

ECE 472F Problem Set #2 Solutions  
Fall, 2015

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Computer One  
Balance Sheet  
January 1, 2013  
(\$Thousands)

Current assets			Current liabilities		
Cash	126		Bank loan	25	
Prepaid rent	14		Accounts payable	<u>50</u>	
Inventory	<u>150</u>		Total current liabilities		75
Total current assets		290			
			Long-term liabilities		
Fixed assets			Bank loan	<u>25</u>	
Equipment	<u>60</u>		Total long-term liabilities		<u>25</u>
Total fixed assets		<u>60</u>	Total liabilities		100
			Owners' equity		<u>250</u>
Total assets		<u><u>350</u></u>	Total liabilities and owners' equity		<u><u>350</u></u>

NB. The cash account can be calculated as follows:

Equity	250
Bank loan	50
Prepaid rent	-14
Equipment	-60
Inventory (2/3 of purchases)	<u>-100</u>
Cash account balance	<u><u>126</u></u>

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Computer One  
Income Statement  
Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2013  
(\$Thousands)

Sales	1500
Less cost of goods sold	
Materials	975
Labour	55
Warranty	45
	<u>1075</u>
Gross Profit	425
Less other expenses	
Sales salaries	70
Advertising	45
Rent	42
Depreciation	15

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Utilities	12	
Interest	4	<u>188</u>
Net profit		<u><u>237</u></u>

NB. Materials can be calculated as follows:

Beginning inventory	150
Plus: Purchases	950
Less: Ending inventory	<u>125</u>
Materials - first year	<u><u>975</u></u>

Allowance for estimated warranty repair:

Year 2 - 1.0% of Sales	15
Year 3 - 2.0% of Sales	30
Total	<u><u>45</u></u>

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Computer One  
Balance Sheet  
December 31, 2013  
(\$Thousands)

Current assets		Current liabilities	
Cash	412	Bank loan	25
Accounts Receivable	100	Estimated Warranty Repair	15
Inventory	<u>125</u>	Accounts payable	<u>175</u>
Total current assets	637	Total current liabilities	215
Fixed assets		Long-term liabilities	
Equipment	60	Estimated Warranty Repair	<u>30</u>
Less: Accum. Depr.	<u>15</u>	Total long-term liabilities	<u>30</u>
Total fixed assets	<u>45</u>	Total liabilities	245
		Owners' equity	<u>437</u>
Total assets	<u><u>682</u></u>	Total liabilities and owners' equity	<u><u>682</u></u>

NB. The cash account can be calculated as follows:

Opening cash account	126	
Sales	1500	
Less: accounts receivable	<u>100</u>	1400
Purchases	950	
Plus: Invoice from Jan 1	50	
Less: accounts payable	<u>175</u>	-825
Salaries		-125
Partners salary draws		-50
Advertising		-45
Bank Loans		-25
Rent		-28
Utilities		-12
Interest		<u>-4</u>
Cash account balance		<u><u>412</u></u>

(last 8 months of the year)

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Owners' equity can also be calculated as follows:

Opening owners' equity	250	
Add: Profit from Income Statement	237	
Less: Partners salary draws	<u>50</u>	
Year's increase in owners' equity	187	= profit to be shared by all partners
Ending owners' equity	<u><u>437</u></u>	

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Any of a number of ratios can be used to assess the "health" of the business during the first year.

Income Ratio	$\frac{237}{1500} * 100\%$	15.80%
Gross Rate of Return	$\frac{237}{682} * 100\%$	34.75%
Return on Equity	$\frac{237}{437} * 100\%$	54.23%
Return on Investment	$\frac{237}{250} * 100\%$	94.80%

These returns, at face value, are excellent for the first year of operation of a new business. They are somewhat overstated because the two engineers are working full-time for only \$25,000 when as engineers they could possibly be earning \$60-70 K. As well, these salary draws are not reported on the Income Statement.

Note that each engineer has received one share of the business without investing any of their money. This was part of the original deal and the low base salary reflects this fact. Each engineer's compensation is the \$25,000 plus a quarter of the share of the profits. For the first year, that amounts to a quarter of the \$187,000 plus \$25,000 or **\$71,750**. This is a form of incentive-based compensation; the better the business performs the higher their compensation. However, it is likely that the engineers worked more than the standard 40 hour work week. Since they are part owners, this is their "sweat equity" investment in the business and their futures.

For the families, "the silent partners", the return is also good. They receive a quarter of the profits for their \$125,000 equity investment.

Quarter share of profits	$\frac{187}{4} = 46,750$	
Return on Investment	$\frac{46.75}{125} * 100\% = 37.40\%$	