



**T.O. MILLS & SON LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
("Company")**

Company number: 373910

New Zealand Business Number: 9429039510129

Liquidators' Final Report to Creditors and Shareholders

1. Introduction

Iain Bruce Shephard and Jessica Jane Kellow, Licensed Insolvency Practitioners of BDO Wellington, (Registration Numbers: IP71 and IP75 respectively) were appointed joint and several liquidators (“Liquidators”) of T.O. Mills & Son Limited (“Company”) on 12 October 2020 at 3:20pm by special resolution of the shareholders in accordance with section 241(2)(a) of the Companies Act 1993 (“the Act”).

In addition to our statutory obligations, we are also bound by the RITANZ Code of Professional Conduct (“Code”) when carrying out all professional work relating to our appointment as Liquidators.

In accordance with sections 257(1)(a)(i) and 257(1)(c) of the Act we are obliged to report to all creditors, shareholders, and the Registrar that the liquidation has been completed. This report should be read in conjunction with our previous reports pursuant to section 255(2)(d) of the Act.

2. Restrictions

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We do not assume any responsibility or liability for any losses occasioned to any party as a result of the circulation, publication, reproduction or use of this report contrary to the provisions of this paragraph.

We reserve the right (but will be under no obligation) to review this report and if we consider it necessary to revise the report in the light of any information existing at the date of this report which becomes known to us after that date.

3. Background

The Company was incorporated in 1987 and traded a construction business in the wider Wellington region.

We understand that the Company ceased trading in late 2015 and that the shareholders sought the removal of the Company from the Register of Companies. An objection was raised to the Company’s removal and an application for an order under section 323(2) of the Act (preventing the Company’s removal) was made in January 2017. An order to this effect was subsequently made in February 2018.

The party who objected to the Company’s removal applied to the Disputes Tribunal seeking a remedy under the Consumer Guarantees Act 1993. In September 2020, the Tribunal ordered that the Company was liable to pay \$17,311.41 to the applicant.

The shareholders of the Company sought advice and resolved to place the Company into liquidation.

4. Liquidators' Actions

The Liquidators have liaised with parties including Inland Revenue, the Companies Office, the New Zealand Gazette and the Accident Compensation Corporation, and completed a review of all information received.

The Liquidators advertised their appointment in the relevant publications and made a call for creditor claims. The Liquidators also directly contacted all known creditors and answered any queries they may have had. The Liquidators subsequently reviewed all completed creditor claim forms received.

The Liquidators reviewed the actions of the director with consideration as to whether there were any potential breaches of appropriate sections of the Companies Act 1993. The Liquidators' investigations included interviewing the director, examining the Company's financial statements and considering the Company's bank transactions. As the Company ceased trading in 2015, any potential voidable transactions that had taken place were outside statutory timeframes and no recovery actions could take place. The Liquidators met with the petitioning creditor to discuss the difficulties with any recoveries.

The liquidation was completed at the date and time that this report was filed with the Registrar.

4.1. Schedule of Receipts and Payments

No funds have been remitted in the liquidation and as such no statement of receipts and payments has been prepared.

4.2. Asset Realisations

The Company had no assets at the appointment of Liquidators.

4.3. Creditor Claims

Unsecured Creditors

The Liquidators received three unsecured claims valued at \$32,207.85.

4.4. Other Matters

The preferential and unsecured creditors' claims were unable to be satisfied in full due to a shortfall in the realisation of the Company's assets.

The final remaining balance owed to creditors that filed a claim is outlined below:

Unsecured creditors - \$32,207.85

5. Liquidators' Statement

All known assets have been disclaimed, or realised, or distributed without realisation.

All proceeds of realisation have been distributed.

The Company is ready to be removed from the New Zealand Register of Companies.

For the purposes of regulation 9(g) of the Companies (Reporting by Insolvency Practitioners) Regulations 2020, the liquidation of the Company is completed at the date and time the notice is provided to the Registrar of Companies.

6. Removal from New Zealand Register of Companies

As Liquidators, we are obliged to give public notice of the intention to have the Company removed from the Register of Companies. A copy of our notice is attached as **Appendix 1**.

The attention of all creditors and shareholders is drawn to section 321 of the Act which provides that, where public notice is given of an intention to remove a company from the Register, any person may send or deliver to the Registrar, not later than the date specified in the notice, an objection to the removal on any one or more of the following grounds:

- (a) That the company is still carrying on business or there is other reason for it to continue in existence;
- or

- (b) That the company is party to legal proceedings; or
- (c) That the company is in Receivership, or Liquidation, or both; or
- (d) That the person is a creditor, or a shareholder, or a person who has an undischarged claim against the company; or
- (e) That the person believes that there exists, and intends to pursue, a right of action on behalf of the company under Part IX of this Act; or
- (f) That for any other reason, it would not be just and equitable to remove the company from the New Zealand register.

Creditors and shareholders should be aware of section 321(2)(b)(ii) of the Act which provides that a claim by a shareholder or any other person against a company is not an “undischarged claim” if a receiver or liquidator has notified the shareholder or that person that the company has no surplus assets.

7. Contact information

If you require any further information, please direct enquiries to:

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Dated this 3rd day of December 2021



IAIN SHEPHARD
Liquidator

Appendices

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Notice of Intention to Remove Company from Register
(Pursuant to Section 320 of the Companies Act 1993)

We, Iain Shephard and Jessica Kellow, joint and several liquidators of the Company whose registered office is situated at:

BDO Wellington
PO Box 10340
Level 1, Chartered Accountants House,
50 Customhouse Quay,
Wellington 6143

Hereby give notice that pursuant to section 318(1)(e) of the Companies Act 1993, and having filed with the Registrar our final report on the liquidation, it is intended to remove the Company from the New Zealand register.

Any objection to the removal pursuant to section 321 of the Companies Act 1993 must be delivered to the Registrar no later than 31 March 2022.

DATED this 22nd Day of February 2022.



IAIN SHEPHARD
Liquidator