Abbreviated Audited Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

<u>for</u>

Rushton Hinchy Solicitors Limited

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Company Information for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

DIRECTORS:

S Rushton

C Hinchy Ms H Cliffe

REGISTERED OFFICE:

Unit 1

Millbrook Business Park

Mill Lane Rainford Merseyside WA11 8LZ

REGISTERED NUMBER:

06674924 (England and Wales)

SENIOR STATUTORY AUDITOR:

Donna Parry Richards

AUDITORS:

GLF Richards & Co

Registered Auditor

Unit 8

Connect Business Village

24 Derby Road Liverpool Merseyside L5 9PR

<u>Strategic Report</u> <u>for the Year Ended 30 September 2013</u>

The directors present their strategic report for the year ended 30 September 2013.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The results for the trading period to 1 May 2013 and the financial position at the 1 May 2013 were considered satisfactory by the directors.

On the 1st May 2013 the tangible assets of the company were transferred to Rushton Hinchy Holdings Limited and the trade was transferred to Rushton Hinchy LLP which is an ABS.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The tangible assets and trade of the company were transferred on 1 May 2013.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

C Hinchy - Director

27 June 2014

Report of the Directors

for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

The directors present their report with the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 September 2013.

DIVIDENDS

No dividends will be distributed for the year ended 30 September 2013.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 October 2012 to the date of this report.

S Rushton C Hinchy Ms H Cliffe

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 accounting 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, GLF Richards & Co, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

C Hinchy - Director

27 June 2014

Report of the Independent Auditors to
Rushton Hinchy Solicitors Limited
Under Section 449 of the Companies Act 2006

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages five to fourteen, together with the full financial statements of Rushton Hinchy Solicitors Limited for the year ended 30 September 2013 prepared under Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report is made solely to the company, in accordance with Section 449 of the Companies Act 2006. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to it in a special auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 445 of the Companies Act 2006. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Regulations made under that Section and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/4 issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 445(3) of the Companies Act 2006, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Regulations made under that Section.

Donna Parry Richards (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of GLF Richards & Co Registered Auditor Unit 8 Connect Business Village 24 Derby Road

Liverpool Merseyside L5 9PR

Date: Tune 2014

<u>Abbreviated Profit and Loss Account</u> <u>for the Year Ended 30 September 2013</u>

	Notes	30.9.13 £	30.9.12 £
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TURNOVER		4,071,241	5,824,764
Cost of sales		(1,612,329)	(2,523,991)
		2.459.012	2 200 773
		2,458,912	3,300,773
Administrative expenses		3,613,635	974,169
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	3	(1,154,723)	2,326,604
Interest receivable and similar income		24,760	30,172
		(1,129,963)	2,356,776
Interest payable and similar charges	4	12,823	31,072
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BE	FORF		
TAXATION		(1,142,786)	2,325,704
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	5	3,375	584,432
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		(1,146,161) =====	1,741,272

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

All of the company's activities were discontinued during the current year.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the current year and the profit for the previous year.

Rushton Hinchy Solicitors Limited (Registered number: 06674924)

<u>Abbreviated Balance Sheet</u> 30 September 2013

		30.9.13	3	30.9.1	2
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	_				
Intangible assets	6		-		3,200,000
Tangible assets	7		-		37,316
			-	,	3,237,316
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	-		974,499	
Debtors	9	1,994,548		2,690,069	
Prepayments and accrued income		-		7,846	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,350,622		3,818,475	
		3,345,170		7,490,889	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(373,441)		5,848,978	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			3,718,611		1,641,911
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			3,718,611		4,879,227
CREDITORS		,			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11		-		(9,651)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	15				(4,804)
NET ASSETS			3,718,611	,	4,864,772
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	16		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account	17		3,618,611		4,764,772 ————
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	20 .		3,718,611		4,864,772

The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 27 June 2014 and were signed on its behalf by:

C Hinchy - Director

Net funds at 30 September

<u>Cash Flow Statement</u> <u>for the Year Ended 30 September 2013</u>

		30.9.1	.3	30.9.1	2
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	1		(1,524,000)		1,652,638
nom operating activities	1		(1,324,000)		1,032,036
Returns on investments and					
servicing of finance	2		11,937		(900
Taxation			(628,723)		(406,858
Capital expenditure	2		3,014,391		14,515
Acquisitions and disposals	2		(3,000,000)		
		•	(2,126,395)		1,259,395
Financing	· 2,		(35,807)		(53,518
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the period			(2,162,202)		1,205,877
Reconciliation of net cash flow					
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds	3				
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase	3				
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase in cash in the period	3	(2,162,202)		1,205,877	
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase	3	(2,162,202) 35,807		1,205,877 40,440	
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase in cash in the period Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lease financing	3				
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase in cash in the period Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lease financing Change in net funds resulting	3		(2,126,395)		1,246,317
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase in cash in the period Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lease financing Change in net funds resulting from cash flows	3		(2,126,395)		
to movement in net funds (Decrease)/increase in cash in the period Cash outflow	3		(2,126,395)		1,246,317 (28,953 1,217,364

1,350,622

3,477,017

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT TO NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

		30.9.13	30.9.12
		£	£
	Operating (loss)/profit	(1,154,723)	2,326,604
	Depreciation charges	3,222,924	237,971
	RH Holdings Ltd	(154,856)	(429,999)
	Rushton Hinchy LLP	(1,409,693)	-
	Decrease/(increase) in stocks	974,499	(31,433)
	Decrease in debtors	2,260,070	102,798
	Decrease in creditors	(5,262,221)	(553,303) ———
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(1,524,000)	1,652,638
2.	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT		
		30.9.13	30.9.12
		£	£
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
	Interest received	24,760	30,172
	Interest paid	(2,166)	(1,838)
	Interest element of hire purchase payments	(10,657)	(29,234)
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) for returns on investments and servicing of finance	11,937	(900)
	Capital expenditure		
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(873)	14,515
	Sale of intangible fixed assets	3,000,000	-
	Sale of tangible fixed assets	15,264	
	Net cash inflow for capital expenditure	3,014,391	14,515
	Acquisitions and disposals		
	Goodwill	(3,000,000)	_
	Goodwiii	(3,000,000)	
	Net cash outflow for acquisitions and disposals	(3,000,000)	-
	Financing		
	Capital repayments in year	(35,807)	(40,440)
	Amount introduced by directors	•	442,239
	Amount withdrawn by directors	_	(455,317)
	Net cash outflow from financing	(35,807)	(53,518)

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At		Ąt
	1.10.12	Cash flow	30.9.13
	£	£	£
Net cash:			
Cash at bank and in hand	3,818,475	(2,467,853)	1,350,622
Bank overdraft	(305,651)	305,651	<u>-</u>
	3,512,824	(2,162,202)	1,350,622
Debt:		•	
Hire purchase	(35,807)	35,807	
	(35,807)	35,807	-
•			
Total	3,477,017	(2,126,395)	1,350,622

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnove

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods, excluding value added tax. Revenue is recognised as it is earned over time, for all matters which are non-contingent. Referral fees are written off as they are incurred.

Goodwill

Goodwill, being the amount paid in connection with the acquisition of a business in 2008, is being amortised evenly over its estimated useful life of twenty years.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Work in progress

Work in progress is accounted for as accrued income as outlined above in accordance with the FRSSE.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

Employer financed retirement benefit scheme (efrbs)

During 2010 the company established an employer financed retirement benefit scheme for the benefit of its officers, employees and their wider families, The Rushton Hinchy Solicitors Limited Employer Financed Retirement Benefit Scheme ("the Scheme"), due to a resolution to do so in 2009.

No charge to the profit and loss account is made in the current accounting period.

In accordance with UTIF 32 "Employee Benefit Trusts and other intermediate payment arrangements" the company does not include the assets and liabilities of the Scheme on its balance sheet to the extent that it considers that it will not retain any future economic benefit from the assets of the Scheme and will not have control of the rights or other access to those future economic benefits.

2. STAFF COSTS

•	30.9.13	30.9.12
	£	£
Wages and salaries	726,471	1,153,057
Other pension costs	8,702	163,655
	735,173	1,316,712
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	30.9.13	30.9.12
Directors	3	3
Employees	59	60
	62	63
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Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

3. OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT

The operating loss (2012 - operating profit) is stated after charging:

		30.9.13	30.9.12
	Depreciation - owned assets	£ 22,925	£ 37,970
	Goodwill amortisation	200,000	200,000
	Auditors' remuneration	7,160	7,160
		====	====
		•	
	Directors' remuneration	22,218	42,300 =====
	NATES OF THE STATE		
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES	30.9.13	30.9.12
		50.5.15 £	50.5.12 £
	Bank interest	2,166	1,838
	Hire purchase	2,481	4,229
	Leasing	1,822	7,230
	Motor contract hire	6,354	17,775
			
		12,823	31,072 ———
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5.	TAXATION		
	Analysis of the tax charge		
	The tax charge on the loss on ordinary activities for the year was as follows:		
		30.9.13	30.9.12
		£	£
	Current tax:	0.170	E00 E00
	UK corporation tax	8,179	589,589
	Deferred tax	(4,804)	(5,157)
•	Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	3,375	584,432
6.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		
			Goodwill
			£
	COST At 1 October 2012		
	and 30 September 2013		4,000,000
	and 50 September 2015		
	AMORTISATION		
	At 1 October 2012		800,000
	Amortisation for year		200,000
	Eliminated on disposal		3,000,000
	At 30 September 2013		4,000,000
	NET BOOK VALUE		
	At 30 September 2013		-
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	At 30 September 2012		3,200,000

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

7.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
			Fixtures		
		Long	and	Computer	
		leasehold	fittings	equipment	Totals
	. •	£	£	£	£
	COST				
	At 1 October 2012	1,678	45,582	101,662	148,922
	Additions	-	-	873	873
	Disposals	(1,678)	(45,582)	(102,535) ———	(149,795)
	At 30 September 2013	-			-
	DEPRECIATION				
	At 1 October 2012	336	27,972	83,298	111,606
	Charge for year	168	2,860	19,897	22,925
	Eliminated on disposal	(504)	(30,832)	(103,195)	(134,531)
	Eliminated on disposal	(304)	(30,832)	(103,193)	(134,331)
	At 30 September 2013			<u>-</u>	
	NET BOOK VALUE				
	At 30 September 2013	· _	_	_	_
	At 30 September 2013				
	At 30 September 2012	1,342	17,610	18,364	37,316
	At 30 September 2012	=====	=====	=====	=====
	•				
8.	STOCKS				
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	Work-in-progress			-	974,499
9.	DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE	YEAR			
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	Trade debtors			-	5,346,847
	Bad debt provision			-	(3,086,777)
	Amounts owed by group undertakings			1,994,548	429,999
					
				1,994,548	2,690,069
•					
10.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ON	IE YEAR			
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)			-	305,651
	Hire purchase contracts (see note 13)			-	26,156
	Trade creditors			(1)	4,894,657
	Tax			(373,440)	247,104
	Social security and other taxes			-	21,934
	VAT		-	-	259,091
	Other creditors			-	5,000
	Accruals and deferred income			-	89,385
				(373,441)	5,848,978
11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MO	RE THAN ONE YEAR			
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£ .	£
	Hire purchase contracts (see note 13)			-	9,651
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Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

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12.	LOANS				
	An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:				
		•		30.9.13 £	30.9.12 £
	Amounts falling due within one year or on demand: Bank overdrafts				305,651
13.	OBLIGATIONS UNDER HIRE PURCHASE CONTRACTS	AND LEASES			
				Hire purcha	se contracts
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	Net obligations repayable: Within one year			-	26,156
	Between one and five years			-	9,651
					25.007
					35,807 ———
	The following operating lease payments are commit	ted to be paid with	nin one year:		
		Land and l	buildings	Other opera	ting leases
		30.9.13	30.9.12	30.9.13	30.9.12
		£	£	£	£
	Expiring: Within one year	-	70,400	-	3,671
	Between one and five years	-	193,600	-	3,553
			264,000	-	7,224
		=			
14.	SECURED DEBTS		÷		
	The following secured debts are included within crea	ditors:			•
				30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	HP relating to fixed assets			-	35,807 ———
	The debenture note taken out by Natwest on 16 De	cember 2008 is sec	cured on all assets o	of the company.	
15	DROVICIONS FOR LIABILITIES				
15.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			30.9.13	30.9.12
				£	£
	Deferred tax Accelerated capital allowances			-	4,804
		•			
					Deferred
					tax £
	Balance at 1 October 2012				4,804
	Balance at 30 September 2013				4,804
	balance at 30 september 2013				=====

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 September 2013

16. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	Allotted, issue	ed and fully paid:			
	Number:	Class:	Nominal	30.9.13	30.9.12
			value:	£	£
	37,500	Ordinary A	£1	37,500	37,500
	37,500	Ordinary B	£1	37,500	37,500
	25,000	Ordinary C	£1	25,000	25,000
				100,000	100,000
17.	RESERVES				
					Profit
					and loss
					account
					£
	At 1 October	2012			4,764,772
	Deficit for the	e year			(1,146,161)
	At 30 Septem	nber 2013			3,618,611

18. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

Rushton Hinchy Holdings Limited is regarded by the directors as being the company's ultimate parent company.

19. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Included within creditors is a balance of £Nil (2012-£1,419,460.29) due to Millbrook Legal Solutions Limited a company in which H Cliffe, S Rushton and C Hinchy are directors.

Rushton Hinchy made purchases from Millbrook Legal Solutions Limited of £804,594.16 (2012-£1,219,081) in the year.

Within creditors there is an amount of £Nil (2012-£5,000) due from Millbrook Legal Solutions Limited.

20. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

(Loss)/profit for the financial year	30.9.13 £ (1,146,161)	30.9.12 £ 1,741,272
Net (reduction)/addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	(1,146,161) 4,864,772	1,741,272 3,123,500
Closing shareholders' funds	3,718,611	4,864,772