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The Insolvency Act 1986

Administrator's progress report

Name of Company A1 Grand Pnx Operations Limited
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Company number 03915200

In the High Court of Justice <small>(full name of court)</small>
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Court case number 14056 of 2009

(a) Insert full name(s) and address(es) of administrator(s)

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administrator(s) of the above company attach a progress report for the period

(b) Insert date

From (b) 06 October 2010

To (b) 05 April 2011

Signed

[Signature]
 Joint Administrator(s)

Dated

06 April 2011

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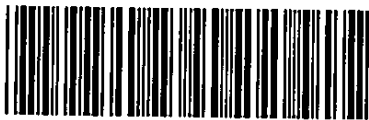
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**A1 Grand Prix Operations Limited
(in Administration)**

**Administrator's Progress
Report to Creditors
for the period ending 05 April 2011**

**In the High Court of Justice
No. 14068 of 2009**

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1. Statutory Information

Registered Office: Griffins
Tavistock House South
Tavistock Square
London
WC1H 9LG

Company Number 03915200

Administrator Mr T J Bramston

Date of Appointment 06 October 2009

2. Introduction

Further to my appointment as Administrator upon the making of my application whilst *in office as Liquidator in the same matter* under the provision of Paragraph 38 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986, this is my progress report pursuant to Rule 2.47 of the Insolvency Rules 1986

This report provides an update on the progress of the Administration and should be read in conjunction with my previous reports

3. Receipts and Payments Accounts

The Receipts and Payments account for the period 06 October 2010 to 05 April 2011 is at Appendix A to this report

4. Realisation of Assets

I can advise that since my last report, I have sold the Lola related Spares realising £25,000 00

I have also sold the office furniture previously stored at the Company's former trading address being 1 Cavendish Place, London W1G 0QF which realised £10,500

In relation to the Ferrari related cars and supporting equipment, my agents are actively negotiating the final terms for the sale of these assets. However, due to the complex nature of these negotiations and associated matters, the process has taken longer than expected

These assets are material in nature and their sale is crucial for there to be sufficient funds to enable me to pay outstanding disbursements for the Administration and the preceding Liquidation process

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In the absence of this sale being concluded, the alternative option would have to be a sale by auction which shall of course be considered should all other options be exhausted. However, I have been advised by my agents that the net realisable value of the assets would be significantly less than a sale as a whole.

5. Creditors

The total of creditors' claims to date is £101,865,299.93

Unfortunately, due to the current offers being proposed, it is unlikely that there will be sufficient funds to allow for a distribution to unsecured creditors. I have advised creditors of the position in my last progress report issued on 06 October 2010.

6. Office Holder's Remuneration and Expenses

As previously advised, a Creditors' Committee was appointed on 30 October 2010 and they approved my remuneration during my time as Liquidator in reference to time properly given by myself and my staff in attending to matters arising in the winding up.

For my time in office as Administrator, the Creditors' Committee authorised me to draw my remuneration in reference to time properly given by myself and my staff in attending to the matters arising in the Administration up to £100,000.00 without further approval.

For my time in office as Liquidator the time recorded by myself and my staff totals £105,092.08, which represents 428.67 hours at an average charge out rate of £245.16 per hour.

For my current appointment as Administrator the time recorded by myself and my staff totals £253,167.91, which represents 939.48 hours at an average charge out rate of £269.48 per hour.

The Time Costs Analysis is at Appendix B and this provides details of the activity costs, incurred by staff grade to date, together with details of current charge out rates for both my appointment as Liquidator and subsequently Administrator.

Since my last report, I can confirm that there has been a considerable effort in trying to secure a sale of the Company's assets, which has involved a lot of negotiations with appointed agents and third parties. Several meetings have also been necessary to agree required strategy and overall consensus with the current purported lien holders and a great deal of creditor and media interest. This is reflected in the time cost records since my last report.

I can advise that I have not drawn any fees for either appointment due to there being insufficient funds and all disbursements to date have been borne by Griffins or paid to our agents from the sale of the office furniture and Lola parts as a gesture for their

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ongoing financial commitment to maintain the storage of the assets and bearing all other costs involved with the realisation of assets. I have been advised that these costs currently stand at circa £100,000

7. Administration Extension


Although every effort has been made to attempt to realise the assets as a whole prior to the anniversary of the Administration, due to unforeseen and persistent delays from third parties, I took the decision to extend the Administration by a further 6 months ending on 06 October 2011 by making an application to Court. The application was made on 07 March 2011 and was granted on 15 March 2011. I have attached a Notice of Extension of the Administration for your reference which can be found at Appendix C to this report.

The decision was reached on the grounds that due to current ongoing negotiations with the potential purchasers, to allow the Administration to lapse and revert back to Liquidation could prejudice the position and affect the sale process.

8. Other matters

I will report again following the next six months of the Administration or sooner if the Administration is complete.

Yours faithfully



TJ Bramston
Administrator

06 April 2011

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Appendix A

**A1 Grand Prix Operations Limited
(in Administration)**

Receipts and Payments Account for the period
06 October 2010 to 05 April 2011

Pursuant to paragraph 69 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986, the Administrator acts as an agent of the Company and without personal liability



**A1 Grand Prix Operations Limited
(In Administration)
Administrator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs	From 06/10/2010 To 05/04/2011	From 06/10/2009 To 05/04/2011
COSTS OF REALISATION		
Postage & Stationery	NIL	4 95
	NIL	(4 95)
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Uncertain Flight Palletts	NIL	NIL
Uncertain Flight Cases & Garrage Cabinets	NIL	NIL
Uncertain 25 Motor Racing Vehicles	NIL	NIL
Uncertain 7 Ferrari Engines	NIL	NIL
Uncertain Jigs & Chassis Moulds	NIL	NIL
Other Assets	NIL	355 00
13,387 63 Handover from Liquidator	NIL	13,387 63
Lola Spares	NIL	50,000 00
Uncertain Ferrari 599 & Maserati Quadroporte	NIL	NIL
Uncertain Wind Tunnel Model	NIL	NIL
Bank Interest Gross	1 58	2 20
Office Furniture	10,500 00	10,500 00
	<u>10,501 58</u>	<u>74,244 83</u>
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Specific Bond	NIL	1,704 00
Sundry Expenses	NIL	199 80
Agents/Valuers Fees (1)	10 45	8,531 85
Agents Disbursements	10,500 00	60,855 00
Legal Fees (1)	6,000 00	12,415 16
Corporation Tax	(0 03)	0 05
Stationery & Postage	279 80	900 55
Courier	NIL	14 40
Statutory Advertising	NIL	450 03
Registration of Hazardous Waste	NIL	30 00
Bank Charges	NIL	23 00
	<u>(16,790 22)</u>	<u>(85,123 84)</u>
<u>13,387.63</u>	<u>(6,288.64)</u>	<u>(10,883.96)</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
VAT Receivable		5,096 11
Bank 1 - Current		2,109 03
No 2 Account		(12,982 95)
Office		(16 21)
VAT Payable		(6,274 63)
Vat Control Account		1,184 69
		<u>(10,883 96)</u>

Timothy Bramston
Administrator

Appendix B

A1 Grand Prix Operations Limited (in Administration)

Time Analysis for the period as Liquidator from 21 July 2009 to 05 October 2009 and for the Period as Administrator from 06 October 2009 to 05 April 2011 together with details of charge out rates provided in accordance with the Statement of Insolvency Practice (SIP) 9

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SIP 9 - Time & Cost Summary

Period 06/10/09 05/04/11

Time Summary

Classification of work function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average hourly rate (£)
	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff				
Administration & Planning	125 33	8 95	0 83	222 67	357 78	108,300 00	302 70	
Investigations	10 00	0 92	4 92	0 92	16 75	5,975 00	356 72	
Realisations of Assets	1 08	12 67	0 00	176 75	190 50	44,322 50	232 66	
Trading	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	0 00	
Creditors	1 42	4 20	0 00	169 67	175 28	38 712 92	220 86	
Legal & Litigation	49 67	0 17	0 00	149 33	199 17	55 857 50	280 46	
Total Hours	187 50	26 90	5 75	719 33	939 48	253,167 91	269 48	
Total Fees Claimed						0 00		

GRIFFINS POLICY ON CHARGEOUT RATES AND DISBURSEMENTS

SCHEDULE OF STANDARD CHARGEOUT RATES IN RESPECT OF GRIFFINS PARTNERS AND STAFF AS AT 1 OCTOBER 2010.

In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 "Remuneration of Insolvency Office Holders" the following hourly charge-out rates will be applied when fixing the Officeholders Remuneration

Grade of staff	Hourly Rate
Partners	£495
Managers	£300 - £350
Senior Investigators	£300 - £350
Administrators/Investigators	£180 - £280
Junior Administrators/Junior Investigators	£140 - £190
Support Staff	£70 - £170

The above rates are reviewed annually on 1 October

It is not our policy to charge for support staff (secretarial, filing, reception) unless such staff are working on an individual matter for more than 7 hours in which case the rate for an Administrator may be applied

DISBURSEMENTS

This note applies where a licensed insolvency practitioner in the firm is acting as an office holder of an insolvent estate and seeks creditor approval to make a separate charge by way of expenses or disbursements to recover the cost of facilities provided by the firm. Best practice guidance¹ requires that such charges should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving his remuneration, together with an explanation of how those charges are made up and the basis on which they are arrived at

DEFINITIONS

Practice guidance¹ classifies expenses into two broad categories

- *Category 1 expenses (approval not required)* – specific expenditure that is directly related to a particular insolvency case, where the cost of the expense incurred is referable against an independent external suppliers' invoice or published tariff of charges,
- *Category 2 expenses* Griffins' policy is not to charge for Category 2 disbursements

CHARGING POLICY

- *Category 1 expenses (approval not required)* – all such items are re-charged to the case as they are incurred

¹ Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (England and Wales)

Appendix C

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Notice of Extension of Administration

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