H. MARCEL GUEST LIMITED ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2005.

Principal activities and review of the business

The company continues to provide management services to its subsidiary and associated companies.

The directors consider the state of affairs to be satisfactory and prospects for the current year are good.

Results and dividends

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

An interim ordinary dividend was paid amounting to £100,000. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 October 2004:

JS Falder

B Falder

S B Falder

Directors' interests

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

	Ordinary shares of £ 1 each			
	30 September 2005	1 October 2004		
B Falder	240,000	240,000		
JS Falder	162,500	162,500		
S B Falder	162,500	162,500		

B Falder and E Stanton, a partner in UHY Hacker Young, the company's auditors, have a non-beneficial interest in 435,000 ordinary shares of the company as joint trustees.

Auditors

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

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

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 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.

On behalf of the board

Director

7 June 2006

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO H. MARCEL GUEST LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 4 to 17, together with the financial statements of H. Marcel Guest Limited for the year ended 30 September 2005 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report on abbreviated accounts 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 audit 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 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2006/3 "The special auditor's report on abbreviated accounts in the United Kingdom" 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 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

UHY Hacker Young

7 June 2006

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

St James Building 79 Oxford Street Manchester M1 6HT

ABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

		2005	2004
	Notes	£	£
Gross profit		407,248	376,896
Distribution costs		(35,180)	(23,044)
Administrative expenses		(184,362)	(259,758)
Other operating income		15,960	796
Operating profit	2	203,666	94,890
Investment income	3	46,632	(3,905)
Other interest receivable and similar			
income		22,736	24,674
Amounts written off investments	4	-	(80,000)
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(33,453)	(28,000)
Profit on ordinary activities before			
taxation		239,581	7,659
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6	(62,181)	(58,390)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities		 -	
after taxation		177,400	(50,731)
Dividends	7	(100,000)	(100,000)
Retained profit/(loss) for the year	16	77,400	(150,731)
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The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

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

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

		20	005	20	004
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	8		153,852		132,499
Tangible assets	9		801,026		823,037
Investments	10		3,376,159		3,400,157
			4,331,037		4,355,693
Current assets					
Debtors: amounts falling due within one					
year	11	438,842		208,858	
Debtors: amounts falling due after more					
than one year	11	192,000		400,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		204,772		638,873	
		835,614		1,247,731	
Creditors: amounts falling due within		,			
one year	12	(1,364,292)		(1,866,750)	
Net current liabilities			(528,678)		(619,019)
Total assets less current liabilities			3,802,359		3,736,674
Provisions for liabilities and charges	13		(53,171)		(48,926)
Accruals and deferred income	14		-		(15,960)
			0.740.400		0.074.700
			3,749,188 ======		3,671,788 =======
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	15		1,000,000		1,000,000
Profit and loss account	16		2,749,188		2,671,788
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	17		3,749,188		3,671,788

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 7 June 2006

Director

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

	- -	2005		04
	£	£	£	£
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(409,580)		262,749
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Interest received	22,736		24,674	
Interest paid	(33,453)		(28,000)	
Dividends received	10,092		3,961	
Net cash (outflow)/inflow for returns on				
investments and servicing of finance		(625)		635
Taxation		(30,758)		(94,234)
Financial investment				
Payments to acquire investments	(67,515)		(57,313)	
Receipts from sales of investments	135,266		279,958	
Net cash inflow for capital expenditure		67,751		222,645
Equity dividends paid		(100,000)		(100,000)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow before management				
of liquid resources and financing		(473,212)		291,795
Financing				
Other new short term loans	34,771		-	
Repayment of other short term loans			(170,505)	•
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing		34,771		(170,505)
Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		(438,441)		121,290

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

	Reconciliation of operating profit to r operating activities	net cash (outflow)/inflo	w from	2005	2004
	operating addition			£	£
	Operating profit			203,666	94,890
	Depreciation of tangible assets			22,011	22,018
	Amortisation of intangible assets			16,776	22,227
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors			(21,984)	(53,370
	(Decrease)/Increase in creditors within o	one year		(606,876)	127,797
	Net effect of foreign exchange difference	es		(7,213)	49,983
	Movement on grant provision			(15,960)	(796
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operat	ting activities		(409,580)	262,749
2	Analysis of net (debt)/funds	1 October 2004	Cash flow	Other non- cash changes	30 September 2005
		£	£	£	£
	Net cash:				
	Cash at bank and in hand	638,873	(434,101)	-	204,772
	Bank overdrafts		(4,340)	-	(4,340
		638,873	(438,441)	-	200,432
	Debt:				
	Debts falling due within one year	(493,709)	(34,771)		(528,480)
	Net funds/(debt)	145,164	(473,212)		(328,048)
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to mo	ovement in net (debt)/fu	ınds	2005	2004
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to mo	ovement in net (debt)/fu	ınds	2005 £	
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to mo (Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		unds		£
3			unds	£	121,290
3	(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year	ecrease in debt	unds	£ (438,441)	121,290 170,505
ŀ	(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year Cash (inflow)/outflow from (increase)/de	ecrease in debt	unds	(438,441) (34,771)	121,290 170,505

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for management services net of VAT.

1.4 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life.

1.5 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:

Freehold buildings

2% Straight line

Motor vehicles

25% Reducing balance

1.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.7 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis

1.8 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

1.9 Government grants

Grants are credited to deferred revenue. Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the profit and loss account over the expected useful life of the assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the profit and loss account as the related expenditure is incurred.

1.10 Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The company and its subsidiary undertakings comprise a medium-sized group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemptions provided by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group accounts.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

2	Operating profit	2005	2004
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging:	46.776	00 007
	Amortisation of intangible assets	16,776	22,227
	Depreciation of tangible assets	22,011	22,018
	Loss on foreign exchange transactions	-	50,140
	Auditors' remuneration	8,955	10,865
	and after crediting:		
	Government grants	15,960	796
	Profit on foreign exchange transactions	(7,005)	-
3	Investment income	2005	2004
		£	£
	Income from fixed asset investments	46,632	(3,905)
	Bank interest	4,736	337
	Other interest	18,000	24,337
		69,368	20,769
4	Amounts written off investments	2005	2004
	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	£	£
	Amounts written off fixed asset investments:		
	- permanent diminution in value	_	80,000
	- permanent unfinduor in value	<u> </u>	
5	Interest payable	2005	2004
3	interest payable	£	£
		400	
	On bank loans and overdrafts	162	
	On other loans wholly repayable within five years	28,000	28,000
	On overdue tax	5,291 ————	
		33,453	28,000
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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

6	Taxation	2005 £	2004 £
	Domestic current year tax	~	_
	UK corporation tax	52,259	9,464
	Adjustment for prior years	5,677	-
	Current tax charge	57,936	9,464
	Deferred tax		
	Deferred tax charge/credit current year	4,245	48,926
		62,181	58,390
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	239,581	7,659 ———
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of		
	UK corporation tax of 30.00% (2004 - 30.00%)	71,874	2,298
	Effects of:		
	Non deductible expenses	2,984	53,600
	Depreciation add back	6,603	6,605
	Capital allowances	(9,711)	(9,711)
	Tax losses utilised	-	(45,353)
	Adjustments to previous periods	5,677	-
	Income not taxable	(4,788)	-
	Dividends and distributions received	(572)	(603)
	(Profi)t/loss on disposal of invesments	(10,962)	2,360
	Other tax adjustments	(3,169)	268
		(13,938)	7,166
	Current tax charge	57,936 ———	9,464
7	Dividends	2005	2004
		£	£
	Ordinary interim paid	100,000	100,000

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

8	Intangible fixed assets	
		Goodwill £
	Cost	
	At 1 October 2004	251,606
	Additions	38,129
	At 30 September 2005	289,735
	Amortisation	-
	At 1 October 2004	119,107
	Charge for the year	16,776
	At 30 September 2005	135,883
	Net book value	•
	At 30 September 2005	153,852
	At 30 September 2004	132,499

During the year the company continued to make payments under the terms of its contract to acquire the Gipgloss trademark, inventory, contracts and related nitrocellulose technology. The acquired goodwill is amortised over the directors estimate of useful economic life

9 Tangible fixed assets

. ang. and a about	Land and buildings Freehold	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 October 2004 & at 30 September 2005	1,099,628	11,850	1,111,478
Depreciation			
At 1 October 2004	276,664	11,777	288,441
Charge for the year	21,993	18	22,011
At 30 September 2005	298,657	11,795	310,452
Net book value			
At 30 September 2005	800,971 ————	55 	801,026
At 30 September 2004	822,964	73	823,037

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

10 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Unlisted investments	Shares in group undertakings £	Total £
Cost At 1 October 2004	442 2CE	EEE 640	2 622 250	2 624 257
	443,365	555,642	2,622,350	3,621,357
Exchange differences Additions	2,701 48,830	4,512 18,685	-	7,213 67,515
Disposals	(98,726)	-	- -	(98,726)
At 30 September 2005	396,170	578,839	2,622,350	3,597,359
Provisions for diminution in value At 1 October 2004 & at 30 September 2005		-	221,200	221,200
Net book value				
At 30 September 2005	396,170	578,839	2,401,150	3,376,159
At 30 September 2004	443,365	555,642	2,401,150	3,400,157
	Market value	Directors' valuation £		Total £
At 30 September 2005	744,789	578,839 ————		1,323,628
At 30 September 2004	749,935	555,642 ————		1,305,577

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

10 Fixed asset investments

(continued)

Holdings of more than 20%

The company holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies. The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

Company	Capital and	Profit for the	Shares	held
	reserves 2005	year 2005	Class	%
Subsidiary undertakings	£	£		
Moorecroft 95 Limited	100	-	Ordinary	100.00
Corrofast Coatings Limited	(7,740)	-	Ordinary	100.00
HMG Paints Limited	1,996,381	37,177	Ordinary	100.00
HMG America LLC	(335,004)	(579,354)	US LLC	80.00
HMG Coatings (London) Limited	(172,516)	(48,382)	Ordinary	100.00
	<u></u>			
Participating interests				
Bradite Limited	738,833	233,446	Preference	100.00
HMG Coatings (South) Limited	127,386	11,123	Ordinary	45.00
HMG Coatings (Midlands) Limited	7,391	58,749	Ordinary	50.00
			Preference	50.00

	Principal activity Country of roor inc	egistration orporation
Moorecroft 95 Limited	Dormant	England
Corrofast Coatings Limited	Dormant	England
HMG Paints Limited	Manufacture and supply of paints and surface coatings	England
HMG America LLC	Supply of paint and marine surface coatings.	USA
HMG Coatings (London) Limited	Supply of powder coatings	England
Bradite Limited	Manufacture and distribution of paint and surface coatings England	
HMG Coatings (South) Limited	Supply of industial paint and accessories	England
HMG Coatings (Midlands) Limited	Manufacture of paint	England

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

11	Debtors	2005	2004
		£	£
	Amounts owed by associated undertakings	605,801	583,479
	Other debtors	25,041	25,379
		630,842	608,858
	Amounts falling due after more than one year and included in the debtors above are:		
	above are.	2005	2004
		£	£
	Amounts owed by associated undertakings	192,000	400,000
	The second of th		
12	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2005	2004
		£	£
	Debenture loans	400,000	400,000
	Bank loans and overdrafts	4,340	-
	Trade creditors	88,322	120,541
		E05 470	4 405 647
	Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	585,179	1,165,617
	Corporation tax	585,179 59,965	24,687
	Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs	59,965 21,692	24,687 3,438
	Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs Other creditors	59,965 21,692 167,994	24,687 3,438 139,967
	Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs	59,965 21,692	24,687 3,438

The debenture loans on which interest is paid at a rate of 7% p.a. (2004 - 7% p.a.), are repayable on demand and are secured by a fixed charge over the freehold land and buildings, plant and machinery and book debts with a floating charge over all other assets of the company.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

13	Provisions for liabilities and charges		
			Deferred tax liability
			nabinty £
	B		
	Balance at 1 October 2004 Profit and loss account		48,926 4,245
	Tonk and loss socialis		
	Balance at 30 September 2005		53,171
	Deferred taxation provided in the financial statements is as follows:		
		2005	2004
		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	53,171	48,926
	Accelerated capital allowartees	55,171	=======================================
4.4	Accruals and deferred income		
14	Accruais and deferred income		
			Government
			grants £
	Balance at 1 October 2004		15,960
	Amortisation in the year		(15,960)
	Balance at 30 September 2005		-
15	Share capital	2005	2004
		£	£
	Authorised 1,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
	1,000,000 Cramary change of 21 cach	====	=====
	Alletted collective and fully noid		
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 1,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

16	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		
			Profit and loss
			account
			£
	Balance at 1 October 2004		2,671,788
	Retained profit for the year		77,400
	Balance at 30 September 2005		2,749,188
17	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2005	2004
		£	£
	Profit/(Loss) for the financial year	177,400	(50,731)
	Dividends	(100,000)	(100,000)
	Net addition to/(depletion in) shareholders' funds	77,400	(150,731)
	Opening shareholders' funds	3,671,788	3,822,519
	Closing shareholders' funds	 3,749,188	3,671,788
	•		

18 Contingent liabilities

There is a bank cross guarantee dated 26 March 2004 covering the liabilities of HMG Paints Limited and HMG Coatings (London) Limited given by H Marcel Guest Limited. At the year end the potential liability under this guarantee amounted to £1,573,270.

19	Directors' emoluments	2005 £	2004 £
	Emoluments for qualifying services	91,094	86,410

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2005

20 Transactions with directors

During the year the company received management charges of £407,248 (2004 - £376,896) from one of its subsidiary companies, HMG Paints Limited. The balance due to this company at 30 September 2005 amounted to £585,078 (2004 - £1,165,516).

The company has the following balances with related companies:-

- (a) Bradite Limited, by virtue of directorship, whereby the balance due from Bradite Limited at 30 September 2005 amounted to £499,026 (2004 £476,026).
- (b) HMG Coatings (London) Limited, one of its subsidiary companies, whereby the balance due from HMG Coatings (London) Limited at 30 September 2005 amounted to £46,546 (2004 £54,691).
- (c) HMG Powder Coatings (Midlands) Limited, by virtue of shareholding, whereby the balance due from HMG Powder Coatings (Midlands) Limited at 30 September 2005 amounted to £1,874 (2004 £1,874).
- (d) HMG Powder Coatings (Ireland) Limited, by virtue of shareholding, whereby the balance due from HMG Powder Coatings (Ireland) Limited at 30 September 2005 amounted to £1,200 (2004 £1,200).
- (e) HMG America LLC, by virtue of the company's investment, whereby the balance due from HMG America LLC at 30 September 2005 amounted to £207,708 (2004 £189,023)
- (f) Byotrol PLC, by virtue of shareholding, whereby the balance due from Byotrol PLC at 30 September 2005 amounted to £66,146 (2004 £58,679).
- (g) Moorecroft 95 Limited, one of its subsidiary companies, whereby the balance due to Moorecroft 95 Limited at 30 September 2005 amounted to £100 (2004 £100).

During the year the company charged Bradite Limited interest of £18,000 (2004 - £24,337) in respect of the debt owing and has not traded with the other companies.

The above transactions were carried out on normal commercial terms.

21 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:

year mas.	2005 Number	2004 Number
Administration	4	4
Employment costs	2005 £	2004 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs	83,524 12,487	86,410 8,955
	96,011	95,365