COMPANY Nr. 2403663

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

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Registered Auditor and Certified Accountant,
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st July 1999.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the company is concerned with land and hydrographic survey consultancy services recruitment to the oil and gas exploration, production and related industries.

Directors and Their Interests

The Directors who served throughout the year, together with their interests in the share capital of the company were as follows:-

Director	Share Class	At 1.8.98.	At 31.7.99
Mr.D. Oliver	£1 ordinary	1	1
Mrs. M.E. Oliver	£1 ordinary	1	1

Dividends

Interim dividends amounting to £30,000 were paid in the year. The directors do not propose the payment of a final dividend.

Auditor

A resolution to re-appoint Mr. J.W. Gallop FCCA., as the Company's Auditor will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

Small Company Rules

Advantage has been taken in the preparation of this report of the special exemptions applicable to small companies.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 23rd May 2000 and signed on their behalf by:-

M. E. Ower

Mrs. M.E. Oliver Director/Company Secretary

DAVE OLIVER HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES LIMITED STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S 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 these 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;
- * State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- * Prepare the financial statements on a 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 responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF DAVE OLIVER HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES LIMITED

I have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 in accordance with auditing standards.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described on page 2, the company's Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is my responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on my audit, on those statements and to report my opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

I conducted my 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.

I planned and performed my audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which I considered necessary in order to provide me 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 my opinion, I also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31st July 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

J.W. Gallop FCCA.,

J.W. Calloyd.

Certified Accountant and Registered Auditor,

41 St. Edmunds Road,

Acle, Norwich,

Norfolk NR13 3BP

24th May 2000

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

	Notes	1999	1998
TURNOVER	2	2,728,129	2,609,770
COST OF SALES		2,465,828	2,383,457
GROSS PROFIT		262,301	226,313
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		166,160	166,925
OPERATING PROFIT	3	96,141	59,388
FINANCE COSTS	5	26,631	27,253
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
BEFORE TAXATION		69,510	32,135
TAX ON PROFIT ON	•		
ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	6	13,606	7,475
PROFIT ON ORDINARY			
ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		55,904	24,660
DIVIDENDS	7	30,000	10,000
TRANSFER TO RESERVES		25,904	14,660
ACCUMULATED PROFITS Brought Forwar	rd	28,101	13,441
ACCUMULATED PROFITS Carried Forwar	·d	£ 54,005	£ $\frac{28,101}{28}$

The results for the year are derived from ongoing continuous operations.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

There were no other recognised gains or losses during the year other than the profit for the year.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st JULY 1999

	Notes	1999		1998
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible Assets	8	11	,989	30,025
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors and Prepayments	9	512,723	556,715	
Bank and Cash		-	8,827	•
		512,723	565,542	•
CREDITORS:				
Amounts falling due within one year	11	470,705	567,464	
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		42	2,018	(1,922)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT				
LIABILITIES		54	,007	28,103
CREDITORS:				
Amounts falling due after one year	12		-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS		£ <u>54</u>	,007	£ 28,103
Represented by:-				
CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called Up Equity Share Capital	16		2	2
Profit and Loss Account		54	,005	28,101
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	17	£ 54	,007	£ 28,103

The Directors have taken advantage, in the preparation of the financial statements of the special provisions of part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 23rd May 2000 and signed on its behalf by:-

M.E. Ower

Mrs. M.E. Oliver (Director)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the accounting standards applicable to a small company.

(b) Cash Flow Statement Exemption

The company qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985. The Directors have elected to take advantage of the exemption under FRSI not to prepare a cash flow statement.

Turnover (c)

Turnover represents the invoiced value of fees exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Depreciation (d)

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off their cost, less estimated realisable values, over their expected useful life, using the following rates:-

Leasehold Property

- 20% straight line

Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment - 15% and 20% per annum on reducing balance

Motor Vehicles

- 25% per annum on reducing balance

Pensions (e)

The company operates defined contribution schemes for the Directors. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. The costs of the schemes are charged to the Profit and Loss Account as incurred.

Foreign Currencies (f)

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transactions. Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the end of the financial year. All exchange differences are dealt with in the Profit and Loss Account.

Substance of Transactions (g)

The company's debts are factored under a without recourse agreement. All assets and liabilities under this agreement are fully recognised in order to reflect the substance of the transactions.

Deferred Taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation arising in respect of all material timing differences using the liability method, only to the extent that, in the opinion of the Directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(I) Finance Cost of Debt

The finance costs of debt, including interest and issue costs are allocated to each period over the term of the debt and charged to Profit and Loss Account at a constant rate on the outstanding amount.

(j) Leased Assets

Fixed assets acquired under finance leases are included in the balance sheet at cost, appropriate provision being made for depreciation. The present value of the future rentals is shown as a liability. Interest payable in each period is charged to Profit and Loss Account as incurred.

2. TURNOVER

The company derived 85 % (1998 80%) of its turnover from supplying geographical markets outside the United Kingdom.

3.	OPERATING PROFIT	1999	1998
	This is stated after charging:-		
	Pension Costs - defined contribution scheme	£ 6,839	£ 11,839
	Auditor's remuneration	£ 2,663	£ 2,070
	Depreciation on Tangible Fixed Assets: Owned Assets	£ 3,593	£ 2,115
	: Assets under HP agreement	£ 3,540	£ 6,180
4	DIRECTOR'S REMUNERATION		
	including pension contributions		
	and benefits in kind	£ 81,367	£ <u>94,171</u>
5.	FINANCE COSTS		
	Factoring Discounts	22,572	23,989
	Bank Overdraft Interest	819	
	HP and Pension Loan interest	3,240	3,434
	less:- Interest on overdrawn loan account	-	(170)
		£ 26,631	£ 27,253
6.	TAXATION		
٧.	On Profits for the year at 20% and 21%	13,490	7,315
	Other - Interest and Penalty charges	116	160
	Other Interest and Condity ondigos	£ 13,606	£ $\frac{100}{7,475}$
7.	DIVIDENDS	<u> </u>	~ <u>.,,.,,</u>
	Interim dividends paid on ordinary shares	£ 30,000	£ 10,000

The Directors do not propose the payment of a final dividend for the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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	Property Improvements Office	Fixtures, Fittings/ Equip.	Motor Vehicles	Total
COST				
At 1st August 1998	5,388	18,904	30,603	54,895
Additions		97	-	97
Disposals			-30,603	-30,603
At 31st July 1999	5,388	19,001	-	24,389
DEPRECIATION				
At 1st August 1998	-	8,807	16,063	24,870
Charge in the year	1,388	2,205	3,540	7,133
On Disposal	-	-	-19,603	-19,603
At 31st July 1979	1,388	11,012		12,400
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31st July 1999	£ 4,000	£ 7,989	£	£ 11,989
At 31st July 1998	£ $\overline{5,388}$	£ 10,097	£ 14,540	£ 30,625

The motor vehicle was acquired under a Hire Purchase contract; the outstanding liability having been settled on the disposal of the vehicle.

9. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	1999	1998
Trade Debtors: Factored	692,036	795,777
Less non returnable amounts received	180,681	245,768
	511,355	550,009
Amount due from Director	-	1,870
Recoverable Income Tax	468	3,936
Prepayments	900	900
	£ 512,723	£ 556,715

10. FACTORING

The company receives advances from the Factor on the security of the factored debtors. The agreement with the Factor is one of without recourse.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

11. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	1999	1998
Bank Overdraft	10,439	-
Trade Creditors	342,560	425,971
Corporation Tax	9,554	2,849
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	81,895	100,407
Other Creditors and Accruals	8,257	10,270
Loan Repayment	18,000	18,000
Hire Purchase Repayments	-	9,967
	£ 470,705	£ 567,464

12. BORROWINGS

The aggregate amount of bank loans and overdrafts was as follows:-

(a)	Falling due within one year		
	Bank Overdraft (facility = £40,000) (secured)	10,439	-
	Loan	18,000	18,000
	Hire Purchase	•	9,967
		28,439	27,967
(b)	Falling due after more than one year	-	-
Aggı	regate Amounts	£ 28,439	£ 27,967

The Bank overdraft facilities were renewed in April 2000.

The Pension Fund Loan was repaid on 4th February 2000. Interest was charged on this loan at 3% above Bank Base Rate.

13. DEFERRED TAXATION

The Deferred Taxation provision comprises:-	1999	1998
Re: Accelerated Capital Allowances		
PROVIDED	£ NIL	£ NIL
UNPROVIDED	£ 752	£ NIL

14. COMMITMENTS

PENSIONS

The Company operates defined contribution pension schemes for the Directors. The assets of these are maintained in separately administered funds. The contributions payable in the year were £6,839 (1998 £11,839). At the balance sheet date there were no commitments for outstanding premiums. Amounts payable in the ensuing year are £6,839.,

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY 1999

15. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There were no other events occurring after the 31st July 1999 which require reporting in these accounts.

16. SHARE CAPITAL

Ordinary shares of £1 each	1999	1998
Authorised	£ 100,000	£ 100,000
Issued		
Allotted, Called Up and Fully Paid	£ 2	£ 2

17. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	Share Capital	Profit/Loss Account	Total
At 1st August 1998	2	28,101	28,103
Profit for the year		55,904	55,904
Dividends		-30,000	-30,000
At 31st July 1999	£ <u>2</u>	£ 54,005	£ 54,007

18. TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING DIRECTORS

The Directors' Loan Account was overdrawn during the year. The amounts due were:-

Due from Directors at 31st July 1998	£ 1,870
Maximum overdrawn balance in the year	£ 10,193
The loan was repaid in May 1999	
Due to Directors at 31st July 1999	£ 4,687

The Directors charged the company £560 for heating and lighting; and purchased the motor vehicle for its open market value of £11,000..