

BATHGATE OIL COMPANY LTD

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- Registration Date: 29th October 1883
- Registered Office: 9 North St. David Street, Edinburgh, on 21st November, 1883.
- Directors: Alex Wood Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.S.E., Strathearn Place, Edinburgh
James Pender Esq., Rushmore, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire
James S. Warden Esq., of J.S. Warden, Oil Merchants, Leith
W. Hamilton Beattie Esq., Architect, 68 George Street, Edinburgh
E. Horne Craigie Esq., of Messrs. Gallie, Laird & Co., Iron Merchants, Edinburgh
- Objects: To carry on the business of manufacturers of mineral oils and products thereof and trading therein.
- To carry on the business of mining in Scotland and of trading in minerals.
- To acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise and to work seams of shale, coal, ironstone, and other minerals and to dispose thereof.
- To purchase or acquire leases of shale and other minerals in the Lands of Blackburn and Seafield, and also the subjects known as the Seafield Patent Fuel Works all in the County of Linlithgow, and also the railway and all plant and machinery in connection with said works, and to work the minerals let under said leases and to alter, convert, or reconstruct the said works and carry on the same as an Oil Work.
- To purchase or acquire the Lands and Estate of Redhouse, in the County of Linlithgow, with the whole farm and other buildings of every description upon the said lands and estate, and to work minerals in the estate and to dispose thereof.
- To adopt and carry out an Agreement dated the eighteenth day of October 1883, between William Albert Davis, Accountant in Edinburgh, on the one part, and David Nicolson Cotton, Chartered Accountant, in Edinburgh, on behalf of the Company, on the other part, relative to the purchase by the Company, of the Lands and Estate of Redhouse, and of leases or rights to leases of shale and coal in the Lands of Blackburn and Seafield or in parts of these lands or others and the works and plant at Seafield aforesaid, and the leasehold rights connected therewith.
- To acquire and hold lands and heritages, and rights in lands and heritages, to borrow money, to grant leases, to acquire or erect houses, buildings, works and machinery, to construct or acquire or lease roads and railways and to do all other things that are conducive to attaining the objects of the Company, or which may be or become expedient for profitably using any property work or subject which may belong to the Company.
- To purchase the goodwill, or any interest in any trade or business, which the Company is authorised to carry on to sell the business of the Company, or any part thereof, or any property of the Company, whether part of its original undertaking or not.
- To purchase or acquire the undertaking of any Company having objects similar to those of the Company or to amalgamate with any such Company and for the purpose of such amalgamation to transfer the undertaking of this Company to the Company or Companies with which it is being

amalgamated or to accept the transfer to this Company of the undertaking of any such Company.

Winding Up:

At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Bathgate Oil Company Ltd. held in No.18. George Street, Edinburgh on the 29th day of October 1885, at twelve noon, W. Hamilton Beattie Esq., in the Chair.

The following Resolution was moved by the Chairman "Whereas it has been proved to the satisfaction of the Company, cannot by reason of its liabilities, continue in business, and it is advisable to wind up the same" – Resolved.

"That the Company be wound up and wound up voluntarily".

Mr. David Nicolson Cotton, C.A. Edinburgh and Mr. William Veitch Turnbull of Blackburn House, Bathgate be appointed Liquidators.

Company wound up on the 1st of June 1896 and Return of Final Winding Up Meeting held at 9 North St. David Street. Edinburgh, on 4th June 1896.

FOOTNOTES

IN THE COURT OF SESSION

Note: In a note to the Right Honourable the Lords of Council and Session (Mr. Melville, Clerk) for the liquidators of the Bathgate Oil Company Limited, for the power inter alia to sell the Oilworks etc. of the said Company on the Estate of Seafield, in whole or in part.....

(Usual Court pronouncements to advertise in Edinburgh Gazette, Scotsman, Glasgow Herald for creditors to come forward).

NOTICE

In a Note to the Second Division of the Court of Session for the Liquidator of the Bathgate Oil Company Limited, their Lordships, by their Interlocutor of 2nd June 1886, made inter alia the following Order - "Fix Friday the 16th day of July next, as the day on or before which the Creditors of the Company are to prove their debts or claims, or to be excluded from the benefit of any distribution there before such debts are proved, and appoint this Order to that effect to be intimated by advertisement twice in the Edinburgh Gazette and in the Times, The Scotsman and Glasgow Herald newspapers, of all which, advertisement is hereby made ". J. Knox Crawford SSC, Petitioners Agent.

(Source: The Scotsman, 2nd June 1886)

The Court today settled the list of contributories, and discerned against them for payment of the amount due, with the exception of two, one of which had already been paid. Their Lordships also granted authority to the Liquidator to dispose of at an early date the oil works by public sale, at a price sufficient to cover the heritable bonds, and gave him power to appoint a law agent.

9th June 1886

OIL WORKS FOR SALE

There will be exposed for sale by Public Roup (unless disposed of previously by Private Bargain) within Dowell's Rooms, 13 George Street, Edinburgh, on Wednesday 14th July at one o'clock in the afternoon.

The valuable oilworks belonging to the Bathgate Oil Company Limited, in liquidation, on the Estate of Seafield, near Bathgate, comprising Bench of Couper-Rae Retorts and Condensers, Ammonia House, and Plant, Crude Stock Tanks, Engines and Engine Houses, Workshops and Offices, together with complete working plant and utensils, connected therewith and with the shale mines on the Estate. Railway connection with the Bathgate Branch of the North British Railway Company.

For further particulars Apply to D.N. Cotton, C.A., St. David Street, to J. Knox Crawford, S.S.C. 1,0 George Street, Edinburgh, to W.V. Turnbull, Blackburn House, near Bathgate, who will show the Works to intended offerers.

(Source: The Scotsman, 3rd July 1886)