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FORM 10-Q

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

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED March 31, 2007

OR

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

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM TO

COMMISSION FILE NO.: 000-50924

BEACON ROOFING SUPPLY, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

One Lakeland Park Drive, Peabody, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) 36-4173371

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

01960 (Zip Code)

978-535-7668

(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 o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. (Check one):

Large Accelerated Filer x

Accelerated Filer O

Non-Accelerated Filer O

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES o NO x As of May 1, 2007, there were 44,266,682 outstanding shares of the registrant s common stock, \$.01 par value per share.

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BEACON ROOFING SUPPLY, INC.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

Consolidated Balance Sheets

	(Unaudited) March 31, 2007 (Dollars in thousand	(Unaudited) March 31, 2006 Is)	(Note) September 30, 2006
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 43,315	\$	\$ 1,847
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$6,142 at	450 040	4.60.00=	210 (7)
March 31, 2007, \$5,782 at March 31, 2006, and \$5,020 at September 30, 2006	152,318	160,807	210,676
Inventories	178,804	178,494	164,285
Prepaid expenses and other assets	32,034	35,346	38,133
Deferred income taxes	12,046	10,983	10,704
Total current assets	418,517	385,630	425,645
Property and equipment, net	68,211	52,862	59,291
Goodwill, net	288,816	258,445	289,282
Other assets, net	60,887	61,298	65,672
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Total assets	\$ 836,431	\$ 758,235	\$ 839,890
Liabilities and stockholders equity			
Current liabilities:			
Cash overdraft	\$	\$ 1,257	\$
Accounts payable	106,925	135,789	154,878
Accrued expenses	47,920	48,467	58,719
Current portions of long-term debt and other obligations	6,454	28,370	6,657
Total current liabilities	161,299	213,883	220,254
Borrowings under revolving lines of credit		208,605	229,752
Senior notes payable, net of current portion	345,625	52,453	69,282
Deferred income taxes	19,009	20,473	18,823
Long-term obligations under equipment financing and other, net of current	·		
portion	12,903	7,057	10,610
Commitments and contingencies			
Stockholders equity:			
Common stock (voting); \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized;			
44,236,142 issued in March of 2007, 44,121,453 in March of 2006 and			
43,866,484 issued in September of 2006	442	441	439
Undesignated preferred stock; 5,000,000 shares authorized, none issued or outstanding			
Additional paid-in capital	208,914	201,221	203,433
Treasury stock (349,292 shares in March of 2006)		(515)	
Retained earnings	83,827	49,735	81,361
Accumulated other comprehensive income	4,412	4,882	5,936
Total stockholders equity	297,595	255,764	291,169
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Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$	836,431	\$	758,235	\$	839,890
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Note: The balance sheet at September 30, 2006

has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date.

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements

BEACON ROOFING SUPPLY, INC. Consolidated Statements of Operations

Unaudited

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months March 31, 2007	Ended	2006	Six Months Ended March 31, 2007	2006
Net sales Cost of products sold	\$ 286,945 220,777		\$ 322,396 244,637	\$ 667,154 509,252	\$ 662,282 500,815
Gross profit	66,168		77,759	157,902	161,467
Operating expenses (includes stock-based compensation expense of \$1,275 and \$735 for the three months ended in 2007 and 2006, respectively, and \$2,605 and \$1,333 for the six months in 2007 and 2006, respectively)	70,394		65,403	141,066	123,399
Income (loss) from operations	(4,226)	12,356	16,836	38,068
Interest expense	6,381		4,294	12,709	8,312
Income (loss) before income taxes	(10,607)	8,062	4,127	29,756
Income taxes	(4,268)	3,286	1,661	12,071
Net income (loss)	\$ (6,339)	\$ 4,776	\$ 2,466	\$ 17,685
Net income (loss) per share: Basic	\$ (0.14)	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.42
Diluted	\$ (0.14)	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.05	\$ 0.41
Weighted average shares used in computing net income (loss) per share: Basic	43,927,745		43,580,814	43,898,332	42,017,658
Diluted	43,927,745		44,809,777	44,874,694	43,386,520

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

BEACON ROOFING SUPPLY, INC. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Mai 200	Months en rch 31, 7 nudited (in		2006 sands)		
Operating activities:	Ф	2.466		Ф	17.605	
Net income	\$	2,466		\$	17,685	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	10.	070		10.0	116	
Depreciation and amortization	13,8			10,8		
Stock-based compensation	2,60	05		1,33		
Unrealized gain on interest rate collars	(0.6	0	`	(28))
Deferred income taxes	(86	0)	289		
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of businesses acquired:		760		24.6	200	
Accounts receivable	57,		`	24,0		
Inventories	_	,864)	(32,)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	7,99			(1,1)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(58	,887)	15,6	666	
	4.0				-0.4	
Net cash provided by operating activities	10,	102		35,7	/04	
Investing activities:						
Purchases of property and equipment, net of sale proceeds	,	,319)	(7,6))
Acquisition of businesses, net of cash acquired	86			(279	9,588)
Net cash used in investing activities	(17	,233)	(28	7,266)
Financing activities:						
Borrowings (repayments) under revolving lines of credit		9,752)		,825	
Net borrowings under senior notes payable, and other	278	,641		55,8		
Net proceeds from sale of common stock				51,5		
Proceeds from exercise of options	1,03			1,42		
Deferred financing costs	(2,9)	954)	(2,1)	67)
Income tax benefit from stock-based compensation deductions in excess of the associated compensation						
costs	1,84	45		4,89	90	
Net cash provided by financing activities	48,8	814		256	,358	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(21:	5)	54		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	41,4			4,85		
Cash and cash equivalents (overdraft) at beginning of year	1,84	47		(6,1)	07)
Cash and cash equivalents (overdraft) at end of period	\$	43,315		\$	(1,257)
Non-cash transactions:						
Conversion of senior notes payable to new senior notes payable	\$	66,839		\$	25,160	

The accompanying Notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements

BEACON ROOFING SUPPLY, INC.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation

Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc. (the Company) prepared the consolidated financial statements following accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial information and the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). As permitted under those rules, certain footnotes or other financial information required by GAAP for complete financial statements have been condensed or omitted. The balance sheet as of March 31, 2006 has been presented for a better understanding of the impact of seasonal fluctuations on our financial condition. Certain prior-year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current-year presentation.

In management s opinion, the financial statements include all normal and recurring adjustments that are considered necessary for the fair presentation of our financial position and operating results. The results for the three-month period (second quarter) and the six-month period ended March 31, 2007 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the twelve months ending September 29, 2007 (2007).

The Company s fiscal year ends on the close of business on the last Saturday in September of each year. Except for the fourth quarter of 2007, each of the Company s 2007 and 2006 quarters ends or ended on the last day of the respective third calendar month. The results for the six months ended March 31, 2007 included 125 business days as compared to 130 business days during the six months ended March 31, 2006.

During the first quarter of 2007, the Company refinanced its prior credit facilities (Note 6) and invested the associated excess funds in a money market account, which have been classified as cash equivalents. The Company considers all highly liquid investments with maturities of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

On December 16, 2005, the Company sold three million shares of common stock in a public offering at \$18.33 per share (after the stock split discussed below). Selling stockholders also sold shares in the offering. The net proceeds to the Company from this offering, after all associated expenses, totaled approximately \$51.6 million and were used to pay down revolver borrowings. The Company did not receive any proceeds from the sales by the selling stockholders.

In May 2006, the Company s Board of Directors declared a three-for-two common stock split, which was paid in the form of a stock dividend on June 12, 2006 to the stockholders of record at the close of business on May 31, 2006. Accordingly, all share and per share data and the related capital amounts for all periods presented reflect the effects of this split. The Company s treasury stock was retired in May 2006.

You should also read the financial statements and notes included in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The accounting policies used in preparing these financial statements are the same as those described in that Annual Report.

2. Earnings Per Share

The Company calculates basic income (loss) per share by dividing net income (loss) by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted net income per share includes the dilutive effects of stock awards. The calculation of the net loss per share for the second quarter of 2007 does not include the effect of stock options since the impact would be anti-dilutive. As discussed in Note 1, the Company sold three million additional shares of common stock in December 2005 and completed a three-for-two stock split on June 12, 2006.

The following table reflects the calculation of weighted-average shares outstanding, adjusted for the stock split, for each period presented:

	Three Months Ended Mar 2007	rch 31, 2006	Six Months Ended March 2007	31, 2006
Weighted-average common shares				
outstanding for basic	43,927,745	43,580,814	43,898,332	42,017,658
Dilutive effect of employee stock options		1,228,963	976,362	1,368,862
Weighted-average shares assuming dilution	43,927,745	44,809,777	44,874,694	43,386,520

3. Stock-Based Compensation

Effective September 25, 2005, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) 123R, Share-Based Payments, using the modified-prospective transition method. Under this method, compensation expense recognized in 2007 and 2006 included: (a) compensation cost for all unvested share-based awards granted prior to September 25, 2005, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with SFAS 123, Accounting For Stock-Based Compensation, and (b) compensation cost for all share-based awards granted subsequent to September 24, 2005, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with SFAS 123R. SFAS 123R also requires the Company to estimate forfeitures in calculating the expense related to stock-based compensation.

Compensation cost arising from stock options granted to employees and non-employee directors is recognized as an expense using the straight-line method over the vesting period. As of March 31, 2007, there was \$9.0 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock options. That cost is expected to be recognized over a period of 2.3 years. The Company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$1.3 million (\$0.8 million net of tax) and \$0.7 million (\$0.4 million net of tax) for the three months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively and \$2.6 million (\$1.6 million net of tax) and \$1.3 million (\$0.8 million net of tax) for the six months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. Included in this year s total stock-based compensation expense was incremental expense of \$1.0 million (\$0.6 million net of tax) for options granted during the six months ended March 31, 2007.

The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions used for grants issued in the first two quarters of 2007 and 2006:

	Six Months Ended March 31,	[
	2007	2006
Risk free interest rate	4.52 - 4.81 %	4.49 - 4.94 %
Expected life	5.0 years	5.0 years
Expected volatility	45 %	45 %
Expected dividend yield	0 %	0 %

Expected lives of the options granted and expected volatilities are based on the expected lives and historical volatilities of the options and stocks of comparable public companies and other factors. An estimated cumulative forfeiture rate of 8.0% was used for expensing the fair value of unvested options during both of the periods above.

The following table summarizes stock options outstanding as of March 31, 2007, as well as activity during the six months then ended:

	Shares		Weig! Avera Exerc		Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Intri Valu	
Outstanding at September 30, 2006	2,800,659		\$	8.47			
Granted	733,250		21.92	2			
Exercised	(369,661)	2.80				
Forfeited	(25,450)	18.90)			
Outstanding at March 31, 2007	3,138,798		\$	12.20	7.6	\$	19.3
Vested or expected to vest at March 31, 2007	3,074,345		\$	12.03	7.5	\$	19.2
Exercisable at March 31, 2007	1,849,784		\$	6.73	6.5	\$	18.6

As of March 31, 2007, there were remaining options to purchase 1,272,414 shares of common stock available for grant under the Company s 2004 Stock Plan. The weighted-average grant date fair values of stock options granted during the six months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 were \$10.07 and \$13.36, respectively. The intrinsic values of stock options exercised during the six months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006 were \$5.2 million and \$14.5 million, respectively. At March 31, 2007, the Company had \$10.1 million of excess tax benefits available for potential deferred tax write-offs related to option accounting.

4. Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) consists of net income (loss) and other gains and losses affecting stockholders equity that, under GAAP, are excluded from net income (loss). For the Company, these currently consist of the following items:

Unaudited (Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	Thr 2007	ee Months l 7	Ended	Marcl 2000	,		ix N 007	Months En	ded M	arch 31 2006	/
Net income (loss)	\$	(6,340)	\$	4,776	\$,	2,466		\$	17,685
Net change in the value of financial derivatives, net of tax effect	(390	6)			(:	396)		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	325			(74) (1,12	28)	114	
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(6,411)	\$	4,702	\$;	942		\$	17,799

5. Acquisitions

Roofing and Sheet Metal Supply, Inc.

On August 30, 2006, the Company purchased certain assets of Roofing & Sheet Metal Supply, Inc. (RSM), a Tulsa, Oklahoma-based distributor of residential and commercial roofing products with locations in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Joplin, Missouri and Springdale and Fort Smith, Arkansas. This purchase was funded through the Company s U.S. revolving line of credit. A total of \$1.0 million of cash remains in escrow at March 31, 2007, for post-closing indemnification claims and is included in other current assets. RSM had net sales of \$33 million (unaudited) for the year ended November 30, 2005. The Company has included the results of operations for RSM from the date of acquisition and applied preliminary purchase accounting, which, along with certain purchase price adjustments, has resulted in recorded goodwill of \$15.5 million as follows (in 000 s):

Net assets	\$ 3,448
Customer relationships	6,739
Goodwill	15,455
Purchase price	\$ 25,642

Roof Depot, Inc.

On August 25, 2006, the Company purchased certain assets of Roof Depot, Inc. (Roof Depot), a Minnesota-based distributor of residential and commercial roofing and other related building products with locations in Minneapolis and Stillwater, Minnesota. This purchase was funded through the Company s U.S. revolving line of credit. A total of \$1.0 million of cash remains in escrow at March 31, 2007, for post-closing indemnification claims and is included in other current assets. Roof Depot had net sales of \$31 million (unaudited) for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Company has included the results of operations for Roof Depot from the date of acquisition and applied preliminary purchase accounting, which, along with certain purchase price adjustments, has resulted in recorded goodwill of \$4.1 million as follows (in 000 s):

Net assets	\$ 10,225
Customer relationships	3,863
Goodwill	4,053
Purchase price	\$ 18,141

Mississippi Roofing Supply, Inc., Sunbelt Supply LLC and Alabama Roofing Supply LLC

On January 17, 2006, the Company purchased certain assets of Mississippi Roofing Supply, Inc., Sunbelt Supply LLC, and Alabama Roofing Supply LLC (together the Supply Companies), three affiliated distributors of roofing and other building products with two locations in Alabama and one in Mississippi. This purchase was funded through the Company s U.S. revolving line of credit and term loans. A total of \$0.8 million of cash remains in escrow at March 31, 2007, for indemnification claims and is included in other current assets. The Supply Companies had combined net sales of \$76 million (unaudited) for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Company has included the results of operations for the Supply Companies from the date of acquisition. The purchase price was adjusted for the Supply Companies financial performance for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Company applied purchase accounting, which, along with certain final purchase price adjustments for the final working capital levels and the 2005 financial results, has resulted in recorded goodwill of \$53.5 million as follows (in 000 s):

Net assets	\$ 7,754
Non-compete	315
Customer relationships	7,825
Goodwill	53,531
Purchase price	\$ 69,425

C&S Roofing Materials, Inc. D/B/A Pacific Supply Company

On January 10, 2006, the Company purchased certain assets of C&S Roofing Materials, Inc. D/B/A Pacific Supply Company (Pacific), a distributor of roofing and other building products with four locations in Orange and Los Angeles counties in California. This purchase was funded through the Company s U.S. revolving line of credit. A total of \$2.0 million of cash remains in escrow at March 31, 2007, for post-closing indemnification claims and is included in other current assets. Pacific had net sales of \$53 million (unaudited) for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Company has included the results of operations for Pacific from the date of acquisition and applied purchase accounting, which, along with certain final purchase price adjustments, resulted in recorded goodwill of \$26.7 million as follows (in 000 s):

Net assets	\$ 6,740
Non-compete	181
Customer relationships	9,700
Goodwill	26,669
Purchase price	\$ 43,290

SDI Holding, Inc.

On October 14, 2005, the Company purchased 100% of the outstanding stock of SDI Holding, Inc. (Shelter), a distributor of roofing and other building products with 51 branches in 14 states at the time of the acquisition. This purchase was funded through the Company s U.S. revolving line of credit and term loans. Based upon Shelter s final performance for the 2005 calendar year, the sellers qualified for an earn-out payment of \$6.4 million, which was paid in June 2006. Shelter had net sales of \$342.4 million (unaudited) for the year ended December 31, 2005. The Company has included the results of operations for Shelter from the date of acquisition and applied purchase accounting, which, along with certain final purchase price adjustments, resulted in recorded goodwill of \$78.0 million as follows (in 000 s):

Accounts receivable	\$ 48,351
Inventories	53,108
Property and equipment	15,317
Other assets	17,271
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(57,042)
Other liabilities	(8,976)
Beneficial leases	610
Non-compete	842
Customer relationships	25,852
Goodwill	77,993
Purchase price	\$ 173,326

Supplemental Pro Forma Information Unaudited

The unaudited pro forma summary information below for the six months ended March 31, 2006, gives effect to the acquisition of Shelter as if the acquisition had occurred at the beginning of that period and is after giving effect to certain adjustments, including amortization of the intangible assets subject to amortization, interest expense incurred as a consequence of the increased borrowings under the Company's credit facilities, and related income taxes. The aggregate impact of the inclusion of Pacific, the Supply Companies, Roof Depot and RSM on the pro forma net income and net income per share presented below was not material and therefore has not been presented. However, had the impact from those acquired companies also been included in the pro forma net sales below, total pro forma net sales (unaudited) would have been \$753.9 million for the six months ended March 31, 2006 (not presented). The unaudited pro forma summary information is not necessarily indicative of the financial results that would have occurred if the Shelter acquisition had been consummated at the beginning of that period, nor is it necessarily indicative of the financial results which may be attained in the future.

The pro forma summary information is based upon available information and upon certain assumptions that the Company s management believes are reasonable.

Unaudited (Dollars in thousands, except per share data)	Six Mor March 3 2006	nths Ended 31,
Net sales	\$	678,104
Net income	\$	17,145
Net income per share:		
Basic	\$	0.41
Diluted	\$	0.40

Other Recent Acquisitions

On November 23, 2005, the Company purchased certain assets of Easton Wholesale Company, Inc. (Easton), a distributor of building products located in Easton, Maryland. Pro forma information has not been provided for this acquisition since the impact to the financial statements was not material.

6. Debt

Senior Secured Credit Facility

On November 2, 2006, the Company entered into an amended and restated seven-year \$500 million U.S. senior secured credit facility and a C\$15 million senior secured Canadian credit facility with GE Antares Capital (GE Antares) and a syndicate of other lenders (combined, the Credit Facility). The Credit Facility refinanced the prior credit facilities that also were provided through GE Antares. The Credit Facility provides the Company with lower interest rates and available funds for future acquisitions and ongoing working capital requirements. In addition, the Credit Facility increased the allowable total equipment financing and/or capital lease financing to \$35 million. The Credit Facility provides for a cash receipts lock-box arrangement that gives the Company sole control over the funds in lock-box accounts, unless excess availability is less than \$10 million or an event of default occurs, in which case the senior secured lenders would have the right to take control over such funds and to apply such funds to repayment of the senior debt.

The Credit Facility consists of a U.S. revolving credit facility of \$150 million (the US Revolver), which includes a sub-facility of \$20 million for letters of credit, and a \$350 million term loan (the Term Loan). The Credit Facility also includes a C\$15 million senior secured revolving credit facility provided by GE Canada Finance Holding Company (the Canada Revolver). There was a combined \$119.4 million available for borrowings under the US Revolver and Canada Revolver at March 31, 2007 and there were no amounts outstanding. There were \$5.8 million of outstanding standby letters of credit at March 31, 2007. The Term Loan has required amortization of 1% per year, payable in quarterly installments of approximately \$0.9 million, and the remainder is due in 2013. The Credit Facility may also be expanded by up to an additional \$200 million under certain conditions. There are mandatory prepayments under the Credit Facility under certain conditions, including the following cash flow condition:

Excess Cash Flow

On May 15 of each fiscal year, commencing on May 15, 2008, the Company must pay an amount equal to 50% of the Excess Cash Flow (as defined in the Credit Facility) for the prior fiscal year, not to exceed \$7.0 million with respect to any fiscal year.

The US Revolver carries an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1% (6.36% at March 31, 2007) and the Term Loan carries an interest rate of LIBOR plus 2% (7.36% at March 31, 2007). Unused fees on the revolving credit facilities are 0.25% per annum. Availability under the revolving credit facilities is limited to 85% of eligible accounts receivable, increasing to 90% from January through April of each year. Financial covenants, which apply only to the Term Loan, are limited to a leverage ratio and a yearly capital expenditure limitation as follows:

Maximum Consolidated Leverage Ratio

On the last day of each fiscal quarter, commencing with the quarter ended December 31,2006, the Company s Consolidated Leverage Ratio, as defined, must not be greater than 4.00:1.0.

Capital Expenditures

The Company cannot incur aggregate Capital Expenditures, as defined, in excess of three percent (3.00%) of consolidated gross revenue for any fiscal year.

As of March 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with these covenants. Substantially all Company assets, including the capital stock and assets of wholly owned subsidiaries, secure obligations under the Credit Facility. In consideration of the refinancing, the Company evaluated the treatment of pre-existing and new financing costs in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) 96-19: Debtor s Accounting for a Modification or Exchange of Debt Instruments, and EITF 98-14: Debtor s Accounting for Changes in Line-of-Credit or Revolving-Debt Arrangement, and accordingly most of those costs are being amortized over the term of the Credit Facility.

Prior Senior Secured Credit Facilities

The credit facilities in place prior to the Credit Facility discussed above were amended in October 2005 and January 2006, scheduled to mature on October 14, 2010 and consisted of a \$280 million U.S. revolving line of credit and a \$C15 million Canadian revolving line of credit, referred to as revolvers, and term loans totaling \$90 million. These facilities provided for the same lock-box arrangements as under the Credit Facility.

At the time of the refinancing discussed above, there was \$227.8 million of borrowings outstanding under the prior revolvers. The outstanding revolver borrowings at that date carried a weighted-average interest rate of 7.03%. The outstanding revolver borrowings at September 30, 2006

and March 31, 2006 carried weighted-average interest rates of 6.97% and 6.59%, respectively, and were classified as long-term debt since the amounts were expected to be outstanding for greater than one year.

Equipment Financing Facilities

The Company has two equipment financing facilities that allow for the financing of purchased transportation and material handling equipment totaling \$32.9 million, with \$17.7 million of remaining availability as of March 31, 2007. There was \$15.2 million of equipment financing loans outstanding at March 31, 2007, with fixed interest rates ranging from 4.7% to 7.4%.

7. Foreign Sales

Foreign (Canadian) sales totaled \$38.1 and \$38.9 million in the six months ended March 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

8. Financial Derivatives

The Company uses derivative financial instruments for hedging and non-trading purposes to manage its exposure to changes in interest rates. Use of derivative financial instruments in hedging programs subjects the Company to certain risks, such as market and credit risks. Market risk represents the possibility that the value of the derivative instrument will change. In a hedging relationship, the change in the value of the derivative is offset to a great extent by the change in the value of the underlying hedged item. Credit risk related to derivatives represents the possibility that the counterparty will not fulfill the terms of the contract. The notional, or contractual, amount of the Company s derivative financial instruments is used to measure interest to be paid or received and does not represent the Company s exposure due to credit risk. The Company s current derivative instruments are with counterparties rated very highly by nationally recognized credit rating agencies.

The Company is using interest rate derivative instruments to manage the risk of interest rate changes by converting a portion of its variable-rate borrowings into fixed-rate borrowings. There were interest rate derivative instruments outstanding in a total notional amount of \$300 million at March 31, 2007, which consisted of: a) interest rate swaps totaling \$200 million, expiring in February 2010, with a fixed rate of 4.97%; b) a \$50 million interest rate collar expiring in March 2010 with a floor rate of 3.99% and a cap rate of 5.75%; and c) a \$50 million interest rate collar expiring in February 2010 with a floor rate of 3.75% and a cap rate of 6.00%. The Company entered into these instruments during the second quarter of 2007 and cancelled the prior interest rate derivative instruments that had notional amounts totaling \$150 million. The current derivative instruments are designated as cash flow hedges, for which the Company records the effective portions of changes in their fair value, net of tax, in other comprehensive income (Note 4). Any ineffective portion of the hedges is recognized in earnings, of which there was none in the second quarter. The prior derivative instruments were not designated as hedges and therefore changes in their fair values were recorded in interest expense.

9. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* (FIN 48), which clarifies when tax benefits should be recorded in financial statements, requires certain disclosures of uncertain tax matters and provides guidance on how any tax reserves should be classified in a balance sheet. FIN 48 will be effective for the Company in the fiscal year beginning September 30, 2007. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of FIN 48 will have on its consolidated financial statements, although the impact is not currently expected to be material.

In February 2007, the FASB issued Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, *The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities Including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115* (SFAS 159). SFAS 159 permits companies to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value at specified election dates. SFAS 159 will be effective in the fiscal year beginning September 28, 2008. The Company is currently evaluating the impact that the adoption of SFAS 159 will have on its consolidated financial statements, although the impact is not currently expected to be material.

10. Subsequent Events

On April 2, 2007, one of the Company subsidiaries, Beacon Sales Acquisition, Inc., completed its acquisition of the businesses of North Coast Commercial Roofing Systems, Inc. and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates (North Coast). North Coast is a Twinsburg, Ohio-based distributor of commercial roofing systems and related accessories. North Coast has 198 employees with 16 locations in eight U.S. states. North Coast had net sales of approximately \$253 million (unaudited) for the year ended March 31, 2006. The transaction was structured as a purchase of the stock of North Coast. The purchase price was \$110.5 million in cash, subject to a post-closing adjustment for working capital.

Item 2. Management s Discussion And Analysis Of Financial Condition And Results of Operations

You should read the following discussion in conjunction with Management s Discussion and Analysis included in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. Unless otherwise specifically indicated, all references to 2007 and YTD 2007 refer to the three months (second quarter) and six months (year-to-date) ended March 31, 2007, respectively, of our fiscal year ending September 29, 2007, and all references to 2006 and YTD 2006 refer to the three months (second quarter) and six months (year-to-date) ended March 31, 2006, respectively, of our fiscal year ended September 30, 2006.

Overview

We are one of the largest distributors of residential and non-residential roofing materials in the United States and Canada. We are also a distributor of other complementary building products, including siding, windows, specialty lumber products and waterproofing systems for residential and non-residential building exteriors. We purchase products from a large number of manufacturers and then distribute these goods to a customer base consisting of contractors and, to a lesser extent, general contractors, retailers and building materials suppliers.

We currently distribute up to 10,000 SKUs through 174 branches (including North Coast-see Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements) in the United States and Canada. We had 2,510 employees as of March 31, 2007, including our sales and marketing team of 926 employees.

In fiscal year 2006, approximately 93% of our net sales were in the United States. We stock one of the most extensive assortments of high-quality branded products in the industry, enabling us to deliver products to our customers on a timely basis.

Execution of the operating plan at each of our branches drives our financial results. Revenues are impacted by the relative strength of the residential and non-residential roofing markets we serve. We allow each of our branches to develop its own marketing plan and mix of products based upon its local market. We differentiate ourselves from the competition by providing customer services, including job site delivery, tapered insulation layouts and design and metal fabrication, and by providing credit. We consider customer relations and our employees knowledge of roofing and exterior building materials to be very important to our ability to increase customer loyalty and maintain customer satisfaction. We invest significant resources in training our employees in sales techniques, management skills and product knowledge. Although we consider these attributes important drivers of our business, we continually pay close attention to controlling operating costs.

Our growth strategy includes both internal growth (opening branches, growing sales with existing customers, adding new customers and introducing new products) and acquisition growth. Our main acquisition strategy is to target market leaders in geographic areas that we do not service. Our October 2005 acquisition of SDI Holding, Inc. (Shelter) is one example of this approach. Shelter is a leading distributor of roofing and other building materials with locations in the Midwest, Central Plains and Southwest regions of the United States. Shelter operated 51 branches at the time of the acquisition and had minimal branch overlap with our existing operations. In addition, we also acquire smaller companies to supplement branch openings within existing markets. Our August 2006 acquisition of Roof Depot, Inc. (Roof Depot), which was integrated into our Midwest region, is one example of such an acquisition.

Results of Operations

The following table shows, for the periods indicated, information derived from our consolidated statements of operations expressed as a percentage of net sales for the periods presented. Percentages may not foot due to rounding.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 2006			Six M 2007	Six Months Ended March 2007 20				
Net sales	100.0	%	100.0	% 100.0	%	100.0	%		
Cost of products sold	76.9	70	75.9	76.3	70	75.6	/0		
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Gross profit	23.1		24.1	23.7		24.4			
Operating expenses	24.5		20.3	21.1		18.6			
Income (loss) from operations	(1.5)	3.8	2.5		5.8			
Interest expense	(2.2)	(1.3) (1.9)	(1.3)		
Income (loss) before income taxes	(3.7)	2.5	0.6		4.5			

Income taxes	1.5		(1.0) (0.2)	(1.8)
Net income (loss)	(2.2)%	1.5	% 0.4	%	2.7	%

In managing our business, we consider all growth, including branch expansion, to be internal growth unless it results from an acquisition. When we refer to growth in existing markets or internal growth in our discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, we include growth from existing and newly opened branches but exclude growth from acquired branches until they have been under our ownership for at least four full fiscal quarters at the start of the fiscal reporting period. At March 31, 2007, we had a total of 158 branches in operation. For 2007, 145 branches were included in our existing market calculations and 13 branches were excluded because they were acquired during or after the quarter ended March 31, 2006. Acquired markets for 2007 include RSM, Roof Depot, Pacific, and the Supply Companies (Note 5). For YTD 2007, 93 branches were included in our existing market calculations and 65 branches were excluded because they were acquired during or after the year ended September 30, 2006. Acquired markets for YTD 2007 include RSM, Roof Depot, Pacific, the Supply Companies, Shelter, and Easton (Note 5). Percentages in the tables below may not foot due to rounding.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 (2007) Compared to the Three Months Ended March 31, 2006 (2006)

Existing and Acquired Markets

For the Three Months Ended (Dollars in thousands)

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Net Sales

Consolidated net sales decreased \$35.5 million, or 11.0%, to \$286.9 million in 2007 from \$322.4 million in 2006. Existing market sales declined \$41.6 million or 13.9%, while acquired markets contributed an increase of \$6.1 million. We attribute the existing market sales decline to the following factors:

- harsher winter conditions this year in the Northeast, Canada, and Midwest;
- a substantial decline in new residential construction, especially in the mid-Atlantic states; and
- a significant slowdown in reroofing and reconstruction activities in certain areas of Texas, the Gulf Coast and Southeastern US affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; partially offset by
- seven new branches opened in existing markets since March 31, 2006; and
- overall estimated price increases of 0% to 2% compared to 2006.

We opened two new branches in our existing markets during 2007 and one new branch in existing markets during 2006. For 2007, our acquired markets had combined product group sales of \$16.5, \$8.5 and \$3.4 million in residential roofing products, non-residential roofing products and complementary building products, respectively, while the product group sales for our existing markets were as follows:

For the Three Months Ended

	Sale	rch 31, 2007 es lars in thousands	Mix s)		Mar Sale	ch 31, 2006 s	Mix		Cha	nge			
Residential roofing products	\$	118,294	45.8	%	\$	144,046	48.0	%	\$	(25,752)	-17.9	%
Non-residential roofing													
products	73,6	538	28.5	%	85,9	24	28.6	%	(12,	286)	-14.3	
Complementary building													
products	66,5	578	25.7	%	70,1	75	23.4	%	(3,5	97)	-5.1	
	\$	258,510	100.0	%	\$	300,145	100.0	%	\$	(41,635)	-13.9	%

Note: Total 2007 existing market sales of \$258.5 million plus 2007 sales from acquired markets of \$28.4 million equal \$286.9 million of total 2007 sales. Our total 2006 sales of \$322.4 million consisted of \$300.1 million from existing markets plus \$22.3 million from acquired markets. We believe the existing market information is useful to investors because it helps explain organic growth or decline.

Gross Profit

For the Three Months Ended

	200	rch 31, 7 Iars in mi	llions	2006	ech 31,		Cha	nge					
Gross profit	\$	66.2		\$	77.8		\$	(11.6)			-14.9	%
Gross margin	23.1	Į.	%	24.1		%				-1.0	%		

Our existing markets gross profit declined 17.9% or \$13.0 million in 2007, while acquired markets gross profit increased \$1.4 million. Existing markets gross margin decreased to 23.0% in 2007 from 24.2% in 2006. This decrease was caused by an increase in competitive conditions amplified by the harsh winter and generally lower construction activity. We experienced the highest margin compression in the markets that experienced the benefit of additional hurricane activity in 2006 and in our Midwest region from increased competition due to a slowdown of re-roofing activities. Our overall gross margin decreased to 23.1% from 24.1% due primarily to the same factors, partially offset by the positive influence of higher gross margins in our acquired markets compared to our existing markets, especially from Pacific.

Operating Expenses

For the Three Months Ended

	March 31, 2007 (dollars in m	illions	March 31, 2006		Cha	inge				
Operating expenses	\$ 70.4		\$ 65.4		\$	5.0			7.6	%
Operating expenses as a % of sales	24.5	%	20.3	%			4.2	%		

Our existing markets—operating expenses of \$61.3 million increased by 0.3% or \$0.2 million from \$61.1 million in 2006 while our acquired markets—operating expenses increased \$4.8 million. The acquired markets—2007 and 2006 operating expenses included \$1.2 and \$0.8 million, respectively, for the amortization of intangible assets recorded under purchase accounting. Although there was little overall change in our existing markets—2007 operating expenses compared to 2006, the following is a brief discussion of the major changes in the components of those expenses. Payroll and related costs were reduced by \$1.1 million as we instituted cost-saving measures during the slower than usual winter months, but bad debt expense increased by \$1.5 million due mainly to write-offs of problem accounts in our Midwest region. Additionally, we saw savings of \$0.7 million in other general and administrative expenses and \$0.4 million in other selling expenses from cost cutting, while warehouse expenses increased \$0.5 million principally from our seven new branches opened in existing markets since March 31, 2006. Stock option expense and depreciation and amortization increased \$0.5 million and \$0.2 million, respectively, in 2007 from 2006.

Existing markets—operating expenses as a percentage of net sales increased to 23.7% from 20.4%, primarily due to the lower sales and the relatively fixed nature of our operating expenses. Overall operating expenses increased to 24.5% of net sales in 2007 from 20.3% in 2006, due to the lower sales, higher operating cost percentages at Pacific and the additional amortization mentioned above.

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased \$2.1 million to \$6.4 million in 2007 from \$4.3 million in 2006. We refinanced our credit facilities in November 2006 and incurred additional borrowings during fiscal 2006 to finance our acquisitions, both of which increased our debt level since March 31, 2006. Interest rates also increased from the prior year, which affected our variable-rate debt.

Income Taxes

An income tax benefit of \$4.3 million was recorded in 2007, an effective tax rate of 40.2%, compared to income tax expense of \$3.3 million in 2006, which was an effective rate of 40.8%. The slight reduction in our overall effective rate was principally due to the impact of the mix of earnings of our Canadian and various state operations on our effective federal tax rate.

Six Months Ended March 31, 2007 (YTD 2007) Compared to the Six Months Ended March 31, 2006 (YTD 2006)

Existing and Acquired Markets

For the Six Months Ended (Dollars in thousands)

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Net sales	\$	435,701		\$	477,634		\$	231,453	3	\$	184,648	\$	667,154	1	\$	662,28	2
Gross profit	102	.982		115	5,563		54,9	20		45,	904	15	7,902		161	.467	
Gross margin	23.6	5	%	24.2	2	%	23.7		%	24.	9	% 23	.7	%	24.	4	%
Operating expenses	78,9	911		81,2	204	(62,1	55		42,	195	14	1,066		123	3,399	
Operating expenses as a % of net sales	18.1		%	17.0	0	%	26.9		%	22.	9	% 21	.1	%	18.	6	%
Operating income (loss)	\$	24,071		\$	34,359	:	\$	(7,235)	\$	3,709	\$	16,836		\$	38,068	
Operating margin	5.5		%	7.2		% .	-3.1		%	2.0		% 2.5	5	%	5.8		%

Net Sales

Consolidated net sales increased \$4.9 million, or 0.7%, to \$667.2 million in YTD 2007 from \$662.3 million in YTD 2006. Existing market sales declined \$41.9 million or 8.8%, while acquired markets contributed an increase of \$46.8 million. We attribute the existing market sales decline to the factors outlined below. After adjusting for the five fewer business days this year, our existing market sales decline for YTD 2007 was 5.1%, with much lower price inflation than in YTD 2006.

We believe our YTD 2007 existing market sales were affected by the following factors:

- five fewer business days;
- harsher winter conditions this year in the Northeast, Canada, and Midwest;
- a substantial decline in new residential construction, especially in the mid-Atlantic states; and
- a significant slowdown in reroofing and reconstruction activities in certain areas of Texas, the Gulf Coast and Southeastern US affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; partially offset by
- overall estimated price increases of 1% to 2% compared to YTD 2006; and
- seven new branches opened in existing markets since March 31, 2006.

We opened four new branches in our existing markets and opened and closed one in our acquired markets during YTD 2007, while we had opened four new branches in existing markets during YTD 2006. For YTD 2007, our acquired markets had combined product group sales of \$130.6, \$46.2 and \$54.7 million in residential roofing products, non-residential roofing products and complementary building products, respectively, while the product group sales for our existing markets were as follows:

For the Six Months Ended

	March 31, 2007 Sales (dollars in thousa	Mix nds)	March 31, 2006 Sales	Mix	Change	
Residential roofing products	\$ 183,232	42.1%	\$ 207,742	43.5%	\$ (24,510)	-11.8 %
Non-residential roofing products	156,320	35.9%	159,355	33.4%	(3,035)	-1.9
Complementary building products	96,149	22.1%	110,537	23.1%	(14,388)	-13.0
	\$ 435,701	100.0%	\$ 477,634	100.0%	\$ (41,933)	-8.8 %

Note: Total YTD 2007 existing market sales of \$435.7 million plus YTD 2007 sales from acquired markets of \$231.5 million equal \$667.2 million of total YTD 2007 sales. Our total YTD 2006 sales of \$662.3 million consisted of \$477.6 million from existing markets plus \$184.7 million from acquired markets. We believe the existing market information is useful to investors because it helps explain organic growth or decline.

Gross Profit For the Six Months Ended

	Marcl 2007 (dolla	h 31, rs in mi	illion	200	rch 31, 6		Cha	nnge					
Gross profit	\$ 1	57.9		\$	161.5		\$	(3.6)			-2.2	%
Gross margin	23.7		%	24.	4	%				-0.7	%		

Our existing markets gross profit declined 10.9% or \$12.6 million in YTD 2007, while acquired markets gross profit increased \$9.0 million. Existing markets gross margin decreased to 23.6% in YTD 2007 from 24.2% in YTD 2006. This decrease was caused by an increase in competitive conditions and generally lower construction activity. We experienced the highest margin compression in the markets that experienced the benefit of additional hurricane activity in YTD 2006 and in our Midwest region from increased competition due to a slowdown of re-roofing activities. Our overall gross margin has also decreased due primarily to those factors. We expect our future quarterly overall gross margins to fluctuate from 23% to 25% depending on our product mix and competitive circumstances.

Operating Expenses

For the Six Months Ended

	March 31, 2007 (dollars in mill	March 31, 2006 ions)	Change			
Operating expenses	\$ 141.1	\$ 123.4	\$ 17.7		14.3	%
Operating expenses as a % of sales	21.1	% 18.6	%	2.5	%	

Our existing markets operating expenses of \$78.9 million decreased by 2.8% or \$2.3 million from \$81.2 million in 2006 while acquired markets operating expenses increased \$20.0 million. The acquired markets YTD 2007 and YTD 2006 operating expenses included \$4.9 and \$3.4 million, respectively, for the amortization of intangible assets recorded under purchase accounting. The existing markets operating expense decline was due primarily to lower bad debt expense (\$0.5 million) from improved collections, lower other general and administrative expenses (\$0.4 million) from cost-saving steps, and lower payroll and related costs (\$1.2 million) and transportation costs (\$0.5 million) from cost-saving measures and from our lower sales volume, partially offset by increased warehouse expense (\$0.7 million) principally from our seven new branches opened in existing markets since March 31, 2006. In addition, existing markets general and administrative expenses have benefited from leveraging certain expenses over a larger base of branches, including our acquired markets. Stock option expense and depreciation and amortization increased \$1.3 and \$0.5 million in YTD 2007 from YTD 2006, respectively.

Existing markets—operating expenses as a percentage of net sales increased to 18.1% from 17.0%, primarily due to the lower sales and the relatively fixed aspect of our operating expenses. Overall operating expenses increased to 21.1% of net sales in YTD 2007 from 18.6% in YTD 2006, due to the lower sales, higher operating cost percentages at Shelter and Pacific, and the impact from the additional amortization expense mentioned above.

Interest Expense

Interest expense increased \$4.4 million to \$12.7 million in YTD 2007 from \$8.3 million in YTD 2006. We refinanced our credit facilities in November 2006 and incurred additional borrowings during fiscal 2006 to finance our acquisitions, both of which increased our debt level since March 31, 2006. Interest rates also increased from the prior year, which affects our variable rate-debt.

Income Taxes

Income tax expense was \$1.7 million in YTD 2007, an effective tax rate of 40.2%, compared to \$12.1 million in YTD 2006, which was an effective rate of 40.6%. The slight reduction in our overall effective rate was principally due to the impact of the mix of earnings of our Canadian and various state operations on our effective federal tax rate.

Seasonality and Quarterly Fluctuations

In general, sales and net income are highest during our first, third and fourth fiscal quarters, which represent the peak months of construction, especially in our branches in the northeastern U.S. and in Canada. Our sales are substantially lower during the second quarter, when we historically have incurred low net income levels or net losses. These quarterly fluctuations have diminished as we have diversified into the southern regions of the United States.

We generally experience an increase of inventory, accounts receivable and accounts payable during the first, third and fourth quarters of the year as a result of the seasonality of our business. Our peak borrowing level generally occurs during the third quarter, primarily because dated accounts payable offered by our suppliers typically are payable in April, May and June, while our peak accounts receivable collections typically occur from June through November.

We generally experience a slowing of collections of our accounts receivable during our second quarter, mainly due to the inability of some of our customers to conduct their businesses effectively in inclement weather in certain of our regions. We continue to attempt to collect those receivables, which require payment under our standard terms. We do not provide any concessions to our customers during this quarter of the year, although we may take advantage of seasonal incentives from our vendors. Also during the second quarter, we generally experience our lowest availability under our senior secured credit facilities, which are asset-based lending facilities.

Certain Quarterly Financial Data

The following table sets forth certain unaudited quarterly data for fiscal years 2007 and 2006 which, in the opinion of management, reflect all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation of this data. Results of any one or more quarters are not necessarily indicative of results for an entire fiscal year or of continuing trends. Totals may not foot due to rounding.

(dollars in millions, except per share data)	Fiscal 2007	Fiscal 2006				
(unaudited)	Qtr 1 Qtr 2	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	
Net sales	\$ 380.2					