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| 2                    | Liquidator's name                             |   |
| Full forename(s)     | Mark Elijah Thomas                            |   |
| Surname              | Bowen   |   |
| 3                    | Liquidator's address                          |   |
| Building name/number | 11 Roman Way                                  |   |
| Street               | Berry Hill                                    | -<br>-  |
| Post town            | Droitwich Spa                                 | -   |
| County/Region        | Worcestershire                                | _   |
| Postcode             | WR99AJ  |   |
| Country              |   |   |
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### **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

MIDLAND ERECTION ROOFING & CLADDING LIMITED - IN CREDITORS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION

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- Appendix III Detailed list of work undertaken in the period
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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A summary of key information in this report is detailed below.

#### Assets

| Asset  | Estimated to<br>realise per<br>Statement of<br>Affairs | Realisations<br>to date | Anticipated<br>future<br>realisations | Total<br>anticipated<br>realisations |
|--|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| The second secon | /41/41/5   | - CO GUEC               | realisations                          | 1 callsautills                       |
| Claim(s) against Director(s)   | Nil  | Nil                     | Uncertain                             | Uncertain                            |

#### **Expenses**

| Expense                  | Amount per<br>fees and<br>expenses<br>estimates | Expense incurred to | Anticipated further expense to | Total<br>anticipated |
|--------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Liquidator's fees        | NA  | date                | closure                        | expense              |
| Solicitors' fees         | NA NA   | 5,000               | 10,000<br>Uncertain            | 15,000<br>Uncertain  |
| Category 1 Disbursements | NA  | 200                 | 10                             | 210                  |
| Category 2 Disbursements | NA  | 261                 | 10                             | 271                  |

#### **Dividend prospects**

|                        | Distribution / dividend paid to date | Anticipated distribution / dividend, based upon the |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Creditor class         | İ                                    | above   |
| Secured creditor       | Nil                                  | Nil   |
| Preferential creditors | Nil                                  | Nil   |
| Unsecured creditors    | Nil                                  | Nil   |

#### Summary of key issues outstanding

• Await the outcome of two Directors' bankruptcies and receive any dividends paid to creditors;

#### Closure

Due to the issues outstanding as listed above, it is difficult to estimate the timing of the closure of the liquidation, and whether realisations will allow for any distribution to creditors.

#### ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

#### Statutory information

Statutory information may be found at Appendix I.

The Liquidator is required to meet a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks do not have a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they assist in the efficient and compliant progressing of the administration of the case, which ensures that work is carried out to high professional standards. A detailed list of these tasks may be found in Appendix III.

#### Reporting

The Liquidator has met his statutory and regulatory duties to report to creditors, as listed below. In consideration of the need for transparency and engagement with creditors, care has been taken to ensure that reports and other communications with creditors have provided useful details of the strategies pursued and the outcomes anticipated.

During the Review Period, the following key documents have been issued:

- The report on the creditors' S100 decision;
- This progress report;

#### Other administration tasks

During the Review Period, the following material tasks in this category were carried out:

- Case/strategy & bonding reviews
- Cashiering functions

#### **ENQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS**

During the Review Period, the Liquidator carried out an initial review of the Company's affairs in the period prior to appointment. This included seeking information and explanations from the director(s) by means of questionnaires; making enquiries of the Company's accountants; reviewing information received from creditors; and collecting and examining the Company's bank statements, accounts and other records.

The Directors provided limited books & records; a statement of affairs was provided by Mr. C. Poole, and I have received one completed questionnaire from Mr. C Poole.

The information gleaned from this process enabled the Liquidator to meet his statutory duty to submit a confidential report on the conduct of the directors (past and present) to the Insolvency Service.

This work was also carried out with the objective of making an initial assessment of whether there were any matters that may lead to any recoveries for the benefit of creditors. This would typically include any potential claims which may be brought against parties either connected to or who have past dealings with the Company.

This initial assessment revealed matters that the Liquidator considered merited further investigation. This largely related to dividends of 41,936 that were identified as being unlawful.

Solicitors Cameron Legal were engaged to assist in recovery of the amounts due to the Company.

The Directors are jointly liable to repay the amount of the dividends that were paid unlawfully. Mr. McGregor has made representations that he is unable to repay these monies, Mr. Poole was declared

bankrupt on 10 September 2020 and a claim has been lodged in Mr. Poole's bankruptcy proceedings for the total amount due.

#### **REALISATION OF ASSETS**

Detailed below is key information about asset realisation and strategy, however, more details about the work undertaken may be found at Appendix III. The Liquidator formulated and worked through a realisation strategy that sought to maximise realisations net of costs. The financial benefit of those efforts is described further below.

The director's statement of affairs did not include any assets and there have been no assets realised to date.

It is anticipated that there will be a recovery by way of a dividend from Mr. Poole's bankruptcy in respect of the Liquidator's claim(s) as detailed above. The quantum and timing of this dividend is not yet known.

#### **CREDITORS**

Irrespective of whether sufficient realisations are achieved to pay a dividend to creditors, the Liquidator has had to carry out key tasks which are detailed in the list at Appendix III. The following sections explain the anticipated outcomes to creditors and any distributions paid.

#### Secured creditors

The Company had granted the following security: -

| Type of charge    | Date created   | Beneficiary     |  |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| Debenture         | 13 August 2015 | Lloyds bank PLC |  |
| Deed of accession | 28 July 2015   | Lloyds Bank PLC |  |
| 1                 |                | l               |  |

I am not aware of any amounts owing to Lloyds Bank PLC in this matter.

#### **Preferential creditors**

I am not aware of any preferential claims in this matter.

#### **Unsecured creditors**

The trade and expense creditors as per the statement of affairs totalled £1,988,479; this included £1,982,979 owing to connected company Midland Erection Limited – In Liquidation, of whom I am also appointed as Liquidator. I have not taken steps to agree creditors' claims as there are no funds available for distribution to creditors.

#### **Dividend prospects**

It is not anticipated that, after allowing for costs there will be any funds available for distribution to creditors. This may change depending on the quantum of any dividend received in respect of Mr. Poole's bankruptcy.

Where a floating charge is created after 15 September 2003 a prescribed part of the company's net property shall be made available to unsecured creditors. There are no amounts owing to the secured creditor and consequently there will be no prescribed part in this Liquidation.

#### **ETHICS**

Please also be advised that Liquidator is bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment.

#### General ethical considerations

Prior to the Liquidator's appointment, a review of ethical issues was undertaken and no ethical threats were identified. A further review has been carried out and no threats have been identified in respect of the management of the insolvency appointment over the Review Period.

#### **Specialist Advice and Services**

When instructing third parties to provide specialist advice and services or having the specialist services provided by the firm, the Liquidator is obligated to ensure that such advice or work is warranted and that the advice or work contracted reflects the best value and service for the work undertaken. The firm reviews annually the specialists available to provide services within each specialist area and the cost of those services to ensure best value. The specialists chosen usually have knowledge specific to the insolvency industry and, where relevant, to matters specific to this insolvency appointment. Details of the specialists specifically chosen in this matter are detailed below.

Cameron Legal Limited were engaged to review claims against the directors as part of my investigations. Cameron Legal are also instructed in respect of connected companies Midland Erection Limited & CMPL Limited (both in Liquidation) and therefore have the appropriate knowledge of the case and matters identified.

#### **FEES AND EXPENSES**

#### **Pre-Appointment Costs**

### Paid by Company/directors or Third party prior to appointment

A fixed fee of £2,000 was agreed by the directors prior to the winding-up resolution and this fee was to be paid by Mr. C Poole. This fee remains outstanding.

#### The Liquidator's fees

It is the firm's practice to ensure that work is conducted by the appropriate staff member at the appropriate level of experience. Junior members of staff deal with the day-to-day administration on cases and a manager and (director/partner) then oversees the work undertaken. Where the issues are complex and litigious, the work will be closely supervised or undertaken by a (senior) manager or (director/partner).

The basis of the Liquidator's fees has not yet been fixed. The Liquidator's proposals in relation to the setting of this basis will be issued under a separate cover.

#### **Disbursements**

The disbursements that have been incurred and not yet paid during the period are detailed on Appendix IV.

The category 1 disbursements represent the simple reimbursement of actual out of pocket payments made in relation to the assignment.

The basis for the Liquidator's recovery of category 2 disbursements has yet to be approved as above.

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website at htt: www.creditorinsolvenc uide.co.uk. A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Fees' together with the firm's charge-out rate and disbursement policy may be found at <a href="https://www.mb-i.co.uk">www.mb-i.co.uk</a>. A hard copy of both the Creditors' Guide and the firm's charge-out rate and disbursement policy may be obtained on request.

#### Other professional costs

There has been no sub contacted work in this matter to date.

#### Solicitors

Cameron Legal Limited were instructed as legal advisors in relation to my investigations & the recovery of funds from Mr. Poole. Their costs have been agreed on the basis of their standard hourly charge out rates, plus disbursements and VAT. The solicitors' fees for the period to date have yet to be confirmed but are estimated at £1,000.

#### **CREDITORS' RIGHTS**

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the court or with the concurrence of 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question) request further details of the Liquidator's remuneration and expenses, within 21 days of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may request the same details in the same time limit.

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the court or with the concurrence of 10% in value of the creditors (including the creditor in question), apply to court to challenge the amount and/or basis of the Liquidator's fees and the amount of any proposed expenses or expenses already incurred, within 8 weeks of receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may make a similar application to court within the same time limit.

#### CONCLUSION

The administration of the case will be continuing to finalise the following outstanding matters that are preventing this case from being closed:

 Await the outcome of the bankruptcy of Mr. Poole and whether a dividend is paid to creditors; a claim has been lodged in the bankruptcy on behalf of Midland Erection Roofing & Cladding Limited – In Liquidation

If you require any further information, please contact this office.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Mark Bowen

25 February 2021

#### Appendix I

#### **Statutory Information**

Company Name Midland Erection Roofing & Cladding Limited

Company Number 08332094

Registered Office 11 Roman Way, Berry Hill, Droitwich, WR9 9AJ

Former Registered Office Ashford House, Dixons Green Road, Dudley, DY2 7DJ

Office holder Mark Bowen

Office holder's address MB Insolvency, 11 Roman Way, Berry Hill, Droitwich, WR9 9AJ

Date of appointment 7 January 2020

#### Appendix II

Receipts and Payments account for the period 07/01/2020 - 06/01/2021

### Midland Erection Roofing And Cladding Limited (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Summary of Receipts & Payments

### To 06/01/2021

| S of A £      |                           | £   | £   |
|---------------|---------------------------|-----|-----|
|               | UNSECURED CREDITORS       |     |     |
| -5,500.00     | Trade & Expense Creditors | NIL |     |
| -1,982,979.00 | Midland Erection Limited  | NIL |     |
|               |                           |     | NIL |
|               | DISTRIBUTIONS             |     |     |
| -100.00       | Ordinary Shareholders     | NIL |     |
|               | ·                         |     | NIL |
|               |                           |     |     |
| -1,988,579.00 |                           |     | NIL |
|               |                           |     | MIL |
|               | REPRESENTED BY            |     |     |
|               |                           |     |     |
|               |                           |     | NIL |

#### Appendix IV

## Detailed list of work undertaken for Midland Erection Roofing & Cladding Limited in Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation for the review period 07/01/2020 - 06/01/2021

| General Description                              | Includes  |
|--|---|
| Statutory and<br>General<br>Administration       |   |
| Statutory/advertising                            | Filing of documents to meet statutory requirements including annual receipts and payments accounts Annual corporation tax returns Quarterly VAT returns Advertising in accordance with statutory requirements Bonding the case for the value of the assets  |
| Document<br>maintenance/file<br>review/checklist | Filing of documents Periodic file reviews documenting strategy Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists   |
| Bank account<br>administration                   | Preparing correspondence opening and closing accounts Requesting bank statements Bank account reconciliations Maintenance of the estate cash book Banking remittances and issuing cheques/BACS payments   |
| Planning / Review                                | Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued  Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case  |
| Books and records /<br>storage                   | Dealing with records in storage Sending job files to storage  |
| Pension scheme                                   | Identifying whether there is a pension scheme Submitting the relevant notices if a pension scheme is identified   |
| Reports  | Circulating initial report to creditors upon appointment Preparing annual progress report, investigation and general reports to creditors   |
| Creditors' decisions                             | Preparation of decision procedure notices, proxies/voting forms and advertisements  Notice of decision procedure to all known creditors  Collate and examine proofs and proxies/votes to conclude decisions  For virtual or physical meetings: preparation of meeting file, including agenda, certificate of postage, attendance register, list of creditors, reports to creditors, advertisement of meeting and draft minutes of meeting Responding to queries and questions following decisions |
| Investigations                                   | responding to decires and destrous tollowing decisions  |
| SIP 2 Review                                     | Collection and making an inventory of company books and records Correspondence to request information on the company's dealings, making further enquiries of third parties Reviewing questionnaires submitted by creditors and directors Reconstruction of financial affairs of the company Reviewing company's books and records Preparation of deficiency statement Review of specific transactions and liaising with directors regarding certain transactions                                  |
| Statutory reporting on conduct of director(s)    | Preparing statutory investigation reports Liaising with insolvency Service Submission of report with the insolvency Service Preparation and submission of supplementary information if required Assisting the Insolvency Service with its investigations  |
| Litigation / Recoveries                          | Strategy meeting regarding litigation Liaising with solicitors regarding recovery actions   |
| Realisation of Assets                            |   |
| Other assets:                                    | Pursuing directors for amounts outstanding  |
| Creditors and<br>Distributions                   |   |
| Creditor<br>Communication                        | Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via facsimile, email and post Assisting employees to pursue claims via the RPO  |
| Dealing with proofs of debt ("POD")              | Receipting and filing POD when not related to a dividend Corresponding with RPO regarding POD when not related to a dividend  |

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