>	<u>90,824</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	5	100,000	100,000
Profit and loss account		(13,011)	(9,176)
Total shareholders' funds		<u>86,989</u>	<u>90,824</u>

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 of the Companies Act 1985 and have done so on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions as a small company.

The directors have taken advantage of the special exemptions conferred by Part I of Schedule 8 of the Companies Act 1985 and have done so on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those special exemptions as a small company.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 were approved by the board of directors on 20th February 1997.

Director

JE Singleton

JE SINGLETON

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31st December 1996

1. Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows :

Plant and machinery	20% per annum reducing balance method
Office equipment	15% per annum reducing balance method
Computer equipment	30% per annum reducing balance method
Fixtures and fittings	15% per annum reducing balance method

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a weighted average basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Foreign currencies

Transactions expressed in foreign currencies are translated into sterling and recorded at rates of exchange approximating to those ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities are translated at rates ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

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2 Fixed assets

	Tangible fixed assets £
Cost or valuation	
1st January 1996	63,730
Additions	8,980
Disposal	(2,445)
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31st December 1996	70,265
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Depreciation	
1st January 1996	4,195
Charge for year	15,557
Disposal	(285)
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31st December 1996	19,467
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Net book amount	
31st December 1996	50,798
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31st December 1995	59,535
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3 Debtors

	1996 £	1995 £
Amounts falling due within one year	701,831	360,706
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Amounts falling due after more than one year	10,695	10,695
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4 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

Owed to parent company	814,428	729,132
Owed to associate company	271,476	239,734
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	1,085,904	968,866
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No fixed repayment date for the above loans have been set.

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5 Called up share capital

		1996		1995
	Number of	£	Number of	£
	shares		shares	
Authorised				
Ordinary £1 each	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
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Allotted called up and fully paid				
Ordinary £1 each	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
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6 Directors' interests and related parties

- a. During the year the company traded with an associated company of which Mr J E Singleton is a director. All transactions were at market value and on an arms length basis :

Rent received	(1,320)
Management charges paid	104,000
Wages - recharged	10,444
Stock purchases	29,729
Sales	(8,522)
Loan interest paid	14

- b. During the year the company traded with Weatherbeeta Pty Limited (Australia) of which M Bucknell, G Sinclair, J Kennard and R Bates are directors. All transactions were at market value and on an arms length basis :

Trade debtor at year end	112
Creditors at year end	152,340
Sales	(7,853)
Management charges	150,000
Trading expenses recharged	25,694

- c. During the year the company purchased stock with a value of £104,906 from Hammersmith Nominees Pty Limited trading as Bates Saddlery of which R Bates is a director. All transactions were at market value and on an arms length basis.

- d. During the year the company paid loan interest of £123 to its parent company A Somerset Pty Limited.

7 Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate parent company at the balance sheet date was Alistair Somerset Pty Limited, a company registered in Australia.