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FORM 10-QSB

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d)  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

**FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JANUARY 31, 2007**

Commission file number: 0-13301

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

88-0168936

(State of Incorporation)

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

7610 Miramar Road, Bldg. 6000, San Diego, California 92126-4202

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(858) 549-6340

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(Issuer's telephone and fax numbers, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

Check whether the issuer (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 filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

State the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock at the latest practicable date. As of March 2, 2007, the registrant had 3,318,233 shares of Common Stock, \$.01 par value, issued.

Transitional Small Business Disclosure Format (check one): Yes  No

**Part I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION****Item 1: Financial Statements**

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.  
CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>January 31, 2007</b>	<b>October 31, 2006</b>
	<b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>(Note 1)</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,485,410	\$ 4,612,935
Investments in available-for-sale securities	1,041,248	2,252,589
Trade accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$44,372 and \$45,653	1,270,777	2,053,402
Inventories	5,517,542	5,250,484
Income tax refund receivable	125,604	-
Other current assets	258,500	208,156
Deferred tax assets	180,000	196,075
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>13,879,081</b>	<b>14,573,641</b>
<b>Equipment and furnishings:</b>		
Equipment and tooling	1,662,822	1,662,822
Furniture and office equipment	386,137	386,137
	2,048,959	2,048,959
Less accumulated depreciation	1,726,203	1,672,813
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>322,756</b>	<b>376,146</b>
Goodwill	200,848	200,848
Amortizable intangible asset, net	63,333	73,333
Note receivable from stockholder	66,980	66,980
Other assets	28,087	28,087
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 14,561,085</b>	<b>\$ 15,319,035</b>

**Item 1: Financial Statements** (continued)

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.**  
**CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS**

	January 31, 2007 (Unaudited)	October 31, 2006 (Note 1)
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 358,290	\$ 441,203
Accrued expenses	406,433	603,351
Income taxes payable	20,940	719,864
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>785,663</b>	<b>1,764,418</b>
Deferred tax liabilities	76,000	90,618
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>861,663</b>	<b>1,855,036</b>
<b>COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES</b>		
<b>STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Common stock - authorized 10,000,000 shares of \$0.01 par value; 3,268,228 and 3,252,613 shares issued and outstanding	32,682	32,526
Additional paid-in capital	4,787,975	4,582,897
Retained earnings	8,876,200	8,843,268
Accumulated other comprehensive income	2,565	5,308
<b>TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>13,699,422</b>	<b>13,463,999</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 14,561,085</b>	<b>\$ 15,319,035</b>

See Notes to Condensed Unaudited Financial Statements

**Item 1: Financial Statements** (continued)

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.**  
**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**  
**THREE MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31**  
**(Unaudited)**

	2007	2006
Net sales	\$ 3,152,128	\$ 3,374,912
Cost of sales	1,890,421	1,814,343
Gross profit	1,261,707	1,560,569
Operating expenses:		
Engineering	116,982	149,346
Selling and general	1,123,531	1,020,402
Totals	1,240,513	1,169,748
Operating income	21,194	390,821
Other income - interest	108,738	73,012
Income before provision for income taxes	129,932	463,833
Provision for income taxes	97,000	198,500
<b>Net income</b>	<b>\$ 32,932</b>	<b>\$ 265,333</b>
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.09
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.07
Basic weighted average shares outstanding	3,256,758	3,107,732
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding	3,817,132	3,656,857

See Notes to Condensed Unaudited Financial Statements

**Item 1: Financial Statements** (continued)

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.**  
**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**THREE MONTHS ENDED JANUARY 31**  
**(Unaudited)**

	2007	2006
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$ 32,932	\$ 265,333
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:		
Provision for bad debts	(3,894)	13,344
Depreciation and amortization	63,390	67,784
Deferred income taxes	1,457	
Stock based compensation expense	129,851	-
Income tax benefit on non-qualified stock options	-	111,100
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	-	-
Trade accounts receivable	786,519	488,209
Inventories	(267,058)	167,805
Income tax refund receivable / payable	(824,528)	87,400
Other current assets	(50,344)	(132,865)
Accounts payable	(82,913)	(104,892)
Accrued expenses	(196,918)	76,044
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(411,506)	1,039,262
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchase of available-for-sale securities	-	(1,021,824)
Sale of available-for-sale securities	1,208,598	
Capital expenditures	-	(27,251)
Payment of notes receivable	-	2,500
Payments of notes receivable from related parties	-	29,750
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	1,208,598	(1,016,825)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES - exercise of stock options</b>		
	75,383	134,497
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	872,475	156,934
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	4,612,935	4,507,219
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 5,485,410	\$ 4,664,153
<b>Supplemental disclosure of non cash investing activities:</b>		
Net decrease in unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities	(\$2,743)	-
<b>Supplemental cash flow information:</b>		

Income taxes paid	\$	920,071	-
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See Notes to Condensed Unaudited Financial Statements

**RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Note 1 - Unaudited interim financial statements**

The accompanying unaudited condensed financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-QSB. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments have been included in order to make the information not misleading. Information included in the balance sheet, as of October 31, 2006 has been derived from, and certain terms used herein are defined in, the audited financial statements of the Company as of October 31, 2006 included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB ("Form 10-KSB") for the year ended October 31, 2006 that was previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Operating results for the three month period ended January 31, 2007, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending October 31, 2007. The unaudited condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended October 31, 2006.

**Note 2 - Investments**

Pursuant to Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities," the Company's investments in U.S. Treasury Bills were classified as available-for-sale securities and, accordingly, were valued at fair value at the end of each period. If there is an other than temporary decline in fair value, the cost basis of the individual security would have been written down to fair value via a charge to earnings. Unrealized holding gains as of January 31, 2007 were \$2,565. Total comprehensive income was \$30,189 and \$265,333 for the three months ended January 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

**Note 3 - Components of inventory**

Inventories, consisting of materials, labor and manufacturing overhead, are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost has been determined using the weighted average cost method.

	January 31, 2007 (Unaudited)	October 31, 2006
Raw materials and supplies	\$ 1,108,187	\$ 1,038,857
Work in process	24,490	20,024
Finished goods	4,406,007	4,259,125
Inventory reserve	(21,142)	(67,522)
Total	\$ 5,517,542	\$ 5,250,484

Purchases of connector products from two major vendors in the three month period ended January 31, 2007, represented 26% and 24% compared to 43% and 16% of the total inventory purchases for the same period in 2006. The Company has arrangements with these vendors to purchase product based on purchase orders periodically issued by the Company.

**Note 4 - Earnings per share**

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding increased by the effects of assuming that other potentially dilutive securities (such as stock options) outstanding during the period had been exercised and the treasury stock method had been applied. At January 31, 2007, the effects of the assumed exercise of options to purchase 123,758 shares of the Company's common stock, at a price of \$7.50 per share, were not included in the computation of diluted per share amounts because they were anti-dilutive for that purpose. During the period ended January 31, 2006, all options were considered dilutive and included in the calculation of diluted earnings per share.

The following table summarizes the computation of basic and diluted weighted average shares outstanding:

	Three Months Ended January 31	
	2007	2006
Weighted average shares outstanding for basic earnings per share	3,256,758	3,107,732
Add effects of potentially dilutive securities-assumed exercised of stock options	560,374	549,125
Weighted average shares for diluted net earnings per share	3,817,132	3,656,857

**Note 5 - Stock based compensation and equity transactions**

Effective November 1, 2006, the Company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS 123R"). The Company elected to use the modified prospective transition method. This method requires compensation cost to be recognized in the financial statements over the service period for the fair value of all awards (including awards to employees) granted after the date of adoption as well as for existing awards for which the requisite service had not been rendered as of the date of adoption and requires that prior periods not be restated. Our stock incentive plans provide for the granting of qualified and nonqualified options to our officers, directors and employees. Outstanding options are generally exercisable one year after the date of the grant and expire no more than ten years after the grant. The Company satisfies the exercise of options by issuing previously unissued common shares. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, the Company used the intrinsic value method to account for stock options granted to employees and generally made no charges against earnings with respect to those options at the date of grant since our employee options had exercise prices that were equal to the market price of the Company's stock on the grant date.

SFAS 123R requires that the Company elect an approved method to calculate the historical pool of windfall tax benefits upon adoption of SFAS 123R within one year of its adoption. As of January 31, 2007, the Company has not made that election.

For the three months ended January 31, 2007 the adoption of SFAS 123R reduced income from operations by \$129,851, reduced net income by approximately \$117,000 and reduced earnings per basic and diluted share by \$0.04 and \$0.03, respectively.



Also, in accordance with SFAS 123R, the Company will present on a prospective basis the tax benefits from exercise of stock options in excess of recognized expense as a cash flow from financing activities in the statement of cash flows, rather than as a cash flow from operating activities, as was prescribed under accounting rules applicable through October 31, 2006. This requirement will reduce the amount reflected as net cash provided by operating activities and net cash provided by financing activities for that period. Total cash flows will remain unchanged from that which would have been reported under prior accounting rules.

The weighted average fair value of employee stock options granted by us in the three months ended January 31, 2007 was estimated to be \$3.64 per share using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

Risk-free interest rate	5.00%
Dividend yield	0.00%
Expected life of the option	5 years
Volatility factor	57.00%

Expected volatilities are based on historical volatility of the Company's stock, and other factors. The Company uses historical experience with exercise and post-vesting employment termination behavior to determine the options' expected life. The expected life represents the period of time that options granted are expected to be outstanding. The risk-free rate is based on the U.S. Treasury rate with a maturity date corresponding to the options' expected life.

The Company's historical net income and earnings per common share and pro forma net income and earnings per common share assuming compensation cost had been determined for the three months ended January 31, 2006 based on the fair value instead of the intrinsic value at the grant date for all awards to the Company's employees, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model consistent with the provisions of SFAS 123R, and amortized ratably over the vesting period, are set forth below:

Net income - as reported	\$ 265,333
Deduct total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value-based method for all awards - net of income tax effects	(35,244)
Net income - pro forma	\$ 230,089
Basic earnings per share - as reported	\$ 0.09
Basic earnings per share - pro forma	\$ 0.07
Diluted earnings per share - as reported	\$ 0.07
Diluted earnings per share - pro forma	\$ 0.06

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS 123R, all other issuances of common stock, stock options, warrants or other equity instruments to employees and non-employees as the consideration for goods or services received by the Company are accounted for based on the fair value of the equity instruments issued (unless the fair value of the consideration received can be more reliably measured). Generally, the fair value of any options, warrants or similar equity instruments issued is estimated based on the Black-Scholes option-pricing model.



**Issuances of Common Stock by the Company**

During the three months ended January 31, 2007, the Company received cash proceeds of \$75,383 from the exercise of options for the purchase of 15,615 shares of common stock.

**RF Industries, Ltd. Stock Option Plans**

Descriptions of the Company's stock option plans are included in Note 7 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the year ended October 31, 2006. A summary of the status of the options granted under the Company's stock option plans as of January 31, 2007 and the changes in options outstanding during the three months then ended is presented in the table that follows:

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at beginning of period	974,122	\$ 3.05		
Options granted	10,000	\$ 6.72		
Options exercised	(15,615)	\$ 4.62		
Options canceled or expired	-			
Options outstanding at end of period	968,507	\$ 3.02	8.5 years	\$ 5,110,686
Options exercisable at end of period	684,749	\$ 2.32	5.4 years	\$ 3,520,509

As of January 31, 2007, \$633,752 of expense with respect to nonvested share-based arrangements has yet to be recognized which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.6 years.

The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised during the three months ended January 31, 2007 was \$56,247.

**Note 6 - Concentration of Credit Risk**

Two customers accounted for approximately 17% and 12% of the Company's net sales for the three months ended January 31, 2007. One customer accounted for 16% of the Company's net sales for the three month period ended January 31, 2006. Although these customers have been customers of the Company continuously during the past six years, the written agreement with this customer does not have any minimum purchase obligations and the customer could stop buying the Company's products at any time and for any reason. A reduction, delay or cancellation of orders from these customers or the loss of these customers could significantly reduce the Company's revenues and profits. The Company cannot provide assurance that these customers or any of its current customers will continue to place orders, that orders by existing customers will continue at current or historical levels or that the Company will be able to obtain orders from new customers.

**Note 7 - Geographical Information**

The Company attributes sales to geographic areas based on the location of the customers. The following table presents the sales of the Company by geographic area for the three month periods ended January 31, 2007 and 2006:

	Three Months Ended January 31	
	2007	2006
United States	\$ 2,574,523	\$ 3,013,718
Foreign countries	577,605	361,194
	\$ 3,152,128	\$ 3,374,912

**Note 8 - Income tax provision**

The income tax provision reflected in the accompanying unaudited condensed statement of income for the three months ended January 31, 2007 is different than the expected tax provision computed based on the pre-tax income and the applicable statutory Federal income tax rate of 34% and the state income tax rate, net of Federal tax effects, of 5.83%. Interim tax provisions are determined using an estimate of the annual effective tax rate. As of January 31, 2007, the Company estimated that its effective annual tax rate for the year ending October 31, 2007 will be approximately 74.7%, which is above the expected statutory rate primarily as a result of permanent differences between income before taxes for financial reporting purposes and taxable income. The most significant permanent difference was related to the portion of compensation expense recognized for financial reporting purposes that was attributed to the noncash charges recorded under SFAS 123R for the fair value of qualified incentive stock options, or ISOs, granted to employees, which are generally not deductible for tax reporting purposes. The Company recognized noncash, nondeductible charges to compensation expense of approximately \$97,000 in the three months ended January 31, 2007 related to ISOs under SFAS 123R.

**Note 9 - Subsequent Event**

On March 14, 2007, the Board of Directors of the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.02 per share. The dividend payment will be payable to stockholders on April 16, 2007 to shareholder of record on March 30, 2007

**Item 2: Management's Discussion and Analysis and Plan of Operation**

This report contains forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or the Company's future financial performance. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "except," "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "predict," "potential" or "continue," the negative of such terms comparable terminology. These statements are only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially.

Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, the Company cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Moreover, neither the Company, nor any other person, assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the forward-looking statements. The Company is under no obligation to update any of the forward-looking statements after the filing of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-QSB to conform such statements to actual results or to changes in its expectations.

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the Company's financial statements and the related notes and other financial information appearing elsewhere in this Form 10-QSB. Readers are also urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made by the Company which attempt to advise interested parties of the factors

which affect the Company's business, including without limitation the disclosures made under the caption "Management's Discussion and Analysis and Plan of Operation," under the caption "Risk Factors," and the audited financial statements and related notes included in the Company's Annual Report filed on Form 10-KSB for the year ended October 31, 2006 and other reports and filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## **Critical Accounting Policies**

The financial statements of the Company's are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company's management to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and related notes. Future events and their effects cannot be determined with absolute certainty. Therefore, the determination of estimates requires the exercise of judgment. The Company's significant accounting policies are summarized in Note 1 to the financial statements contained in its Annual Report on Form 10-KSB filed for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006.

## **Executive Overview**

The Company's markets connectors and cables to numerous industries for use in thousands of products, primarily for the wireless marketplace. In addition, to a limited extent, the Company also markets wireless products that incorporate connectors and cables. Since sales of RF connectors and cable assemblies represent 80% of the Company's net sales during the three month period ended January 31, 2007, the Company's results of operations and liquidity are principally dependent upon the results of its RF connector and cable operations.

## **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Management believes that existing current assets and the amount of cash it anticipates it will generate from current operations will be sufficient to fund the anticipated liquidity and capital resource needs of the Company for at least twelve months. The Company does not, however, currently have any commercial banking arrangements providing for loans, credit facilities or similar matters should the Company need to obtain additional capital. Management's beliefs that its existing assets and the cash expected to be generated from operations will be sufficient during the current fiscal year are based on the following:

§ As of January 31, 2007, the amount of cash and cash equivalents was equal to \$5,485,410 in the aggregate and the Company had \$1,041,248 of investments in available-for-sale securities.

§ As of January 31, 2007, the Company had \$13,879,081 in current assets, and \$785,663 in current liabilities.

§ As of January 31, 2007, the Company had no outstanding indebtedness (other than accounts payable and accrued expenses).

The Company does not believe it will need material additional capital equipment in the next twelve months. In the past, the Company has financed some of its equipment and furnishings requirements through capital leases. No additional capital equipment purchases have been currently identified that would require significant additional leasing or capital expenditures during the next twelve months. Management also believes that based on the Company's current financial condition, the absence of outstanding bank debt and recent operating results, the Company would be able to obtain bank loans to finance its expansion, if necessary, although there can be no assurance any bank loan would be obtainable or, if obtained, would be on favorable terms or conditions.

The Company recognized net income of \$32,932 for the three months ended January 31, 2007. However, despite generating net income, the Company realized negative cash flows of \$411,506 from its operating activities. The Company's overall cash position increased by \$872,475 during the three month period ended January 31, 2007. The principal reason for the negative cash flow from operations included the purchase of additional inventory and the payment of approximately \$920,000 of income taxes. The income tax obligation was recognized in prior periods and paid during this last fiscal quarter.

Trade accounts receivable (net of allowances for doubtful accounts) at January 31, 2007 decreased approximately 38%, or by \$786,519 to \$1,270,777 compared to the October 31, 2006 balance of \$2,053,402. The decrease in accounts receivable is due to both a 7% decrease in net sales for the first fiscal quarter of 2007 compared with the same period in the prior year and to improved receivables management and collection efforts by the Company.

Inventories at January 31, 2007 increased 5%, or \$267,058 to \$5,517,542 compared to \$5,250,484 on October 31, 2006. The increase in inventories is due to decreased sales during the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007. The Company did not adjust its inventory purchases during the last fiscal quarter to reflect the decrease in sales.

Other current assets, including prepaid expenses and deposits, increased \$50,344 to \$258,500 as of January 31, 2007, from \$208,156 on October 31, 2006.

Accounts payable at January 31, 2007 decreased \$82,913 to \$358,290 from \$441,203 on October 31, 2006. The change in accounts payable is merely the result of the timing of invoices received and payments made.

Net cash provided by investing activities was \$1,208,598 for the three months ended January 31, 2007 and was attributed to the sale of available-for-sale securities.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$75,383 for the three months ended January 31, 2007, and was attributable to proceeds received from the exercise of stock options.

As of January 31, 2007, the Company had a total of \$5,485,410 of cash and cash equivalents compared to a total of \$4,612,935 of cash and cash equivalents on October 31, 2006. However, the amount of investments in available-for-sale securities decreased by \$1,211,341 as the Company's available-for-sale securities matured. Collectively, the amount of cash and available-for-sale securities that the Company held on January 31, 2007 decreased by \$338,866 from the amount held on October 31, 2006 due to the negative cash flow from operations during the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007. However, the Company's current liabilities decreased by \$978,755 during the same fiscal quarter, as the Company's cash and available-for-sale securities were used to reduce current liabilities, including accounts payable, accrued expenses, and income taxes payable. As a result of the significant reduction in current liabilities, as of January 31, 2007, the Company had working capital of \$13,093,418 and a current ratio of 18:1.

On March 14, 2007 the Board of Directors of the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.02 per share. The dividend date of record is March 30, 2007 and the payment date is to stockholders on April 16, 2007. Based on the Company's current financial condition and its current operations, the foregoing dividend payment is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's liquidity or capital resources.

## **Results Of Operations**

### **Three Months Ended 2007 vs. Three Months Ended 2006**

Net sales in the current fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2006, decreased 7%, or \$222,784 to \$3,152,128 from \$3,374,912 in the comparable fiscal quarter in the prior year, due to decreased sales of the Company's connectors. The

decrease in sales for connectors was partially offset by an increase in demand for cable assembly and Bioconnect products. The decrease in sales reflects a general decrease in demand for wireless connectors cable products due primarily to a lack of infrastructure capital investment by wireless providers during this period. The Company believes this decrease is temporary due to the recent consolidation of wireless providers.



Historically, foreign sales represent approximately 10% of net sales, foreign sales accounted for approximately 11% of net sales during the three month period ended January 31, 2006. Foreign sales for the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007 increased by \$216,411 to approximately 18% of the Company's net sales primarily due to cable assembly sales to one major international customer.

The Company's gross profit as a percentage of sales declined from 46% to 40% during the current fiscal quarter compared to the same fiscal quarter last year. The decline in gross margins during the current quarter resulted from higher cost of goods sold for cable assembly products compared to connector products. The revenue mix of connectors to cable assembly products was significantly different in this three month period compared to the same three month period last year. Cable assembly revenues increased by over \$300,000 while RF connector sales decrease by \$500,000. Because cable assemblies are more labor intensive, the Company's margins for cable sales are significantly lower than its margins for connector sales. The Company's labor costs also increased during the 2007 fiscal quarter compared to the comparable quarter last year due to changes in the accounting for stock options. As a result of the new method of accounting, the Company incurred a \$49,017 cost of sales expense related to employee stock options. No such expense was recognized last year. Overall, the Company's four smaller divisions have significantly lower gross margins than the RF Connector and Cable Assembly division. Since the connector and cable assembly products net sales decreased as a percentage of the Company's total sales (overall connector and cable sales represented 80% of net sales in the current three month period, compared with 89% in the comparable period of the prior year), the increase in sales of lower margin divisions reduced the combined gross margins in the current period.

Engineering expenses decreased 22%, or \$32,364, to \$116,982 from \$149,346 in the comparable quarter of the prior year due to a decrease in development costs for new product enhancements. Engineering expenses fluctuate based on design engineering expenses incurred by the Company at the request of its customers.

Selling and general expenses increased 10% or \$103,129 to \$1,123,531 from \$1,020,402 in the comparable quarter of the prior fiscal year. Selling and general expenses were higher in the first quarter of the current fiscal year due primarily to the company incurring an \$80,834 expense related to expensing employee stock options. Under the new accounting for stock based compensation regulations, the Company is required to expense the value of equity securities (stock options) previously granted over the periods in which the related services are rendered. Accordingly, since the new accounting regulations went into effect on November 1, 2006, stock option expense was recognized during the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007, but no such expense was recognized for the same fiscal period last year. Additionally, employee benefits costs increased for all divisions from the comparable period in 2006. Due to the decrease in net sales, the selling and general expenses for the current period as a percentage of sales were 36% compared with 30% in the prior year.

Other income for the first quarter of 2007 increased \$35,727 over the same period in the prior year due to higher investment interest income.

As a result of the decrease in revenues, the decrease in gross profit as a percentage of sales, and the increase in selling and general expenses, income before provision for income taxes during the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007 decreased by \$333,901 to \$129,932.

The provision for income taxes during the 2007 fiscal quarter, however, was \$97,000 (or a combined estimated Federal and state income tax rate of approximately 75%), compared to \$198,500 in the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2006 (or a combined estimated Federal and state income tax rate of approximately 43%). The significant increase in the combined statutory Federal and state tax rate in the 2007 fiscal quarter is the result of the difference between income before taxes for financial reporting purposes and income for tax reporting purposes. Compensation expense attributed to the noncash, charges recorded under SFAS 123R for the fair value of qualified incentive stock options granted to employees are recognized for the financial reporting purposes but are generally not deductible for tax reporting purposes.

The combination of an overall decrease in sales compared to last year, a decrease in gross margins due to a decrease in sales of higher gross margin products, and increased labor costs (both actual payments and the accounting effect of stock option expenses) and other selling and general expenses, the Company's operating income decreased to \$21,194 for the first fiscal quarter of 2007 from \$390,821 in the prior year's fiscal quarter. The decrease in operating income was partially offset by higher interest income and lower income taxes. Accordingly, net income for the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007 was \$32,932 compared to \$265,333 for the same period last year.

### **Risk Factors**

Investors should carefully consider the risks described below and in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-KSB for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006. The risks and uncertainties described below and in the Annual Report are not the only ones facing the Company. If any of the following risks actually occur, the Company's business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

#### Dependence On RF Connector and Cable Assembly Products

Of the Company's five operating divisions, the three divisions that market RF connectors and cables account for approximately 78% of the Company's net sales for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006, and approximately 80% of net sales during the three month period ended January 31, 2007, respectively. The Company expects that sales of RF connector and cable products will continue to account for the majority of the Company's revenues for the near future. Accordingly, an adverse change in the operations of the three RF connector and cable divisions could materially adversely affect the Company's business, operating results and financial condition. Factors that could adversely affect the RF Connector and Cable Assembly division, the largest of these three divisions, are described below.

#### The Company Depends On Third-Party Contract Manufacturers For Substantially All Of Its Connector Manufacturing Needs.

Substantially all of the Company's RF Connector and Cable Assembly products are manufactured by third-party contract manufacturers. The Company relies on them to procure components for RF Connector and Cable Assembly and in certain cases to design, assemble and test its products on a timely and cost-efficient basis. If the Company's contract manufacturers are unable to complete design work on a timely basis, the Company will experience delays in product development and its ability to compete may be harmed. In addition, because some of the Company's manufacturers have manufacturing facilities in Taiwan and Korea, their ability to provide the Company with adequate supplies of high-quality products on a timely and cost-efficient basis is subject to a number of additional risks and uncertainties, including earthquakes and other natural disasters and political, social and economic instability. If the Company's manufacturers are unable to provide it with adequate supplies of high-quality products on a timely and cost-efficient basis, the Company's operations would be disrupted and its net sales and profitability would suffer. Moreover, if the Company's third-party contract manufacturers cannot consistently produce high-quality products that are free of defects, the Company may experience a higher rate of product returns, which would also reduce its profitability and may harm the Company's reputation and brand.



The Company does not currently have any agreements with any of its contract manufacturers, and such manufacturers could stop manufacturing products for the Company at any time. Although the Company believes that it could locate alternate contract manufacturers if any of its manufacturers terminated their business, the Company's operations could be impacted until alternate manufacturers are found.

The Company's Dependence On Third-Party Manufacturers Increases The Risk That It Will Not Have An Adequate Supply Of Products Or That Its Product Costs Will Be Higher Than Expected.

The risks associated with the Company's dependence upon third parties that develop and manufacture and assemble the Company's products include:

- § reduced control over delivery schedules and quality;
- § risks of inadequate manufacturing yields and excessive costs;
- § the potential lack of adequate capacity during periods of excess demand; and
- § potential increases in prices.

These risks may lead to increased costs or delay product delivery, which would harm the Company's profitability and customer relationships.

Dependence Upon Independent Distributors To Sell And Market The Company's Products

The Company's sales efforts are primarily conducted through independent distributors. Sales through independent distributors accounted for approximately 65% of the net sales of the Company for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006, and approximately 49% for the three month period ended January 31, 2007. Although the Company has entered into written agreements with most of the distributors, the agreements are nonexclusive and generally may be terminated by either party upon 30-60 days written notice. The Company's distributors are not within the control of the Company, are not obligated to purchase products from the Company, and may also sell other lines of products. There can be no assurance that these distributors will continue their current relationships with the Company or that they will not give higher priority to the sale of other products, which could include products of competitors. A reduction in sales efforts or discontinuance of sales of the Company's products by its distributors would lead to reduced sales and could materially adversely affect the Company's financial condition, results of operations and business. Selling through indirect channels such as distributors may limit the Company's contact with its ultimate customers and the Company's ability to assure customer satisfaction.

Dependence On Principal Customers

One customer accounted for approximately 16% of the net sales of the Company's RF Connector and Cable Assembly division for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006 and two customers accounted for 17% and 12% of net sales for the three month period ended January 31, 2007. Although this customer has been an on-going major customer of the Company during the past five years, the Company does have a written distributor agreement with this customer. However, this customer does not have any minimum purchase obligations and could stop buying the Company's products at any time. Accordingly, the Company's largest customer could stop buying the Company's products at any time. A reduction, delay or cancellation of orders from this customer or the loss of this customer could significantly reduce the Company's revenues and profits. The Company cannot provide assurance that this customer or any of its current customers will continue to place orders, that orders by existing customers will continue at current or historical levels or that the Company will be able to obtain orders from new customers.



Certain Of The Company's Markets Are Subject to Rapid Technological Change, So The Company's Success In These Markets Depends On Its Ability To Develop And Introduce New Products.

Although most of the Company's products have a stable market and are only gradually phased out, certain of the new and emerging market, such as the wireless digital transmission markets, are characterized by:

- § rapidly changing technologies;
- § evolving and competing industry standards;
- § short product life cycles;
- § changing customer needs;
- § emerging competition;
- § frequent new product introductions and enhancements; and
- § rapid product obsolescence.

To develop new products for the connector and wireless digital transmission markets, the Company must develop, gain access to and use new technologies in a cost-effective and timely manner. In addition, the Company must maintain close working relationship with key customers in order to develop new products that meet customers' changing needs. The Company also must respond to changing industry standards and technological changes on a timely and cost-effective basis.

Products for connector applications are based on industry standards that are continually evolving. The Company's ability to compete in the future will depend on its ability to identify and ensure compliance with these evolving industry standards. If the Company is not successful in developing or using new technologies or in developing new products or product enhancements, its future revenues may be materially affected. The Company's attempt to keep up with technological advances may require substantial time and expense.

The Markets In Which The Company Competes Are Highly Competitive.

The markets in which the Company operates are highly competitive and the Company expects that competition will increase in these markets. In particular, the connector and communications markets in which the Company's products are sold are intensely competitive. Because the Company does not own any proprietary property that can be used to distinguish the Company from its competitors, the Company's ability to compete successfully in these markets depends on a number of factors, including:

§ success in subcontracting the design and manufacture of existing and new products that implement new technologies;

- § product quality;
- § reliability;
- § customer support;
- § time-to-market;

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§ market acceptance of competitors' products; and

§ general economic conditions.

In addition, the Company's competitors or customers may offer enhancements to its existing products or offer new products based on new technologies, industry standards or customer requirements that have the potential to replace or provide lower-cost or higher performance alternatives to the Company's products. The introduction of enhancements or new products by the Company's competitors could render its existing and future products obsolete or unmarketable.

Many of the Company's competitors have significantly greater financial and other resources. In certain circumstances, the Company's customers or potential customers have internal manufacturing capabilities with which the Company may compete.

If The Industries Into Which The Company Sells Its Products Experience Recession Or Other Cyclical Effects Impacting The Budgets Of Its Customers, The Company's Operating Results Could Be Negatively Impacted.

The primary customers for the Company's coaxial connectors are in the connector and communications industries. Any significant downturn in the Company's customers' markets, in particular, or in general economic conditions that result in the cut back of budgets would likely result in a reduction in demand for the Company's products and services and could harm the Company's business. Historically, the communications industry has been cyclical, affected by both economic conditions and industry-specific cycles. Depressed general economic conditions and cyclical downturns in the communications industry have each had an adverse effect on sales of communications equipment, OEMs and their suppliers, including the Company. No assurance can be given that the connector industry will not experience a material downturn in the near future. Any cyclical downturn in the connector and/or communications industry could have a material adverse effect on the Company.

The Company May Make Future Acquisitions That Will Involve Numerous Risks.

Since August 2004, the Company has purchased the operations of two smaller businesses (Aviel Electronics in Las Vegas, Nevada, August 2004, and Worswick Industries, Inc. in San Diego, California, September 2005). The Company periodically may make acquisitions of other companies that could expand the Company's product line or customer base. The risks involved with both the recent acquisitions and with any possible future acquisitions include:

§ diversion of management's attention;

§ the affect on the Company's financial statements of the amortization of acquired intangible assets;

§ the cost associated with acquisitions and the integration of acquired operations; and

§ the assumption of unknown liabilities, or other unanticipated events or circumstances.

Any of these risks could materially harm the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. There can be no assurance that any business that the Company acquires will achieve anticipated revenues or operating results.

International Sales And Operations

Sales to customers located outside the United States, either directly or through U.S. and foreign distributors, accounted for approximately 18% of net sales during the three month period ended January 31, 2007, and approximately 11% for the comparable periods in 2006. The \$216,411 increase in foreign sales in the 2007 period was



primarily due to cable assembly sales to one major international customer. International revenues are subject to a number of risks, including:

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- § longer accounts receivable payment cycles;
- § difficulty in enforcing agreements and in collecting accounts receivable;
- § tariffs and other restrictions on foreign trade;
- § economic and political instability; and
- § the burdens of complying with a wide variety of foreign laws.

The Company's foreign sales are also affected by general economic conditions in its international markets. A prolonged economic downturn in its foreign markets could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business. There can be no assurance that the factors described above will not have an adverse material effect on the Company's future international revenues and, consequently, on the financial condition, results of operations and business of the Company.

Since sales made to foreign customers or foreign distributors have historically been in U.S. dollars, the Company has not been exposed to the risks of foreign currency fluctuations. However, if the Company in the future is required to accept sales denominated in the currencies of the countries where sales are made, the Company thereafter may also be exposed to currency fluctuation risks.

Changes in Stock Option Accounting Rules Will Adversely Affect The Company's Reported Operating Results, And Therefore May Adversely Affect The Company's Stock Price And The Company's Ability To Attract And Retain Employees

Since November 1, 2006, the Company is now subject to the new rules of the Financial Accounting Standards Board, SFAS No. 123 (R), "Share-Based Payment," which rules require it to record all stock-based employee compensation as an expense. The new rules apply to stock options grants, as well as a wide range of other share-based compensation arrangements. Historically, the Company has compensated almost all of its full-time employees, and all of its officers and directors, with such share-based compensation awards in the past in order to limit its cash expenditures and to attract and retain its employees, officers and directors. Accordingly, if the Company continues to grant stock options or other share-based compensation awards to its officers, directors, employees, and consultants, its future earnings, if any, will be reduced (or the Company's future losses will be increased) by the expenses recorded for those grants. Since the Company is a small company, the expenses it may have to record as a result of future options grants may be significant and may materially negatively affect its reported financial results. Furthermore, under certain circumstances, the Company will in the future have to recognize expenses for options previously granted prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), thereby reducing its future net income even if no new options are granted. The adverse effects that the new accounting rules may have on the Company's future financial statements may reduce the Company's stock price and make it more difficult for it to attract new investors.

The Company Has No Exclusive Intellectual Property Rights In The Technology Employed In Its Products, Which May Limit the Company's Ability To Compete.

The Company does not hold any United States or foreign patents and does not have any patents pending. In addition, the Company does not have any other exclusive intellectual property rights in the technology employed in its products. The Company does not actively seek to protect its rights in the technology that it develops or that the Company's third-party contract manufacturers develop. In addition, these parties share the technologies with other parties, including some of the Company's competitors. Accordingly, competitors can and do sell the same products as the Company, and the Company cannot prevent or restrict such competition.



### Volatility of Trading Prices

In the past several years the market price of the Company's common stock has fluctuated greatly, and the volume of the Company's common stock traded has fluctuated greatly as well. These fluctuations often occur independently of the Company's performance or any announcements by the Company. Factors that may result in such fluctuations include:

§ any shortfall in revenues or net income from revenues or net income expected by securities analysts

§ fluctuations in the Company's financial results or the results of other connector and communications-related companies, including those of the Company's direct competitors

§ changes in analysts' estimates of the Company's financial performance, the financial performance of the Company's competitors, or the financial performance of connector and communications-related public companies in general

§ general conditions in the connector and communications industries

§ changes in the Company's revenue growth rates or the growth rates of the Company's competitors

§ sales of large blocks of the Company's common stock

§ conditions in the financial markets in general

In addition, the stock market may from time to time experience extreme price and volume fluctuations, which may be unrelated to the operating performance of any specific company. Accordingly, the market prices of the Company's common stock may be expected to experience significant fluctuations in the future.

### **Item 3. Controls and Procedures**

The Company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's Exchange Act reports is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms and that such information is accumulated and communicated to this Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosure. In designing and evaluating the disclosure controls and procedures, management recognizes that any controls and procedures, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives, and management is required to apply its judgment in evaluating the cost-benefit relationship of possible controls and procedures.

As required by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 13a-15(b), the Company carried out an assessment, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and the Company's Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the fiscal quarter covered by this report. In making this assessment, management used the criteria in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Management reviewed the results of its assessment with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors, and based on this assessment has determined that as of January 31, 2007, a material weakness existed relating to inadequate staffing and a lack of financial accounting expertise. This deficiency resulted in the need for certain adjustments to equity-based compensation expense and the provision for income taxes. Although not all of these adjustments were material, until this deficiency is remediated, there is more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement to the annual or interim financial statements could occur and not

be prevented or detected by the Company's controls in a timely manner. Because of this material weakness, management has concluded that the Company did not maintain effective internal control over financial reporting as of January 31, 2007 based on the criteria in *Internal Control - Integrated Framework*.

The lack of staff resources and financial expertise arose due to employee turnover, the inability of the Company to timely fill accounting and other financial related positions, and the unavailability of one of our outside financial consultants to assist with our quarterly closing. Our management, with the oversight of the Company's Audit Committee, has devoted considerable effort to remediate the material weakness identified above. However, as of January 31, 2007, the Company had not fully remediated the material weakness in the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

In order to further remediate this material weakness, the Company has purchased, and during the current fiscal quarter, will activate, a new computer software program specifically designed to track and account for stock-based compensation awards. In addition, the Company has retained additional consultants to provide future assistance in evaluating tax provisions and other complex accounting and reporting issues in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

Except for the matters discussed above, there has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2007 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

## **Part II. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 6. Exhibits**

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31.1: Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

31.2: Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

32.1: Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

32.2: Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**SIGNATURES**

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

RF INDUSTRIES, LTD.

Dated: March 23, 2007

By: /s/ Howard F. Hill

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Howard F. Hill, President  
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: March 23, 2007

By: /s/ James Doss

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James Doss  
Acting Chief Financial Officer