

# EDEL CONSTRUCTION (PTY) LTD (IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION) REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1998/003605/07 MASTER'S REFERENCE NUMBER: C86/2021

REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS IN TERMS OF SECTION 402 OF THE COMPANIES ACT NO 61 OF 1973 AS AMENDED TO BE SUBMITTED AT A SECOND MEETING OF CREDITORS AND CONTRIBUTORIES TO BE HELD BEFORE THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT, CAPE TOWN ON 25 JUNE 2021 AT 09H00.

# ORDER OF THE COURT AND MEETINGS

Nature of Liquidation	Creditors' voluntary liquidation
Date of registration for resolution	4 February 2021
Date of liquidation	4 February 2021
Provisional appointees	J L Krynauw and W M Magagane
Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of creditors	14 May 2021 - Seventy one claims were admitted for proof
Final appointees	J L Krynauw and W M Magagane
Date of final appointment	14 May 2021

# **GENERAL AND STATUTORY INFORMATION**

#### Registrar of Companies

The Company was duly registered with the Registrar of Companies on 27 February 1998 under their reference number 1998/003605/07.

#### **Registered Address**

The registered address of the company is reflected as 13 Upper Camp Road, Maitland, Western Cape.

# Directors

It appears from our investigations that the following persons served as the directors of the company as at the date of Liquidation:

• Orazio Di Paola (Identity Number: 4906085014185);



- Dino Grasso (Identity Number: 7202125058086);
- Graham Anthony Southgate (Identity Number: 6311305143088) (Deceased);
- Duan Christo Lombard (Identity Number: 7708085064088);

# <u>Auditors</u>

The auditors of the company are True North.

# Business of the Company

The company traded in the construction industry.

## Statement of affairs

We have been provided with a Statement of Affairs as required in terms of Section 363 of the Companies Act No. 61 of 1973 as amended.

## SECTION 402(a)

## Financial Statement Of Assets And Liabilities

According to information available to us the following would appear to represent the financial position of the Company as at the date of liquidation:

ASSETS	Notes			
Encumbered Assets				
- Equipment		R	68 125.00	
- Office furniture and computer equipment	2	R	31 900.00	
Unencumbered Assets				
- Equipment		R	486 400.00	
- Debtors		R	142 879.90	
TOTAL ESTIMATE VALUE OF ASSETS		R	729 304.90	
LIABILITIES				
Secured Creditors				
- Diorco Investments Holdings (Pty) Ltd				R 35 174.75
Preferent Creditors				
- Employees				R 1 792 735.00
- SARS				Unknown
Concurrent Creditors				R25 346 966.00
TOTAL ESTIMATE VALUE OF LIABILITIES				R27 174 875.75



Deficit	R26 445 570.85	
TOTAL	R27 174 875.75	R27 174 875.75

Notes:

- 1 These figures are subject to change and verification.
- 2 Subject to landlord's lien in favour of Diorco Investments Holdings (Pty) Ltd.

# COMMENTS ON THE LIABILITIES

The liabilities relate to monies owing to Diorco Investments Holdings (Pty) Ltd in respect of a landlord's lien.

The extent of monies owing to the South African Revenue Services is unknown at this stage as we have not as yet received details of their claim. (preferent creditor)

The balance of the liabilities relates to monies owing to trade creditors in respect of services rendered, guarantees, loans and bank overdraft (concurrent creditors).

## SECTION 402(b)

# Causes Of The Company's Failure

According to the company's directors the company's failure is due to the following:

Edel Construction experienced challenges with regards to execution, production and disruptions on a number of our projects being undertaken. This was further exacerbated by the effects of Covid on operations, and the resultant general business environment post the level 1&2 lockdown restrictions.

This resulted in cost and time (penalties being applied by clients) overruns which depleted our reserves and banking facilities to the extent that the company's liabilities exceeded it's assets and this resulted in the decision to apply for the liquidation.

#### SECTION 402(c)

#### Report Under Section 400(2)

At this stage we do not have anything to report under this heading, however, should any contraventions come to our attention, a report will be submitted to the Master of the High Court in regard to such contraventions.



## SECTION 402(d)

# Personal Liabilities Of Directors Or Officers

At this stage we are unable to comment on whether the former directors or officer of the company can be held personally liable for the debts of the company. A report will be submitted, should it become necessary. Investigations into the conduct of the company's affairs will however continue.

# SECTION 402(e)

#### Legal Proceedings

As far as we are aware there are no legal proceedings pending by or against the Company, except for normal debt collection.

## SECTION 402(f)

#### Further Enquiry

Based on the information available to us at this stage, it appears that an enquiry with regard to the formation and failure of the company in terms of the provisions of the Act might be necessary. Investigations are on-going with regard to the failure of the company and the conduct of its business.

#### SECTION 402(g)

#### Books And Records

The undersigned are not yet in possession of all the books and records of the Company and are therefore unable to state with any certainty whether the provisions of Section 284 of the Act have been complied with.

#### SECTION 402(h)

#### Estimate Dividend

Although there would not appear to be a danger of a contribution in this matter it would appear that dividends will only accrue to the secured and preferent creditors.

#### SECTION 402(i)

# Matters Requiring Further Directions Of Creditors And Contributories

Such directions as we desire, and sanction of the actions taken by the Provisional Liquidators and Liquidators to date, are contained in the Resolutions to be submitted for consideration and adoption, are attached hereto. It should be borne in mind that we have already obtained certain powers pursuant to a Court application.



# DATED AT STELLENBOSCH ON THIS <u>4th</u> DAY OF JUNE 2021

J Ĺ KRYNAUW

JOINT LIQUIDATOR

DATED AT

ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JUNE 2021.

W M MAGAGANE JOINT LIQUIDATOR



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RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED AND ADOPTED AT THE SECOND MEETING OF CREDITORS HELD BEFORE THE MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT, CAPE TOWN ON 25 JUNE 2021 AT 09H00.

#### RESOLVED THAT:

- 1 The report of Liquidator or Joint Liquidators, as the case may be, hereinafter referred to as (the Liquidator"), as submitted be received and adopted and all his actions referred to therein be and are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.
- 2 All actions of whatsoever nature hereto before taken by the Provisional Liquidator and/or Liquidator be and are hereby confirmed, ratified and approved.
- 3 The Liquidator be granted the authority and is vested with all the powers mentioned in Section 386(4)(a) (i) of the Companies Act No 61 of 1973, as amended, such powers to be exercised at his sole and absolute discretion.
- 4 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised in his sole and absolute discretion to:
- 4.1 Take legal advice on any question of law affecting the administration and distribution of the company;
- 4.2 Institute or defend on behalf of the company any action or other legal proceedings of a civil nature for the recovery of monies due to the company or otherwise and subject to the provisions of any law relating to criminal procedure, institute any criminal proceedings;
- 4.3 Hold any enquiry into the affairs of the company and/or any matter relating thereto;
- 4.4 Investigate and institute legal proceedings for the recovery of any voidable or undue preferences, voidable dispositions of property or any other impeachable transactions of whatsoever nature and to abandon same at any time;
- 4.5 Write up the books of the company as may be required, and if necessary, to produce a balance sheet, audited or not, as at the date of liquidation, either for the purpose of investigating the affairs of the company, establishing the claims of creditors, or any other purpose.
- 5 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised in his sole and absolute discretion to employ and engage the services of attorneys and/or counsel (senior and/or junior) and/or accountants and/or bookkeepers and/or any employee of the insolvent and/or recording agents and/or any other person who in the sole discretion of the Liquidator may be of assistance in the winding-up of the company in relation to any matter referred to in 4 above and further to pay all the costs thereof of whatsoever nature out of the estate as costs incurred in the liquidation.
  - 6 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to collection any debts due to the company and for the purpose thereof to sell or compound or compromise any of these debts for such sum and upon such terms and conditions as he in his sole discretion may deem fit, and to accept any part of the debt in settlement thereof, and to grant an extension of time for the payment of any such debt, and to abandon any debt which he in his sole discretion may deem to be irrecoverable.
  - 7 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to dispose of any movable and immovable property of the company, whether in his possession or under his control now or to come into his possession or under his control in the future by public auction, private treaty or



public tender upon such terms and conditions as he in his sole and absolute discretion shall determine and to abandon any such assets for which he can find no purchaser or abandon them to a secured creditor at the value placed thereon by such creditor or at such value as is agreed upon by the Liquidator and the creditor if such creditor's claim is secured by such assets and to sign all such documents as may be necessary to give effect to such disposition.

- 8 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised and empowered in his sole discretion to compromise and admit any claim against the company of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising and whether disputed or not and whether actual, contingent, prospective, conditional, unconditional, assessed, unassessed, liquidated or unliquidated as a liquidated claim in terms of Section 78(3) of the Insolvency Act No 24 of 1936 as amended, read with Section 339 of the Companies Act No 61 of 1973, as amended, at such amount as may be agreed upon by the Liquidator, provided that proof thereof has been tendered at a meeting of creditors.
- 9 That the payment of reasonable expenses incurred by the Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and /or Trustee / Joint Trustee for his / their employee's transportation and accommodation in carrying out any statutory duty or in the performance of his / their duty as Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustee be paid as administration costs additional to the Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustee remuneration, immediately or as soon as the estate receives sufficient funds to meet such expenses. Such expenses include all reasonable hotel accommodation, necessary air travel, car rental and fuel calculated in accordance with AA-Tariffs.
- 10 That the payment of reasonable expenses incurred by the Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustee in carrying out any statutory duty in or in the performance of his/their duty as Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustee, be paid as administration costs additional to the Liquidator / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustee's remuneration. Such expenses include the expenses incurred for countrywide deeds office searches. Credit inform enquiries, ITC Enquiries, Deed Search Enquiries, obtaining copies of the Title Deeds, Bond documents, Court Orders and any other documents required, postages and petties and attendance at the Registrar of Deeds for the noting of Court Orders and attendance of any creditor meeting.
- 11 The Liquidators / Joint Liquidator and/or Trustee / Joint Trustees are/is hereby authorizes to charge as an administration expense against the estate, the costs of circularizing creditors, which include but not necessarily be limited to:
  - The provisional and interim circular to creditors:
  - Application for extensions and;
  - Progress reports.

In each case the actual expenditure relating to the postage and photocopying of documents for the circular. Such expenses of obtaining photocopies shall include the costs of photocopying bundles for the purpose of creditors reports, circulars and in particular interrogations, which costs shall also include the costs of plastic binding covers and metal binders. The production of a certificate of the Provisional Liquidator / Liquidator / Trustee of such expenditure will be accepted by the creditors and will be sufficient proof of the disbursements.

12 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to make application for the destruction of books and records of the estate six months after the confirmation of the Final Liquidation and Distribution Account.



- 13 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to perform any act or exercise any power for which he is not expressly required by the Companies Act No 61 of 1973, as amended, to obtain the leave of the Court.
- 14 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to submit to the determination of arbitrators any dispute concerning the company or any claim or demand by or upon the company.
- 15 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to carry on or discontinue any part of the business of the company insofar as may be necessary for the beneficial winding-up thereof.
- 16 The Liquidator be and is hereby authorised to exercise *mutatis mutandis* the powers conferred upon a Liquidator by Section 35 (uncompleted acquisition of immovable property before liquidation) and 37 (effect of liquidation upon a lease) of the Insolvency Act No 24 of 1936, as amended, read with Section 339 of the Companies Act No 61 of 1973, as amended.
- 17 The creditors hereby consent to the Liquidators' remuneration ("the remuneration") being taxed by The Master of High Court in terms of Section 384 of the Act at the higher figure of:
- 17.1 the prescribed tariff as is contained in Annexure CM 104 to the Winding up Regulations to the Act;
- 17.2 the increased amount of work done by the Liquidators in terms of the actual time spent by their staff in the discharge of their duties in the winding-up as is reflected on properly kept timesheets at the charge out tariff of the respective professional and administrative staff and which will be deemed to be good cause for the increase of such remuneration.
- 18 The remuneration referred to in 17 above may further be increased based on aspects such as:
- 18.1 the complexity of the estate in question;
- 18.2 the degree of difficulty encountered by the Liquidators in the administration of the estate, and
- 18.3 particular difficulties experienced by the Liquidators because of the nature of the assets or some other similar feature connected with the winding-up.
- 19 The further administration of the affairs of the company be left entirely in the hands and at the discretion of the Joint Liquidators.
- 20 That costs of attendance of creditors meetings be costs in the estate.
- 21 That the costs of courier services for purposes of creditors meetings be costs in the estate.

q.q. CREDITORS

THE PRESIDING OFFICER