

PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS CO

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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 31, 2010**

**Commission file number: 0-31164**

**Preformed Line Products Company**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Ohio

34-0676895

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or  
Organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

660 Beta Drive  
Mayfield Village, Ohio

44143

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

(Zip Code)

(440) 461-5200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 (S232.405 of this chapter) 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 definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange act.

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

The number of common shares outstanding as of May 1, 2010: 5,253,306.

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**PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY  
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(UNAUDITED)**

|   | March 31<br>2010   | December 31<br>2009 |
|---|--|---------------------|
|   | <i>(Thousands of dollars, except share<br/>and<br/>per share data)</i> |                     |
| <b>ASSETS</b>   |  |                     |
| Cash and cash equivalents                                     | \$ 24,751  | \$ 24,097           |
| Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$794 (\$995 in 2009) | 49,277   | 49,245              |
| Inventories net   | 58,293   | 56,036              |
| Deferred income taxes   | 3,142  | 3,256               |
| Prepays   | 5,873  | 4,263               |
| Other current assets  | 1,138  | 2,062               |
| <b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>                                   | <b>142,474</b>   | <b>138,959</b>      |
| Property and equipment net                                    | 69,592   | 67,766              |
| Patents and other intangibles net                             | 7,988  | 8,087               |
| Goodwill  | 6,992  | 6,925               |
| Deferred income taxes   | 4,858  | 4,358               |
| Other assets  | 8,514  | 9,277               |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>   | <b>\$ 240,418</b>  | <b>\$ 235,372</b>   |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>                    |  |                     |
| Notes payable to banks  | \$ 3,570   | \$ 3,181            |
| Current portion of long-term debt                             | 1,480  | 1,330               |
| Trade accounts payable  | 19,484   | 18,764              |
| Accrued compensation and amounts withheld from employees      | 9,770  | 8,345               |
| Accrued expenses and other liabilities                        | 8,486  | 8,375               |
| Accrued profit-sharing and other benefits                     | 1,859  | 3,890               |
| Dividends payable   | 1,091  | 1,076               |
| Income taxes payable and deferred income taxes                | 670  | 1,379               |
| <b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>                              | <b>46,410</b>  | <b>46,340</b>       |
| Long-term debt, less current portion                          | 7,646  | 3,099               |
| Unfunded pension obligation                                   | 11,996   | 8,678               |
| Income taxes payable, noncurrent                              |  | 1,898               |
| Deferred income taxes   | 1,331  | 1,515               |
| Other noncurrent liabilities                                  | 1,826  | 3,021               |

**SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

PLPC Shareholders equity:

Common stock \$2 par value per share, 15,000,000 shares authorized,  
5,253,140 and 5,248,298 issued and outstanding, net of 554,205 and  
554,059 treasury shares at par, respectively

|                                      |          |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
|                                      | 10,506   | 10,497   |
| Paid in capital                      | 6,448    | 5,885    |
| Retained earnings                    | 166,122  | 165,953  |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | (11,481) | (11,369) |

**TOTAL PLPC SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
|  | 171,595 | 170,966 |
|--|---------|---------|

Noncontrolling interest

|  |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|
|  | (386) | (145) |
|--|-------|-------|

**TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

|  |         |         |
|--|---------|---------|
|  | 171,209 | 170,821 |
|--|---------|---------|

**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

|  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
|  | \$ 240,418 | \$ 235,372 |
|--|------------|------------|

*See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).*

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**PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY**  
**STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED INCOME**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

|  | Three month periods ended March 31                             |                 |
|--|--|-----------------|
|  | 2010   | 2009            |
|  | <i>(Thousands of dollars, except share and per share data)</i> |                 |
| Net sales  | \$ 68,908  | \$ 58,694       |
| Cost of products sold  | 48,883   | 40,116          |
| <b>GROSS PROFIT</b>  | <b>20,025</b>  | <b>18,578</b>   |
| Costs and expenses   |  |                 |
| Selling  | 6,502  | 5,364           |
| General and administrative                                     | 9,478  | 7,052           |
| Research and engineering                                       | 2,859  | 2,061           |
| Other operating (expense) income                               | (145)  | 289             |
|  | 18,694   | 14,766          |
| <b>OPERATING INCOME</b>  | <b>1,331</b>   | <b>3,812</b>    |
| Other income (expense)   |  |                 |
| Interest income  | 83   | 125             |
| Interest expense   | (170)  | (109)           |
| Other income   | 351  | 479             |
|  | 264  | 495             |
| <b>INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES</b>                              | <b>1,595</b>   | <b>4,307</b>    |
| Income taxes   | 561  | 1,590           |
| <b>NET INCOME</b>  | <b>1,034</b>   | <b>2,717</b>    |
| Net (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interest, net of tax | (98)   | (5)             |
| <b>NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO PLPC</b>                         | <b>\$ 1,132</b>  | <b>\$ 2,722</b> |
| <b>BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE</b>                                |  |                 |
| Net income attributable to PLPC common shareholders            | \$ 0.22  | \$ 0.52         |

**DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE**

|   |    |       |    |       |
|---|----|-------|----|-------|
| Net income attributable to PLPC common shareholders   | \$ | 0.21  | \$ | 0.51  |
| Cash dividends declared per share                     | \$ | 0.20  | \$ | 0.20  |
| Weighted-average number of shares outstanding basic   |    | 5,252 |    | 5,225 |
| Weighted-average number of shares outstanding diluted |    | 5,403 |    | 5,305 |

*See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).*

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**PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY**  
**STATEMENTS OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

|   | Three month periods ended March<br>31 |                |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|
|   | 2010                                  | 2009           |
|   | <i>(Thousands of dollars)</i>         |                |
| <b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                                       |                |
| Net income  | \$ 1,132                              | \$ 2,717       |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operations: |                                       |                |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 2,057                                 | 1,704          |
| Provision for accounts receivable allowances                            | 124                                   | 106            |
| Provision for inventory reserves  | 513                                   | 703            |
| Deferred income taxes   | (334)                                 | 392            |
| Share-based compensation expense  | 606                                   | 362            |
| Net investment in life insurance  | (13)                                  | 320            |
| Other net   | (117)                                 | (83)           |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:                            |                                       |                |
| Accounts receivable   | 313                                   | (5,899)        |
| Inventories   | (1,674)                               | 717            |
| Trade accounts payables and accrued liabilities                         | 736                                   | 2,632          |
| Income taxes payable  | (1,348)                               | 256            |
| Other net   | (1,208)                               | (306)          |
| <b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>                        | <b>787</b>                            | <b>3,621</b>   |
| <b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                                       |                |
| Capital expenditures  | (3,774)                               | (2,200)        |
| Proceeds from the sale of discontinued operations                       |                                       | 750            |
| Proceeds from the sale of property and equipment                        | 100                                   | 25             |
| <b>NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>                            | <b>(3,674)</b>                        | <b>(1,425)</b> |
| <b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                                       |                |
| Increase in notes payable to banks                                      | 655                                   | 366            |
| Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt                            | 5,209                                 |                |
| Payments of long-term debt  | (935)                                 | (135)          |
| Dividends paid  | (1,092)                               | (1,054)        |
| Proceeds from issuance of common shares                                 | 77                                    | 33             |
| Purchase of common shares for treasury                                  | (23)                                  | (24)           |
| <b>NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>              | <b>3,891</b>                          | <b>(814)</b>   |
| Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents           | (350)                                 | (456)          |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents                               | 654                                   | 926            |



|   |                  |                  |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year    | 24,097           | 19,869           |
| <b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD</b> | <b>\$ 24,751</b> | <b>\$ 20,795</b> |

*See notes to consolidated financial statements (unaudited).*

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**PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS COMPANY**  
**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**(UNAUDITED)**

*In thousands, except share and per share data, unless specifically noted*

**NOTE A BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of Preformed Line Products Company and subsidiaries (the Company or PLPC ) have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X.

The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates. However, in the opinion of management, these consolidated financial statements contain all estimates and adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, required to fairly present the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows for the interim periods. Operating results for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2010.

The consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2009 has been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements, but does not include all of the information and notes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes to consolidated financial statements included in the Company s 2009 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on March 15, 2010 with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**NOTE B OTHER FINANCIAL STATEMENT INFORMATION***Inventories net*

|                                       | March 31<br>2010 | December 31<br>2009 |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Finished products                     | \$ 27,951        | \$ 26,161           |
| Work-in-process                       | 4,913            | 3,473               |
| Raw materials                         | 33,221           | 34,788              |
|                                       | 66,085           | 64,422              |
| Excess of current cost over LIFO cost | (4,610)          | (4,463)             |
| Noncurrent portion of inventory       | (3,182)          | (3,923)             |
|                                       | \$ 58,293        | \$ 56,036           |

Noncurrent inventory is included in other assets on the consolidated balance sheets and is principally comprised of raw materials.

**Table of Contents***Property and equipment net*

Major classes of property and equipment are stated at cost and were as follows:

|                               | March 31<br>2010 | December 31<br>2009 |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Land and improvements         | \$ 7,239         | \$ 7,188            |
| Buildings and improvements    | 52,809           | 51,297              |
| Machinery and equipment       | 105,988          | 104,179             |
| Construction in progress      | 6,001            | 6,068               |
|                               | 172,037          | 168,732             |
| Less accumulated depreciation | 102,445          | 100,966             |
|                               | \$ 69,592        | \$ 67,766           |

*Comprehensive income(loss)*

The components of comprehensive income (loss) for the three month periods ended March 31 are as follows:

|  | PLPC                                 |          | Noncontrolling interest              |        | Total                                |          |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|----------|
|  | Three month period<br>ended March 31 |          | Three month period<br>ended March 31 |        | Three month period<br>ended March 31 |          |
|  | 2010                                 | 2009     | 2010                                 | 2009   | 2010                                 | 2009     |
| Net income (loss)  | \$ 1,132                             | \$ 2,722 | \$ (98)                              | \$ (5) | \$ 1,034                             | \$ 2,717 |
| Other comprehensive income<br>(loss), net of tax:                              |                                      |          |                                      |        |                                      |          |
| Change in unrealized losses on<br>available-for-sale securities, net<br>of tax |                                      | (88)     |                                      |        |                                      | (88)     |
| Foreign currency translation<br>adjustments                                    | (170)                                | (3,249)  | (16)                                 | (3)    | (186)                                | (3,252)  |
| Recognized net actuarial gain  | 58                                   | 83       |                                      |        | 58                                   | 83       |
| Total other comprehensive<br>income (loss), net of tax                         | (112)                                | (3,254)  | (16)                                 | (3)    | (128)                                | (3,257)  |
| Comprehensive income (loss)  | \$ 1,020                             | \$ (532) | \$ (114)                             | \$ (8) | \$ 906                               | \$ (540) |

*Legal proceedings*

From time to time, the Company may be subject to litigation incidental to its business. The Company is not a party to any pending legal proceedings that the Company believes would, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

**NOTE C PENSION PLANS**

PLP-USA hourly employees of the Company who meet specific requirements as to age and service are covered by a defined benefit pension plan. The Company uses a December 31 measurement date for this plan. Net periodic benefit cost for this plan included the following components:

|                                | Three month period ended March<br>31 |        |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|
|                                | 2010                                 | 2009   |
| Service cost                   | \$ 223                               | \$ 216 |
| Interest cost                  | 322                                  | 292    |
| Expected return on plan assets | (240)                                | (183)  |
| Recognized net actuarial loss  | 91                                   | 132    |
| Net periodic benefit cost      | \$ 396                               | \$ 457 |

During the three month period ended March 31, 2010, no contributions have been made to the plan. The Company presently anticipates no contributions to fund the plan in 2010.

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Basic earnings per share were computed by dividing net income attributable to PLPC common shareholders by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for each respective period. Diluted earnings per share were calculated by dividing net income attributable to PLPC common shareholders by the weighted-average of all potentially dilutive common shares that were outstanding during the periods presented.

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 were as follows:

|   | For the three month period ended March<br>31 |          |
|---|--|----------|
|   | 2010   | 2009     |
| Numerator   |  |          |
| Net income attributable to PLPC                             | \$ 1,132                                     | \$ 2,722 |
| Denominator   |  |          |
| Determination of shares                                     |  |          |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding                  | 5,252  | 5,225    |
| Dilutive effect share-based awards                          | 151  | 80       |
| Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding          | 5,403  | 5,305    |
| Earnings per common share attributable to PLPC shareholders |  |          |
| Basic   | \$ 0.22                                      | \$ 0.52  |
| Diluted   | \$ 0.21                                      | \$ 0.51  |

For the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, 27,500 and 13,000 stock options were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share due to the average market price being lower than the exercise price, and as such the stock options are anti-dilutive.

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The Company's finite and indefinite-lived intangible assets consist of the following:

|                                    | March 31, 2010        |                          | December 31, 2009     |                          |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
|                                    | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization |
| Finite-lived intangible assets     |                       |                          |                       |                          |
| Patents                            | \$ 4,828              | \$ (3,292)               | \$ 4,827              | \$ (3,213)               |
| Land use rights                    | 1,365                 | (58)                     | 1,365                 | (55)                     |
| Trademark                          | 321                   | (30)                     | 311                   |                          |
| Customer relationships             | 5,483                 | (629)                    | 5,372                 | (520)                    |
|                                    | \$ 11,997             | \$ (4,009)               | \$ 11,875             | \$ (3,788)               |
| Indefinite-lived intangible assets |                       |                          |                       |                          |
| Goodwill                           | \$ 6,992              |                          | \$ 6,925              |                          |

The Company performs its annual impairment test for goodwill utilizing a discounted cash flow methodology, market comparables, and an overall market capitalization reasonableness test in computing fair value by reporting unit. The Company then compares the fair value of the reporting unit with its carrying value to assess if goodwill has been impaired. Based on the assumptions as to growth, discount rates and the weighting used for each respective valuation methodology, results of the valuations could be significantly changed. However, the Company believes that the methodologies and weightings used are reasonable and result in appropriate fair values of the reporting units.

The Company performed its annual impairment test for goodwill as of January 1, 2010, and determined that no adjustment to the carrying value was required. The aggregate amortization expense for other intangibles with finite lives for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 was \$.2 million and \$.1 million. Amortization expense is estimated to be \$.9 million for 2010, and \$.7 million for 2011, \$.8 million for 2012 and 2013 and \$.7 million for 2014.

The Company's only intangible asset with an indefinite life is goodwill. The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill, by segment, for the three month period ended March 31, 2010, are as follows:

|                            | Australia | South Africa | Poland   | All Other | Total    |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Balance at January 1, 2010 | \$ 2,243  | \$ 52        | \$ 1,161 | \$ 3,469  | \$ 6,925 |
| Currency translation       | 66        |              | 1        |           | 67       |
| Balance at March 31, 2010  | \$ 2,309  | \$ 52        | \$ 1,162 | \$ 3,469  | \$ 6,992 |

**NOTE F SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION***The 1999 Stock Option Plan*

The 1999 Stock Option Plan (the Plan) permits the grant of 300,000 options to buy common shares of the Company to certain employees at not less than fair market value of the shares on the date of grant. At March 31, 2010 there were no shares remaining to be issued under the Plan. Options issued to date under the Plan vest 50% after one year following the date of the grant, 75% after two years, and 100% after three years and expire from five to ten years from the date of grant. Shares issued as a result of stock option exercises will be funded with the issuance of new shares.

There were no options granted during the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009.



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Activity in the Plan for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 was as follows:

|  | Number<br>of Shares | Weighted<br>Average<br>Exercise<br>Price per<br>Share | Weighted<br>Average<br>Remaining<br>Contractual<br>Term (Years) | Aggregate<br>Intrinsic<br>Value |
|--|---------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Outstanding at January 1, 2010                                 | 85,502              | \$ 33.29  |   |                                 |
| Granted  |                     | \$ 0.00   |   |                                 |
| Exercised  | (4,696)             | \$ 15.13  |   |                                 |
| Forfeited  |                     | \$ 0.00   |   |                                 |
| Outstanding (vested and expected to vest) at<br>March 31, 2010 | 80,806              | \$ 34.34  | 6.0   | \$ 535                          |
| Exercisable at March 31, 2010                                  | 65,806              | \$ 32.02  | 5.3   | \$ 535                          |

The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 was \$.1 million and less than \$.1 million, respectively. Cash received for the exercise of stock options during 2010 was \$.1 million. There were no excess tax benefits from stock based awards for the three month period ended March 31, 2010.

For the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded compensation expense related to the stock options currently vesting, reducing income before taxes and net income by less than \$.1 million. The total compensation cost related to nonvested awards not yet recognized at March 31, 2010 is expected to be a combined total of \$.2 million over a weighted average period of 2.1 years.

**Long Term Incentive Plan of 2008**

Under the Preformed Line Products Company Long Term Incentive Plan of 2008 (the LTIP Plan), certain employees, officers, and directors will be eligible to receive awards of options and restricted shares. The purpose of this LTIP Plan is to give the Company and its subsidiaries a competitive advantage in attracting, retaining, and motivating officers, employees, and directors and to provide an incentive to those individuals to increase shareholder value through long-term incentives directly linked to the Company's performance. The total number of Company common shares reserved for awards under the LTIP Plan is 400,000. Of the 400,000 common shares, 300,000 common shares have been reserved for restricted share awards and 100,000 common shares have been reserved for share options. The LTIP Plan expires on April 17, 2018.

**Restricted Share Awards**

For all of the participants except the CEO, a portion of the restricted share award is subject to time-based cliff vesting and a portion is subject to vesting based upon the Company's performance over a three year period. All of the CEO's restricted shares are subject to vesting based upon the Company's performance over a three year period.

The restricted shares are offered at no cost to the employees; however, the participant must remain employed with the Company until the restrictions on the restricted shares lapse. The fair value of a restricted share award is based on the market price of a common share on the grant date. The Company currently estimates that no awards will be forfeited. Dividends declared in 2009 and thereafter will be accrued in cash dividends. In 2008, dividends were reinvested in additional restricted shares, and held subject to the same vesting requirements as the underlying restricted shares.



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A summary of the restricted share awards for the year ended March 31, 2010 is as follows:

|                                 | Restricted Share Awards                   |                     |                               | Weighted<br>Average<br>Grant-Date<br>Fair Value |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                                 | Performance<br>and<br>Service<br>Required | Service<br>Required | Total<br>Restricted<br>Awards |   |
| Nonvested as of January 1, 2010 | 115,346                                   | 12,475              | 127,821                       | \$ 38.28  |
| Granted                         | 66,973                                    | 7,303               | 74,276                        | 35.75   |
| Vested                          |   |                     |                               |   |
| Forfeited                       |   |                     |                               |   |
| Nonvested as of March 31, 2010  | 182,319                                   | 19,778              | 202,097                       | \$ 37.35  |

For time-based restricted shares the Company recognizes stock-based compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of the award in General and administrative expense in the accompanying statement of consolidated income. Compensation expense related to the time-based restricted shares for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 was less than \$.1 million, respectively. As of March 31, 2010, there was \$.5 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to time-based restricted share awards that is expected to be recognized over the weighted-average remaining period of approximately 1.6 years.

For the performance-based awards, the number of restricted shares in which the participants will vest depends on the Company's level of performance measured by growth in pretax income and sales over a requisite performance period. Depending on the extent to which the performance criteria are satisfied under the LTIP Plan, the participants are eligible to earn common shares over the vesting period. Performance-based compensation expense for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009 was \$.5 million and \$.3 million. As of March 31, 2010, the remaining performance-based restricted share awards compensation expense of \$4.4 million is expected to be recognized over a period of approximately 1.2 years.

In the event of a Change in Control, vesting of the restricted shares will be accelerated and all restrictions will lapse. Unvested performance-based awards are based on a maximum potential payout. Actual shares awarded at the end of the performance period may be less than the maximum potential payout level depending on achievement of performance-based award objectives.

To satisfy the vesting of its restricted share awards, the Company has reserved new shares from its authorized but unissued shares. Any additional granted awards will also be issued from the Company's authorized but unissued shares. Under the LTIP Plan, there are 97,903 common shares currently available for additional restricted share grants.

**Share Option Awards**

The LTIP plan permits the grant of 100,000 share options to buy common shares of the Company to certain employees at not less than fair market value of the shares on the date of grant. At March 31, 2010 there were 89,000 shares remaining available for issuance under the LTIP Plan. Options issued to date under the Plan vest 50% after one year following the date of the grant, 75% after two years, and 100% after three years and expire from five to ten years from the date of grant. Shares issued as a result of stock option exercises will be funded with the issuance of new shares.

The Company has elected to use the simplified method of calculating the expected term of the stock options and historical volatility to compute fair value under the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The risk free rate for periods within the contractual life of the option is based on the U.S. zero coupon Treasury yield in effect at the time of grant. Forfeitures have been estimated to be zero.

There were no options granted for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009.



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Activity in the Company's plan for the year ended March 31, 2010 was as follows:

|  | Number of<br>Shares | Weighted<br>Average<br>Exercise<br>Price<br>per Share | Weighted<br>Average<br>Remaining<br>Contractual<br>Term<br>(Years) | Aggregate<br>Intrinsic<br>Value |
|--|---------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Outstanding at January 1, 2010                                 | 11,000              | \$ 38.76  |  |                                 |
| Granted  |                     | \$ 0.00   |  |                                 |
| Exercised  |                     | \$ 0.00   |  |                                 |
| Forfeited  |                     | \$ 0.00   |  |                                 |
| Outstanding (vested and expected to vest) at<br>March 31, 2010 | 11,000              | \$ 38.76  | 9.5  | \$ 0.00                         |
| Exercisable at March 31, 2010                                  |                     | \$ 0.00   |  | \$ 0.00                         |

There were no stock options exercised under the LTIP Plan during the three month period ended March 31, 2010. There were no excess tax benefits from stock based awards for the three month period ended March 31, 2010.

For the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, the Company recorded compensation expense related to the stock options currently vesting, reducing income before taxes and net income by less than \$.1 million and zero, respectively. The total compensation cost related to nonvested awards not yet recognized at March 31, 2010 is expected to be a combined total of \$.2 million over a weighted average period of approximately 2.6 years.

**NOTE G FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

The carrying value of the Company's current financial instruments, which include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable, notes payable, and short-term debt, approximates its fair value because of the short-term maturity of these instruments. At March 31, 2010, the fair value of the Company's long-term debt was estimated using discounted cash flows analysis, based on the Company's current incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements which are considered to be level two inputs. There have been no transfers in or out of level two for the three month period ended March 31, 2010. Based on the analysis performed, the fair value and the carrying value of the Company's long-term debt are as follows:

|   | March 31, 2010 |                | December 31, 2009 |                |
|---|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
|   | Fair Value     | Carrying Value | Fair Value        | Carrying Value |
| Long-term debt and related current maturities | \$ 9,170       | \$ 9,126       | \$ 4,617          | \$ 4,429       |

**NOTE H RECENTLY ADOPTED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) updated guidance included in FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 810-10, related to the consolidation of variable interest entities. This guidance will require ongoing reassessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. In addition, this updated guidance amends the quantitative approach for determining the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. ASC 810-10 amends certain guidance for determining whether an entity is a variable interest entity and adds additional reconsideration events for determining whether an entity is a variable interest entity. Further, this guidance requires enhanced disclosures that will provide users of financial statements with more

transparent information about an enterprise's involvement in a variable interest entity. This updated guidance is effective as of the beginning of the first annual reporting period and interim reporting periods that begin after November 15, 2009. This adoption of this guidance did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements or disclosures.

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**NOTE I RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In October 2009, the FASB issued ASU No. 2009-13, Revenue Recognition (Topic 605): Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force (ASU 2009-13). ASU 2009-13 addresses the accounting for sales arrangements that include multiple products or services by revising the criteria for when deliverables may be accounted for separately rather than as a combined unit. Specifically, this guidance establishes a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable, which is necessary to separately account for each product or service. This hierarchy provides more options for establishing selling price than existing guidance. ASU 2009-13 is required to be applied prospectively to new or materially modified revenue arrangements in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the effect the adoption of ASU 2009-13 will have on our financial position, results of operations, cash flows, and related disclosures; however no significant effect is expected.

**NOTE J SEGMENT INFORMATION**

The following tables present a summary of the Company's reportable segments for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009. Financial results for the PLP-USA segment include the elimination of all segments intercompany profit in inventory.

|                          | Three month period ended March |           |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
|                          | 2010                           | 2009      |
| Net sales                |                                |           |
| PLP-USA                  | \$ 26,481                      | \$ 28,671 |
| Australia                | 10,891                         | 5,682     |
| Brazil                   | 8,627                          | 5,192     |
| South Africa             | 2,811                          | 1,854     |
| Canada                   | 2,588                          | 2,355     |
| Poland                   | 3,313                          | 2,958     |
| All Other                | 14,197                         | 11,982    |
| Total net sales          | \$ 68,908                      | \$ 58,694 |
| Intersegment sales       |                                |           |
| PLP-USA                  | \$ 1,122                       | \$ 1,530  |
| Australia                | 51                             | 15        |
| Brazil                   | 870                            | 740       |
| South Africa             | 108                            | 12        |
| Canada                   | 170                            | 36        |
| Poland                   | 174                            | 438       |
| All Other                | 4,447                          | 2,459     |
| Total intersegment sales | \$ 6,942                       | \$ 5,230  |



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|  | Three month period ended March |             |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------|
|  | 2010                           | 2009        |
| Income taxes (benefit)                                       |                                |             |
| PLP-USA  | \$ (428)                       | \$ 921      |
| Australia  | 255                            | 28          |
| Brazil   | 248                            | 58          |
| South Africa   | 188                            | 120         |
| Canada   | 151                            | 145         |
| Poland   | 38                             | 106         |
| All Other  | 109                            | 212         |
| Total income taxes   | \$ 561                         | \$ 1,590    |
| Net income (loss)  |                                |             |
| PLP-USA  | \$ (1,029)                     | \$ 1,156    |
| Australia  | 458                            | 50          |
| Brazil   | 465                            | 94          |
| South Africa   | 483                            | 307         |
| Canada   | 336                            | 322         |
| Poland   | 132                            | 425         |
| All Other  | 189                            | 363         |
| Total net income   | 1,034                          | 2,717       |
| Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interest, net of tax | (98)                           | (5)         |
| Net income attributable to PLPC                              | \$ 1,132                       | \$ 2,722    |
|  |                                |             |
|  | March 31                       | December 31 |
|  | 2010                           | 2009        |
| Assets   |                                |             |
| PLP-USA  | \$ 68,613                      | \$ 65,266   |
| Australia  | 34,882                         | 31,269      |
| Brazil   | 23,799                         | 25,194      |
| South Africa   | 8,377                          | 7,081       |
| Canada   | 8,901                          | 9,006       |
| Poland   | 14,871                         | 14,777      |
| All Other  | 80,573                         | 82,330      |
|  | 240,016                        | 234,923     |
| Corporate assets   | 402                            | 449         |
| Total assets   | \$ 240,418                     | \$ 235,372  |

NOTE K INCOME TAXES

The Company's effective tax rate was 35% and 37% for the three month periods ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. The higher effective tax rate for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 compared to the statutory tax rate of 34% is primarily due to losses in foreign jurisdictions providing no current tax benefits, the effect of permanent non-deductible expenses in the U.S., offset by the favorable benefit from foreign earnings in jurisdictions with lower tax rates.

The Company provides valuation allowances against deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that some portion, or all of its deferred tax assets will not be realized. No significant changes were made for the period ended March 31, 2010.



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At March 31, 2010, the Company had gross unrecognized tax benefits of approximately \$1.3 million. Under the provisions of ASC 740 Income Taxes, the Company may decrease its unrecognized tax benefits by \$.1 million within the next twelve months due to the expiration of statutes of limitations. The Company recognized less than \$.1 million of a decrease in unrecognized tax benefit for the three month period ended March 31, 2010, primarily due to settlement of unrecognized tax benefits.

**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

**OVERVIEW**

Preformed Line Products Company (the Company, PLPC, we, us, or our) was incorporated in Ohio in 1947. We are an international designer and manufacturer of products and systems employed in the construction and maintenance of overhead and underground networks for the energy, telecommunication, cable operators, information (data communication), and other similar industries. Our primary products support, protect, connect, terminate, and secure cables and wires. We also provide solar hardware systems and mounting hardware for a variety of solar power applications. Our goal is to continue to achieve profitable growth as a leader in the innovation, development, manufacture, and marketing of technically advanced products and services related to energy, communications, and cable systems and to take advantage of this leadership position to sell additional quality products in familiar markets. The reportable segments are PLP-USA, Australia, Brazil, South Africa, Canada, Poland, and All Other. Our PLP-USA segment is comprised of our U.S. operations primarily supporting our domestic energy and telecommunications products. The Australia segment is comprised of all of our operations in Australia supporting energy, telecommunications, data communications and solar products. Our Canada and Brazil segments are comprised of the manufacturing and sales operations from those locations which meet at least one of the criteria of a reportable segment. Our final two segments are Poland and South Africa, which are comprised of a manufacturing and sales operation, and have been included as segments to comply with reporting segments for 75% of consolidated sales. Our remaining operations are included in the All Other segment as none of these operations meet, or the future estimated results are not expected to meet the criteria for a reportable segment.

**RECENT DEVELOPMENT**

On December 18, 2009, PLPC and Tyco Electronics Group S.A. (Tyco Electronics) completed a Stock and Asset Purchase Agreement, pursuant to which, PLPC acquired from Tyco Electronics its Dulmison business for \$16 million and the assumption of certain liabilities.

The acquisition of Dulmison strengthens our position in the power distribution and transmission hardware market and will expand our presence in the Asia-Pacific region. As a result of the acquisition, we added operations in Indonesia and Malaysia and strengthened our existing positions in Australia, Thailand, Mexico and the United States.

*Preface*

Our net sales for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 increased \$10.2 million, or 17%, and gross profit increased \$1.4 million, or 8%, compared to the three month period ended March 31, 2009. Our net sales increase was caused by a 43% increase in total foreign net sales partially offset by a 5% decrease in U.S. net sales. Our financial results are subject to fluctuations in the exchange rates of foreign currencies in relation to the U.S. dollar. Of the 17% increase in net sales, 11% was from the favorable effect on the change in the translation rate of local currencies as a result of the U.S. dollar to certain weaker foreign currencies compared to 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, gross profit decreased 5% compared to 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, costs and expenses increased \$2.5 million, or 17%, as foreign costs and expenses increased \$1.3 million and U.S. costs and expenses increased \$1.2 million. As a result of the preceding, net income decreased \$1.7 million compared to 2009.

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Despite the current economic conditions, our financial condition remains strong. We continue to generate substantial cash flows from operations, have proactively managed working capital and have controlled capital spending. We currently have a debt to equity ratio of 7% and can borrow needed funds at an affordable interest rate under our credit facility. While current worldwide conditions necessitate that we concentrate our efforts on maintaining our financial strengths, we believe there are many available opportunities for growth. We are pursuing these opportunities as appropriate in the current environment in order to position ourselves for when the economic recovery ultimately happens.

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the U.S. (GAAP). Our discussions of the financial results include non-GAAP measures (primarily the impact of foreign currency) to provide additional information concerning our financial results and provide information that is useful to the assessment of our performance and operating trends.

**THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2010 COMPARED TO THREE MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 2009**

*Net Sales.* For the three month period ended March 31, 2010, net sales were \$68.9 million, an increase of \$10.2 million, or 17%, from the three month period ended March 31, 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, net sales increased 6% as summarized in the following table:

| <i>thousands of dollars</i> | Three month period ended March 31 |           |            |                                    |                                       |          |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|                             | 2010                              | 2009      | Change     | Change due to currency translation | Change excluding currency translation | % change |
| Net sales                   |                                   |           |            |                                    |                                       |          |
| PLP-USA                     | \$ 26,481                         | \$ 28,671 | \$ (2,190) | \$                                 | \$ (2,190)                            | (8)%     |
| Australia                   | 10,891                            | 5,682     | 5,209      | 2,900                              | 2,309                                 | 41       |
| Brazil                      | 8,627                             | 5,192     | 3,435      | 1,879                              | 1,556                                 | 30       |
| South Africa                | 2,811                             | 1,854     | 957        | 677                                | 280                                   | 15       |
| Canada                      | 2,588                             | 2,355     | 233        | 420                                | (187)                                 | (8)      |
| Poland                      | 3,313                             | 2,958     | 355        | 544                                | (189)                                 | (6)      |
| All Other                   | 14,197                            | 11,982    | 2,215      | 489                                | 1,726                                 | 14       |
| Consolidated                | \$ 68,908                         | \$ 58,694 | \$ 10,214  | \$ 6,909                           | \$ 3,305                              | 6%       |

The decrease in PLP-USA net sales of \$2.2 million, or 8%, was primarily due to a sales volume decrease of \$1.2 million and a price/ mix decrease of \$1 million due to a decline in the domestic economy. International net sales for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 were favorably affected by \$6.9 million when converted to U.S. dollars, as a result of the U.S. dollar compared to certain weaker foreign currencies. The following discussions of international net sales exclude the effect of currency translation. Australia net sales increased \$2.3 million, or 41%, as a result of higher sales volume primarily related to the acquisition entered into in December 2009. Brazil net sales increased \$1.6 million, or 30%, as a result of higher energy sales volume partially offset by lower telecommunication sales. South Africa net sales increased \$.3 million, or 15%, primarily as a result of increased volume in energy sales. Canada net sales decreased \$.2 million, or 8%, due to lower sales volume in their markets. Poland net sales decreased \$.2 million, or 6%, due primarily to a decrease in sales volume in their domestic markets. All Other net sales increased \$1.7 million, or 14%, due to an increase in sales volume coupled with the net sales realized from the acquisition entered into in December 2009 reported in All Other.

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*Gross profit.* Gross profit of \$20 million for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 increased \$1.4 million, or 8%, compared to the three month period ended March 31, 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, gross profit decreased 5% as summarized in the following table:

| <i>thousands of dollars</i> | Three month period ended March 31 |           |            |                                    |                                       |          |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|                             | 2010                              | 2009      | Change     | Change due to currency translation | Change excluding currency translation | % change |
| Gross profit                |                                   |           |            |                                    |                                       |          |
| PLP-USA                     | \$ 6,592                          | \$ 9,320  | \$ (2,728) | \$                                 | \$ (2,728)                            | (29)%    |
| Australia                   | 3,677                             | 1,553     | 2,124      | 981                                | 1,143                                 | 74       |
| Brazil                      | 2,405                             | 1,437     | 968        | 521                                | 447                                   | 31       |
| South Africa                | 1,284                             | 743       | 541        | 309                                | 232                                   | 31       |
| Canada                      | 1,084                             | 967       | 117        | 179                                | (62)                                  | (6)      |
| Poland                      | 910                               | 941       | (31)       | 153                                | (184)                                 | (20)     |
| All Other                   | 4,073                             | 3,617     | 456        | 168                                | 288                                   | 8        |
| Consolidated                | \$ 20,025                         | \$ 18,578 | \$ 1,447   | \$ 2,311                           | \$ (864)                              | (5)%     |

PLP-USA gross profit of \$6.6 million decreased \$2.7 million compared to 2009. PLP-USA gross profit decreased \$.7 million due primarily to lower sales volume coupled with an increase in material costs. International gross profits for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 were favorably impacted by \$2.3 million when local currencies were translated to U.S. dollars compared to 2009. The following discussion of international gross profit excludes the effect of currency translation. The Australia gross profit increase of \$1.1 million was the result of \$.6 million from higher net sales coupled with an improvement in production margins of \$.6 million, partially offset by an increase in material costs. Brazil's gross profit increase of \$.4 million was primarily the result of an increase in higher sales volume. The South Africa gross profit increase of \$.2 million was a result of \$.1 million from higher sales volume coupled with an improvement in product margins. Canada's gross profit decrease of less than \$.1 million was a result of a decrease in sales volume. Poland's gross profit decrease of \$.2 million was a result of \$.1 million from lower net sales coupled with a decrease in production margins. The increase in All Other gross profit improvement of \$.3 million was primarily related to our new locations acquired in December 2009 contributing \$.4 million of gross profit. The increase in gross profit due to our new locations was partially offset by a \$.1 million decrease in gross profit related to our other operations that are included in All Other.

*Cost and expenses.* Cost and expenses for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 increased \$3.9 million, or 27%, compared to the three month period ended March 31, 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, cost and expenses increased 17% as summarized in the following table:

| <i>thousands of dollars</i> | Three month period ended March 31 |          |        |                                    |                                       |          |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|--------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|                             | 2010                              | 2009     | Change | Change due to currency translation | Change excluding currency translation | % change |
| Costs and expenses          |                                   |          |        |                                    |                                       |          |
| PLP-USA                     | \$ 9,619                          | \$ 8,632 | \$ 987 | \$                                 | \$ 987                                | 11%      |
| Australia                   | 2,350                             | 1,233    | 1,117  | 582                                | 535                                   | 43       |
| Brazil                      | 1,624                             | 1,236    | 388    | 395                                | (7)                                   | (1)      |
| South Africa                | 516                               | 274      | 242    | 97                                 | 145                                   | 53       |
| Canada                      | 472                               | 393      | 79     | 77                                 | 2                                     | 1        |

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|              |           |           |          |          |          |     |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----|
| Poland       | 725       | 411       | 314      | 118      | 196      | 48  |
| All Other    | 3,388     | 2,587     | 801      | 157      | 644      | 25  |
| Consolidated | \$ 18,694 | \$ 14,766 | \$ 3,928 | \$ 1,426 | \$ 2,502 | 17% |

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PLP-USA costs and expenses increased \$1 million due to an increase in employee related costs of \$.5 million, professional fees of \$.1 million, repairs and maintenance costs of \$.2 million, integration costs related to our December 2009 acquisition of \$.3 million, \$.1 million due to less bad debt recoveries, and consulting costs of \$.1 million, partially offset by the favorable change in the cash surrender value of life insurance policies of \$.3 million. International cost and expenses for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 were unfavorably impacted by \$1.4 million when local currencies were translated to U.S. dollars compared to 2009. The following discussions of international costs and expenses exclude the effect of currency translation. Australia costs and expenses increased \$.5 million primarily due to an increase in personnel related costs and the addition of new employees related to the December 2009 acquisition. Brazil costs and expenses remained relatively unchanged compared to 2009. South Africa costs and expenses increased \$.1 million due to higher personnel related costs and administrative expenses due to an increase in bad debt expense. Canada costs and expenses remained relatively unchanged compared to 2009. Poland costs and expenses increased \$.2 million primarily due to an increase in personnel related costs. All Other costs and expenses increased \$.6 million primarily due to personnel related costs and the additional costs and expenses related to the locations acquired in December 2009 located in the All Other category. The increase in All Other costs and expenses was partially offset by a \$.3 million gain on currency translation when converting balances from foreign currencies into U.S. dollars.

*Other income (expense).* Other income (expense) for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 of \$.3 million decreased \$.2 million compared to 2009. Other income (expense) decreased due to a decrease in other income related to our natural gas well located at our corporate headquarters property in Mayfield Village, Ohio, an increase in interest expense at several of our foreign locations, and a net loss related to our Proxisafe Ltd investment entered into in 2009.

*Income taxes.* Income taxes for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 of \$.6 million were \$1 million lower compared to 2009. The effective tax rate for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 was 35% compared to 37% in 2009. The effective tax rate for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 is higher than the statutory federal rate of 34% primarily due to losses in foreign jurisdictions providing no current tax benefits, the effect of permanent non-deductible expenses in the U.S., offset by the favorable benefit from foreign earnings in jurisdictions with lower tax rates.

*Net income.* As a result of the preceding items, net income for the three month period ended March 31, 2010 was \$1 million, compared to net income of \$2.7 million for the three month period ended March 31, 2009. Excluding the effect of currency translation, net income decreased \$2 million as summarized in the following table:

| <i>thousands of dollars</i> | Three month period ended March 31 |          |            |                                    |                                       |          |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------|
|                             | 2009                              | 2008     | Change     | Change due to currency translation | Change excluding currency translation | % change |
| Net income                  |                                   |          |            |                                    |                                       |          |
| PLP-USA                     | \$ (1,029)                        | \$ 1,156 | \$ (2,185) | \$                                 | \$ (2,185)                            | (189)%   |
| Australia                   | 458                               | 50       | 408        | 190                                | 218                                   | 436      |
| Brazil                      | 465                               | 94       | 371        | 58                                 | 313                                   | 333      |
| South Africa                | 483                               | 307      | 176        | 112                                | 64                                    | 21       |
| Canada                      | 336                               | 322      | 14         | 56                                 | (42)                                  | (13)     |
| Poland                      | 132                               | 425      | (293)      | 26                                 | (319)                                 | (75)     |
| All Other                   | 189                               | 363      | (174)      | (89)                               | (85)                                  | (23)     |
| Consolidated                | \$ 1,034                          | \$ 2,717 | \$ (1,683) | \$ 353                             | \$ (2,036)                            | (75)%    |

PLP-USA net income decreased \$2.2 million as a result of a \$3.4 million decrease in operating income coupled with a decrease in other income (expense) of \$.1 million partially offset by a decrease in income taxes of \$1.3 million. The following discussion of international net income excludes the effect of currency translation. Australia net income increased \$.2 million due primarily to the increase in operating income of \$.4 million partially offset by an increase in

income taxes of \$.2 million. Brazil net income increased \$.3 million primarily as a result of the increase in operating income of \$.4 million partially offset by an increase in income taxes of \$.1 million. South Africa net income increased \$.1 million primarily as a result of the increase in operating income. Canada net income decreased less than \$.1 million primarily as a result of the decrease in operating income. Poland net income decreased \$.3 million as a result of a \$.4 million decrease in operating income partially offset by a decrease in income taxes. All Other net income decreased \$.1 million primarily as a result of the \$.2 million decrease in operating income partially offset by lower income taxes.

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**APPLICATION OF CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES**

Our critical accounting policies are consistent with the information set forth in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, included in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 and are, therefore, not presented herein.

**WORKING CAPITAL, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

Cash increased \$.7 million for the three month period ended March 31, 2010. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$.7 million primarily because of net income, non-cash adjustments, an increase in trade payables and a decrease in accounts receivable partially offset by an increase in inventories, a decrease in income taxes payable and all other current assets/liabilities. The major investing and financing uses of cash were \$3.8 million in capital expenditures, \$1.1 million in dividend payments and payment of long term debt of \$.9 million offset by cash proceeds of \$.1 million related to the sale of property, plant and equipment and net proceeds from debt borrowings of \$5.9 million.

Net cash used in investing activities of \$3.7 million represents an increase of \$2.2 million when compared to the cash used by investing activities in the three month period ended March 31, 2009. During 2009, we received the remaining \$.8 million from escrow related to the May 30, 2008 sale of the SMP operations. Capital expenditures increased \$1.7 million in the three month period ended March 31, 2010 when compared to 2009 due mostly to our facilities expansion in Mexico and additional machinery investment, primarily at our U.S. locations and Brazilian operations.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$3.9 million compared to a use of \$.8 million in the three month period ended March 31, 2009. This increase was primarily a result of \$4.9 million in net debt borrowings in 2010 compared to \$.2 million in net debt borrowings in 2009.

Our current ratio was 3.1 to 1 at March 31, 2010 and 3 to 1 at December 31, 2009. At March 31, 2010, our unused balance under our main credit facility was \$24.5 million and our bank debt to equity percentage was 7%. Our main revolving credit agreement contains, among other provisions, requirements for maintaining levels of working capital, net worth, and profitability. At March 31, 2010, we were in compliance with these covenants. We believe our future operating cash flows will be more than sufficient to cover debt repayments, other contractual obligations, capital expenditures and dividends. In addition, we believe our existing cash of \$24.7 million, together with our untapped borrowing capacity, provides substantial financial resources. If we were to incur significant additional indebtedness, we expect to be able to meet liquidity needs under our credit facilities. We do not believe we would increase our debt to a level that would have a material adverse impact upon results of operations or financial condition.

**RECENTLY ADOPTED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In June 2009, the FASB updated guidance included in FASB ASC 810-10, related to the consolidation of variable interest entities. This guidance will require ongoing reassessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. In addition, this updated guidance amends the quantitative approach for determining the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity. ASC 810-10 amends certain guidance for determining whether an entity is a variable interest entity and adds additional reconsideration events for determining whether an entity is a variable interest entity. Further, this guidance requires enhanced disclosures that will provide users of financial statements with more transparent information about an enterprise's involvement in a variable interest entity. This updated guidance is effective as of the beginning of the first annual reporting period and interim reporting periods that begin after November 15, 2009. The adoption of this guidance did not have an impact on our consolidated financial statements or disclosures.

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**RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In October 2009, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2009-13, Revenue Recognition (Topic 605): Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force (ASU 2009-13). ASU 2009-13 addresses the accounting for sales arrangements that include multiple products or services by revising the criteria for when deliverables may be accounted for separately rather than as a combined unit. Specifically, this guidance establishes a selling price hierarchy for determining the selling price of a deliverable, which is necessary to separately account for each product or service. This hierarchy provides more options for establishing selling price than existing guidance. ASU 2009-13 is required to be applied prospectively to new or materially modified revenue arrangements in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the effect the adoption of ASU 2009-13 will have on our financial position, results of operations, cash flows, and related disclosures; however no significant effect is expected.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

The Company operates manufacturing facilities and offices around the world and uses fixed and floating rate debt to finance the Company's global operations. As a result, the Company is subject to business risks inherent in non-U.S. activities, including political and economic uncertainty, import and export limitations and market risk related to changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. The Company believes the political and economic risks related to the Company's international operations are mitigated due to the stability of the countries in which the Company's largest international operations are located.

The Company had no foreign currency forward exchange contracts outstanding at March 31, 2010. The Company does not hold derivatives for trading purposes.

The Company is exposed to market risk, including changes in interest rates. The Company is subject to interest rate risk on its variable rate revolving credit facilities and term notes, which consisted of borrowings of \$5.5 million at March 31, 2010. A 100 basis point increase in the interest rate would have resulted in an increase in interest expense of approximately \$.1 million for the three month period ended March 31, 2010.

The Company's primary currency rate exposures are related to foreign denominated debt, intercompany debt, forward exchange contracts, foreign denominated receivables and cash and short-term investments. A hypothetical 10% change in currency rates would have a favorable/unfavorable impact on fair values on such instruments of \$3.6 million and on income before tax of \$.1 million.

**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

**Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Company's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) or Rule 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, were effective as of March 31, 2010.

**Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

There have not been any changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) during the quarter ended March 31, 2010 that materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company's internal control over financial reporting.



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The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, the amount of any ultimate liability with respect to these actions will not materially affect our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

**ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

There were no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2010.

**ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

On February 15, 2007, the Board of Directors authorized a plan to repurchase up to 200,000 shares of Preformed Line Products Company. The repurchase plan does not have an expiration date. The following table includes repurchases for the three month period ended March 31, 2010.

| Period (2010) | Total<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares<br>Purchased | Average<br>Price<br>Paid<br>per Share | Total Number of<br>Shares Purchased<br>as<br>Part of Publicly<br>Announced Plans<br>or<br>Programs | Maximum Number<br>of<br>Shares that may yet<br>be<br>Purchased under the<br>Plans or Programs |
|---------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| January       |  |                                       | 188,748  | 11,252  |
| February      |  |                                       | 188,748  | 11,252  |
| March         |  |                                       | 188,748  | 11,252  |

Total

**ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES**

None.

**ITEM 4. (Removed and Reserved)**

None.

**ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION**

None.

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

- 31.1 Certifications of the Principal Executive Officer, Robert G. Ruhlman, pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, filed herewith.
- 31.2 Certifications of the Principal Financial Officer, Eric R. Graef, pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, filed herewith.
- 32.1 Certification of the Principal Executive Officer, Robert G. Ruhlman, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, furnished.
- 32.2 Certification of the Principal Accounting Officer, Eric R. Graef, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, furnished.



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**FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Cautionary Statement for "Safe harbor" Purposes Under The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995  
This Form 10-Q and other documents we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ( "SEC" ) contain forward-looking statements regarding the Company's and management's beliefs and expectations. As a general matter, forward-looking statements are those focused upon future plans, objectives or performance (as opposed to historical items) and include statements of anticipated events or trends and expectations and beliefs relating to matters not historical in nature. Such forward-looking statements are subject to uncertainties and factors relating to the Company's operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and many of which are beyond the Company's control. Such uncertainties and factors could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from those matters expressed in or implied by such forward-looking statements.

The following factors, among others, could affect the Company's future performance and cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements made in this report:

The overall demand for cable anchoring and control hardware for electrical transmission and distribution lines on a worldwide basis, which has a slow growth rate in mature markets such as the United States (U.S.), Canada, and Western Europe;

The ability of our customers to raise funds needed to build the facilities their customers require;  
Technological developments that affect longer-term trends for communication lines such as wireless communication;

The decreasing demands for product supporting copper-based infrastructure due to the introduction of products using new technologies or adoption of new industry standards;

The Company's success at continuing to develop proprietary technology to meet or exceed new industry performance standards and individual customer expectations;

The Company's success in strengthening and retaining relationships with the Company's customers, growing sales at targeted accounts and expanding geographically;

The extent to which the Company is successful in expanding the Company's product line into new areas;

The Company's ability to identify, complete and integrate acquisitions for profitable growth;

The potential impact of consolidation, deregulation and bankruptcy among the Company's suppliers, competitors and customers;

The relative degree of competitive and customer price pressure on the Company's products;

The cost, availability and quality of raw materials required for the manufacture of products;

The effects of fluctuation in currency exchange rates upon the Company's reported results from international operations, together with non-currency risks of investing in and conducting significant operations in foreign countries, including those relating to political, social, economic and regulatory factors;

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Changes in significant government regulations affecting environmental compliances;  
The telecommunication market's continued deployment of Fiber-to-the-Premises;  
The Company's ability to obtain funding for future acquisitions;  
The potential impact of the depressed housing market on the Company's ongoing profitability and future growth opportunities;  
The continued support by Federal, State, Local and Foreign Governments in incentive programs for promoting renewable energy deployment;  
Those factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" on page 13 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 filed on March 15, 2010.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

May 6, 2010

/s/ Robert G. Ruhlman  
Robert G. Ruhlman  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

May 6, 2010

/s/ Eric R. Graef  
Eric R. Graef  
Chief Financial Officer and Vice President Finance  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

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