

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation)

McDonald Vague Limited

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Liquidators' Second Report For the period from 9 July 2018 to 8 January 2019 Box 6092, Wellesley Street, Auckland 1141, New Zealand

INTRODUCTION AND APPOINTMENT

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lain McLennan and Colin Sanderson, Insolvency Practitioners of Auckland, were appointed jointly conz and severally as liquidators of T1 Holdings Limited ("the company") on 9 July 2018, by the High Court in Hamilton.

Pursuant to Section 255(2)(d) of the Companies Act 1993 ("the Act"), the liquidators herewith report on the progress of the liquidation. This second report should be read in conjunction with the liquidators' previous report. This report is being sent to all shareholders and all creditors who have filed a claim in the liquidation.

Statements of Realisations and Distributions, in relation to each of the currencies held, are attached.

2 **RESTRICTIONS**

Whilst all care and attention has been taken in compiling this report, we do not accept any liability whatsoever to any party as a result of the circulation, publication, reproduction or use of this report.

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

3 CONDUCT OF THE LIQUIDATION DURING THE PRECEDING SIX MONTHS

The course of events that eventuated in our appointment as liquidators by the High Court was set out in detail in the 1st report.

Total funds recovered, in all currencies, to 8 January 2019 are as follows -

<u>Currency</u>	
USD	475,532
EUR	500,876
GBP	100,500
CAD	11,203
NZD	175,948





Confirmed funds that remain frozen in New Zealand and overseas bank accounts, including the accounts in the name of T1 Operations Pte Ltd (In Liquidation) in Singapore and Retail Guru Limited (In Liquidation) in New Zealand, as at 8 January 2019, are as follows-

Currency	Approx. NZ\$ Value
NZD 30,985	\$ 354,893
USD 971,112	\$1,444,898
SGD 1,000	\$ 1,096
HKD 5,779	\$ 1,097
Total	\$1,801,984

We are continuing in our efforts to recover funds transferred from the company's New Zealand bank accounts to bank accounts around the world, by the director, Richard Whitham.

We have been advised that the New Zealand Police are investigating the actions of Mr Whitham, for theft by person in a special relationship, in respect of some of the unauthorised transfers made whilst he was in New Zealand. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

We are also aware that the Singapore Police arrested Mr Whitham for criminal breach of trust in relation to transfers made from the company's bank accounts when he was in Singapore and placed a freezing order on the company's accounts held there. Mr Whitham was released on bail after his arrest and the investigation is on-going.

Since our appointment the freezing orders that were in place covering the company's accounts, and others, have been varied on the application of Worldclear Limited, to allow the liquidators to recover the amounts held in the accounts in the company's name. Funds have been received from some bank accounts in New Zealand, Belgium and Lithuania.

There are funds still held in the company's name in bank accounts in Singapore. These funds are subject to a Singapore Police freezing order. This matter is proceeding through the Courts in Singapore.

The unauthorised payments referred to in the 1st report included funds being paid to an account in the name of T1 Operations Pte Limited (T1 Ops), a company registered in Singapore. Mr Whitham is the director of that company and the accounts were covered by the freezing orders obtained by Worldclear.

T1 Ops has now been placed into liquidation by order of the High Court in Singapore with liquidators from Acutus Advisory appointed. We have filed a claim in the liquidation of T1 Ops for the sums that were transferred to those accounts.

Included in the unauthorised transactions were payments made to a person living in New Zealand and to Retail Guru Limited, a New Zealand registered company controlled by Mr Whitham.

Following an approach from the liquidators, the New Zealand based person has returned the funds they received.



Retail Guru Limited has now been placed into liquidation by order of the High Court at Hamilton and we have been appointed as the liquidators. A further variation to the freezing orders is being sought to allow us to access the funds still held in Retail Guru's bank accounts.

Included in the unauthorised transactions on 18 May 2018, were payments of EUR50,000 and EUR200,000 from T1 Holdings' account at OCBC, Singapore, to AB Citadele Bankas, in Lithuania. Both payments were made via WB21 UAB (Lithuania). We understand that these transactions are included in the matters being investigated by the Singapore Police and we are seeking the freezing of the funds. WB21 is objecting for reasons we disagree with.

We have initiated legal action in Lithuania to freeze the funds so that they cannot be dissipated and then to recover funds for the benefit of the creditor. Those proceedings are on-going.

Funds were also paid from the OCBC account to entities or individuals in South Africa and America. In both cases application was made to have the accounts frozen and these were granted, however the funds had already been transferred out of the accounts.

Legal proceedings in South Africa has been discontinued because they were not considered cost effective. Further options for recovery of funds transferred to America are still being considered.

4 INVESTIGATIONS

The liquidators are continuing their investigations into the books, records and affairs of the company.

5 CREDITORS' CLAIMS

5.1 Secured Creditors

There have been no secured claims received.

5.2 Preferential Creditors

There have been no preferential claims received.

5.3 Unsecured Creditors

As at the date of preparing this report one unsecured creditor claim form have been received from Worldclear Limited for the sum of \$4,541,858 being the amount ordered in a Judgement obtained by Worldclear against the company.

As recorded in the attached Statements of Realisations and Distributions, dividends have been paid to the unsecured creditor as follows:-

•	New Zealand Dollars	NZ\$91,325
•	US Dollars	USD323,246
•	Canadian dollars	CAD11,203
•	Euros	EUR222,654



Pound Sterling

GBP100,500

6 LIQUIDATORS' FEES

Liquidators' fees in a Court ordered liquidation are to be approved by the Court and if required a retrospective application for fee approval will be made by the liquidators.

Section 284 (1) of the Act provides that an application (with the leave of the Court) may be made by a creditor, shareholder or director of a company in liquidation to review or fix the remuneration of the liquidators. In circumstances where no application has been made to review or fix the liquidators' remuneration the Court will be less inclined to rigorously examine the fees submitted by the liquidators for subsequent approval.

7 FUNDS / LIKELY OUTCOME

It is expected that there will be further distributions to the unsecured creditor.

8 MATTERS DELAYING THE COMPLETION OF THE LIQUIDATION

The following matters are outstanding:

- Recovery of the funds subject to the Police freezing order in Singapore
- Receipt of funds by way of distribution from the liquidation of T1 Operations Pte Ltd in Singapore
- The completion of the liquidation of Retail Guru Limited (In Liquidation)
- Completion of legal proceedings and funds recovery in Lithuania
- Completion of enquiries and, if required, legal actions in America

9 ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION

Based on the information contained in this report the liquidators are unable to estimate when the liquidation will be completed.

10 CONTACT DETAILS

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DATED this day of January 2019

Realisations and Distributions NZD account

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation) 29 May 2018 to 8 January 2019

	16/01/2019
Realisations	
T1 Operations liquidator funding returned	10,502
Bank account closure	165,948
From N Bartrum - Retail Guru	10,000
Transfer from T1 Holdings EUR account	113,157
Transfer from T1 Holdings USD account	119,140
Interest	118
Total Realisations	418,865
Payments	
Liquidators Fees	
Liquidators fees	86,196
Disbursements	754
Total Liquidators Fees	86,950
Other Costs of Liquidation and Trading On	
Legal fees	182,614
Legal fees - Singapore	32,250
Travel expenses	7,119
Resident Withholding tax on interest	33
Bank fees	45
Total Costs of Liquidation and Trading On	222,061
Distributions -	
Dividend to unsecured Creditor	91,325
Total Distributions to Unsecured Creditors	91,325
Total Payments	400,336
BALANCE HELD	18,529

NOTE: ALL AMOUNTS ARE GST INCLUSIVE

Realisations and **Distributions**

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation) - USD Account 9 July 2018 to 8 January 2019

Realisations	Cash Received \$
Bank account closure - New Zealand	225,548
Bank account closure - Lithuania	249,984
Transfer from T1 Holdings EUR account	231,720
Interest	265
Total Realisations	\$ 707,517
Payments	
Costs of Liquidation and Trading On	
Funds to solicitor's trust account for Preservation Orders	252,086
Transfer to NZD account	80,255
Legal costs - Singapore	24,854
Legal Stamp Duty - Lithuania	3,492
Retain to Liquidators of T1 Operations Pte Ltd Singapore	7,253
Bank fees	15
Withholding Tax	74
Total Costs of Liquidation and Trading On	\$ 368,029
Distributions	
Dividend to Unsecured cReditor	323,246
Total Distributions to Creditors	\$ 323,246
Total Payments	\$ 691,275
BALANCE HELD	\$ 16,242

Realisations and Distributions

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation) - Canadian Dollar Account 9 July 2018 to 8 January 2019

Realisations	Cash Received \$	
Bank account closures New Zealand and Belgium		11,203
Total Realisations	\$	11,203
Payments		
Distributions		
Dividend to unsecured creditor		11,203
Total Distributions to Creditors	\$	11,203
Total Payments	\$	11,203
BALANCE HELD	\$	

Realisations and Distributions

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation) - EUR Account 9 July 2018 to 8 January 2019

Realisations	Cash Received \$
Bank account closures New Zealand and Lithuania	500,876
Pre liquidation GST Refund	
Total Realisations	\$ 500,876
Payments	
Costs of Liquidation	
Legal costs - South Africa	12,104
Bank fees	118
Total Costs of Liquidation and Trading On	\$ 12,222
Distributions	
Transfers to T1 Holdings - NZD account	66,000
Transfers to T1 Holdings - USD account	200,000
Dividend to Unsecured Creditor	222,654
Total Distributions to Creditors	\$ 488,654
Total Payments	\$ 500,876
BALANCE HELD	\$ -

Realisations and Distributions

T1 Holdings Limited (In Liquidation) - GBP Account 9 July 2018 to 8 January 2019

Realisations	Cash Received \$	
Bank account closure - New Zealand	100,500	
Total Realisations	\$ 100,500	
Payments		
Distributions		
Dividend to unsecured creditor	100,500	
Total Distributions to Creditors	\$ 100,500	
Total Payments	\$ 100,500	
BALANCE HELD	\$ 	