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(Mark One)

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

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

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: 001-16159

WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation or
organization)

52-2211537
(I.R.S. Employer
Identificaton No.)

1717 H Street NW
Washington, Dc 20006-3900
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)
(202) 715-7000
(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 X No

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of February 6, 2001.

Class A Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	6,440,000
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Class B Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	26,488,710
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Class	Number of Shares

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WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
(THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS)

	Three Months Ended December 31,	
	2000	1999
	(Unaudited)	
Revenue	\$ 168,781	\$ 152,411
	-----	-----
Costs of providing services:		
Salaries and employee benefits	91,661	80,950
Stock incentive bonus plan	-	9,000
Professional and subcontracted services	15,576	15,131
Occupancy, communications and other	26,850	24,707
General and administrative expenses	17,920	14,724
Depreciation and amortization	6,119	4,610
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	158,126	149,122

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Income from operations	10,655	3,289
Other:		
Interest income	847	216
Interest expense	(742)	(698)
Income from affiliates	1,162	1,155
	-----	-----
Income before income taxes and minority interest	11,922	3,962
Provision for income taxes	5,113	1,916
	-----	-----
Income before minority interest	6,809	2,046
Minority interest in net (income) loss of consolidated subsidiaries	(72)	158
	-----	-----
Net income	\$ 6,737	\$ 2,204
	=====	=====
Basic earnings per share, net income	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.07
	=====	=====
Diluted earnings per share, net income	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.07
	=====	=====
Weighted average shares of Common Stock, basic	32,755	29,834
	=====	=====
Weighted average shares of Common Stock, diluted	33,146	29,834
	=====	=====

See accompanying notes
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WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS)

December 31,
2000

(Unaudited)

ASSETS

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Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 61,829
Receivables from clients:	
Billed, net of allowances of \$7,888 and \$2,832	96,896
Unbilled, net of allowances of \$3,038 and \$676	59,991

	156,887
Other current assets	12,315

Total current assets	231,031
Investment in affiliates	16,700
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$89,774 and \$83,211	43,535
Deferred income taxes	53,355
Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization of \$16,357 and \$15,288	13,503
Other assets	10,425

Total Assets	\$ 368,549
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 147,250
Line of credit and book overdrafts	24
Income taxes payable	17,394

Total current liabilities	164,668
Accrued retirement benefits	80,573
Deferred rent and accrued lease losses	4,215
Other noncurrent liabilities	23,116
Minority interest in subsidiaries	585
Redeemable Common Stock - \$1 par value:	
50,000,000 shares authorized;	
14,845,145 issued and outstanding;	
at redemption value	115,480
Permanent stockholders' equity:	
Adjustment for redemption value less than amounts paid in by shareholders	
Preferred Stock - No par value:	
1,000,000 shares authorized;	
None issued and outstanding	-
Class A Common Stock - \$.01 par value:	
69,000,000 shares authorized;	
6,440,000 issued and outstanding	64
Class B-1 Common Stock - \$.01 par value:	
15,000,000 shares authorized;	
13,244,355 issued and outstanding	132
Class B-2 Common Stock - \$.01 par value:	
15,000,000 shares authorized;	
13,244,355 issued and outstanding	132
Additional paid-in capital	145,007
Retained deficit	(44,257)
Cumulative translation adjustment (accumulated other comprehensive loss)	(5,686)
Commitments and contingencies	

Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 368,549
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WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS)

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Cash flows from (used for) operating activities:	
Net income	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Provision for doubtful receivables from clients	
Depreciation	
Non cash compensation charge	
Amortization of intangible assets	
Income from affiliates	
Minority interest in net income (loss) of consolidated subsidiaries	
(Increase) decrease in assets (net of discontinued operations):	
Receivables from clients	
Other current assets	
Other assets	
(Decrease) increase in liabilities (net of discontinued operations):	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	
Income taxes payable	
Accrued retirement benefits	
Deferred rent and accrued lease losses	
Other noncurrent liabilities	
Other, net	
Discontinued operations, net	
Net cash from (used for) operating activities	-----
Cash flows used in investing activities:	
Purchases of fixed assets	
Proceeds from sales of fixed assets and investments	
Acquisitions and contingent consideration payments	
Distributions from affiliates	
Net cash used in investing activities	-----
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities:	
Borrowings and book overdrafts	
Issuances of Common Stock in the initial public offering	
Other issuances of Redeemable Common Stock	

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Repurchases of Redeemable Common Stock

Net cash from (used in) financing activities	-----
Effect of exchange rates on cash	-----
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	-----
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	-----
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ =====

See accompanying notes
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WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGE IN PERMANENT STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND REDEEMABLE
(THOUSANDS OF U.S. DOLLARS)
(Unaudited)

	Redeemable Common Stock	Retained Deficit	Cumulative Translation Loss	Adjustment for Redemption Value Greater Than Amounts Paid in by Stockholders	Par Value Class A Common Stock	Par Value Class B-1 Common Stock
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance at June 30, 2000	\$ 115,480	\$ (64,223)	\$ (3,949)	\$ (6,097)		
Comprehensive Income for the quarter ended September 30, 2000:						
Net income		13,335				
Foreign currency translation adjustment			(1,224)			
Total Comprehensive Income for the quarter ended September 30, 2000						
Effect of repurchases of 17,839 shares of Redeemable Common Stock	(146)	(106)				
Effect of issuance of 20,000 shares of				106		

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Redeemable Common Stock	134						
Adjustment of redemption value for change in Formula Book Value per share				(118)			

Balance prior to the reorganization	115,468	(50,994)	(5,173)	(6,109)	\$	-	\$
Elimination of redeemable feature of Common Stock and 2-for-1 share exchange (see Note 2)	(115,468)			6,109			148
Reclassification for sale of 3,118,500 shares by existing stockholders						32	(16)
Proceeds from sales of 3,321,500 shares by the Company, net of offering costs						32	
Non cash compensation charge related to the sale of 44,796 shares of Redeemable Common Stock prior to the initial public offering							
Comprehensive Income for the quarter ended December 31, 2000:							
Net income		6,737					
Foreign currency translation adjustment			(513)				
Comprehensive Income for the quarter ended December 31, 2000:							

Balance at December 31, 2000	\$	-	\$ (44,257)	\$ (5,686)	\$	-	\$ 64
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

See accompanying notes
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WATSON WYATT & COMPANY HOLDINGS
NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

1. The accompanying unaudited quarterly consolidated financial statements of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings and our subsidiaries, (collectively referred to as "we," "Watson Wyatt" or the "Company"), are presented in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange

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Commission ("SEC") and do not include all of the disclosures normally required by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. In the opinion of management, these statements reflect all adjustments which are necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements for the interim periods. The consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000, and the Company's prospectus dated October 11, 2000, both of which are filed with the SEC and may be accessed via EDGAR on the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov.

The results of operations for the three and six months ended December 31, 2000 are not necessarily indicative of the results that can be expected for the entire fiscal year ending June 30, 2001. The results reflect anticipated tax rates and bonuses ultimately accrued at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

2. In October 2000, we completed an initial public offering ("IPO") of our class A common stock. In conjunction with this offering, on October 16, 2000 we completed changes in our corporate structure involving the merger of Watson Wyatt & Company with WW Merger Subsidiary, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings. As a result, Watson Wyatt & Company is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings.

At the time of the reorganization, each share of Watson Wyatt & Company's Redeemable Common Stock was converted into one share of class B-1 common stock and one share of class B-2 common stock of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings. The class B common stock is divided into two classes to accommodate different transfer restriction periods. The class B-1 shares are subject to a transfer restriction period of 12 months following the public offering date, while the class B-2 shares are subject to a transfer restriction period of 24 months following the public offering date, unless waived by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors waived the transfer restrictions on a total of 1,559,250 class B-1 and 1,559,250 class B-2 shares to allow for conversion into the class A shares sold by selling stockholders in the initial public offering described below. Following the expiration or waiver of the respective transfer restriction periods, the remaining class B-1 and class B-2 shares will automatically convert into class A common stock.

In conjunction with our initial public offering, we entered into agreements providing for additional transfer restrictions with major stockholders, executive officers and employee directors affecting approximately 36% of our remaining class B common stock. The agreements restrict transfers of all shares held by such persons immediately following the offering, and the restrictions terminate as to 25% of such shares on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the consummation of the public offering.

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The two-for-one share conversion, the elimination of the redeemable feature of Watson Wyatt & Company's Redeemable Common Stock and the reclassification of stock to permanent stockholders' equity has been reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2000, and also has been reflected in all earnings per share data on the Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and six months ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, as if the conversion were effective at the beginning of each period.

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A total of 5,600,000 shares of class A common stock was offered and sold in our initial public offering at an offering price of \$12.50 per share. Of the shares included in this transaction, Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings offered 2,800,000 newly-issued shares and the selling stockholders offered the remaining 2,800,000 shares. On November 8, 2000, our underwriters exercised their over-allotment option. As a result, the underwriters purchased 840,000 shares of class A common stock from us and from the selling stockholders at the initial public offering price of \$12.50 per share less the underwriting discount. Of the shares included in this transaction, Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings sold 521,500 newly-issued shares and the selling stockholders sold 318,500 shares.

Net proceeds to the Company from these transactions were \$35.2 million, net of underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering, merger and restructuring costs. We did not receive any proceeds from the sale of shares by the selling stockholders. We also paid \$2.7 million to selling stockholders as reimbursement for commission payments resulting from the sale of their shares. This amount was recorded in the salaries and employee benefits line for the three and six month-periods ended December 31, 2000.

3. In the third quarter of fiscal year 1998, we discontinued our benefits administration outsourcing business, including our investment in our affiliate, Wellspring Resources, LLC ("Wellspring"). We believe we have adequate provisions for any remaining costs associated with our obligations related to the benefits administration outsourcing business. All Wellspring related activity is reflected on the Statements of Cash Flows as discontinued operations.
4. We have adopted SFAS No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information." During the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, we changed the structure of our internal organization in a manner that caused the composition of our reportable segments to change. In order to better position the Company to deliver the integrated, global solutions that have the largest impact on our growth, management consolidated our three U.S. regions into a single region. As a result of this consolidation, and because we also use a practice-based matrix form of organization for our North American regions, we have changed our reportable segments to reflect our practice-based structure. After the change, we have five reportable segments:
 - (1) Benefits Group
 - (2) HR Technologies Group
 - (3) Human Capital Group
 - (4) International
 - (5) Other (including Data Services and Communications)

The Company evaluates the performance of its segments and allocates resources to them based on net operating income. Prior and current year data has been restated to be consistent with current classifications for comparative purposes.

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The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the three months ended December 31, 2000 (in thousands):

Benefits Group	HR Technologies Group	Human Capital Group	International	Other
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Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses)	\$ 86,004	\$ 24,589	\$ 14,519	\$ 17,537	\$ 17,646
Net operating income	16,865	7,158	2,444	1,502	1,904
Receivables	90,368	19,394	15,713	19,322	14,376

The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the three months ended December 31, 1999 (in thousands):

	Benefits Group	HR Technologies Group	Human Capital Group	International	Other
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses)	\$ 79,275	\$ 20,745	\$ 12,885	\$ 15,049	\$ 15,787
Net operating income	14,167	5,615	1,990	1,146	583
Receivables	83,470	21,295	13,555	17,350	12,903

The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the six months ended December 31, 2000 (in thousands):

	Benefits Group	HR Technologies Group	Human Capital Group	International	Other
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses)	\$172,921	\$ 49,441	\$ 28,486	\$ 35,914	\$ 37,183
Net operating income	38,748	15,834	5,179	5,052	5,964
Receivables	90,368	19,394	15,713	19,322	14,376

The table below presents specified information about reported segments as of and for the six months ended December 31, 1999 (in thousands):

	Benefits Group	HR Technologies Group	Human Capital Group	International	Other
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Revenue (net of reimbursable expenses)	\$158,649	\$ 40,492	\$ 23,601	\$ 30,126	\$ 30,863
Net operating income	31,999	10,572	2,514	2,446	3,303
Receivables	83,470	21,295	13,555	17,350	12,903

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Information about interest income and tax expense is not presented as a segment expense because it is not considered a responsibility of the segments' operating management.

A reconciliation of the information reported by segment to the consolidated amounts follow for the three and six-month periods ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 (in thousands):

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	Three Months Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended Decem	
	2000	1999	2000	
Revenue:				
Total segment revenue	\$ 160,295	\$ 143,741	\$ 323,945	\$
Reimbursable expenses not included in total segment revenue	9,656	9,154	16,673	
Other, net	(1,170)	(484)	(1,144)	
Consolidated revenue	\$ 168,781	\$ 152,411	\$ 339,474	\$
Net Operating Income:				
Total segment net operating income	\$ 29,873	\$ 23,501	\$ 70,777	\$
Income from affiliates	1,162	1,155	2,178	
Differences in allocation methods for depreciation, G&A and pension costs	(3,562)	726	(3,694)	
Gain on sale of business units	296	-	696	
Discretionary compensation (including stock incentive bonus plan during the three and six months ended December 31, 1999 only)	(14,000)	(20,550)	(33,100)	
IPO-related compensation charge	(3,480)	-	(3,480)	
Other, net	1,633	(870)	1,924	
Consolidated pretax income from continuing operations	\$ 11,922	\$ 3,962	\$ 35,301	\$
Receivables:				
Total segment receivables - billed and unbilled	\$ 159,173	\$ 148,573	\$ 159,173	\$
Net valuation differences	(2,286)	(1,028)	(2,286)	
Total billed and unbilled receivables	156,887	147,545	156,887	
Assets not reported by segment	211,662	153,479	211,662	
Consolidated assets	\$ 368,549	\$ 301,024	\$ 368,549	\$

5. In December 1999, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin ("SAB") No. 101, "Revenue Recognition in Financial Statements," which summarizes certain of the staff's views on revenue recognition. Our revenue recognition policies have been and continue to be in accordance with SAB 101.

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6. In June 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement ("FAS") No. 133 "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," which requires an entity to recognize all derivatives as either assets or liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and measure those instruments at fair value. Effective July 1, 2000, we adopted FAS 133, and it has no impact on fair values or earnings. We do not use derivative instruments as a hedging strategy or for any other purpose.
7. Basic earnings per share is calculated on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share is calculated on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus the effect of outstanding stock options using the "treasury stock" method. The components of basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Six Months Ended Dec
	2000	1999	2000
Net income	\$ 6,737	\$ 2,204	\$ 20,072
Weighted average outstanding shares of common stock	32,755	29,834	31,190
Dilutive effect of employee stock options	391	-	196
Common stock and stock equivalents	33,146	29,834	31,386
Earnings per share:			
Basic	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.64
Diluted	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.64

Earnings per share data for the three and six-month periods ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 have been restated to reflect the corporate reorganization and two-for-one share conversion as if the corporate reorganization and two-for-one share conversion were effective at the beginning of each period. See Note 2 of the Consolidated Financial Statements for further information regarding the initial public offering.

8. We are a defendant in certain lawsuits arising in the normal course of business, some of which are in their earliest stages. Management believes that these matters will not have a material adverse impact on our financial statements, but claims which are possible in our business could be material to the financial results for a particular period.

We carry substantial professional liability insurance with a self-insured retention of \$1 million per occurrence, which provides coverage for professional liability claims including the cost of defending such claims. We also carry employment practices liability insurance.

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

General

Watson Wyatt is a global provider of human capital consulting services. We operate from 59 offices in 18 countries throughout North America, Asia-Pacific and Latin America. We provide services in three principal practice areas: benefits, human resources technologies and human capital consulting. Watson Wyatt & Company, which became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings as a result of our corporate reorganization, was incorporated in Delaware on February 17, 1958. Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings was incorporated in Delaware on January 7, 2000. Including our predecessors, we have been in business since 1946. In 1995, we entered into an alliance agreement with R. Watson & Sons (now Watson Wyatt Partners), a United Kingdom-based actuarial, benefits and human resources consulting partnership that was founded in 1878. We conducted business as The Wyatt Company until changing our corporate name to Watson Wyatt & Company in connection with the establishment of the Watson Wyatt Worldwide alliance. Since 1995, we have marketed our services globally under the Watson Wyatt Worldwide brand, sharing resources, technologies, processes and business referrals.

In October 2000, we moved our principal executive offices to 1717 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, from 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Suite 800, Bethesda, MD 20817. Our web site is www.watsonwyatt.com.

Global Operations

We employ approximately 4,100 associates as follows:

Benefits Group	1,480
HR Technologies Group	380
Human Capital Group	255
International	860
Other (Including Data Services and Communications)	835
Corporate	290

Total	4,100
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Principal Services

Within the past four fiscal years, we have divested several non-core businesses - including benefits administration outsourcing, defined contribution record-keeping and risk management consulting services - in order to focus on our core consulting areas. These core areas are as follows:

Benefits Consulting: The Benefits Consulting practice provides analysis, design and implementation of retirement programs, including actuarial services and required reporting of plan contributions and funding levels, group health benefit plan design and provider selection and defined contribution plan design and related services.

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HR Technologies Consulting: The HR Technologies Consulting practice develops technology-based solutions to reduce employer costs and improve employee service in human resources administration, including web-based applications.

Human Capital Consulting: The Human Capital Consulting practice provides comprehensive consulting in compensation plan design, executive compensation, salary management and organizational effectiveness consulting.

International: Our consultants, working internationally, operate on a geographic basis from 23 offices in 16 countries and provide consulting services in the practice areas mentioned herein.

Other: While we focus our consulting services in the areas described above, management believes that one of our primary strengths is our ability to draw upon consultants from our different practices to deliver integrated services to meet the needs of our clients. Examples include:

(1) **Communications:** Our Communications practice provides research on employee attitudes and communication effectiveness, conducts communications audits, facilitates research and focus groups, provides communications planning and implementation and assists employers in complying with disclosure requirements.

(2) **Data Services:** Watson Wyatt Data Services produces custom and standard compensation and benefits surveys and human resource reference materials for use by global and local companies in 70 countries. Over 7,500 companies participate in our surveys and our products include over 100 compensation, benefits and employment practices references and survey reports.

Watson Wyatt Worldwide Alliance

Recognizing that a global organization is essential to service the needs of our clients, we established operations throughout Europe in the late 1970's by acquiring local firms and opening new offices. Responding to the rapidly increasing globalization of the world economy, we made a strategic decision in 1995 to strengthen our European capabilities significantly and extend our global reach by entering into an alliance agreement with R. Watson & Sons (now Watson Wyatt Partners), a United Kingdom-based actuarial, benefits and human resources consulting partnership that was founded in 1878. Since 1995, we have marketed our services globally under the Watson Wyatt Worldwide brand, sharing resources, technologies, processes and business referrals.

The Watson Wyatt Worldwide global alliance maintains 84 offices in 30 countries and employs over 5,800 employees. Watson Wyatt & Company operates 59 offices in 18 countries in North America, Asia-Pacific and Latin America. Watson Wyatt Partners operates 11 offices in the United Kingdom, Ireland and Africa. The alliance operates 14 offices in 9 continental European countries principally through a jointly owned holding company, Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited, which is 25% owned by Watson Wyatt and 75% owned by Watson Wyatt Partners.

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Financial Statement Overview

Watson Wyatt's fiscal year ends June 30. The financial statements contained in this quarterly report reflect a Consolidated Balance Sheet as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 (December 31, 2000), reflecting the changes in our capital structure as a result of our reorganization and initial public offering, a Consolidated Balance Sheet as of the end of fiscal year 2000 (June

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30, 2000), Consolidated Statements of Operations for the three and six-month periods ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six-month periods ended December 31, 2000 and 1999 and a Consolidated Statement of Changes in Permanent Stockholders' Equity and Redeemable Common Stock for the six-month period ended December 31, 2000, reflecting the changes in our capital structure as a result of our reorganization and initial public offering.

Although we operate globally as an alliance with our affiliates, the revenues and operating expenses in the Consolidated Statements of Operations reflect solely the results of operations of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings. Our share of the results of our affiliates, recorded using the equity method of accounting is reflected in the "Income from affiliates" line. Our principal affiliates are Watson Wyatt Partners, in which we hold a 10% interest in a defined distribution pool, and Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited, a holding company through which we conduct continental European operations. We own 25% of Watson Wyatt Holdings (Europe) Limited and Watson Wyatt Partners owns the remaining 75%.

We derive substantially all of our revenue from fees for consulting services, which generally are billed at standard hourly rates or on a fixed-fee basis; management believes the approximate percentages are 60% and 40%, respectively. Clients are typically invoiced on a monthly basis with revenue recognized as services are performed. For the most recent three fiscal years, revenue from U.S. consulting operations have comprised approximately 80% of consolidated revenue. No single client accounted for more than 5% of our consolidated revenue for any of the most recent three fiscal years.

In delivering consulting services, our principal direct expenses relate to compensation of personnel. Salaries and employee benefits are comprised of wages paid to associates, related taxes, benefit expenses such as pension, medical and insurance costs and fiscal year-end incentive bonuses. In addition, professional and subcontracted services represent fees paid to external service providers for legal, marketing and other services, approximately 50% of which are specifically reimbursed by our clients and included in revenue.

Occupancy, communications and other expenses represent expenses for rent, utilities, supplies and telephone to operate office locations as well as non-client-reimbursed travel by associates, publications and professional development. General and administrative expenses include the operational costs and professional fees paid by corporate management, general counsel, marketing, human resources, finance, research and technology support.

Historically, we have paid incentive bonuses to associates under a fiscal year-end bonus program. Beginning in fiscal year 1999 and continuing through fiscal year 2000, in addition to annual fiscal year-end bonuses, we provided supplemental bonus compensation to our employee stockholders pursuant to our stock incentive bonus plan in an amount representing all income in excess of a targeted amount. The supplemental bonus compensation pursuant to our stock incentive bonus plan was accrued in fiscal year 1999 and fiscal year 2000. The payment of the amount accrued in fiscal year 2000 was made in January 2001. We terminated the stock incentive bonus plan in conjunction with our initial public offering.

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Results of Operations. The table below sets forth Consolidated Statements of Operations data as a percentage of revenue for the periods indicated:

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	Three Months Ended December 31, 2000 -----	1999 -----	Six Months Ended De 2000 -----
Revenue	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Costs of providing services:			
Salaries and employee benefits	54.3	53.1	53.4
Stock incentive bonus plan	--	5.9	--
Professional and subcontracted services	9.3	9.9	7.9
Occupancy, communications and other	15.9	16.2	15.8
General and administrative expenses	10.6	9.7	9.7
Depreciation and amortization	3.6	3.0	3.6
	-----	-----	-----
	93.7	97.8	90.4
	-----	-----	-----
Income from operations	6.3	2.2	9.6
Other:			
Interest income	0.5	0.1	0.4
Interest expense	(0.4)	(0.5)	(0.3)
Income from affiliates	0.7	0.8	0.7
	-----	-----	-----
Income before income taxes and minority interest	7.1	2.6	10.4
Provision for income taxes	3.1	1.2	4.5
	-----	-----	-----
Income before minority interest	4.0	1.4	5.9
Minority interest in net (income) loss of consolidated subsidiaries	--	--	--
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Net income	4.0%	1.4%	5.9%
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Six Months Ended December 31, 2000 Compared to Six Months Ended December 31, 1999 and Three Months Ended December 31, 2000 Compared to Three Months Ended December 31, 1999

Revenue. Revenue from continuing operations was \$339.5 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$298.7 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$40.8 million, or 14%. This revenue growth was comprised of a \$14.3 million, or 9% increase in our Benefits Group,

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an \$8.9 million, or 22% increase in our HR Technologies Group, a \$4.9 million, or 21% increase in our Human Capital Group, a \$5.8 million, or 19% increase in International and a \$6.3 million, or 20% increase in Other practice areas in North America. The revenue increase for the North American practices was due primarily to the realization of net rate increases, accounting for approximately \$24.8 million, increased chargeable hours, accounting for \$6.1 million and improved management of the scope of projects, resulting in \$3.6 million additional revenue. Revenue for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$168.8 million, compared to \$152.4 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$16.4 million, or 11%. The revenue increase was comprised of a \$6.7 million, or 8% increase in our Benefits Group, a \$3.9 million, or 19% increase in our HR Technologies Group, a \$1.6 million, or 12% increase in our Human Capital Group, a \$2.5 million, or 17% increase in International and a \$1.8 million, or 11% increase in Other practice areas in North America. The revenue increase for the North American practices was due primarily to the realization of net rate increases, accounting for approximately \$11.4 million and increased chargeable hours, accounting for \$2.4 million higher revenue.

Salaries and Employee Benefits. Salaries and employee benefit expenses for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 were \$181.4 million, compared to \$160.8 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$20.6 million, or 13%. Salaries and employee benefit expenses for the current period include the \$3.5 million compensation charge the Company incurred resulting from agreements with our employee stockholders related to our initial public offering. The remaining increase was mainly due to a \$16.4 million increase in compensation, which is partly the result of annual salary increases averaging 6% coupled with a 6% increase in headcount and a \$0.6 million increase in expenses associated with employee savings plans. As a percentage of revenue, salaries and employee benefits decreased to 53.4% from 53.9%. The \$3.5 million compensation charge mentioned above accounted for 1.0% of revenue for the six-month period ended December 31, 2000. Salaries and employee benefit expenses for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 were \$91.7 million, compared to \$81.0 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$10.7 million, or 13%. Salaries and employee benefit expenses for the current quarter include the \$3.5 million compensation charge mentioned above. The remaining increase was mainly due to a \$7.1 million increase in compensation, which is partly the result of annual salary increases averaging 6% coupled with a 7% increase in headcount and a \$0.3 million increase in expenses associated with employee savings plans. As a percentage of revenue, salaries and employee benefits increased to 54.3% from 53.1%. The \$3.5 million compensation charge mentioned above accounted for 2.1% of revenue for the three-month period ended December 31, 2000.

Stock Incentive Bonus Plan. The stock incentive bonus plan was discontinued in conjunction with our initial public offering. Accordingly, there was no accrued bonus under this plan for the three or six months ended December 31, 2000.

Professional and Subcontracted Services. Professional and subcontracted services used in consulting operations were \$26.8 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$24.9 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$1.9 million, or 8%. Professional and subcontracted services used in consulting operations were \$15.6 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$15.1 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$0.5 million, or 3%. The variance in both periods is primarily due to an increase in our consulting offices use of resources from our national practice groups. As a percentage of revenue, professional and subcontracted services decreased to 7.9% from 8.3% for the year and to 9.3% from 9.9% for the quarter, as we leveraged these expenses over a larger revenue base.

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Occupancy, Communications and Other. Occupancy, communications and other expenses were \$53.5 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$46.7 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$6.8 million, or 15%. The increase was mainly due to a \$3.2 million increase in rent expense, attributable to an increase in the amount of space required to support our expanding operations and higher real estate tax and operating expenses, a \$1.8 million increase in travel expenses incurred in the first quarter of fiscal year 2001 relative to our annual leadership conference held in Europe this year, a \$1.0 million investment in a strategic relationship and a \$0.7 million increase in general office expenses, which are evenly spread throughout our consulting offices. As a percentage of revenue, occupancy, communications and other expenses increased slightly to 15.8% from 15.6%. Occupancy, communications and other expenses were \$26.9 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$24.7 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$2.2 million, or 9%. The increase was mainly due to higher rent expense, attributable to an increase in the amount of space required to support our expanding operations and higher real estate tax and operating expenses. As a percentage of revenue, occupancy, communications and other expenses decreased to 15.9% from 16.2%.

General and Administrative Expenses. General and administrative expenses for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 were \$33.1 million, compared to \$27.9 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$5.2 million, or 19%. The increase was mainly due to higher compensation of \$2.4 million and higher professional services of \$1.4 million, both of which are due to the planning and implementation of corporate initiatives involving our knowledge sharing and systems infrastructure. The remainder of the increase can be attributed to higher travel and hotel costs of \$0.6 million, which is mainly due to higher costs related to our annual client conference, increased rent of \$0.4 million and increased insurance of \$0.4 million. As a percentage of revenue, general and administrative expenses increased to 9.7% from 9.3%. General and administrative expenses for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 were \$17.9 million, compared to \$14.7 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$3.2 million, or 22%. The increase was mainly due to higher compensation of \$0.9 million and professional services of \$0.9 million, both of which are due to the planning and implementation of corporate initiatives involving our knowledge sharing and systems infrastructure. The remainder of the increase can be attributed to higher travel and hotel costs of \$0.6 million, which is mainly due to higher costs related to our annual client conference, increased rent of \$0.2 million and increased insurance of \$0.2 million. As a percentage of revenue, general and administrative expenses increased to 10.6% from 9.7%.

Depreciation and Amortization. Depreciation and amortization expense for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$12.0 million, compared to \$9.5 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$2.5 million, or 26%. Depreciation and amortization expense for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$6.1 million, compared to \$4.6 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$1.5 million, or 33%. The variance in both periods is primarily due to increased additions to our capital base and an increase in amortization of intangibles, which is mainly due to recent acquisitions. As a percentage of revenue, depreciation and amortization expenses increased to 3.6% from 3.2% for the year and to 3.6% from 3.0% for the second quarter.

Interest Income. Interest income for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$1.4 million, compared to \$1.3 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$0.1 million, or 8%. The increase was attributable to interest earned on a higher investment balance during the first six months of fiscal year 2001, partially offset by the receipt of interest of \$0.5 million

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related to a federal tax refund received during the first quarter of fiscal year 2000. Interest income for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$0.8 million, compared to \$0.2 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$0.6 million, or 300%. The increase is due to interest earned on a higher investment balance during the quarter. The higher investment balance can be attributed to proceeds received from the initial public offering.

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Interest Expense. Interest expense for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$1.0 million, compared to \$1.1 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, a decrease of \$0.1 million, or 9%. The decrease is mainly due to lower borrowings against our line of credit, partially offset by fees associated with the amendment to our Line of Credit Agreement due to our initial public offering. Interest expense for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$0.7 million, unchanged from the prior year.

Income from Affiliates. Income from affiliates for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$2.2 million, compared to \$2.1 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$0.1 million, or 5%. Income from affiliates for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$1.2 million, unchanged from the prior year.

Provision for Income Taxes. Income taxes for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 were \$15.1 million, compared to \$7.8 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000. Our effective tax rate was 42.9% for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, compared to 48.3% for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000. The change was due to a decrease in operating losses of certain foreign affiliates, a decrease in non-deductible expenses and higher pre-tax earnings. Our effective tax rate was also affected by differing foreign tax rates in various jurisdictions. We record a tax benefit on foreign net operating loss carryovers and foreign deferred expenses only if it is more likely than not that a benefit will be realized.

Net Income. Net income for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$20.1 million, compared to \$8.6 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$11.5 million, or 134%. As a percentage of revenue, net income increased to 5.9% from 2.9%. Net income for the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 was \$6.7 million, compared to \$2.2 million for the second quarter of fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$4.5 million, or 205%. As a percentage of revenue, net income increased to 4.0% from 1.4% for the quarter. The increase in both periods is mainly due to our revenue growth and the absence of the stock incentive bonus plan accrual in fiscal year 2001. Net income for the three and six-month periods ended December 31, 2000 also include the \$3.5 million charge the Company incurred resulting from agreements with our employee stockholders related to our initial public offering.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2000 totaled \$61.8 million, compared to \$41.4 million at June 30, 2000. The \$20.4 million increase in cash from June 30, 2000 to December 31, 2000 was mainly attributable to \$66.5 million in cash generated from our ongoing operations, before bonuses, taxes and stockholder reimbursements, and \$35.2 million of net proceeds from the initial public offering, partially offset by fiscal year end bonus payments of \$51.3 million, \$18.6 million spent for acquisitions and fixed assets, \$8.2 million of corporate tax payments and the \$2.7 million that we paid to selling stockholders as reimbursement for commission payments resulting from the sale of their shares.

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Cash From (Used for) Operating Activities. Cash from operating activities for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$2.9 million, compared to cash used for operating activities of \$16.7 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000. The variance is primarily due to \$9.0 million in lower corporate tax payments, \$5.1 million in higher tax accruals and net accrued retirement benefits of \$4.0 million.

The allowance for doubtful accounts increased \$5.1 million and the allowance for work in process increased \$2.4 million from June 30, 2000 to December 31, 2000. The number of days of accounts receivable and work in process outstanding was 89 at December 31, 2000 and 94 at December 31, 1999. Typically, our receivables, work in process and related allowances are substantially reduced at year end from an increased emphasis on billings and collections. The receivable and work in process balances and the related allowances usually decrease in the last three months of the fiscal year.

Cash Used in Investing Activities. Cash used in investing activities for the first six months of fiscal year 2001 was \$16.3 million, compared to \$5.8 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2000. The increase in cash usage can be attributed to higher fixed asset purchases of \$8.1 million and higher acquisition costs of \$4.1 million compared to the prior period. The higher acquisition costs are mainly due to higher contingent consideration payments associated with recent acquisitions and a strategic investment made in conjunction with our business initiative targeted towards emerging growth companies, partially offset by higher distributions from affiliates of \$1.2 million.

Cash From (Used for) Financing Activities. Cash from financing activities was \$35.1 million for the first six months of fiscal year 2001, compared to \$0.5 million used for financing activities for the first six months of fiscal year 2000. This change reflects the sale of stock in our initial public offering.

We have a \$109.3 million senior secured credit facility, of which \$95 million is revolving for working capital needs, and the remainder of which is available for stockholder loans. Of the \$95.0 million of the credit line that is allocated for operating needs, \$3.0 million is unavailable as a result of support required for letters of credit issued under the credit line. The credit facility was amended on October 6, 2000 to reflect changes due to the initial public offering. There were no borrowings outstanding at December 31, 2000 or June 30, 2000.

Anticipated commitments of funds for capital expenditures are estimated at \$26.8 million for the remainder of fiscal year 2001, mainly for computer hardware purchases, office relocations and renovations, development and upgrade of financial and knowledge management systems, and acquisition - related payments. Capital expenditures will be required in conjunction with office lease renewals and relocations required to support our growth strategy. Additionally, our consultants require access to hardware and software that will support servicing our clients. In a rapidly changing technological environment, management anticipates we will need to make continued investments in our knowledge sharing and financial systems infrastructure. We expect cash from operations in conjunction with the net proceeds from our initial public offering and our existing credit facility to adequately provide for these cash needs.

Our foreign operations do not materially impact liquidity or capital resources. At December 31, 2000, \$17.5 million of the total cash balance of \$61.8 million was held outside of North America, which we have the ability to readily utilize, if necessary. There are no significant repatriation restrictions other than local or U.S. taxes associated with repatriation. Our foreign operations

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in total are substantially self-sufficient for their working capital needs.

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The Company continues to guarantee certain leases for office premises and equipment for Wellspring. Minimum remaining payments guaranteed under these leases at December 31, 2000 total \$44.1 million, not including sublease income, which expire at various dates through 2007. These leases are also jointly and severally guaranteed by the Company's former partner in Wellspring, State Street Bank and Trust Company. The estimated loss from the potential exercise of these guarantees was included in the fiscal year 1998 loss on disposal of the benefits administration outsourcing business.

Disclaimer Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This filing contains certain statements that are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including, but not limited to the following: Note 2 on pages 5 and 6; Note 3 on page 6; Note 8 on page 9; Financial Statement Overview on page 12; the seventh paragraph under Liquidity and Capital Resources on page 17; the first paragraph of Part II, Item 1 "Legal Proceedings" on page 18 and 19; and Part II, Item 2 "Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds" on pages 19 and 20. In some cases, you can identify these statements and other forward-looking statements in this filing by words such as "may," "will," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "plan," "intend," "continue," or similar words. You should read these statements carefully because they contain projections of our future results of operations or financial condition, or state other "forward-looking" information. A number of risks and uncertainties exist which could cause actual results to differ materially from the results reflected in these forward-looking statements. Such factors include, but are not limited to our continued ability to recruit and retain highly qualified associates, outcomes of litigation, a significant decrease in the demand for the consulting services we offer as a result of changing economic conditions or other factors, actions by competitors offering human resources consulting services, including public accounting and consulting firms, technology consulting firms and internet/intranet development firms, regulatory, legislative and technological developments that may affect the demand for or costs of our services and other factors discussed under "risk factors" in our prospectus dated October 11, 2000, which is filed with the SEC and may be accessed via EDGAR on the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. These statements are based on assumptions that may not come true. All forward-looking disclosure is speculative by its nature. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any of the forward-looking information included in this release, whether as a result of new information, future events, changed expectations or otherwise.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We are exposed to market risks in the ordinary course of business. These risks include interest rate risk and foreign currency exchange risk. We have examined our exposure to these risks and concluded that none of our exposures in these areas are material to fair values, cash flows or earnings.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we are a party to various lawsuits, arbitrations or mediations that arise in the ordinary course of business. These disputes typically involve claims relating to employment matters or the rendering of professional services. The five matters reported on below involve the most significant pending or potential claims against us. We are incorporating, by

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reference, the descriptions of the legal proceedings that appear under the caption "Legal Proceedings" beginning on page 17 of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Company for the period ended September 30, 2000. Management believes, based on currently available information, that the results of all such proceedings, in the aggregate, will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, but claims which are possible in our business could be material to the financial results for a particular period.

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Regina, Saskatchewan Police. The trial in this case began on January 8, 2001, and is continuing.

City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In November 2000, the Circuit Court in Milwaukee County approved a settlement among other parties to the underlying dispute. No proceedings are pending against the Company.

Connecticut Carpenters Pension Fund. Plaintiff's punitive damages claim, which was previously dismissed, was reinstated; punitive damages in Connecticut are limited to litigation costs (including attorney's fees). A jury trial began on January 30, 2001.

Societe Internationale de Telecommunications Aeronautique S.C. (SITA). Suit was filed on November 15, 2000, in the High Court of Justice Chancery Division against Watson Wyatt Partners and The Wyatt Company (UK) Limited, one of our subsidiaries. SITA's specific damage claim is indeterminate, but could be in the \$90 million range. With our respective insurers, we and Watson Wyatt Partners have entered into a joint defense agreement. The case is in its earliest stages; we will be filing our statement of defense on or about February 7, 2001.

Pacific Group Medical Association. In connection with the insolvency and liquidation of the Pacific Group Medical Association (PGMA), a provider of health care insurance benefits and a former group and health care practice client, the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Hawaii has brought claims against the former officers, directors, accountants, attorneys and other service providers of PGMA. Late in 2000, a lawsuit by the Insurance Commissioner against Watson Wyatt and others was consolidated with an earlier lawsuit brought by the Insurance Commissioner against the PGMA officers and directors. The Insurance Commissioner has alleged that PGMA's liabilities exceeded its assets by approximately \$15 million when it was shut down in 1997 and is seeking to recover damages from all of the defendants. Discovery is proceeding and a trial is scheduled for February 2002.

We carry substantial professional liability insurance with a self-insured retention of \$1 million per occurrence, which provides coverage for professional liability claims including the cost of defending such claims. We also carry employment practices liability insurance.

Item 2. Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds

On October 10, 2000, our Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-94973), registering for sale up to 6,440,000 shares of class A common stock at \$12.50 per share to be issued in connection with our initial public offering, was declared effective. On October 16, 2000, we completed changes in our corporate structure in conjunction with the initial public offering. The changes in corporate structure involved the merger of Watson Wyatt & Company with WW Merger Subsidiary, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings. Watson Wyatt & Company is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings.

At the time of the reorganization, each share of Watson Wyatt & Company's Redeemable Common Stock was converted into one share of class B-1 common stock and one share of class B-2 common stock of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings. The class B common stock is divided into two classes to accommodate different transfer restriction periods. The class B-1 shares are subject to a transfer restriction period of 12 months following the public offering date, while the class B-2 shares are subject to a transfer restriction period of 24 months following the public offering date, unless waived by the Board of Directors. The Company waived the transfer restrictions on a total of 1,559,250 class B-1 and 1,559,250 class B-2 shares to allow for conversion into the class A shares sold by selling stockholders in the initial public offering described below. Following the expiration or waiver of the respective transfer restriction periods, the remaining class B-1 and class B-2 shares will automatically convert into class A common stock.

In conjunction with our initial public offering, we entered into agreements providing for additional transfer restrictions with major stockholders, executive officers and employee directors affecting approximately 36% of our remaining class B common stock. The agreements restrict transfers of all shares held by such persons immediately following the offering, and the restrictions terminate as to 25% of such shares on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the consummation of the public offering.

A total of 5,600,000 shares of class A common stock were offered and sold in our initial public offering at an offering price of \$12.50 per share, for an aggregate offering price of \$70.0 million. Of the shares included in this transaction, Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings offered 2,800,000 newly-issued shares and the selling stockholders offered the remaining 2,800,000 shares. On November 8, 2000, our underwriters exercised their over-allotment option. As a result, the underwriters purchased 840,000 shares of class A common stock from us and from the selling stockholders at the initial public offering price of \$12.50 per share less the underwriting discount, for an aggregate offering price of \$10.5 million. Of the shares included in this transaction, Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings sold 521,500 newly-issued shares and the selling stockholders sold 318,500 shares. The managing underwriters of the offering were Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown, Banc of America Securities LLC, and Robert W. Baird & Co.

As a result of these transactions and upon completion of the offering, we received gross proceeds of \$41.5 million, and the selling stockholders received gross proceeds of \$39.0 million. Net proceeds to the Company were \$35.2 million, which is net of \$6.3 million in underwriting discounts, commissions and other offering costs. Also, we paid \$2.7 million to selling stockholders as reimbursement for commission payments resulting from the sale of their shares.

From the time of receipt through December 31, 2000, proceeds from the offering of \$17.7 million were applied to the repayment of short-term debt and a \$0.8 million installment payment was made for an acquisition related to our HR Technologies practice. The remainder of the net proceeds is invested in high-grade interest-bearing securities. The Company intends to use the remainder of the net proceeds for capital expenditures, working capital and other general corporate purposes. In addition, a portion of the proceeds could be used for future strategic acquisitions of complementary businesses.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None.

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Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Our first annual meeting of stockholders following our corporate reorganization and our initial public offering was held on December 18, 2000. At the annual meeting, the stockholders elected sixteen (16) nominees to the Board of Directors. Pursuant to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, the directors are divided into three classes, Class I, Class II and Class III. The initial term of office of Class I directors will expire as of the annual stockholders' meeting in 2001 and every three years thereafter. The initial term of office of Class II directors will expire as of the annual stockholders' meeting in 2002 and every three years thereafter. The initial term of office of Class III directors will expire as of the annual stockholders' meeting in 2003 and every three years thereafter. As the initial terms of each of the classes of directors expire, directors of the Company will be elected to serve for a three-year period and until their respective successors have been duly elected and qualified.

Proxies representing 22,027,782 shares were received (total shares outstanding as of the Record Date were 32,928,710) and the results of the meeting were as follows:

Nominees for Class I Directors -----	For -----	Withheld -----
Paula A. DeLisle	21,725,646	302,136
David B. Friend, M.D.	19,790,013	2,237,769
R. Michael McCullough	21,712,583	315,199
Gail E. McKee	21,281,769	746,013
Paul N. Thornton	21,961,799	65,983
Nominees for Class II Directors -----	For -----	Withheld -----
Thomas W. Barratt	20,826,995	1,200,787
John J. Gabarro	21,454,309	573,473
John J. Haley	21,949,131	78,651
Eric P. Lofgren	21,182,199	845,583
Kevin L. Meehan	21,558,449	469,333
Charles P. Wood, Jr.	21,417,019	610,763
Nominees for Class III Directors -----	For -----	Withheld -----
Elizabeth M. Caflisch	21,246,593	781,189
Barbara Hackman Franklin	21,811,795	215,987
David P. Marini	20,659,635	1,368,147
J. P. Orbeta	21,515,403	512,379
Gilbert T. Ray	21,932,285	95,497

Item 5. Other Information

None.

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Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

a. Exhibits

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings¹

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- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings
4 Form of Certificate Representing Common Stock
- 10.1 Amended Credit Agreement Among Bank of America, N.A. and Others
dated October 6, 20002
- 10.2 Form of agreement among Watson Wyatt & Company, Watson Wyatt &
Company Holdings and employee directors, executive officers and
significant stockholders restricting the transfer of shares
- 22 Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed on November 17,
20003

- b. Reports on Form 8-K
None.

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- 1 Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form S-3, Amendment No. 5
(File No. 33-394973), filed on September 14, 2000
 - 2 Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form 10-Q, filed
on November 14, 2000
 - 3 Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form DEF 14A, filed on
November 17, 2000

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Signatures

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

Watson Wyatt & Company Holdings
(Registrant)

/S/ John J. Haley February 6, 2001

Name: John J. Haley Date
Title: President and Chief
Executive Officer

/S/ Carl D. Mautz February 6, 2001

Name: Carl D. Mautz Date
Title: Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

/S/ Peter L. Childs February 6, 2001

Name: Peter L. Childs Date
Title: Controller

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