

# EXFTX LIMITED (IN RECEIVERSHIP & IN LIQUIDATION) ("Feltex")

(This company was called Feltex Carpets Limited until 1 December 2006)

## LIQUIDATORS EIGHTH REPORT

Pursuant to Section 255(2)(d) of the Companies Act 1993

# For the Period from 13 December 2009 to 12 June 2010

# 1. PROGRESS OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LIQUIDATION

The liquidators report herewith on the progress made in the liquidation of EXFTX Limited (In Receivership & In Liquidation).

This eighth report to creditors follows the seventh and earlier reports and should be read in conjunction with previous reports.

#### 2. REALISATION OF COMPANY ASSETS

The Receivers sold all of the business and assets of Feltex to Godfrey Hirst. Settlement of the sale to Godfrey Hirst took place on 30 November 2006.

#### 3. CREDITORS CLAIMS

There are no changes to report under this section. Refer to section 4, Investigations and Legal Issues for an update on the liquidation.

# 3.1 Secured Creditors

The Feltex Group of companies were served with demands from Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited and ANZ National Bank Limited dated 20 September 2006, for A\$119.5 million. Interest and charges have continued to accrue since that date.

The receivers advise that in the period up to 21 September 2009 the following repayments have been made to the ANZ bank.

A\$

By the New Zealand receivers By the Australian receivers \$49.2 million \$57.3 million

Total

A\$106.5 million

As at 21 September 2009 the receivers hold NZ\$438,727.



The receivers' last report advises that they intend to make a final repayment of surplus funds since they have resolved an issue with the landlord – a claim which has been refuted by the receivers. The shortfall due to the General Security Agreement holder as at 21 September 2009 (according to the receivers' reports), was A\$13 million, plus accrued interest since the date of appointment.

It seems likely that the New Zealand receivers will soon retire with only two outstanding matters, being a landlord claim which has been refuted and the final distribution to the secured creditor.

We do not expect there to be any surplus funds, following the conclusion of the receivership, being available to the liquidators.

## 3.2 Unsecured Creditors

As at the date of preparing this report 611 unsecured creditors claims have been received which total \$19,174,164, and 146 Shareholders claims have been received totalling \$19,168,173.

#### 3.3 Shareholders

Many Shareholders have lodged claims as unsecured creditors. Further detailed information has been sought from these shareholder claimants. A letter requesting further information is posted on our website <a href="www.mvp.co.nz">www.mvp.co.nz</a> (look immediately below our logo on the right of the home page).

The Liquidators have assessed that shareholder claims against Feltex for breaches of the Securities Market Act continuous disclosure provisions, amounting to \$9m approx, qualify as claims. Formal communications will be sent in due course. The liquidators have the power to review and amend their decisions however and the outcome of the case against the directors may impact on that.

The liquidators have not made any decisions on Shareholder claims arising from the IPO.

## 4. INVESTIGATIONS AND LEGAL ISSUES

The liquidators have filed the claim against directors. The statement of claim was filed in the Court in Auckland on 1 April 2009 against the following five directors:-

Peter Hunter – ex director executive Peter Thomas – former chairman Tim Saunders Michael Feeney John Hagen

The statement of defence has been received. The pleadings have been amended and may well be again before trial

The liquidators' claim against the directors arises from their failure to act in good faith and in the best interests of Feltex, for reckless trading, and for the failure to comply with continuous disclosure requirements of the Securities Market Act. The claims taken are distinct from claims taken by shareholders relating to the IPO, and distinct from the claim taken by the Registrar of Companies.

The intermediate stages are underway and progress is being made. The trial date is scheduled for May 2011.

Attempts to settle the claim were unsuccessful and the liquidators fully expect that a trial will be required.

#### 5. DIVIDENDS

The receivers have reported that there will be a shortfall out of the physical assets to the debentureholder.

It therefore follows that any return to creditors will only be achieved by successful Court actions taken by the liquidators.

## 6. MATTERS DELAYING COMPLETION OF THE LIQUIDATION

Resolution of the court proceedings will take time.

#### 7. DISCLAIMER

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## 8. WEBSITE www.mvp.co.nz

Creditors are advised that this report and all subsequent reports will be available on the liquidator's website. The liquidators will provide a regular bulletin updating creditors with current progress in actions taken. This bulletin will be lodged on the website to reduce costs. Please send us your email address if you would like further reports sent to you.

# 9. CONCLUSION

Based on the above the liquidators cannot yet estimate an expected date of completion.

Any queries can be directed to Iain McLennan or Peri Finnigan of these offices on 0-9-303 0506 or by visiting our website at www.mvp.co.nz.

Yours faithfully for EXFTX LIMITED

(IN RECEIVERSHIP & IN LIQUIDATION)

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DATED this 324 day of August 2010

Number of Company:

828025

Name of Company:

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Subject:

LIQUIDATOR'S STATEMENT OF REALISATIONS AND

DISTRIBUTIONS FOR PERIOD 13 DECEMBER 2006 TO

12 JUNE 2010

DUE TO REASONS OF COMMERCIAL CONFIDENTIALITY AND BECAUSE THE LIQUIDATORS' PRIMARY ACTIVITY AT PRESENT IS THE LITIGATION AGAINST DIRECTORS WE HAVE ELECTED TO NOT ITEMISE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS AT THIS TIME

Yours faithfully for EXFTX LIMITED (IN RECEIVERSHIP & IN LIQUIDATION)

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Dated this 3/4 day of August 2010