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Delsys Inc, trading as Collag Corporation

Accounts

31 DECEMBER 1996

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Delsys Inc, trading as Collag Corporation

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ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

We have prepared but not audited the accounts of Delsys Inc trading as Collag Corporation for the year ended 31 December 1996 set out on pages 3 to 9 from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to us.

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 1996

	Notes	1996 £	1995 £
TURNOVER	3	59,180	237,102
Cost of sales		28,762	216,951
GROSS PROFIT		30,418	20,151
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		1,200 72,292	2,556 118,251
Other operating income		73,492	120,807 (20,450)
		73,492	100,357
OPERATING LOSS	4	(43,074)	(80,206)
Interest receivable Interest payable	6	- 3,356	(28) 40,152
		3,356	40,124
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		(46,430)	(120,330)
Taxation	7	-	-
LOSS RETAINED FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	13	(46,430)	(120,330)

On 1 April 1996 the company sold its trade and net assets to its parent undertaking, Collag Limited (formerly Collag Manufacturing Limited), at net book value. From this date the company ceased to trade, hence the results for the year represent three months' trading from 1 January 1996 to 31 March 1996.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the financial year of £46,430 for the year ended 31 December 1996 and of £120,330 for the year ended 31 December 1995.

BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1996

		1996	1995
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	8	-	397,795
			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	-	46,986
Cash at bank and in hand		_	9,670
			56,656
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	54,238	385,136
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(54,238)	(328,480)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		(54,238)	69,315
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year			
Loans	11	_	75,000
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	12	-	2,123
			77,123
		(54,238)	(7,808)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	13	325,000	325,000
Capital contribution	13	200,000	200,000
Profit and loss account	13	(579,238)	(532,808)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	13	(54,238)	(7,808)

J Misselbrook

K Misselbrook

Directors

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

at 31 December 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value based on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Freehold buildings - 2.5% straight line
Leasehold improvements - 20% straight line
Laboratory equipment - 16.66% straight line
Office furniture, fixtures and equipment - 16.66% straight line
Motor vehicles - 25% straight line

Patents

Costs incurred in obtaining and renewing patents are written off as incurred.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided using the liability method on all timing differences to the extent that they are expected to reverse in the future without being replaced, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse. Advance corporation tax which is expected to be recoverable in the future is deducted from the deferred taxation balance.

Deferred tax assets are only recognised if recovery without replacement by equivalent debit balances is reasonably certain.

Foreign currencies

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

Leasing commitments

Asset held under finance leases, which are leases where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset have passed to the group, and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. The capital elements of future obligations under leases and hire purchase contracts are included as liabilities in the balance sheet. The interest elements of the rental obligations are charged in the profit and loss account over the periods of the leases and hire purchase contracts and represent a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

2. SALE OF TRADE AND NET ASSETS

On 1 April 1996, the trade and net assets of the company were sold to Collag Limited (formerly Collag Manufacturing Limited), the company's parent undertaking, at net book value.

3. TURNOVER

Turnover, which is stated net of value added tax, represents amounts invoiced to third parties.

The turnover and pre-tax profit is attributable to one continuing activity, the contract research and development of formulated agrochemicals and other related products.

An analysis of turnover by geographical market is given below:	1996 £	1995 £
United Kingdom United States	25,750	49,660 17,000
Europe	33,430	170,442
	59,180	237,102
4. OPERATING LOSS		
This is stated after charging:	1996 £	1995 £
Depreciation of owned fixed assets Depreciation of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	15,292 500	59,993 2,000
Amortisation of intangible assets Operating lease rentals - plant and machinery	2,864	7,457 11,455
5. STAFF COSTS		
	1996 £	1995 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	34,999 1,839 -	151,185 13,360 5,806
	36,838	170,351
The average weekly number of employees during the year was 3.		
6. INTEREST PAYABLE		
	1996 £	1995 £
Interest on loans and overdrafts repayable within five years	3,356	40,152

7. TAXATION

There is no taxation charge due to the availability of losses brought forward.

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold			Office furniture		
		land and buildings in	Leasehold aprovements	Laboratory equipment	fixtures and equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Cost:						
	At 1 January 1996	250,273	28,014	223,468	59,121	18,363	579,239
	Additions	191,917	-	6,303	-	-	198,220
	Transfer to parent	(442,190)	(28,014)	(229,771)	(59,121)	(18,363)	(777,459)
	At 31 December		 		-		
	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Depreciation:	 					
	At 1 January 1996	16,408	14,214	114,372	27,194	9,256	181,444
	Provided during the	-			-	-	•
	year	1,300	1,400	9,483	2,462	1,147	15,792
	Transfer to parent	(17,708)	(15,614)	(123,855)	(29,656)	(10,403)	(197,236)
	At 31 December						
	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Net book value:						
	At 31 December						
	1996	-	-	-	-	-	_
						-	
	At 1 January 1996	233,865	13,800	109,096	31,927	9,107	397,795
							
9.	DEBTORS						
						1996	1995
						£	£
	Trade debtors					-	43,252
	Amounts due from par	ent undertakin	g			-	2,634
	Other debtors					-	1,100
							46,986

10.	CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year		
		1996	1995
		£	£
	Bank and other loans (note 11)	-	236,467
	Obligations under finance leases (note 12)	-	627
	Amounts due to parent undertaking	54,238	83,293
	Trade creditors	-	24,676
	Other taxes and social security costs	-	13,087
	Other creditors	-	17,626
	Accruals	-	9,360
		54,238	385,136
11	LOANC		
11.	LOANS	1996	1995
		£	£
	Wholly repayable within five years	_	311,467
	Less: amounts due within one year	-	(236,467)
	Instalments due offer more than one year		75,000
	Instalments due after more than one year		
	Amounts falling due:		
	In one year or less on demand	-	236,467
	Between one and two years	-	25,000
	Between two and five years	-	50,000
		-	311,467
12.	OBLIGATIONS UNDER FINANCE LEASES AND HIRE PURCHASE C	ONTRACTS	
	The maturity of these amounts is as follows:		
		1996	1995
		£	£
	Amounts payable:		
	within one year	-	722
	within two to five years		2,400
		-	3,122
	Less: finance charges allocated to future periods	-	(372)
			2,750
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	Finance leases and hire purchase contracts are analysed as follows:		
	Current obligations	-	627
	Non-current obligations	-	2,123
			2.750
		-	2,750
			

13. RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

	Share	Capital	Profit and	
	capital	contribution	loss account	Total
	£	£	£	£
At 1 January 1995	325,000	200,000	(412,478)	112,522
Loss for the year	-	-	(120,330)	(120,330)
At 1 January 1996	325,000	200,000	(532,808)	(7,808)
Loss for the year	-	-	(46,430)	(46,430)
At 31 December 1996	325,000	20,000	(579,238)	(54,238)

The capital contribution represents funding to the business by the shareholders for which share capital was not issued. The capital contribution is not distributable.

14. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Collag Limited (formerly Collag Manufacturing Limited). The smallest and largest parent undertaking for which group accounts are prepared is Collag Limited (formerly Collag Manufacturing Limited), a company registered in England and Wales.