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## Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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### 1 Company details

Company number 00451728  
Company name in full THOMAS AMBLER & SONS LIMITED

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### 2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) EMMA  
Surname CRAY

### 3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP  
Street CENTRAL SQUARE, WELLINGTON STREET  
Post town LEEDS  
County/Region  
Postcode LS14DL  
Country

### 4 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) TOBY SCOTT  
Surname UNDERWOOD

① Other liquidator  
Use this section to tell us about  
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**6** Period of progress report

From date	<sup>d</sup> 3	<sup>d</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 7
To date	<sup>d</sup> 3	<sup>d</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 8

**7** Progress report☒ The progress report is attached**8** Sign and date

Liquidator's signature

Signature

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Signature date

<sup>d</sup> 2	<sup>d</sup> 8	<sup>m</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 9
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Contact name **DIJESH PATEL**

Company name **PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS**

**LLP**

Address **CENTRAL SQUARE**

**WELLINGTON STREET**

Post town **LEEDS**

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Telephone **0113 289 4101**



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## TO ALL MEMBERS

27 February 2019

Our reference: EC/LOC/DP/MVL450B

Dear Sirs

### **THOMAS AMBLER & SONS LIMITED - in members' voluntary liquidation (the Company)**

Karen Dukes and I were appointed joint liquidators (the liquidators) of the Company on 31 December 2015. On July 2017, Karen Dukes ceased to act as liquidator of the Company and Toby Scott Underwood replaced her as joint liquidator.

Further to our previous report, covering the period from 31 December 2016 to 30 December 2017 (the Previous Report), we're required to provide:

- you with a report on the conduct and progress of the liquidation for the period 31 December 2017 to 30 December 2018 (the Period); and
- certain information concerning the Company and the liquidators; this information is attached as appendix A.

A summary of receipts and payments for the Period is attached as appendix B.

### **PROGRESS REPORT ON THE LIQUIDATION**

#### **Realisation of assets:**

The directors' Declaration of Solvency showed the Company's assets consisted of:

	<b>£</b>
Inter group debtors	627,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>627,000</b>

The Previous Report noted that after our appointment, a pre-liquidation dividend of £0.444 per ordinary £0.25 share was paid by the Company to IPT (UK) Limited (IPT Group Limited having waived its interest in the dividend). The dividend was satisfied wholly by the distribution in specie of part of a debt owed by IPT (UK) Limited to the Company amounting to £401,000.

The previous report also noted that after our appointment, we took the Company's inter group debt of £226,000 under our control until distribution.

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During the course of the liquidation, we have not identified any additional assets and there are no further assets to realise.

#### **Settlement of liabilities:**

This section covers all liabilities except any claims of HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) which are dealt with separately below under HMRC.

The directors' Declaration of Solvency and the Company's records showed the Company had no liabilities.

In our Previous Report we noted that a number of employee personal injury claims were made against the Company prior to our appointment. Whilst the majority of the claims are covered by relevant Employers' Liability insurance, some of the insurers for the claims are now insolvent and have entered into a scheme of arrangement with its creditors. We are currently liaising with all relevant insurers and Capita Group PLC (where the insurer is insolvent). Resolving the claims position is now the only outstanding matter preventing closure of the liquidation.

#### **HMRC:**

As detailed in our Previous Report, HMRC have confirmed their agreement to us closing the liquidation without further reference to them.

#### **Distributions to shareholders:**

At the time of our appointment, the issued share capital of the company consisted of:

- 902,800 £0.25 Ordinary shares.

No distributions have been made to shareholders during the Period.

#### **LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES**

##### **Basis of remuneration:**

At the time of our appointment, a resolution was passed for us to be paid by reference to the time properly given by us and our staff in dealing with the liquidation. Our current hourly rates are set out below:

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Hourly rate</b>
Partner	£640 - £890
Director	£540 - £780
Manager grades	£365 - £590
Other technical staff	£180 - £425
Support	£95 - £135



As detailed in previous reports, our fees and expenses for the Company and 6 connected companies have been paid for by Lantor International Limited which is also in liquidation. Please note that approval is obtained from the liquidator of IPT Group Limited – in Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation (the ultimate shareholder of both companies) before fees are invoiced and drawn the estate.

Accordingly, in relation to the Company and the 6 connected companies, we have incurred time costs of £25,099.20 (excluding VAT) representing 84.15 hours during the period. Against this amount we have invoiced £11,660.40 (excluding VAT) and the remaining amount will be invoiced in due course.

**Members' rights re liquidators' remuneration and expenses:**

Members with at least 5% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company (or permission of the court) are entitled to request further information about our fees and expenses. Such requests need to be made within 21 days of receipt of this report. See Rule 18.9 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 for further detail.

Members with at least 10% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company (or permission of the court) are entitled to claim by way of court application that the liquidators' fees and expenses are excessive. Such applications need to be made within 8 weeks of the receipt of this report. See Rule 18.34 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 for further detail.

If you have any queries, please contact my colleague Lisa O'Connor on 07808 035857.

Yours faithfully  
For and on behalf of the Company



Emma Cray  
Joint liquidator

**Enclosures**

*Emma Cray and Toby Scott Underwood have been appointed as joint liquidators of Thomas Ambler & Sons to manage its affairs, business and property as its agents without personal liability. Emma Cray is licensed in the United Kingdom to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales. Toby Scott Underwood is licensed in the United Kingdom to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales. The joint liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics which can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics>.*

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## Appendix A

### Information on the Company and the liquidators

<b>Company details:</b>	
<b>Company name:</b>	Thomas Ambler & Sons Limited
<b>Company number:</b>	00451728
<b>Registered office:</b>	Central Square, 29 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1 4DL
<b>Liquidators' details:</b>	
<b>Liquidators' names:</b>	Emma Cray and Toby Scott Underwood (the liquidators)
<b>Liquidators' address:</b>	PricewaterhouseCoopers, Central Square, 29 Wellington Street, Leeds, LS1 4DL
<b>Liquidators' email address:</b>	emma.cray@pwc.com
<b>Date of appointment:</b>	31 December 2015
<b>Nature of appointment:</b>	Members' Voluntary Liquidation



## Appendix B

### Thomas Ambler & Sons Limited - in members' voluntary liquidation

#### Summary of Receipts and Payments in the liquidation during the period from 31 December 2017 to 30 December 2018

	£
RECEIPTS	NIL
	<u>NIL</u>
	<u>NIL</u>
PAYMENTS	£
	<u>NIL</u>
	<u>NIL</u>
BALANCE OF FUNDS HELD	<u>NIL</u>