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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 28, 2015

OR  
 TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Commission File Number 1-15583  
DELTA APPAREL, INC.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

GEORGIA 58-2508794  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer  
Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.)

322 South Main Street  
Greenville, SC 29601  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)  
(864) 232-5200

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of a "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

As of April 30, 2015, there were outstanding 7,891,553 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, which is the only class of outstanding common or voting stock of the registrant.



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## PART 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

## Delta Apparel, Inc. and Subsidiaries

## Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(Amounts in thousands, except share amounts and per share data)

(Unaudited)

	March 28, 2015	September 27, 2014
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$1,184	\$612
Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$3,578 and \$3,159 respectively	74,154	68,802
Income tax receivable	276	1,360
Inventories, net	157,334	162,188
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	5,762	4,534
Deferred income taxes	9,567	12,152
Total current assets	248,277	249,648
Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$78,661 and \$75,801 respectively	38,351	41,005
Goodwill	36,729	36,729
Intangibles, net	22,835	23,500
Other assets	3,462	3,696
Total assets	\$349,654	\$354,578
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$50,193	\$57,719
Accrued expenses	19,758	20,167
Current portion of long-term debt	7,404	15,504
Total current liabilities	77,355	93,390
Long-term debt, less current maturities	127,657	114,469
Deferred income taxes	1,665	3,399
Other liabilities	1,319	1,513
Contingent consideration	3,730	3,600
Total liabilities	\$211,726	\$216,371
Shareholders' equity:		
Preferred stock—\$0.01 par value, 2,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and outstanding	—	—
Common stock —\$0.01 par value, 15,000,000 shares authorized, 9,646,972 shares issued, and 7,891,553 and 7,877,674 shares outstanding as of March 28, 2015 and September 27, 2014, respectively	96	96
Additional paid-in capital	59,903	59,649
Retained earnings	99,055	99,622
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(398	) (269
Treasury stock —1,755,419 and 1,769,298 shares as of March 28, 2015 and September 27, 2014, respectively	(20,728	) (20,891

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Total shareholders' equity	137,928	138,207
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$349,654	\$354,578

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Delta Apparel, Inc. and Subsidiaries  
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations  
(Amounts in thousands, except per share data)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
Net sales	\$115,042	\$114,458	\$208,422	\$214,470
Cost of goods sold	93,807	92,179	171,861	173,149
Gross profit	21,235	22,279	36,561	41,321
Selling, general and administrative expenses	21,640	21,292	40,180	41,136
Change in fair value of contingent consideration	65	125	130	125
Gain on sale of business	(7,704)	) —	(7,704)	) —
Other (income) expense, net	(94)	) 28	(155)	) (99)
Operating income	7,328	834	4,110	159
Interest expense, net	1,491	1,455	3,019	2,913
Income (loss) before provision (benefit) from income taxes	5,837	(621)	) 1,091	(2,754)
Provision (benefit) from income taxes	2,191	142	1,656	(393)
Net income (loss)	\$3,646	\$(763)	) \$(565)	) \$(2,361)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$0.46	\$(0.10)	) \$(0.07)	) \$(0.30)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$0.46	\$(0.10)	) \$(0.07)	) \$(0.30)
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	7,892	7,939	7,886	7,911
Dilutive effect of stock options and awards	78	—	—	—
Weighted average number of shares assuming dilution	7,970	7,939	7,886	7,911

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Delta Apparel, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Loss)

(Amounts in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
Net income (loss)	\$3,646	\$ (763	) \$ (565	) \$ (2,361
Net unrealized (loss) gain on cash flow hedges	(125	) 78	(129	) 163
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$3,521	\$ (685	) \$ (694	) \$ (2,198

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Delta Apparel, Inc. and Subsidiaries  
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
(Amounts in thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
Operating activities:		
Net loss	\$(565	) \$(2,361
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	4,866	4,626
Amortization of deferred financing fees	250	174
Excess tax benefits from exercise of stock options	12	(33
Benefits from deferred income taxes	851	1,503
Gain on sale of The Game assets before transaction costs	(8,114	) —
Non-cash stock compensation	428	496
Change in the fair value of contingent consideration	130	125
Loss (gain) on disposal or impairment of property and equipment	12	(47
Release of cash held in escrow	—	3,000
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(5,352	) 2,898
Inventories	(1,232	) (5,595
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(1,264	) (1,377
Other non-current assets	8	—
Accounts payable	(7,526	) (1,463
Accrued expenses	(664	) (5,312
Income tax receivable	1,072	(1,811
Other liabilities	(245	) 1,022
Net cash used in operating activities	(17,333	) (4,155
Investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment, net	(2,451	) (5,574
Proceeds from sale of The Game assets	14,913	—
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets	470	24
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	12,932	(5,550
Financing activities:		
Proceeds from long-term debt	253,540	250,869
Repayment of long-term debt	(248,452	) (241,792
Repayment of capital financing	(78	) —
Payment of deferred financing fees	(25	) —
Repurchase of common stock	—	(180
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	—	840
Excess tax benefits from exercise of stock options	(12	) 33
Net cash provided by financing activities	4,973	9,770
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	572	65
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	612	829
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$1,184	\$894



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Supplemental cash flow information:

Cash paid during the period for interest	\$2,417	\$2,217
Cash (received) paid during the period for income taxes, net of refunds received	\$(341	) \$80

See accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Delta Apparel, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

Note A—Basis of Presentation and Description of Business

We prepared the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements in accordance with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") for complete financial statements. We believe these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements consist of normal recurring adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation. Operating results for the six months ended March 28, 2015, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for our fiscal year ending October 3, 2015. Although our various product lines are sold on a year-round basis, the demand for specific products or styles reflects some seasonality, with sales in our June quarter generally being the highest and sales in our December quarter generally being the lowest. For more information regarding our results of operations and financial position, refer to the Consolidated Financial Statements and footnotes included in our Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended September 27, 2014, filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

"Delta Apparel", the "Company", and "we", "us" and "our" are used interchangeably to refer to Delta Apparel, Inc. together with our domestic wholly-owned subsidiaries, including M.J. Soffe, LLC ("Soffe"), Junkfood Clothing Company ("Junkfood"), Salt Life, LLC (f/k/a To The Game, LLC) ("Salt Life"), Art Gun, LLC ("Art Gun"), and other international subsidiaries, as appropriate to the context.

Delta Apparel, Inc. is an international apparel design, marketing, manufacturing and sourcing company that features a diverse portfolio of lifestyle basics and branded activewear apparel and headwear. We specialize in selling casual and athletic products through a variety of distribution channels and distribution tiers, including specialty stores, boutiques, department stores, mid and mass channels, e-retailers, and the U.S. military. Our products are also made available direct-to-consumer on our websites at [www.soffe.com](http://www.soffe.com), [www.junkfoodclothing.com](http://www.junkfoodclothing.com), [www.saltlife.com](http://www.saltlife.com) and [www.deltaapparel.com](http://www.deltaapparel.com). We believe this diversified distribution allows us to capitalize on our strengths to provide casual activewear and headwear to consumers purchasing from most types of retailers.

We design and internally manufacture the majority of our products, which allows us to offer a high degree of consistency and quality controls as well as leverage scale efficiencies. One of our strengths is the speed with which we can reach the market from design to delivery. We have manufacturing operations located in the United States, El Salvador, Honduras and Mexico, and use domestic and foreign contractors as additional sources of production. Our distribution facilities are strategically located throughout the United States to better serve our customers with same-day shipping on our catalog products and weekly replenishments to retailers.

We were incorporated in Georgia in 1999 and our headquarters is located at 322 South Main Street, Greenville, South Carolina 29601 (telephone number: 864-232-5200). Our common stock trades on the NYSE MKT under the symbol "DLA". We operate on a 52-53 week fiscal year ending on the Saturday closest to September 30. Our 2015 fiscal year is a 53-week year and will end on October 3, 2015. Our 2014 fiscal year was a 52-week year and ended on September 27, 2014.

Note B—Accounting Policies

Our accounting policies are consistent with those described in our Significant Accounting Policies in our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 27, 2014, filed with the SEC.

Note C—New Accounting Standards

Recently Adopted Standards

In July 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2013-11, Income Taxes (Topic 740), Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists, ("ASU 2013-11"). This new guidance requires entities to present unrecognized tax benefits as a decrease in a net operating loss, similar tax loss or tax credit carryforward if said losses are expected to be utilized in offsetting liabilities accrued as the result of uncertain tax

position(s) under certain other criteria. The determination of whether a deferred tax asset is available is based on the unrecognized tax benefit and the deferred tax asset that exists as of the reporting date and presumes disallowance of the tax position at the reporting date. This amendment is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2013. ASU 2013-11 is therefore effective for our fiscal year beginning September 28, 2014. However, as we have no liabilities related to uncertain tax positions, there is no effect on our current financial statements.

**Standards Not Yet Adopted**

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09, Revenue from Contracts with Customers, ("ASU 2014-09"). This new guidance requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. ASU 2014-09 will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. ASU 2014-09 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016, for public business entities and permits the use of either the retrospective

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or cumulative effect transition method. Early application is not permitted. ASU 2014-09 is therefore effective for our fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017. We are evaluating the effect that ASU 2014-09 will have on our Consolidated Financial Statements and related disclosures.

Note D—Sale of The Game

On March 2, 2015, we completed the sale of our The Game branded collegiate headwear and apparel business to David Peyser Sportswear, Inc., owner of MV Sport, Inc. for \$14.9 million. The business sold consisted of The Game branded products sold nationally in college bookstores and through team dealers. This transaction further strengthens our balance sheet and enables us to focus on areas of our business that are more strategic to our long-term goals. Our Salt Life and corporate businesses, Kudzu, operated within To The Game, LLC (now Salt Life, LLC) were not included in the sale of the collegiate part of the business.

The sale included finished goods inventory of \$6.0 million, \$0.4 million in fixed assets, and \$0.1 million in other assets, along with the requirement that we indemnify up to \$0.3 million of legal costs associated with a particular litigation matter. The transaction did not include accounts receivable and certain undecorated apparel inventory, from which we anticipate receiving approximately \$6.0 million from the collection or sale of these assets in the normal course of our operations. We incurred \$0.4 million in direct selling expenses associated with the transaction. In addition, we incurred certain indirect costs associated with the transaction, including a \$0.8 million devaluation of the inventory not included in the sale and \$1.4 million indirect incentive-based expenses.

The pre-tax gain on the sale of The Game assets, inclusive of the direct and indirect expenses, was \$5.6 million. The transaction and associated indirect expenses were recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations for the quarter ended March 28, 2015 as follows: (i) proceeds of \$14.9 million less costs of assets sold and direct selling costs resulting in a gain of \$7.7 million recorded as a gain on sale of business; (ii) \$1.4 million in indirect expenses recorded in our selling, general and administrative expense; and (iii) \$0.8 million of indirect expenses recorded in our cost of goods sold. For income tax purposes, this gain and associated indirect expenses were treated as a discrete item and resulted in \$2.2 million in income tax expense being recorded.

Note E—Salt Life Acquisition

On August 27, 2013, Salt Life, LLC (f/k/a To The Game, LLC) purchased substantially all of the assets of Salt Life Holdings, LLC ("Salt Life Holdings"), including all of its domestic and international trademark rights in the Salt Life brand (the "Salt Life Acquisition"). The purchase price for the Salt Life Acquisition consisted of: (i) a cash payment at closing of \$12,000,000, (ii) a deposit at closing of \$3,000,000 into an escrow account to be held to secure indemnification obligations of the seller under the asset purchase agreement and to be held for a period of up to fifty-four months following the closing, and (iii) delivery of two promissory notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$22,000,000. An additional amount may be payable in cash after the end of calendar year 2019 if financial performance targets involving the sale of Salt Life-branded products are met during the 2019 calendar year. At acquisition, we recorded an accrual of \$3.4 million for the fair value of the contingent consideration associated with the Salt Life Acquisition. We financed the cash portion of the purchase price through our Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, as amended on August 27, 2013, September 4, 2013, September 26, 2014, and February 27, 2015. We expensed all acquisition-related costs, which totaled \$0.3 million, in the selling, general and administrative expense line item of our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in the quarter ended September 28, 2013.

On December 6, 2013, we entered into an agreement (the "IMG Agreement") with IMG Worldwide, Inc. ("IMG") that provides for the termination of the Salt Life brand license agreements entered into between Delta Apparel and IMG (as agent on behalf of Salt Life Holdings) prior to the Salt Life Acquisition as well as the agency agreement entered into between Salt Life Holdings and IMG prior to the Salt Life Acquisition. In addition, the IMG Agreement provides that Delta Apparel and Salt Life Holdings are released from all obligations and liabilities under those agreements or relating to the Salt Life Acquisition. Pursuant to the IMG Agreement, Salt Life and IMG entered into a new, multi-year agency agreement, which has since been terminated, whereby IMG represented Salt Life with respect to the licensing of the Salt Life brand in connection with certain product and service categories. Salt Life agreed to pay IMG

installments totaling \$3,500,000 to terminate the existing arrangements. As a result, the above-referenced \$3,000,000 indemnification asset was released from escrow during the quarter ended December 28, 2013, and applied towards these payment obligations, along with additional amounts previously accrued for royalty obligations under the above-referenced Salt Life brand license agreements. During the twelve months ended September 27, 2014, and the six months ended March 28, 2015, we made payments of \$2.1 million and \$0.4 million, respectively in accordance with the terms of the agreement. As of March 28, 2015, there were 5 quarterly installments of \$195 thousand remaining. We have recorded the fair value of the liability as of March 28, 2015, on our financial statements, with \$0.8 million in accrued expenses and \$0.1 million in other liabilities.

The Salt Life Acquisition continues our strategy of building lifestyle brands that take advantage of our creative capabilities, vertical manufacturing platform and international sourcing competencies. Prior to the Salt Life Acquisition, Salt Life, LLC (f/k/a To The Game, LLC) sold Salt Life-branded products under exclusive license agreements which began in January 2011. As such, the results of Salt Life sales have been included in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements since that time.

We accounted for the Salt Life Acquisition pursuant to ASC 805, Business Combinations, with the purchase price allocated based upon fair value. We have identified certain intangible assets associated with Salt Life, including tradenames and trademarks, license agreements, non-compete agreements and goodwill. The total amount of goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes. Components of the intangible assets recorded at acquisition are as follows:

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Goodwill	\$19,917	Economic Life N/A
Intangibles:		
Tradename/trademarks	16,000	30 yrs
License agreements	2,100	15 – 30 yrs
Non-compete agreements	770	6.6 yrs
Total intangibles	18,870	
Total goodwill and intangibles	\$38,787	

## Note F—Inventories

Inventories, net of reserves of \$7.3 million and \$7.1 million as of March 28, 2015, and September 27, 2014, respectively, consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 28, 2015	September 27, 2014
Raw materials	\$10,330	\$9,609
Work in process	19,635	15,859
Finished goods	127,369	136,720
	\$157,334	\$162,188

## Note G—Debt

Delta Apparel, Soffe, Junkfood, Salt Life (f/k/a To The Game, LLC) and Art Gun are borrowers under the May 27, 2011, Fourth Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement (as subsequently amended, the "Amended Loan Agreement"), with the financial institutions named in the Amended Loan Agreement as Lenders, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Bank of America, N.A., as Syndication Agent, Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC, as Sole Lead Arranger, and Wells Fargo Capital Finance, LLC and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as Joint Bookrunners.

On September 26, 2014, Delta Apparel, Salt Life, Junkfood, Soffe and Art Gun entered into a Third Amendment to the Amended Loan Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association and the other lenders set forth therein (the "Third Amendment"). The Third Amendment amends certain definitions within the Amended Loan Agreement and eases borrowing base availability thresholds relating to a financial testing covenant during the period from September 28, 2014, through October 31, 2015. In addition, the definition of Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio was amended to adjust for expenses that may be incurred in connection with strategic initiatives and to exclude the \$9 million payment that was due on September 30, 2014, in connection with the Salt Life Acquisition.

On February 27, 2015, Delta Apparel, Salt Life, Junkfood, Soffe and Art Gun entered into a Consent and Fourth Amendment to the Amended Loan Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association and the other lenders set forth therein (the "Fourth Amendment"). Pursuant to the Fourth Amendment, the lenders consented to the sale by To The Game, LLC (now Salt Life, LLC) of certain of its assets related to its apparel and headwear business conducted under The Game brand and released those assets from the lenders' liens. The Fourth Amendment also adds certain definitions to the Amended Loan Agreement, including new definitions for an Adjusted Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio and a FCCR Reserve. In addition, the Fourth Amendment removed certain items from the Tranche A Borrowing Base. Pursuant to the Amended Loan Agreement, the maximum line of credit under our U.S. revolving credit facility is \$145 million (subject to borrowing base limitations), and matures on May 27, 2017. Provided that no event of default exists, we have the option to increase the maximum credit available under the facility to \$200 million (subject to borrowing base limitations), conditioned upon the Administrative Agent's ability to secure additional commitments and customary closing conditions. In fiscal year 2014, we paid \$0.4 million in financing costs in conjunction with the Third Amendment. No financing costs were paid in conjunction with the Fourth Amendment.

As of March 28, 2015, there was \$112.0 million outstanding under our U.S. revolving credit facility at an average interest rate of 2.9%, and additional borrowing availability of \$17.2 million. This credit facility includes a financial covenant requiring that if the amount of availability falls below the threshold amounts set forth in the Amended Loan Agreement, our Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio ("FCCR") (as defined in the Amended Loan Agreement) for the preceding 12-month period must not be less than 1.1 to 1.0. We were not subject to the FCCR covenant at March 28, 2015, because our availability was above the minimum required under the Amended Loan Agreement.

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As of March 28, 2015, our FCCR was less than 1.1x. At March 28, 2015, and September 27, 2014, there was \$7.9 million and \$8.2 million, respectively, of retained earnings free of restrictions to make cash dividends or stock repurchases.

The Amended Loan Agreement contains a subjective acceleration clause and a “springing” lockbox arrangement (as defined in FASB Codification No. 470, Debt (“ASC 470")), whereby remittances from customers will be forwarded to our general bank account and will not reduce the outstanding debt until and unless a specified event or an event of default occurs. Pursuant to ASC 470, we classify borrowings under the Amended Loan Agreement as long-term debt. In conjunction with the Salt Life Acquisition, we issued two promissory notes in the aggregate principal of \$22.0 million, which included a one-time installment of \$9.0 million that was due and paid as required on September 30, 2014, and quarterly installments commencing on March 31, 2015, with the final installment due on June 30, 2019. The promissory notes are zero-interest notes and state that interest will be imputed as required under Section 1274 of the Internal Revenue Code. We have imputed interest at 1.92% and 3.62% on the promissory notes that mature on June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2019, respectively. At March 28, 2015, the discounted value of the promissory notes was \$12.1 million.

We also maintain a credit facility with Banco Ficohsa, a Honduran bank. This credit facility is secured by a first-priority lien on the assets of our Honduran operations and the loan is not guaranteed by our U.S. entities. The installment portion of the credit facility carries a fixed interest rate of 7% for a term of seven years and is denominated in U.S. dollars. As of March 28, 2015, there was \$2.9 million outstanding on the installment portion of this loan. The revolving credit portion of the loan has an average interest rate of 7.8% with an ongoing 18-month term (expiring March 2019) and is denominated in U.S. dollars. The revolving credit portion of the loan requires minimum payments during each 6-month period of the 18-month term; however, the loan agreement permits additional drawdowns to the extent payments are made and certain objective covenants are met. The current revolving Honduran debt, by its nature, is not long-term, as it requires scheduled payments each six months. However, as the loan agreement permits us to re-borrow funds up to the amount repaid, subject to certain objective covenants, and we intend to re-borrow funds, subject to the objective covenants, the amounts have been classified as long-term debt. As of March 28, 2015, there was \$4.5 million outstanding under the revolving portion of the credit facility.

In October 2013, we entered into two new term loan agreements with Banco Ficohsa to finance our Honduran expansion project. These loans are also not guaranteed by our U.S. entities and are secured by a first-priority lien on the assets of our Honduran operations. The first loan, an eighteen-month agreement for \$1.8 million with a 7% fixed interest rate, is denominated in U.S. dollars, and has ratable monthly principal and interest payments due through the end of the term. As of March 28, 2015, there was \$0.1 million outstanding under this loan agreement. The second loan, a seven-year agreement for \$4.2 million with a 7% fixed interest rate, is denominated in U.S. dollars and has ratable monthly principal and interest payments due through the end of the term. As of March 28, 2015, there was \$3.5 million outstanding under this loan agreement. The carrying value of these term loans approximates the fair value.

#### Note H—Selling, General and Administrative Expense

We include in selling, general and administrative (“SG&A”) expenses costs incurred subsequent to the receipt of finished goods at our distribution facilities, such as the cost of stocking, warehousing, picking, packing, and shipping goods for delivery to our customers. Distribution costs included in SG&A expenses totaled \$4.1 million and \$4.5 million for the three months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014, respectively. Distribution costs included in SG&A expenses for the six months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014, were \$7.8 million and \$8.4 million, respectively. In addition, SG&A expenses include costs related to sales associates, administrative personnel, advertising and marketing expenses, royalty payments on licensed products and other general and administrative expenses. In the second quarter of fiscal 2015, we also had \$1.4 million of indirect expenses associated with the sale of The Game which were recorded in SG&A. See Note D—Sale of The Game, for more information on this transaction. During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2014, certain strategic initiatives were implemented to improve net profitability. This effort included streamlining our administrative workforce, delayering our management structure and streamlining decision-making and information flow, as well as reducing duplicative and excess fixed cost. During the



fourth quarter of fiscal year 2014, we recorded a total of \$4.0 million in SG&A expense associated with these strategic initiatives. As of September 27, 2014, approximately \$1.8 million of these expenses were accrued and reported on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. During the first six months of fiscal year 2015, no additional expense was incurred in association with our strategic initiatives and \$0.7 million was disbursed during the first six months of fiscal year 2015, leaving approximately \$1.1 million remaining accrued on our March 28, 2015, Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Note I—Stock-Based Compensation

On February 4, 2015, our shareholders re-approved the Delta Apparel, Inc. 2010 Stock Plan ("2010 Stock Plan") that was originally approved by our shareholders on November 11, 2010. The re-approval of the 2010 Stock Plan, including the material terms of the performance goals included in the 2010 Stock Plan, enables us to continue to grant equity incentive compensation awards that are structured in a manner intended to qualify as tax deductible, performance-based compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Since November, 2010, no additional awards have been or will be granted under either the Delta Apparel Stock Option Plan

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("Option Plan") or the Delta Apparel Incentive Stock Award Plan ("Award Plan"); instead, all stock awards have been and will continue to be granted under the 2010 Stock Plan. Under the 2010 Stock Plan, the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors has the authority to determine the employees and directors to whom awards may be granted and the size and type of each award and manner in which such awards will vest. The awards available consist of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance stock, performance units, and other stock and cash awards. The aggregate number of shares of common stock that may be delivered under the 2010 Stock Plan is 500,000 plus any shares of common stock subject to outstanding awards under the Option Plan or Award Plan that are subsequently forfeited or terminated for any reason before being exercised. The 2010 Stock Plan limits the number of shares that may be covered by awards to any participant in a given calendar year and also limits the aggregate awards of restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance stock granted in any given calendar year.

If a participant dies or becomes disabled (as defined in the 2010 Stock Plan) while employed by or serving as a director, all unvested awards become fully vested. The Compensation Committee is authorized to establish the terms and conditions of awards granted under the 2010 Stock Plan, to establish, amend and rescind any rules and regulations relating to the 2010 Stock Plan, and to make any other determinations that it deems necessary.

Compensation expense is recorded on the SG&A expense line item in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations over the vesting periods. During the three months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014, we recognized \$0.5 million and \$0.2 million in stock-based compensation expenses, respectively. We recognized \$0.4 million in stock-based compensation expense during each of the six-month periods ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014.

**2010 Stock Plan**

As of March 28, 2015, there was \$4.4 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested awards granted under the 2010 Stock Plan. This cost is expected to be recognized over a period of 3.7 years. No awards were granted under the 2010 Stock Plan during the quarter ended March 28, 2015. During the first six months of fiscal year 2015, performance stock units representing 169,000 shares of our common stock were granted. Additionally, restricted stock units representing 355,000 shares of our common stock were granted.

**Option Plan**

All options granted under the Option Plan have vested. As such, no expense was recognized during the six months ended March 28, 2015, or for the six months ended March 29, 2014. No vested options were exercised during the three months ended March 28, 2015. During the six months ended March 28, 2015, vested options representing 14,000 shares of our common stock were exercised, and the shares issued, in accordance with their respective agreements.

**Award Plan**

All awards granted under the Award Plan have vested and been exercised, and no awards remain outstanding.

**Note J—Purchase Contracts**

We have entered into agreements, and have fixed prices, to purchase yarn, natural gas, finished fabric, and finished apparel products. At March 28, 2015, minimum payments under these contracts were as follows (in thousands):

Yarn	\$16,535
Natural gas	166
Finished fabric	3,271
Finished products	20,840
	\$40,812

**Note K—Business Segments**

We operate our business in two distinct segments: branded and basics. Although the two segments are similar in their production processes and regulatory environments, they are distinct in their economic characteristics, products, marketing, and distribution methods. In fiscal year 2014, we reclassified our Art Gun business from the branded segment to the basics segment to better reflect that business's current operating characteristics.

The branded segment is comprised of our business units focused on specialized apparel garments and headwear to meet consumer preferences and fashion trends, and includes Soffe, Junkfood, and Salt Life. These branded embellished and unembellished products are sold through specialty and boutique shops, upscale and traditional department stores, mid-tier retailers, sporting goods stores, and the U.S. military. Products in this segment are marketed under our lifestyle brands of Salt Life®, Soffe®, Intensity Athletics®, and Junk Food® as well as other labels. Until the sale of The Game collegiate and team dealer business on March 2, 2015, The Game® and American Threads™ labels were reported in this segment.

The basics segment is comprised of our business units primarily focused on garment styles characterized by low fashion risk, and includes our Activewear and Art Gun businesses. We market, distribute and manufacture knit apparel under the main brands of Delta Pro Weight®

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and Delta Magnum Weight® for sale to a diversified audience ranging from large licensing businesses to regional screen printers and small independent businesses. These products are primarily sold unembellished, but may be sold decorated through our screen print operations or through Art Gun, our digital print and fulfillment business servicing the ecommerce marketplace. We also manufacture private label products for major branded sportswear companies, retailers, corporate industry programs, e-retailers, and sports-licensed apparel marketers. Typically, these products are sold with value-added services such as hangtags, ticketing, hangers, and embellishment so that they are fully ready for retail.

Robert W. Humphreys, our chief operating decision maker, and management evaluate performance and allocate resources based on profit or loss from operations before interest, income taxes and special charges (“segment operating earnings (loss)”). Our segment operating earnings (loss) may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. Intercompany transfers between operating segments are transacted at cost and have been eliminated within the segment amounts shown in the following table.

Information about our operations as of and for the three and six months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014, by operating segment, is as follows (in thousands):

	Basics	Branded	Consolidated
Three months ended March 28, 2015			
Net sales	\$71,388	\$43,654	\$115,042
Segment operating income	826	6,502	7,328
Segment assets	181,448	168,206	349,654
Three months ended March 29, 2014			
Net sales	\$66,129	\$48,329	\$114,458
Segment operating income	786	48	834
Segment assets	175,692	182,566	358,258
Six months ended March 28, 2015			
Net sales	\$129,068	\$79,354	\$208,422
Segment operating (loss) income	(402	) 4,512	4,110
Six months ended March 29, 2014			
Net sales	\$128,647	\$85,823	\$214,470
Segment operating income (loss)	3,497	(3,338	) 159

The following reconciles the segment operating earnings to the Company's consolidated income (loss) before provision (benefit) from income taxes (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014	March 28, 2015	March 29, 2014
Segment operating income	\$7,328	\$834	\$4,110	\$159
Unallocated interest expense	1,491	1,455	3,019	2,913
Consolidated income (loss) before provision (benefit) from income taxes	\$5,837	\$(621	) \$1,091	\$(2,754

## Note L—Income Taxes

Our effective income tax provision for the six months ended March 28, 2015, was 151.8%, compared to an effective tax benefit of 14.3% for the same period in the prior year and an effective tax benefit of 87.1% for the fiscal year ended September 27, 2014. During the second quarter of fiscal year 2015, we recognized a \$5.6 million pre-tax gain, including associated indirect expenses, on the sale of The Game assets. See Note D—Sale of The Game, for further

information on this transaction. We accounted for this event as a discrete item for tax provision purposes, recording tax expense on the pre-tax gain net of associated indirect expenses at the full applicable statutory rate. Excluding the effect of this discrete item, the effective tax benefit on normal operations for the six months ended March 28, 2015, was 14.5%. We benefit from having income in foreign jurisdictions that are either exempt from income taxes or have tax rates lower than the United States.

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Based on our current projected pre-tax income and the anticipated amount of U.S. taxable income compared to profits in the offshore taxable and tax-free jurisdictions in which we operate, our estimated annual income tax rate for the fiscal year ending October 3, 2015, is expected to be approximately 24% including the effect of the aforementioned discrete item. However, changes in the mix of U.S. taxable income compared to profits in tax-free jurisdictions can have a significant impact on our overall effective tax rate.

We file income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state, local and foreign jurisdictions. Tax years 2011 and 2012 as well as our short tax year 2013, according to statute and with few exceptions, remain open to examination by various state, local and foreign jurisdictions. Tax year 2012 and our short tax year 2013 remain open for examination for federal purposes.

## Note M—Derivatives and Fair Value Measurements

From time to time, we may use interest rate swaps or other instruments to manage our interest rate exposure and reduce the impact of future interest rate changes. These financial instruments are not used for trading or speculative purposes. Outstanding instruments as of March 28, 2015 are noted below:

	Effective Date	Notational Amount	Fixed LIBOR Rate	Maturity Date
Interest Rate Swap	September 9, 2013	\$15 million	1.1700 %	September 9, 2016
Interest Rate Swap	September 9, 2013	\$15 million	1.6480 %	September 11, 2017
Interest Rate Swap	September 19, 2013	\$15 million	1.0030 %	September 19, 2016
Interest Rate Swap	September 19, 2013	\$15 million	1.4490 %	September 19, 2017

From time to time, we may purchase cotton option contracts to economically hedge the risk related to market fluctuations in the cost of cotton used in our operations. We do not receive hedge accounting treatment for these derivatives. As such, the associated realized and unrealized gains and losses would be recorded within cost of goods sold on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and the fair value of the cotton option contracts would be recorded in the prepaid and other current assets line item on our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. We did not own any cotton option contracts as of March 28, 2015, or as of September 27, 2014.

FASB Codification No. 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (“ASC 820”), defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Assets and liabilities measured at fair value are grouped in three levels. The levels prioritize the inputs used to measure the fair value of the assets or liabilities. These levels are:

Level 1 – Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for assets and liabilities, either directly or indirectly. These inputs include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets and quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are less active.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity for assets or liabilities and includes certain pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies and similar techniques.

The following financial assets (liabilities) are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (in thousands):

Period Ended	Fair Value Measurements Using			
	Total	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Interest Rate Swaps				
March 28, 2015	\$(647)	) —	\$(647)	) —
September 27, 2014	\$(437)	) —	\$(437)	) —

## Contingent Consideration

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March 28, 2015	\$ (3,730	) —	—	\$ (3,730	)
September 27, 2014	\$ (3,600	) —	—	\$ (3,600	)

The fair value of the interest rate swap agreements were derived from discounted cash flow analysis based on the terms of the contract and the forward interest rate curves adjusted for our credit risk, which fall in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

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The Salt Life Acquisition includes contingent consideration payable in cash after the end of calendar year 2019 if financial performance targets involving the sale of Salt Life-branded products are met during the 2019 calendar year. We used the historical results and projected cash flows based on the contractually defined terms, discounted as necessary, to estimate the fair value of the contingent consideration for Salt Life at acquisition, as well as to remeasure the contingent consideration related to the acquisitions of Salt Life and Art Gun at each reporting period. Accordingly, the fair value measurement for contingent consideration falls in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. At March 28, 2015, we had \$3.7 million accrued in contingent consideration related to the Salt Life Acquisition. Contingent consideration related to the acquisition of Art Gun remains de minimis. The following table summarizes the fair value and presentation in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets for derivatives related to our interest swap agreements as of March 28, 2015, and September 27, 2014:

	March 28, 2015	September 27, 2014
Deferred tax liabilities	249	168
Other liabilities	(647	) (437
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$(398	) \$(269

**Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Non-Recurring Basis**

Intangible assets acquired in connection with the Salt Life Acquisition are identified by type in Note E—Salt Life Acquisition. These valuations included significant unobservable inputs (Level 3).

**Note N—Legal Proceedings****Consumer Product Safety Commission**

We previously received an inquiry from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (“Commission”) regarding a children's drawstring hoodie product sourced, distributed and sold by Junkfood, and its compliance with applicable product safety standards. The Commission subsequently investigated the matter, including whether Junkfood complied with the reporting requirements of the Consumer Product Safety Act (“CPSA”), and the garments in question were ultimately recalled. On or about July 25, 2012, Junkfood received notification from the Commission staff alleging that Junkfood knowingly violated CPSA Section 15(b) and that the staff will recommend to the Commission a \$900,000 civil penalty. We dispute the Commission's allegations.

On August 27, 2012, Junkfood responded to the Commission staff regarding its recommended penalty, setting forth a number of defenses and mitigating factors that could result in a much lower penalty, if any, ultimately imposed by a court should the matter proceed to litigation. The Commission has since requested additional information regarding the matter and issued a subpoena for records and information. While we will continue to defend against these allegations, we believe a risk of loss is probable. Based upon current information, including the terms of previously published Commission settlements and related product recall notices, should the Commission seek enforcement of the recommended civil penalty and ultimately prevail on its claims at trial we believe there is a range of likely outcomes between \$25,000 and an amount exceeding \$900,000, along with interest and the Commission's costs and fees. During the quarter ended June 30, 2012, we recorded a liability for what we believe to be the most likely outcome within this range, and this liability remains recorded as of March 28, 2015.

**California Wage and Hour Litigation**

We were served with a complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, on or about March 13, 2013, by a former employee of our Delta Activewear business unit at our Santa Fe Springs, California distribution facility alleging violations of California wage and hour laws and unfair business practices with respect to meal and rest periods, compensation and wage statements, and related claims (the "Complaint"). The Complaint is brought as a class action and seeks to include all of our Delta Activewear business unit's current and certain former employees within California who are or were non-exempt under applicable wage and hour laws. The Complaint seeks injunctive and declaratory relief, monetary damages and compensation, penalties, attorneys' fees and costs, and



pre-judgment interest. The discovery process in this matter is ongoing and the issue of class certification remains pending.

On or about August 22, 2014, we were served with an additional complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, by a former employee of Junkfood and two former employees of Soffe at our Santa Fe Springs, California distribution facility alleging violations of California wage and hour laws and unfair business practices the same or substantially similar to those alleged in the Complaint and seeking the same or substantially similar relief as sought in the Complaint. This complaint is brought as a class action and seeks to include all current and certain former employees of Junkfood, Soffe, our Delta Activewear business unit, a Soffe independent contractor and an individual employee of such contractor within California who are or were non-exempt under applicable wage and hour laws. Delta Apparel, Inc. and the contractor employee have since been voluntarily dismissed from the case and the remaining

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defendants are Junkfood, Soffe, and the Soffe contractor. The discovery process in this matter is ongoing and the issue of class certification remains pending.

While we will continue to vigorously defend these actions and believe we have a number of meritorious defenses to the claims alleged, we believe a risk of loss is probable. Based upon current information, we believe there is a range of likely outcomes between approximately \$15,000 and \$795,000. During the transition period ended September 28, 2013, we recorded a liability for the most likely outcome within this range, and this liability remained recorded as of March 28, 2015. However, depending upon the scope and size of any certified class and whether any of the claims alleged ultimately prevail at trial, we could be required to pay amounts exceeding \$795,000.

**Other**

In addition, at times we are party to various legal claims, actions and complaints. We believe that, as a result of legal defenses, insurance arrangements, and indemnification provisions with parties believed to be financially capable, such actions should not have a material effect on our operations, financial condition, or liquidity.

**Note O—Repurchase of Common Stock**

As of January 23, 2013, our Board of Directors authorized management to use up to \$30.0 million to repurchase stock in open market transactions under our Stock Repurchase Program.

During the March quarter and the first six months of fiscal year 2015, we did not purchase any shares of our common stock. During the March quarter of fiscal year 2014, we purchased 12,118 shares of our common stock for a total cost of \$0.2 million. Through March 28, 2015, we have purchased 2,122,246 shares of our common stock for an aggregate of \$25.3 million since the inception of our Stock Repurchase Program. All purchases were made at the discretion of management and pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of SEC Rule 10b-18. As of March 28, 2015, \$4.7 million remained available for future purchases under our Stock Repurchase Program, which does not have an expiration date.

**Note P—License Agreements**

We have entered into license agreements that provide for royalty payments on net sales of licensed products as set forth in the agreements. These license agreements are within our branded segment. We have incurred royalty expense (included in SG&A expenses) of approximately \$2.2 million and \$2.0 million in the March quarter of fiscal years 2015 and 2014, respectively. We incurred royalty expense of \$4.4 million for each of the six months ended March 28, 2015 and March 29, 2014.

At March 28, 2015, based on minimum sales requirements, future minimum royalty payments required under these license agreements were as follows (in thousands):

Fiscal Year	Amount
2015	\$738
2016	2,585
2017	33
2018	—
	\$3,356

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## Note Q—Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Components of intangible assets consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 28, 2015			September 27, 2014			Economic Life
	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Value	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Value	
Goodwill	\$36,729	\$ —	\$36,729	\$36,729	\$ —	\$36,729	N/A
Intangibles:							
Tradename/trademarks	\$17,530	\$ (1,588 )	\$15,942	\$17,530	\$ (1,281 )	\$16,249	20 – 30 yrs
Customer relationships	7,220	(3,477 )	3,743	7,220	(3,298 )	3,922	20 yrs
Technology	1,220	(643 )	577	1,220	(582 )	638	10 yrs
License agreements	2,100	(165 )	1,935	2,100	(113 )	1,987	15 – 30 yrs
Non-compete agreements	1,287	(649 )	638	1,287	(583 )	704	4 – 8.5 yrs
Total intangibles	\$29,357	\$ (6,522 )	\$22,835	\$29,357	\$ (5,857 )	\$23,500	

Amortization expense for intangible assets was \$0.4 million for each of the three months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014, and was \$0.7 million for each of the six months ended March 28, 2015, and March 29, 2014.

Amortization expense is estimated to be approximately \$1.4 million for fiscal year 2015 and \$1.3 million for each of fiscal years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

## Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

## Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of the Company. We may from time to time make written or oral statements that are “forward-looking,” including statements contained in this report and other filings with the SEC, in our press releases, in oral statements, and in other reports to our shareholders. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, which address activities, actions, initiatives, events or developments that we expect or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. The words “estimate”, “project”, “forecast”, “anticipate”, “expect”, “intend”, “believe” and similar expressions, and discussions of strategy or intentions, are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements in this Form 10-Q are based on our expectations and are necessarily dependent upon assumptions, estimates and data that we believe are reasonable and accurate but may be incorrect, incomplete or imprecise. Forward-looking statements are also subject to a number of business risks and uncertainties, any of which could cause actual results or actions to differ materially from those set forth in or implied by the forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties include, among others:

- the volatility and uncertainty of cotton and other raw material prices;
- the general U.S. and international economic conditions;
- the competitive conditions in the apparel industry;
- restrictions on our ability to borrow capital or service our indebtedness;
- the inability to successfully implement certain strategic initiatives;
- deterioration in the financial condition of our customers and suppliers and changes in the operations and strategies of our customers and suppliers;
- our ability to predict or react to changing consumer preferences or trends;
- pricing pressures and the implementation of cost reduction strategies;
- changes in economic, political or social stability at our offshore locations;
- our ability to attract and retain key management;

- the effect of unseasonable weather conditions on purchases of our products;
- significant changes in our effective tax rate;
- interest rate fluctuations increasing our obligations under our variable rate indebtedness;
- the ability to raise additional capital;
- the ability to grow, achieve synergies and realize the expected profitability of recent acquisitions;
- the volatility and uncertainty of energy and fuel prices;
- material disruptions in our information systems related to our business operations;
- data security or privacy breaches;
- significant interruptions within our manufacturing or distribution operations;
- changes in or our ability to comply with safety, health and environmental regulations;
- significant litigation in either domestic or international jurisdictions;
- the ability to protect our trademarks and other intellectual property;
- the ability to obtain and renew our significant license agreements;
- the impairment of acquired intangible assets;
- changes in ecommerce laws and regulations;
  - changes in international trade regulations;
- changes in employment laws or regulations or our relationship with employees;
- cost increases and reduction in future profitability due to recent healthcare legislation;
- foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations;
- violations of manufacturing standards or labor laws, or unethical business practices by our suppliers or independent contractors;
- the illiquidity of our shares;
- price volatility in our shares and the general volatility of the stock market; and
- the costs required to comply with the regulatory landscape regarding public company governance and disclosure.

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A detailed discussion of significant risk factors that have the potential to cause actual results or actions to differ materially from our expectations is described under the subheading "Risk Factors" in our Form