ANOTRIM LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

Registered no. 1229447



WENHAM MAJOR CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS BIRMINGHAM

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS: E S Moore (Chairman)

T S Waterhouse A J Mackenzie T R Jones T Binks

SECRETARY: T R Jones

REGISTERED OFFICE: Unit 44

Blakenhall Industrial Estate

Moorfield Road Wolverhampton WV2 4PG

AUDITORS: Wenham Major

89 Cornwall Street Birmingham

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BANKERS:

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

The Directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st December 1999.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company continued to be aluminium fabrication and anodisers and timber product manufacturers.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the year and the financial position at the year end were considered satisfactory by the directors.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year after taxation amounted to £254,681. The Directors recommend that the figure of £254,681 be paid as a dividend.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The directors set out below have held office during the whole of the year to 31st December 1999 unless otherwise stated. None of the Directors had any interest in the shares of the Company throughout the year. Their interest in the shares of the Ultimate Holding Company, Metalrax Group PLC, is:-

	Ordinary Shares of 5 pence each					
		1999			1998	
		Under			Under	
Beneficial holding:	Owned	Option	Trustees	Owned	Option	Trustees
E S Moore (Chairman)	651,987	19,103	-	622,513	19,103	-
T S Waterhouse	41,069	11,462	-	41,069	11,462	-
A J Mackenzie	392,657	19,103	179,261	382,657	19,103	179,261
T R Jones	145,490	178,103	-	134,829	178,103	•
T Binks	-	11,000	-	-	11,000	-

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires us as 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, we 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 a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. We 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' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

Date: 8TH MARCH 2000

YEAR 2000 COMPLIANCE

The operation of our business depends not only on our own computer systems, but also to some degree on those of our suppliers and customers.

At the date of this report, we are not aware of any malfunctions in any computer systems upon which our business is reliant.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Wenham Major, are willing to continue in office.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

E S MOORE (CHAIRMAN)- DIRECTOR

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ANOTRIM LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 12 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 4.

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 31st December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Wenham Major

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Date: 8th March 2000

89 Cornwall Street Birmingham B3 3BY

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

DEPRECIATION

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

Freehold land Nil

Freehold buildings 2% per annum of cost

Plant and machinery 10% per annum of cost

Fixtures and equipment 10% and 20% per annum of cost

Motor vehicles 25% per annum of cost

Depreciation has been charged on freehold buildings acquired since November 1987.

STOCKS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Stocks have been valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the first-in first-out method and consists of material and direct labour costs, together with an appropriate proportion of production overheads.

TAXATION

The charge for taxation is based on the result for the year, at current rates of tax and takes into account full provision for deferred taxation on all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for corporation tax purposes, except for industrial buildings allowances.

PENSION COSTS

The company operates a pension scheme for the benefit of certain employees. The scheme is a defined contribution scheme, and the contributions are charged against profits as they are paid. Certain members of staff and directors are members of the Metalrax Group PLC pension scheme which is a defined benefits scheme.

TURNOVER

The company's turnover represents the value, excluding value added tax, of goods supplied to customers during the year.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 8 not to disclose related party transactions, since the company is a 100% subsidiary of Metalrax Group PLC and whose consolidated financial statements which include the results of Anotrim Limited are available to the general public.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

	Note	1999	1998
		£	£
TURNOVER	1	3,232,725	3,261,571
Cost of sales		(2,464,909)	(2,613,628)
GROSS PROFIT		767,816	647,943
Distribution and selling costs		(180,424)	(209,126)
Administrative expenses		(228,421)	(221,476)
OPERATING PROFIT		358,971	217,341
Profit on disposal of assets		-	4,100
Interest receivable	2	6,605	12,172
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	3	365,576	233,613
Taxation	6	(110,895)	(71,152)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		254,681	162,461
Proposed dividends		(254,681)	(162,461)
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR			-

NOTES

- 1. This account relates to continuing operations.
- 2. Profit after taxation equals total recognised gains and losses for the year.
- 3. There was no movement in shareholders funds in the year.

BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

	Note		1999		1998
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	7		547,365		542,325
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	386,699		389,047	
Debtors	9	816,044		777,778	
Cash at bank and in hand		283,425		167,216	
		1,486,168		1,334,041	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,497,683)		(1,337,516)	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)			(11,515)		(3,475)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT		-	535,850	•	538,850
LIABILITIES					
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND					
CHARGES	11		(21,000)		(24,000)
NET ASSETS		•	514,850		514,850
		-			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	12		3,000		3,000
Capital reserves			511,850		511,850
		•	514,850		514,850
		•			

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on their behalf on 8th March 2000 E S MOORE (CHAIRMAN) - DIRECTOR

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

	1999	1998
	£	£
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES (NOTE 1)	463,274	(85,590)
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE (NOTE 2)	(155,856)	(62,849)
TAXATION	(78,695)	(39,052)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (NOTE 3)	(79,055)	(28,373)
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH	149,668	(215,864)
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS (NOTE 4)		
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year	149,668	(215,864)
Movement in net funds in year	149,668	(215,864)
Net funds at 31st December 1998	133,757	349,621_
NET FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1999	283,425	133,757

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	1999	1998
	£	£
Operating profit	358,971	217,341
Depreciation charges	74,015	79,389
Decrease in stocks	2,348	77,823
(Increase) in debtors	(38,266)	(184,216)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	66,206	(275,927)
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	463,274	(85,590)

2. RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE

Interest received	6,605	12,172
Dividends paid	(162,461)	(75,021)
	(155,856)	(62,849)

3. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(81,147)	(32,473)
Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets	2,092	4,100
	(79,055)	(28,373)

4. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 31st December 1998	Cash Flow	At 31st December 1999
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	167,216	116,209	283,425
Bank overdraft	(33,459)	33,459	-
	133,757	149,668	283,425

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

1. TURNOVER

The turnover and pre-tax results for the year are attributable to the principal activity, that of aluminium fabrication, anodising and hardwood product manufacturing.

	fabrication, anodising and hardwood product manufacturing.		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	The analysis of turnover by geographical area is as follows:		
	United Kingdom	3,232,725	3,261,571
2.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
	Bank interest	6,605	12,172
3.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
	The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:-		
	Auditors' remuneration and expenses	7,000	7,200
	Emoluments of directors (note 5)	113,558	97,887
	Depreciation and amortisation of owned assets	74,015	79,389
4.	STAFF COSTS		
	The average weekly number of persons employed by the company, including directors, during the year was as follows:		
		Number	Number
	Management	2	2
	Administration	6	6
	Production	82	82
		90	90
	The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	921,725	850,531
	Social security	65,899	62,373
	Other pension costs	29,817	30,983
		1,017,441	943,887

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

DIRECTORS REMUNERATION

Management services Pension contributions	5.	DIRECTORS REMUNERATION	N				
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Pension contributions						£	£
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At 31st December 1999 313,942 180,002 18,055 35,366 547,365		At 31st December 1999	90,252	1,169,068	97,101	32,021	1,388,442
		Net book value					
At 31st December 1998 320,498 159,872 22,948 39,007 542,325		At 31st December 1999	313,942	180,002	18,055	35,366	547,365
		At 31st December 1998	320,498	159,872	22,948	39,007	542,325

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

8. STOCKS

				1999	1998
				£	£
	Raw materials and consumables			215,216	204,177
	Work in progress			122,612	148,267
	Finished goods			48,871	36,603
				386,699	389,047
9.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE	YEAR			
	Trade debtors			797,504	762,998
	Prepayments and accrued income			18,540	14,780
				816,044	777,778
10	. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ON	NE YEAR			
	Bank overdraft			-	33,459
	Trade creditors			324,543	203,376
	Amounts owed to holding company			658,360	708,060
	Corporation tax			114,200	79,000
	Other tax and social security			101,194	101,705
	Accruals and deferred income			44,705	49,455
	Proposed dividends			254,681	162,461
				1,497,683	1,337,516
11	. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHA	ARGES			
		1999	1999	1998	1998
			Total		Total
		Amount	Potential	Amount	Potential
		Provided	Liability	Provided	Liability
		£	£	£	£
	Tax effect of timing differences arising				
	on excess of tax allowances over depreciation	21,000	45,000	24,000	48,000

It is the Company's policy to provide in full for deferred taxation calculated under the liability method at 30% (1998: 30%) on all timing differences with the exception of industrial buildings allowances and capital gains against which roll-over relief has been claimed.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1999

12. SHARE CAPITAL

	1999 £	1998 £
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	3,000	3,000
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	3,000	3,000
13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS		
Commitments for capital expenditure at the end of the year were as follows:		
Authorised and contracted for	Nil	Nil

14. PENSION COSTS

The company operates a contributory pension scheme. It is a defined contribution scheme, the funds of which are administered independently of the Company's finances. The charge for the year amounted to £2,493 (1998: £2,454). Certain members of staff and Directors are members of the Ultimate Holding Company's pension scheme, full details of which are given in that Company's financial statements. Payments to this scheme in the year amounted to £27,324 (1998: £28,529)

15. HOLDING COMPANY & CONTROLLING PARTY

The Ultimate Holding Company is Metalrax Group PLC, a company registered in England and Wales.