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K.W. READER & SONS LIMITED

**ABBREVIATED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 APRIL 2000**



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K.W. READER & SONS LIMITED

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF K.W. READER & SONS LIMITED

PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts on pages 5 to 9 together with the full financial statements of the company prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 30 April 2000.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985 and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

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 deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did 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 to deliver financial statements prepared in accordance with section 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985 and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 5 to 9 have been properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

OTHER INFORMATION

On 23 November 2000 we reported, as auditors of K.W. Reader & Sons Limited, to the members on the full financial statements prepared under S226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 30 April 2000 and our report was as follows:

'We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 15 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of accounting policies set out on pages 7 and 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985 and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with those provisions 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, except that the scope of our work was limited as explained below.

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 as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. However, the evidence available to us was limited, the company's recorded turnover comprises cash sales, over which there was no system of control on which we could rely for the purpose of our audit. There were no other satisfactory audit procedures that we could adopt to confirm that cash sales were properly recorded.

In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

QUALIFIED OPINION ARISING FROM LIMITATION IN AUDIT SCOPE

Except for any adjustments that might have been found to be necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning cash sales, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 30 April 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

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In respect alone of the limitation on our work relating to the cash sales:

- we have not obtained all the information and explanations that we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit; and
- we were unable to determine whether proper accounting records had been maintained.'

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jennings Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jennings Johnson
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

19 Borough Road
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Date signed: 23 November 2000

K.W. READER & SONS LIMITED**ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
AT 30 APRIL 2000**

	Notes	£	2000 £	£	1999 £
FIXED ASSETS	2				
Intangible assets			51,200		55,500
Tangible assets			756,478		737,137
			<u>807,678</u>		<u>792,637</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		9,682		7,074	
Debtors		27,941		18,142	
Cash at bank and in hand		37,585		34,656	
		<u>75,208</u>		<u>59,872</u>	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	3	(298,861)		(249,465)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(223,653)		(189,593)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>584,025</u>		<u>603,044</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	4		(325,949)		(363,082)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES			(31,052)		(26,531)
NET ASSETS			<u>227,024</u>		<u>213,431</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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AT 30 APRIL 2000**

	Notes	£	2000 £	£	1999 £
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	5		100		100
Profit and loss account			226,924		213,331
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			<u>227,024</u>		<u>213,431</u>

The abbreviated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board of directors on 20 November 2000 and signed on its behalf by:

K.W. Reader
Director



The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2000**

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the transitional arrangements which have been followed this year on adopting Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of goods sold and services rendered during the year.

Goodwill

Goodwill is the difference between the amount paid on the acquisition of a business and the aggregate fair value of its separate net assets. Depending on the circumstances of each acquisition, goodwill is either set off directly against reserves or amortised through the profit and loss account over the directors' estimate of its estimated economic life.

Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its useful life:

Land and buildings	2% on cost
Plant and machinery	20% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs to completion and disposal.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences to the extent that they are expected to reverse in the future without being replaced, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse.

Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

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1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (continued)

Pension costs

The company operates a money purchase (defined contribution) pension scheme. Contributions payable to this scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate. These contributions are invested separately from the company's assets.

2. FIXED ASSETS

	Intangible assets	Tangible assets	Total
	£	£	£
Cost:			
At 1 May 1999	86,000	1,046,143	1,132,143
Additions	-	185,747	185,747
Disposals	-	(129,139)	(129,139)
At 30 April 2000	86,000	1,102,751	1,188,751
Depreciation:			
At 1 May 1999	30,500	309,006	339,506
Charge for year	4,300	101,200	105,500
On disposals	-	(63,933)	(63,933)
At 30 April 2000	34,800	346,273	381,073
Net book value:			
At 30 April 2000	51,200	756,478	807,678
At 30 April 1999	55,500	737,137	792,637

3. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2000	1999
	£	£
Included in creditors due within one year are:		
Secured creditors	149,846	75,486

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4. CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2000	1999
	£	£
Included in creditors due after more than one year are:		
Instalments not due within five years	<u>168,457</u>	<u>199,927</u>
Secured creditors	<u>326,138</u>	<u>359,082</u>

5. SHARE CAPITAL

	2000	1999
	£	£
Authorised:		
Equity interests:		
100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
Equity interests:		
100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>