## BERGER PAINTS JAMAICA LIMITED 1997

## Profit and Loss Account

Year Ended December 31, 1997

	Notes	1997 \$'000	1996 \$ <b>'</b> 000
TURNOVER		614,145	595,370
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	12,13	62,454	64,343
Taxation	14	18,400	16,679
NET PROFIT		44,054	47,664
Balance, January 1		74,851	80,056
		118,905	127,720
Transfer from capital reserve	11	<u>6,832</u> 125,737	 127,720
Appropriations:			
Bonus issue of shares		-	25,380

Proposed dividends - Gross	15	(24,701)	(27,489)
BALANCE, DECEMBER 31		101,036	74,851
Earnings per stock unit of 50c	16	41¢	44¢

The notes on Statement V form an integral part of the financial statements.