DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998



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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 28 June 1998.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company is the design, manufacture, distribution and marketing of branded and private label sanitary protection products.

A very difficult trading period which saw a significant change in Inbrand's portfolio of customers. Increased competition from major branded players forced down market prices and the business was unable to make adequate efficiency gains to compensate for the lower margins.

The company ceased to trade in April 1998.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

The directors cannot recommend payment of a dividend.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 29 June 1997:

D Wells

J.C.A Ware

(Resigned 31 July 1998)

J.L. Davies

(Appointed 1 August 1998)

D.R West

(Appointed 1 August 1998)

Directors' interests

The directors' beneficial interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

Ordinary shares of £1 each

28 June 1998

29 June 1997

D Wells

J.C.A Ware

Millenium policy and the Euro

The millenium policy and the Euro is not relevant to Inbrand UK limited as it ceased trading in April 1998.

Auditors

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Jeffreys Henry be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

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 judgements 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.

By order of the board

آيلاً. Davies

Director

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF INBRAND UK LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 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 28 June 1998 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Jeffreys Henry

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

| | | | 1998 | | 1997 |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Notes | | £ | | £ |
| Turnover | 2 | | | | |
| Continuing operations | | (1) | | • | |
| Discontinued activities | | 1,775,760 | | 2,313,356 | |
| | | | 1,775,759 | | 2,313,356 |
| Cost of sales | | | (1,884,032) | | (3,292,122) |
| Gross loss | | • | (108,273) | | (978,766) |
| Distribution costs | | | (182,550) | | (165,743) |
| Administrative expenses | | | 224,577 | | (2,104,368) |
| Other operating income | | | 287,879 | | 101,196 |
| Operating profit/(loss) | 4 | | | | |
| Continuing operations | | (1) | | - | |
| Discontinued activities | | 221,634 | | (3,147,681) | |
| | | | 221,633 | | (3,147,681) |
| Interest payable and similar charges | 5 | | (591,230) | · | (237,301) |
| Loss on ordinary activities before | • | | | | |
| taxation | | | (369,597) | | (3,384,982) |
| Tax on loss on ordinary activities | 6 | | - | | _ |
| | | | | | |
| Loss on ordinary activities after taxation | 13 | | (369,597) | | (3,384,982) |
| | | | (000,007) | | (0,007,002) |

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28 JUNE 1998

| | | 1 | 998 | • | 1997 |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Notes | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Stocks | 8 | - | | 149,504 | |
| Debtors | 9 | 2 | | 817,712 | |
| | | 2 | | 967,216 | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 10 | (4,695,589) | | (5,293,206) | |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | | (4,695,587) | | (4,325,990) |
| Capital and reserves | | | | | |
| Called up share capital | 12 | | 2,159,333 | | 2,159,333 |
| Share premium account | 13 | | 206,667 | | 206,667 |
| Profit and loss account | 13 | | (7,061,587) | | (6,691,990) |
| Shareholders' funds - equity interests | 14 | , | (4,695,587) | | (4,325,990) |

ル. Davies Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

The company ceased to trade in April 1998.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery

Straight line over 10 years

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

Straight line over 7 years

1.4 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

1.5 Stock

Work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.6 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with SSAP 24.

1.7 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all 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.

2 Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

| | | 1998 | | | 1997 | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Continuing | Discontinued | Total | Continuing | Discontinued | Total |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Cost of sales | - | 1,884,032 | 1,884,032 | - | 3,292,122 | 3,292,122 |
| Distribution costs | - | 182,550 | 182,550 | - | 165,743 | 165,743 |
| Administrative expens | es - | (224,577) | (224,577) | _ | 2,104,368 | 2,104,368 |
| Other operating incom | ie - | (287,879) | (287,879) | - | (101,196) | (101,196) |
| | . - | 1,554,126 | 1,554,126 | • | 5,461,037 | 5,461,037 |
| Operating profit/(los | 5) | | | | 1998 £ | 1997 |
| Operating profit/(loss) | | harging: | | | £ | |
| Depreciation of tangib Auditors' remuneration | | | | | - 32,313 | 1,840,297 7,000 |
| | | | | | | |
| and after crediting: | | | | | 287,879 | 404.400 |
| and after crediting: Government grants | | | | | 207,079 | 101,196 |
| _ | ount to £46,064 | and stock wr | itten off during | g the year wa | | 101,196 |
| Government grants | ount to £46,064 | and stock wr | itten off during | g the year wa | | 101,196 |
| Government grants Debtors written off am | ount to £46,064 | and stock wr | itten off during | g the year wa | ====================================== | 1997 |
| Government grants Debtors written off am | | and stock wr | itten off during | g the year wa | 1998 £ 42,910 | 1997 £ 12,383 |
| Government grants Debtors written off am Interest payable | erdrafts | | itten off during | g the year wa | 1998 £ 42,910 529,852 | 1997 £ 12,383 210,294 |
| Government grants Debtors written off am Interest payable On bank loans and ov | erdrafts repayable withi | | itten off during | g the year wa | 1998 £ 42,910 | 1997 £ 12,383 |

6 Taxation

On the basis of the financial statements, no provision for taxation is required.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

| 7 | Tangible fixed assets | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| | | | Plant and |
| | | | machinery etc |
| | Cost | | £ |
| | At 29 June 1997 | | 2,724,669 |
| | Disposals | | (2,724,669) |
| | At 28 June 1998 | | - |
| | Depreciation | | |
| | At 29 June 1997 | | 2,724,669 |
| | On disposals | | (2,724,669) |
| | At 28 June 1998 | | |
| | Net book value | | |
| | At 28 June 1998 | | - |
| 8 | Stocks | 1998 £ | 1997 £ |
| | Raw materials and consumables | - | 97,955 |
| | Finished goods and goods for resale | - | 51,549 |
| | | | 149,504 |
| 9 | Debtors | 1998 | 1997 |
| • | | £ | £ |
| | Trade debtors | 2 | 624,465 |
| | Other debtors | <u> </u> | 83,477 |
| | Prepayments and accrued income | - | 109,770 |
| | | 2 | 817,712 |
| | | | |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

| 10 | Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 1998 £ | 1997 £ |
|----|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Bank loans and overdrafts | 390,661 | 362,384 |
| | Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts | 82,131 | 142,254 |
| | Trade creditors | 200 | 837,994 |
| | Amounts owed to parent and fellow subsidiary undertakings | 3,819,407 | 3,203,268 |
| | Corporation tax | - | 1.198 |
| | Other taxes and social security costs | 1 | 25,734 |
| | Accruals and deferred income | 403,189 | 720,374 |
| | | 4,695,589 | 5,293,206 |

11 Pension costs

The company makes contribution to personal pension plans of the employees of the company. Payments are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they fall due.

| 12 | Share capital | 1998 £ | 1997 £ |
|----|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Authorised 2,159,333 Ordinary shares of £1 each | 2,159,333 | 2,159,333 |
| | Allotted, called up and fully paid 2,159,333 Ordinary shares of £1 each | 2,159,333 | 2,159,333 |

13 Statement of movements on reserves

| | Share premium account | Profit and loss account |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Balance at 29 June 1997 | 206,667 | (6,691,990) |
| Retained loss for the year | - | (369,597) |
| Balance at 28 June 1998 | 206,667 | (7,061,587) |
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

| 1998 | 1997 |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| £ | £ |
| (369,597) | (3,384,982) |
| (4,325,990) | (941,008) |
| (4,695,587) | (4,325,990) |
| | (369,597) (4,325,990) |

15 Contingent liabilities

The company has entered into a composite cross guarantee in respect of the following group undertakings: Inbrand Limited, Advanced Absorbent Products Holdings Limited and Inbrand Holdings Limited. As at 28 June 1998, there are no liabilities (1997 £390,711). The company has also given a guarantee amounting to a total of £20,000 in favour of HM Customs and Excise.

| 16 | Directors' emoluments | 1998 £ | 1997 £ |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | Emoluments for qualifying services | 133,598 | 38,690 |
| | Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes Compensation for loss of office | - | 3,325 77,099 |
| | | 133,598 | 119,114 |
| 17 | Employees | | |
| | Number of employees The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was: | | |
| | ule year was. | 1998 Number | 1997 Number |
| | Administration and shopfloor | 83 | 83 |
| | Employment costs | | |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Wages and salaries | 1,064,618 | 951,237 |
| | Social security costs | 65,622 | 62,987 |
| | Other pension costs | 9,383 | 15,866 |
| | | 1,139,623 | 1,030,090 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28 JUNE 1998

18 Control

The ultimate parent company is Tyco International, a company registered in the United States of America.