SONICS \& MATERIALS INC

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* The Balance Sheet at June 30, 2001 has been taken from the audited financial statements at that date. All other financial statements are unaudited.
SONICS \& MATERIALS, INC.
CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS
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| AS OF |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| MARCH 31, | JUNE 30, |
| 2002 | 2001 |
| ---------------------- | $*$ |

## ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents $\quad \$ 1,193,706$ \$20,835
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful
accounts of $\$ 35,793$ at March 31, 2002 and $\$ 53,470$
at June 30, 2001 1,301,502 1,335,861
Inventories 3,601,062
3,961,383


| 98,497 |
| ---: |
| $6,194,767$ |
| 439,625 |
| 221,761 |
| $\$ \quad 6,856,153$ |
| $============$ |

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\$ 390,000

88,896
396,584
137,274
70,030
338,297


71,823
311,480


| $\begin{array}{r} 105,603 \\ 6,575,010 \\ (1,628,844) \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  | 5,051,769 |
| \$ | 6,856,153 |

105,603
6,575,010
$(1,906,090)$
4,774,523
$\$ 10,557,516$

* Taken from the audited financial statements at June 30, 2001.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.
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SONICS \& MATERIALS, INC. CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (unaudited)


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Net increase (decrease) in cash for the period
Cash and cash equivalents - at beginning of period

Cash and cash equivalents - at end of period

Cash paid during period for:
Interest
Income taxes
\$ 1,193,706
$============$
372,871
820,835
-
$1,193,706$
,
\$ 26,408

## NOTE 1: BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements for the interim periods are unaudited and reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and operating results for the interim periods. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto, together with the management's discussion and analysis, contained on Form $10-K S B$ for the year ended June 30,2001 . The results of operations for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2002 are not necessarily indicative of the results for the entire fiscal year ending June 30 , 2002 .

The accompanying financial statements reflect the consolidated operations of Sonics \& Materials, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Tooltex, Inc. through the date of the sale of $90 \%$ of the common stock of Tooltex, Inc. on August 21 , 2001. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

NOTE 2: SALE OF TOOLTEX, INC. STOCK
On August 21, 2001, the Company sold a $90 \%$ interest in the stock of Tooltex to PK Spur Co. (PK), an Ohio corporation owned by the president of Tooltex, and his wife. In consideration, $P K$ issued a $\$ 125,000$ promissory note, payable in 23 installments of $\$ 2,000$ including interest at $7 \%$ per annum commencing in October 2001, with a final balloon payment of outstanding principal and accrued interest. The note is guaranteed by the president of Tooltex, and is secured by a security interest in certain Tooltex assets. In conjunction with the sale, the Company and Tooltex entered into a representation and distribution agreement pursuant to which Tooltex will sell and distribute the Company's products.

The Company changed the accounting for its investment in Tooltex from the consolidation to the cost method, effective on the date of sale. Tooltex reported sales of approximately $\$ 90,000$ and a net loss of approximately $\$ 25,000$ in the quarter ended September 30, 2001.

NOTE 3: SALE OF COMPANY FACILITY

On August 31, 2001, the Company sold to Acme Realty (Acme), a New York general partnership, its manufacturing facility located in Newtown, Connecticut for $\$ 4,000,000$ in cash, less expenses of $\$ 244,000$. The Company used the proceeds to pay outstanding Industrial Revenue Bond principal and accrued interest totaling $\$ 3,289,000$, and to increase working capital. In conjunction with the sale, the Company entered into a triple net lease with Acme for an initial term of ten years plus two five-year renewal options. The Company recorded a deferred gain on the sale of $\$ 337,000$, which will be amortized over the lease term.

Following is a schedule of minimum lease payments due under the operating lease for the property:

| Years ending June 30, |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2002 | \$ 328,292 |
| 2003 | 323,185 |
| 2004 | 316,813 |
| 2005 | 326,522 |
| 2006 | 336,304 |
| Thereafter | 1,903,843 |
|  | \$3,534,959 |

NOTE 4: NET INCOME PER SHARE
Net income per share is based on the weighted average number of common and common equivalent shares outstanding during the period, calculated using the treasury stock method. Stock options of which approximately 346,000 are currently outstanding, are antidilutive for all periods and accordingly, are not included in the per share computations.

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NOTE 5: INCOME TAXES
The effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 was $15.5 \%$ due to the utilization of regular net operating loss carryovers of $\$ 168,000$ and federal tax credits of $\$ 6,000$. These tax benefits had previously been subject to deferred tax valuation allowances. The Company also has available capital loss carryovers to offset the entire capital gain income recognized on the sale of real estate in August 2001. The gain is being amortized for financial reporting purposes over the term of the related lease, but will be recognized in full as of the transaction date for income tax purposes.

Any statements in this filing that are not statements of historical fact are forward-looking statements that are subject to a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. Specifically, any forward looking statements in this filing related to the Company's objective for future growth, profitability and financial returns are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, risks related to a growing market demand for Sonics' existing and new products, continued growth in sales and market share of Sonics and its USS products, pricing, market acceptance of existing and new products, a fluctuation in the sales product mix, general economic conditions, competitive products, and product technology development. There can be no assurance that such objectives will be achieved.

## ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following information should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements included herein, see Item 1, and the financial information contained in the Company's latest annual report on Form $10-\mathrm{KSB}$ for the year
ended June 30, 2001.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002 COMPARED TO THE THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001.

NET SALES. Net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2002 decreased $\$ 481,000$ or $17.2 \%$ compared with the same quarter in fiscal year 2001. This decrease, which resulted from the elimination of Tooltex, Inc. revenues (Tooltex, Inc. was sold in August 2001), was partially offset by an increase in plastics assembly product sales.

COST OF SALES AND GROSS PROFITS. Cost of sales decreased from $60.5 \%$ in the three months ended March 31, 2001 to 59.7\% for the three months ended March 31, 2002. While the overall cost of sales percentage change was not material, current quarter margins were improved as a result of the elimination of lower-margin Tooltex products.

SELLING EXPENSES. Selling expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2002 decreased $\$ 19,000$ or $3.6 \%$ compared with the same quarter in fiscal 2001. After removing the effect of Tooltex, Inc. activity in the quarter ended March 31, 2001, selling expenses increased by $\$ 49,000$ in the current quarter. The increase was caused principally by rent expenses associated with the sale and leaseback of the Company's manufacturing facility. These costs were partially offset by lower tradeshow expenses.

GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. General and administrative expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2002 decreased $\$ 80,000$ or $23.8 \%$ compared with the third quarter of the prior fiscal year. Virtually all of this decrease resulted from the sale of Tooltex, Inc. in August 2001.

INTEREST EXPENSE. Interest expense decreased by $\$ 82,000$ compared with the same period in fiscal year 2001. The savings in interest resulted from the elimination of Industrial Revenue Bond indebtedness resulting from the sale of real estate in August 2001, as well as lower borrowing levels and a significant decline in interest rates which reduced interest costs associated with the Company's line of credit facility.

INCOME TAXES.

The effective tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2002 was $38.7 \%$ due to the computation of federal and state tax expense at regular statutory rates without the benefit of federal loss carryforwards and tax credits that were applied in full against earnings in the first six months of fiscal 2002. The Company has available capital loss carryovers to offset the entire capital gain income recognized on the sale of real estate in August 2001. The gain is being amortized for financial reporting purposes over the term of the related lease, but will be recognized in full as of the transaction date for income tax purposes.

Future taxable income in fiscal 2002 will be subject to an effective tax rate in the range of $40 \%-45 \%$.

NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2002 COMPARED TO THEN NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2001.

NET SALES. Net sales for nine months ended March 31, 2002 decreased $\$ 1,486,000$ or $17.4 \%$ compared to the prior comparable period. The decline resulted from the elimination of Tooltex, Inc. revenues as a result of the sale of that subsidiary in August 2001.

COST OF SALES AND GROSS PROFITS. Cost of sales decreased from $62.1 \%$ for the nine months ended March 31, 2001 to $60.8 \%$ for the nine months ended March 31, 2002. Accordingly, gross margins improved from 37.9\% to 39.2\%. The elimination of the lower-margin Tooltex product line as well as savings from the full realization of cost cutting measures begun in the second quarter of fiscal year 2001 accounted for this improvement.

SELLING EXPENSES. Selling expenses decreased $\$ 611,000$ or $30.9 \%$ compared with the same period of the prior year. This decrease took place in the areas of payroll, commissions, advertising and promotional costs as well as a result of the sale of Tooltex, Inc. in August, 2001. Partially offsetting these decreases were rent expenses associated with the sale and leaseback of the Company's manufacturing facility.

GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. General and administrative expenses for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 decreased $\$ 256,000$ or $26.9 \%$ compared with the comparable period of the prior fiscal year. The principal reason for this decline was the elimination of Tooltex, Inc. general and administrative costs.

INTEREST EXPENSE. Interest expense decreased $\$ 182,000$ in the nine months ended March 31 , 2002. The savings in interest resulted from the elimination of Industrial Revenue Bond indebtedness as a result of the sale of real estate in August 2001 as well as lower borrowing levels and a significant decline in interest rates which reduced interest costs associated with the Company's line of credit facility.

INCOME TAXES.

The effective tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2002 was $15.5 \%$ due to the utilization of regular net operating loss carryovers of $\$ 168,000$ and federal tax credits of $\$ 6,000$. These tax benefits had previously been subject to deferred tax valuation allowances. The Company also has available capital loss carryovers to offset the entire capital gain income recognized on the sale of real estate in August 2001 . The gain is being amortized for financial reporting purposes over the term of the related lease, but will be recognized in full as of the transaction date for income tax purposes.

Future taxable income in fiscal 2002 will be subject to an effective tax rate in the range of $40 \%-45 \%$.

The Company did not provide for the tax benefit of net operating losses incurred during the comparable 2000 period due to uncertainty as to their realization.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

The Company's balance sheet continued to strengthen during the current period. Contributing to the improved balance sheet is the Company's return to profitability which is in part, due to the cost cutting measures taken beginning in the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, the sale of the Company's manufacturing facility in Newtown, CT, and the sale of Tooltex, Inc.

Working capital increased by $\$ 983,000$ between June 30, 2001 and March 31, 2002. Cash amounted to $\$ 1,194,000$ at March 31,2002 , an increase of $\$ 373,000$ over the fiscal year end close. The note payable to the Company's bank was reduced by $\$ 800,000$ during this same period of time.

The Company's debt/equity ratio, during the nine months ended March 31, 2002 also improved, declining from 1.2 times to 0.4 times.

The Company's principal outside source of working capital is a $\$ 1,500,000$ bank credit facility (the "Line of Credit"). The Line of Credit bears interest at the
bank's base lending rate (4.75\% at March 31, 2002). Advances under the Line of Credit are at the bank's sole discretion. The entire principal balance of the Line of Credit, which at March 31, 2002 was $\$ 390,000$, is due and payable upon
the demand of the bank. The borrowings under the Line of Credit may be prepaid in whole or in part, without premium or penalty, at any time. Indebtedness under the Company's Line of Credit and the term loan are secured by substantially all of the assets of the Company. The credit agreement also subjects the Company to various covenants, including restrictions on future borrowings and encumbrances, and the maintenance of minimum tangible net worth, leverage and fixed charge coverage ratios, as defined. The Company met its covenants as of March 31, 2002.

## IMPACT OF INFLATION

The Company does not believe that inflation significantly affected its results of operations for the current fiscal quarter.

MARKET RISK
The Company does not hold or trade derivative instruments. Financial instruments subject to changes in interest rates consist primarily of floating rate debt. Due to the repayment in August 2001 of its Industrial Development Bonds, the Company's exposure to interest rate fluctuations is not material. The Company's transactions are generally conducted and its accounts are denominated in U.S. dollars. Consequently, exposure to foreign risk is not significant.

## RECENTLY ISSUED PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141, Business Combinations, which addressed the initial recognition and measurement of goodwill and other intangible assets acquired in a business combination. SFAS No. 141 requires the purchase method of accounting to be used for business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001 and eliminates the pooling of interest method. The adoption of this statement is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, which addressed the recognition and measurement of goodwill and other intangible assets subsequent to their acquisition. SFAS No. 142 also addressed the initial recognition and measurement of intangible assets acquired outside of a business combination whether acquired individually or with a group of other assets. SFAS No. 142 provides that intangible assets with finite useful lives be amortized and that intangible assets with indefinite lives and goodwill will not be amortized, but will rather be tested at least annually for impairment. Although SFAS No. 142 is not required to be adopted by the Company until fiscal 2003, its provisions must be applied to goodwill and other intangible assets acquired after June 30, 2001. As of December 31, 2001, the Company does not have any goodwill or other intangible assets relating to business combinations that were accounted for under APB Opinion No. 16. Accordingly, the adoption of SFAS No. 142 is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8K.
(a) Exhibits.

3(i) Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant, as amended (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.1 of Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement No. 33-96414).

| 3 (ii) | Amended By-laws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 3.2 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |
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| 10 (i) | Form of Employment Agreement between the Registrant and Robert $S$. Soloff (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |
| 10 (ii) | 1995 Incentive Stock Option Plan and form of Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.3 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |
| 10 (iii) | Lease between Registrant and Aston Investment Associates (Aston, PA) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.5 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |
| 10 (iv) | Lease between Registrant and Janine Berger (Gland, Switzerland) (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.7 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |
| 10 (v) | Form of Sales Representation Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.8 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414). |

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10 (vi) Form of Sales Distribution Agreement (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.9 of Registration Statement No. 33-96414).

10 (vii) Credit Agreement, dated September 19, 1997, between Brown Brothers Harriman \& Co. and Registrant ( incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 (xii) of the Registrant's Form 10 KSB for the year ended June 30, 1997).

10 (viii) Term Loan Note of Registrant, dated September 19, 1997; payable to the order of Brown Brothers Harriman \& Co. in the original principal amount of $\$ 427,000$ (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 (xiii) of the Registrants Form 10KSB for the year ended June 30, 1997).

10 (ix) Line of Credit Note of Registrant, dated September 19, 1997, payable to the order of Brown Brothers Harriman \& Co. in the original principal amount of $\$ 1,500,000$ (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 (xiv) of the Registrants Form 10KSB for the year ended June 30, 1997).
$10(x) \quad G e n e r a l$ Security Agreement from Registrant to Brown Brothers Harriman \& Co. dated September 19, 1997 (incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10 (xvii) of the Registrants Form 10 KSB for the year ended June 30 , 1997).

10 (xi) Lease between Registrant and Acme Realty, dated August 30, 2001 (incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form $10-\mathrm{KSB}$ for the year ended June 30, 2001).

10 (xii) Stock Purchase Agreement by and between PK Spur Co., and Sonics \& Materials, Inc., with Respect to $90 \%$ of the Issued and Outstanding Shares of Common Stock of Tooltex, Inc., dated August 21, 2001 (incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form 10KSB for the year ended June 30, 2001).
(b)

On August 27, 2001, the Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K announcing the sale of $90 \%$ of the Common Stock of Tooltex to PK Spur, Co.

On August 31, 2001, the Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K announcing the Sale-Leaseback of the Company's Newtown, Connecticut Manufacturing Facility.

On September 14, 2001, the Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K disclosing the disposition of its facility in Newtown, Connecticut.

## SIGNATURES

In accordance with the requirements of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

| Date: May 14, 2002 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| ------- | By /s/ Robert S. Soloff |
|  | --------------- |
|  | Robert S. Soloff, |
|  | President |

EXHIBIT INDEX

| EXHIBIT NO. | DESCRIPTION | LOCATION SEQUENTIAL |
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