REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999 FOR M HUSSAIN (CHEMISTS) LIMITED

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COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

DIRECTORS:

Mrs K Begum

M Hussain

SECRETARY:

M Hussain

REGISTERED OFFICE:

1A Harnall Lane East

Coventry West Midlands CVV1 5AE

REGISTERED NUMBER:

2200095 (England and Wales)

AUDITORS:

Thaper & Co

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Harpal House 14 Holyhead Road Handsworth

Birmingham B21 0LT

BANKERS:

Barclays Bank Plc Foleshill Branch

535 Foleshill Road

Coventry CV6 5QJ

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1999.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of retail chemist shop.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the year and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

DIVIDENDS

No interim dividend was paid during the year. The directors recommend a final dividend of £28 per share.

The total distribution of dividends for the year ended 31 December 1999 will be £28,000.

DIRECTORS

The directors during the year under review were:

Mrs K Begum

M Hussain

The beneficial interests of the directors holding office on 31 December 1999 in the issued share capital of the company were as follows:

ordinery £1 shares	31.12.99	1.1.99
Mrs K Begum	499	499
M Hussain	501	501

DIVIDENDS

The final dividend of £46,000 is recommended for the year ended 31 December 1998.

STATEMENT OF 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.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Thaper & Co, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

M Hussain - SECRETARY

Dated: 26 September 2000

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF M HUSSAIN (CHEMISTS) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages four to eight which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page six.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page two 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 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Thaper & Co

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors Harpal House

14 Holyhead Road Handsworth

Birmingham B21 0LT

Dated: 26 September 2000

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

		1999	1998
	Notes	£	£
TURNOVER		671,542	649,091
Cost of sales		522,978	512,548
GROSS PROFIT		148,564	136,543
Administrative expenses		65,863	67,634
OPERATING PROFIT	3	82,701	68,909
Interest payable and similar charges	4	74	9
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTI BEFORE TAXATION	VITIES	82,627	68,900
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	17,188	14,582
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL AFTER TAXATION	L YEAR	65,439	54,318
Dividends	6	28,000	46,000
		37,439	8,318
Retained profit brought forward		132,728	124,410
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIE	FORWARD	£170,167	£132,728

BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Notes	1999		1998	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS:	_				
Tangible assets	7		30,735		29,742
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Stocks		60,123		52,940	
Debtors	8	78,893		90,118	
Cash at bank and in hand		109,129		47,378	
		248,145		190,436	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling					
due within one year	9	107,713		86,450	
NET CURRENT ASSETS:			140,432		103,986
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES:			£171,167		£133,728
			====		=====
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:					
Called up share capital	10		1,000		1,000
Profit and loss account			170,167		132,728
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS:			£171,167		£133,728

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

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Mrs K Begum - DIRECTOR

Approved by the Board on 26 September 2000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Leasehold property

- 10% on cost

Plant and machinery Fixtures and fittings - 15% on reducing balance

- 10% on reducing balance

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Deferred taxation

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.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

2. STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries Other pension costs	1999 £ 34,995 1,900	1998 £ 39,941 1,800
	36,895	41,741
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	1999	1998
Office and management	5 ==	<u>5</u>

3. OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	1999	1998
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	4,042	3,832
Auditors' remuneration	3,116	3,031
Directors' emoluments	11,126	11,123

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

4. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

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	Interest payable and similar charges incl	udes the following:		1999	1998
	Bank interest			£ 74 =	£ 9 =
5.	TAXATION				
	The tax charge on the profit on ordinary	activities for the year	was as follows:	1999	1998
	UK corporation tax Under provision previous years			£ 17,045 143 17,188	£ 14,582 - 14,582
	UK corporation tax has been charged at	20% (1998 - 21%).			
6.	DIVIDENDS				
u.	DIVIDENDS			1999	1998
	Yarda aka mena 1			£	£
	Interim - share type 1 Final - share type 1			28,000	26,000 20,000
				28,000	46,000
					
7.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			T:	
		Leasehold property	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings	Totals
		£	£	£	£
	COST:				
	At 1 January 1999 Additions	13,033 4,526	10,450	27,930 510	51,413 5,036
	Additions				
	At 31 December 1999	17,559	10,450	28,440	56,449
	DEPRECIATION:				
	At 1 January 1999	3,250	5,670	12,752	21,672
	Charge for year	1,756	717	1,569	4,042
	At 31 December 1999	5,006	6,387	14,321	25,714
	NET BOOK VALUE:				
	At 31 December 1999	12,553	4,063	14,119	30,735
	At 31 December 1998	9,783	4,780	15,179	29,742

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING

	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
			1999	1998
			£	£
	V.A.T.		5,638	6,941
	Trade debtors		72,963	83,177
	Prepayments		292	
			78,893	90,118
				
9.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING			
	DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
			1999	1998
			£	£
	Trade creditors		65,732	58,875
	Directors current accounts		7,513	239
	Directors current accounts		12,607	3,789
	ACT payable		-	11,500
	PAYE		2,566	7,115
	Taxation		17,045	2,932
	Accrued expenses		2,250	2,000
			107,713	86,450
10.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL			
	Authorised, allotted, issued and fully paid:			
	Number: Class:	Nominal value:	1999 £	1998 £
	1,000 ordinery	£1	1,000	1,000

11. TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS

During the year the company occupied premises owned by the directors. A rental charge of £6,500 (1998 £6.500) has been made in the accounts.