Claims

1. A fillable base for a portable light stand, that in use supports an elongate pole having a lighting device such as a solar-powered light located towards a top of the elongate pole, the base comprising:

a hollow structure made from moulded plastics material that can be filled with a filler material, the hollow structure having:

an upper portion and a lower portion with a generally circular footprint, the lower portion of the hollow structure having a substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall, and the upper portion of the hollow structure having a conical outer side wall, the conical outer side wall having an outer edge extending from a top edge of the cylindrical side wall to an apex of the upper portion of the structure, wherein the lower portion of the hollow structure further comprises a conical inner side wall that is angled at substantially the same angle to the vertical as the conical outer side wall of the upper portion of the hollow structure so that, in use, one of the bases can be more easily stacked on top of another similar base, ~~the structure also comprising~~

a recess that opens at the apex and within ~~which~~which one end of an elongate pole can be received~~.~~,

the base further comprising a pair of channels moulded into a lower section of the base that are sized to receive tines of a forklift.

2. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 1, wherein the substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall is angled at between 0° and 5° to the vertical.

3. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 2, wherein the substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall is angled at between 0.1° and 1° to the vertical.

4. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the conical outer side wall is angled at between 80° and 30° to the vertical.

5. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 4, wherein the conical outer side wall is angled at between 70° and 40° to the vertical.

~~6. A fillable base as defined in any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the lower portion of the hollow structure further comprises a conical inner side wall that is angled at substantially the same angle to the vertical as the conical outer side wall of the upper portion of the hollow structure wherein, in use, one of the bases can be more easily stacked on top of another similar base.~~

~~7~~6. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims ~~6~~1 to 5, wherein the recess that opens at apex of the hollow structure extends all the way through the hollow structure along a central vertical axis of the hollow structure to the conical inner side wall.

7. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 6, wherein the recess comprises a pipe, wherein a portion of the pipe extends out past the top and the elongate pole is securable to the portion of the pipe that extends out past the top using a clamp.

8. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the upper portion of the hollow structure is provided with a fill aperture in the conical outer side wall for filling the hollow structure with a suitable filler material.

9. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 8, wherein the hollow structure is fillable with water, and the fill aperture is provided with a recessed cap for sealing the aperture after filling.

10. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 8 or 9, wherein the fill aperture is one of two fill apertures provided in the conical outer side wall ~~for filling the hollow structure with water~~.

11. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the lower portion of the hollow structure is provided with a drain aperture adjacent a lower edge of the substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall for draining the hollow structure of ~~water~~filler material.

12. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in claim 11, wherein the drain aperture is provided with a recessed cap for sealing the aperture after draining or prior to filling.

13. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein the hollow structure is also provided with two or more moulded handles provided in the substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall to assist with lifting the base manually.

14. A fillable base for a portable light stand as defined in any one of claims 1 to 13, wherein the ~~hollow structure is also provided with a pair of rectangular apertures~~ channels moulded into ~~a~~the lower ~~surface~~section of the base~~, the apertures~~ extending as parallel channels across a full width of the lower portion of the base~~, and being sized to receive the tines of a forklift truck~~.

15. A solar-powered pop-up fixture, the fixture comprising:

a base having a hollow structure made from moulded plastics material, the hollow structure having an upper portion and a lower portion with a generally circular footprint, the lower portion of the hollow structure having a substantially vertical cylindrical outer side wall, and the upper portion of the hollow structure having a conical outer side wall, the conical outer side wall having an outer edge extending from a top edge of the cylindrical side wall to an apex of the upper portion of the hollow structure, wherein the lower portion of the hollow structure further comprises a conical inner side wall that is angled at substantially the same angle to the vertical as the conical outer side wall of the upper portion of the hollow structure so that, in use, one of the bases can be more easily stacked on top of another similar base, the hollow structure also comprising a recess that opens at the apex, the base further comprising a pair of channels moulded into a lower section of the base that are sized to receive tines of a forklift;

an elongate pole having a bottom end received in the recess that opens at the apex; and,

a solar-powered fixture mounted at a top end of the pole.

16. A solar-powered pop-up fixture as defined in claim 15, wherein the base of the fixture is a fillable base as defined in any one of claims ~~2~~1 to 14.