FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 2982505



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D LUCAS & SONS LIMITED REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

The Directors' present their annual report on the affairs of the Company together with the Accounts and Auditors' Report for the above period.

1. RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Profit of the Company for the period was £9,414 (1995 - £42,314). The Directors recommend that this be added to the retained earnings at the beginning of the period and that the balance of £51,728 be carried forward.

A dividend of £27,006 was paid in the year.

2. REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company's principal activity is that of the provision of building, maintenance and industrial flooring

3. DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company during the period and their beneficial interests in the issued share capital of the Company at the beginning and end of the period were as follows:

Ordinary	Shares	of	£1	each
1996		19	995	
25			1	

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4. DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

A statement of directors responsibilities is contained in page 2.

5. STATUS

The Company is a close company under the provisions of the Taxes Acts.

6. AUDITORS

A resolution will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting to re-appoint the auditors, messrs. Hughes & Co.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Mrs T J Lucas Secretary

29 October 1997.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES AND AUDITORS REPORT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS RESPONSIBILITIES

Legislation requires the company's 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 year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis; and,
- follow applicable accounting standards.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the company. 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 REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF D LUCAS & SONS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 5 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5a.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As stated above, 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 31 December 1996 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS & REGISTERED AUDITOR

86 Newport Road, Caldicot, Gwent. NP6 4BR

29 October 1997.

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

			1996		1995
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Turnover	2		568,341		509,515
Cost of Sales					
Production Costs			439,691		345,525
GROSS PROFIT			128,650		163,990
Administration Costs					
General Overheads Directors' Remuneration Auditors' Remuneration Depreciation		47,947 20,168 2,705 9,209		55,154 19,378 2,350 9,899	
			80,029		86,781
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	3		48,621		77,209
Tax on Ordinary Activities	5		(12,201)		(19,895)
PROFIT AFTER TAXATION			36,420		57,314
Dividends			27,006		15,000
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YEAR			£ 9,414		£ 42,314
STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS					
Retained Profits brought forward Retained Profits for the Year			42,314 9,414		- 42,314
Retained Profit Carried Forward			£ 51,728		£ 42,314

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

There were no other recognised gains or losses other than those included in the profit and loss account.

The notes on page 5 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1996

			1996		1995
FIXED ASSETS	Notes	£	£	£	£
Tangible Assets	6		27,932		25,812
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock and Work in Progress Debtors Cash at Bank and in Hand	7 8	2,645 96,653 - 99,298		13,917 75,438 19,800	
CREDITORS Amounts due within one year	9	75,402		92,651	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			23,896		16,504
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABIL	ITIES		£ 51,828		£ 42,316
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Share Capital Reserves	10		100 51,728		2 42,314
			£ 51,828		£ 42,316

These financial statements were approved on 29 October 1997.

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NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- a. The Accounts have been prepared under the Historical Cost convention
- b. The company has taken advantage of the exemptions in FRS 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.
- c. Turnover represents the net amount of invoices to customers less credit notes for goods returned, excluding VAT.
- d. Depreciation is provided on fixed assets in equal instalments over their useful lives. The following rates have been applied:

Vehicles	25%
Plant and Equipment	15%
Fixtures and Fittings	15%

e. Stock and Work in Progress is valued at the lower of Cost and Net Realisable Value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items.

Cost includes all direct expenditure and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

- f. 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.
- g. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.

2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before taxation is attributable to the Company's principal activity, namely is that of the provision of building, maintenance and industrial flooring

3. OPERATING PROFIT

The Operating Profit is stated after charging:

	1996 £	1995 £
Amounts written off Tangible Assets	9,209	9,899
Directors' Remuneration	20,168	19,378
Auditors Remuneration	2,705	2,350
Staff Costs (Note 4)	72,422	78,317
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NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

4. STAFF COSTS

	1996 £	1995 £
Salaries and Wages	72,422	78,317
The average weekly number of employees during was as follows:	g the Year	
WG G 1011000 .	No.	No.
Office and Management Production and Sales	1 5	1 5

5. TAXATION

The tax charge on the Profit on Ordinary Activities was as follows:

	1996	1995
	£	£
Corporation Tax at 25/24% based on the adjusted results for the Year	12,341	19,895
Prior Year Adjustment	(140)	-
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6. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Assets	Tan	gib	le	Ass	ets
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Tangible Assets	Motor Vehicles £	Plant & Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings £	TOTAL
COST	Σ.	£	T.	x
At 1 January 1996	31,400	1,128	1,533	34,061
Additions in Year	3,250	5,212	2,867	11,329
Disposals in Year	***	***	(1,325)	(1,325)
At 31 December 1996	34,650	6,340	3,075	44,065
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 1996	7,850	169	230	8,249
Write Off On Disposal	-	-	(199)	(199)
Charge for Year	6,700	926	457	8,083
At 31 December 1996	14,550	1,095	488	16,133
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 1996	20,100	5,245	2,587	27,932
At 31 December 1995	23,550	959	1,303	25,812

NOTES TO ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1996

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		1996 £	1995 £
	Stock and Work in Progress	2,645	13,917
8.	DEBTORS		
		1996 £	1995 £
	Amounts due within one year		
	Trade Debtors Other Debtors and Prepayments A C T Recoverable	83,101 6,800 6,752 96,653	65,388 6,300 3,750 75,438
9.	CREDITORS		
		1996 £	1995 £
	Amounts due within one year		
	Bank Overdraft Trade Creditors Taxation PAYE Accruals Director's Loan Account Value Added Tax	11,240 25,232 16,091 7,204 4,505 267 10,863	70,892 12,395 2,481 1,500 4,795 588
10.	SHARE CAPITAL		
		1996 £	1995 £
	Authorised	100,000	100,000
	Allotted, Issued and Fully Paid	100	2

During the Year 98 shares of £1 each were allotted and fully paid for cash at par to increase the capital base of the Company.