

Registration number: 2069607

Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited

Financial statements

for the year ended 31st December 2002

**Geo. Little Sebire & Co.
Chartered Accountants**



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Directors' report

for the year ended 31st December 2002

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2002.

Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company was that of garage proprietors.

The company's balance sheet as detailed on page 6 shows a satisfactory position.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5.

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Policy towards payment of suppliers

It is the policy to pay suppliers within one month of the date of receiving their statement or in accordance with the agreed business terms. The company does not follow any standard code of practice with regard to the payment of creditors.

Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

	Ordinary shares	
	31/12/02	01/01/02
V. Khanna	-	-
A.E. Khanna	-	-

The interests of the directors in the ultimate holding company are dealt with in the accounts of that company.

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 the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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.

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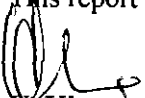
Directors' report

for the year ended 31st December 2002

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Geo. Little, Sebire & Co be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the Board on 12/6/03 and signed on its behalf by



V. Khanna

Director

Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited for the year ended 31st December 2002 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 and the company members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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.

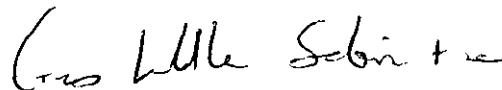
We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited continued

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31st December 2002 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



**Victoria House
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Date: 12/6/03

**Geo. Little, Sebire & Co
Chartered Accountants and
Registered auditors**

Thames Service Station (Oval) Limited

Profit and loss account

for the year ended 31st December 2002

			Eight month period
		2002	2001
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	2,609,980	1,731,243
Cost of sales		(2,483,506)	(1,631,953)
Gross profit		<u>126,474</u>	<u>99,290</u>
Administrative expenses		<u>(96,170)</u>	<u>(79,488)</u>
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	30,304	19,802
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	<u>(6,000)</u>	<u>(5,000)</u>
Retained profit for the year		24,304	14,802
Retained profit brought forward		<u>82,244</u>	<u>67,442</u>
Retained profit carried forward		<u><u>106,548</u></u>	<u><u>82,244</u></u>

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

The notes on pages 7 to 12 form an integral part of these financial statements.

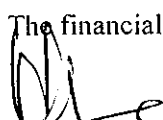
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Balance sheet

as at 31st December 2002

		2002		2001	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		1,405		2,543
Current assets					
Stocks	7	75,314		70,985	
Debtors	8	72,647		90,958	
Cash at bank and in hand		97,605		43,565	
		<u>245,566</u>		<u>205,508</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(140,323)</u>		<u>(125,707)</u>	
Net current assets			105,243		79,801
Net assets			<u>106,648</u>		<u>82,344</u>
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	10		100		100
Profit and loss account			106,548		82,244
Equity shareholders' funds	11		<u>106,648</u>		<u>82,344</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 12/6/03 and signed on its behalf by


V. Khanna
Director

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Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 31st December 2002

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention .

1.2. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery	-	10% - 20% on cost
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	-	20% on cost

1.3. Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.4. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.5. Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred taxation on all timing differences which have arisen but have not reversed at the balance sheet date.

1.6. Cash flow statement

The company is exempt from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a member of a group of which the ultimate holding company prepares a consolidated cash flow statement.

2. Turnover

The turnover for the period was derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities, entirely within the United Kingdom, stated net of value added tax.

3. Operating profit

	2002	2001
	£	£
Operating profit is stated after charging:		
Depreciation and other amounts written off fixed assets	1,138	707
Operating lease rentals		
- Land and buildings	<u>10,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>

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4. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly numbers of employees
(including the directors) during the year were:

Management and administration

Forecourt sales

2002

2001

1

1

9

6

10

7

Employment costs

2002

2001

£

£

Wages and salaries

94,434

82,016

Social security costs

5,313

6,323

99,747

88,339

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5. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

Analysis of charge in period	2002	2001
	£	£
Current tax		
UK corporation tax at 19% (2001 - 20%)	6,000	5,000
Total current tax charge	<u>6,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	<u>6,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

Factors affecting tax charge for period

The tax assessed for the period is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (19 per cent). The differences are explained below:

	2002	2001
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	<u>30,304</u>	<u>19,802</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (31st December 2001 : 20%)	5,758	3,960
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes (primarily goodwill amortisation)	242	25
Other items	-	1,015
Current tax charge for period	<u>6,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

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6. Tangible fixed assets	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1st January 2002	20,893	27,655	48,548
At 31st December 2002	<u>20,893</u>	<u>27,655</u>	<u>48,548</u>
Depreciation			
At 1st January 2002	20,155	25,850	46,005
Charge for the year	737	401	1,138
At 31st December 2002	<u>20,892</u>	<u>26,251</u>	<u>47,143</u>
Net book values			
At 31st December 2002	<u>1</u>	<u>1,404</u>	<u>1,405</u>
At 31st December 2001	<u>738</u>	<u>1,805</u>	<u>2,543</u>

7. Stocks	2002 £	2001 £
Goods for resale	<u>75,314</u>	<u>70,985</u>

8. Debtors	2002 £	2001 £
Trade debtors	3,331	5,011
Amount owed by group companies	64,397	81,256
Prepayments and accrued income	4,919	4,691
	<u>72,647</u>	<u>90,958</u>

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9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2002	2001
	£	£
Trade creditors	91,212	81,677
Amounts owed to group companies	17,126	11,585
Corporation tax	10,692	10,218
Other taxes and social security costs	14,240	16,943
Other creditors	2,578	2,684
Accruals and deferred income	4,475	2,600
	<u>140,323</u>	<u>125,707</u>
10. Share capital	2002	2001
	£	£
Authorised equity		
100,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Allotted, called up and fully paid equity		
100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
11. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2002	2001
	£	£
Profit for the year	24,304	14,802
Opening shareholders' funds	82,344	67,542
Closing shareholders' funds	<u>106,648</u>	<u>82,344</u>
12. Guarantees and other financial commitments		

The company is liable with group companies to its bankers in respect of overdrafts and loans operated by those companies under the terms of an unlimited multilateral guarantee. The full potential liability at the balance sheet date was £3,371,586.

The company is also liable with other group companies to a supplier in respect of trade credit facilities. The full potential liability at the balance sheet date was £775,252.

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13. Ultimate parent undertaking

The company's ultimate parent undertaking at the balance sheet date was TSS Group PLC, a company registered in England and Wales.

The company's ultimate controlling party is the director V. Khanna.