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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended August 31, 2015

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: 0-18926

**JOE S JEANS INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**11-2928178**

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

**2340 South Eastern Avenue, Commerce, California**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**90040**

(Zip Code)

**(323) 837-3700**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**NO CHANGE**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.  Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).  Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding as of October 13, 2015 was 69,968,208.



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(in thousands, except per share data)

	August 31, 2015 (unaudited)	November 30, 2014 (unaudited)
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 368	\$ 1,054
Accounts receivable, net	142	1,279
Factored accounts receivable, net	8,518	11,105
Inventories, net	15,350	25,354
Deferred income taxes, net	5,786	6,065
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	1,512	1,212
Current portion of assets held for sale	72,532	57,050
Total current assets	104,208	103,119
Property and equipment, net	1,832	2,897
Goodwill	8,394	8,394
Intangible assets	55,022	56,773
Deferred financing costs	1,295	1,611
Other assets	778	881
Assets held for sale, net of current portion		30,274
Total assets	\$ 171,529	\$ 203,949
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 13,797	\$ 12,477
Buy-out payable	3,277	3,277
Line of credit	19,587	31,338
Short-term debt	59,183	59,003
Current portion of liabilities held for sale	4,623	10,854
Total current liabilities	100,467	116,949
Convertible notes	26,762	24,733
Deferred income taxes, net	18,373	17,765
Deferred rent	2,981	2,830
Other liabilities	393	643
Long-term liabilities held for sale		32
Total liabilities	148,976	162,952

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Commitments and contingencies

Stockholders' equity

Common stock, \$0.10 par value: 100,000 shares authorized, 70,802 shares issued and 69,968 outstanding (2015) and 69,822 shares issued and 69,298 outstanding (2014)		7,082		6,984
Additional paid-in capital		111,870		111,010
Accumulated deficit		(92,964)		(73,679)
Treasury stock, 834 shares (2015), 524 shares (2014)		(3,435)		(3,318)
Total stockholders' equity		22,553		40,997
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	171,529	\$	203,949

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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(in thousands, except per share data)

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	August 31, 2015	August 31, 2014	August 31, 2015	August 31, 2014
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Net sales	\$ 18,865	\$ 25,718	\$ 61,266	\$ 68,957
Cost of goods sold	10,542	13,279	35,190	36,301
Gross profit	8,323	12,439	26,076	32,656
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Selling, general and administrative	11,443	10,585	34,895	31,220
Depreciation and amortization	799	905	2,448	2,728
Retail stores impairment	470	332	470	332
	12,712	11,822	37,813	34,280
Operating income (loss)	(4,389)	617	(11,737)	(1,624)
Other income				(2,268)
Interest expense	1,700	1,279	4,637	3,796
Income (loss) from continuing operations, before provision for income taxes	(6,089)	(662)	(16,374)	(3,152)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(12,801)	(174)	1,698	(860)
Income (loss) from continuing operations	6,712	(488)	(18,072)	(2,292)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax	(1,053)	764	(1,213)	2,729
Net income (loss) and comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 5,659	\$ 276	\$ (19,285)	\$ 437
<b>Earnings (loss) per common share - basic</b>				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	0.10	(0.01)	(0.26)	(0.03)
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations	(0.02)	0.01	(0.02)	0.04
Earnings (loss) per common share - basic	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.01
<b>Earnings (loss) per common share - diluted</b>				
Earnings (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 0.10	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.03)
Earnings (loss) from discontinued operations	(0.02)	0.01	(0.02)	0.04
Earnings (loss) per common share - diluted	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.01
<b>Weighted average shares outstanding</b>				
Basic	69,614	68,362	69,314	68,151
Diluted	69,620	68,880	69,314	68,935

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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(in thousands)

	Nine months ended	
	August 31, 2015	August 31, 2014
	(unaudited)	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net cash (used in) provided by continuing operations	\$ 4,036	\$ (2,793)
Net cash (used in) provided by discontinued operations	7,665	(3,652)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	11,701	(6,445)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchases of property and equipment	(102)	(95)
Business acquisition		(418)
Net cash used in continuing investing activities	(102)	(513)
Net cash used in discontinued investing activities	(349)	(470)
Net cash used in investing activities	(451)	(983)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
(Repayment of) proceeds from line of credit	(4,435)	5,365
Payments of promissory note		(1,235)
Repayment of term loan		(75)
Payment of taxes on restricted stock units	(68)	(343)
Purchase of restricted stock	(117)	(227)
Net cash (used in) provided by continuing financing activities	(4,620)	3,485
Cash (used in) provided by discontinued financing activities	(7,316)	4,122
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(11,936)	7,607
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(686)</b>	<b>179</b>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at beginning of period	1,054	785
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, at end of period</b>	<b>\$ 368</b>	<b>\$ 964</b>

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.



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## JOE S JEANS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

(in thousands)

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock Par Value	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulated Deficit	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders Equity
<b>Balance, November 30, 2013</b>	68,878	\$ 6,890	\$ 107,933	\$ (45,963)	\$ (3,091)	\$ 65,769
Net income and comprehensive income (unaudited)				437		437
Embedded conversion feature net of taxes (unaudited)			2,058			2,058
Stock repurchase (unaudited)					(227)	(227)
Stock-based compensation, net of withholding taxes (unaudited)			595			595
Issuance of restricted stock (unaudited)	889	89	(89)			
<b>Balance, August 31, 2014 (unaudited)</b>	69,767	\$ 6,979	\$ 110,497	\$ (45,526)	\$ (3,318)	\$ 68,632
<b>Balance, November 30, 2014</b>	69,822	\$ 6,984	\$ 111,010	\$ (73,679)	\$ (3,318)	\$ 40,997
Net income and comprehensive income (unaudited)				(19,285)		(19,285)
Embedded conversion feature net of taxes (unaudited)						
Stock repurchase (unaudited)					(117)	(117)
Stock-based compensation, net of withholding taxes (unaudited)			958			958
Issuance of restricted stock (unaudited)	980	98	(98)			
<b>Balance, August 31, 2015 (unaudited)</b>	70,802	\$ 7,082	\$ 111,870	\$ (92,964)	\$ (3,435)	\$ 22,553

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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**JOE S JEANS INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**NOTES TO UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

Our principal business activity involves the design, development and worldwide marketing of apparel products, which include denim jeans, related casual wear and accessories that bear the brand Joe s® and Hudson®. Our primary current operating subsidiaries are Joe s Jeans Subsidiary, Inc. ( *Joe s Jeans Subsidiary* ) and Hudson Clothing, LLC ( *Hudson* ). In addition, we have other subsidiaries, including Joe s Jeans Retail Subsidiary, Inc., Innovo West Sales, Inc., Hudson Clothing Holdings, Inc. and HC Acquisition Holding, Inc. All significant inter-company transactions have been eliminated. We completed the acquisition of Hudson on September 30, 2013 and the information presented includes the results of operations of Hudson from the date of acquisition. On September 11, 2015, we completed the sale of certain of our operating and intellectual property assets related to the Joe s® brand and business to two separate purchasers for an aggregate purchase price of \$80 million, the proceeds of which were used to repay all of our indebtedness outstanding under our term loan credit agreement with Garrison Loan Agency Service LLC and a portion of our indebtedness outstanding under our revolving credit agreement with CIT Commercial Services, Inc., a unit of CIT Group. See Note 2 Subsequent Events for additional information related to this and other transactions. As a result, we reported the operating results of our Joe s business in Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax in our condensed consolidated statements of net loss and comprehensive loss for all periods presented. In addition, the assets and liabilities associated with our Joe s business are reported as held for sale (discontinued operations), in the condensed consolidated balance sheets for all periods presented. (see Note 3 Discontinued Operations ). Unless otherwise indicated, the disclosures accompanying the condensed consolidated financial statements reflect our continuing operations.

Our reportable business segments are Wholesale and Retail. We manage, evaluate and aggregate our operating segments for segment reporting purposes primarily on the basis of business activity and operation. Our Wholesale segment is comprised of sales of Hudson® products to retailers, specialty stores and international distributors, includes revenue from licensing agreements and records expenses from sales, trade shows, distribution, product samples and customer service departments. Our Retail segment is comprised of sales to consumers through ten of our Joe s branded full price retail stores, 11 outlet stores and through our online retail site at [www.hudsonjeans.com](http://www.hudsonjeans.com). Our Corporate and other is comprised of expenses from corporate operations, which include the executive, finance, legal, human resources, design and production departments and general advertising expenses associated with our brands. Sales of our Joe s® products are reported as discontinued operations.

Our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements, which include the accounts of our wholly-owned subsidiaries, for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014 and the related footnote information have been prepared on a basis consistent with our audited consolidated financial statements as of November 30, 2014 contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2014, or the Annual Report. Our fiscal year end is November 30. Each fiscal year, as presented, is 52 weeks.

*Going Concern*

The accompanying consolidated financial statements for the year ended November 30, 2014 and three and nine months ended August 31, 2015 were prepared under the assumption that we will continue to operate as a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and the liquidation of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. We face various uncertainties that raise substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern. These financial statements do not include any adjustments that may result from the outcome of these uncertainties.

On November 6, 2014, we received an initial notice of default and event of default and demand for payment of default interest under the term loan credit facility for violating certain financial and maintenance covenants from Garrison Loan Agency Service LLC ( *Garrison* ). As of August 31, 2015, we were not in compliance with certain financial and maintenance covenants under the term loan credit agreement. As a result of the events of default under the term loan credit agreement, this also triggered a default and an event of default under the terms of the revolving credit agreement with CIT Commercial Services, Inc., a unit of CIT Group, ( *CIT* ). Both lenders reserved their respective rights to exercise any and all remedies available to them under their respective agreements and demanded payment of interest under those agreements at the default rate of interest. In addition, as a result of the events of default under the term loan credit agreement and the revolving credit agreement, we also were in default of our subordinated convertible notes issued to the former equity owners of Hudson. Under the terms of the revolving credit and term loan credit agreements, we were prohibited from

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making any payments under the subordinated convertible notes, but we were accruing interest on the convertible notes at the default rate. We were also prohibited from making earn-out payments to our former creative director, Mr. Dahan under his buy-out agreement.

On September 11, 2015, our indebtedness outstanding under the term loan credit agreement was fully repaid with a portion of the proceeds of the sale of certain Joe's assets. As a result, the term loan credit agreement was paid in full and terminated on September 11, 2015. We also used a portion of the proceeds from the asset sale to repay a substantial portion of our indebtedness under the revolving credit agreement, and on September 11, 2015, we entered into an amended and restated revolving credit agreement, which waived our existing defaults, forbearance defaults and certain other defaults. See Note 2 Subsequent Events for a further discussion of the asset sales, the repayment of certain obligations under our agreements with Garrison and CIT, and the terms of our amended and restated revolving credit agreement.

**NOTE 2 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On September 8, 2015, we entered into the definitive agreements described below (collectively, the *Transaction Agreements*) in which, subject to the completion of the conditions described below, we (i) sold certain of our operating and intellectual property assets related to the Joe's Business to two separate purchasers for an aggregate purchase price of \$80 million (the *Asset Sale*), the proceeds of which were used to repay all of our indebtedness outstanding under our term loan credit agreement with Garrison Loan Agency Service LLC and a portion of our indebtedness outstanding under our revolving credit agreement with CIT Commercial Services, Inc. (*CIT*), a unit of CIT Group; (ii) will combine our remaining business operated under the Hudson® brand with RG Parent, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (*RG* or *Robert Graham*), pursuant to the Merger Agreement (defined below), (iii) will issue and sell \$50 million of a new series of the Company's preferred stock in a private placement to an affiliate of Tengram Capital Partners, L.P. (*TCP*); and (iv) will exchange outstanding convertible notes for a combination of cash, shares of our common stock, \$0.10 par value per share (*Common Stock*), and modified convertible notes (the *Modified Convertible Notes*) (collectively, the *Merger Transactions*). RG is a portfolio company of TCP and its principal business activity involves the design, development and marketing of luxury lifestyle brand apparel products under the brand Robert Graham®.

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After the completion of the Asset Sale, we expect to change our name to Differential Brands Group Inc. After the completion of the Merger and the Merger Transactions, the RG equity holders will own approximately 44.8% of our Common Stock, the preferred stock owned by TCP will be convertible into approximately 22.8% of our Common Stock, the convertible noteholders will own approximately 18.2% of our Common Stock and the existing stockholders (including the outstanding equity awards under our incentive plan) will own approximately 13.5% of our Common Stock, all on a fully diluted basis, assuming the modified convertible notes are converted and calculated at the market price on September 30, 2015. In connection with the Merger and the Merger Transactions, we expect that we will enter into new financing arrangements pursuant to which we will have approximately \$25 million of indebtedness outstanding under a new revolving credit facility and \$50 million of indebtedness outstanding under a new term loan credit facility, the proceeds of which will be used to repay our remaining indebtedness outstanding under the revolving credit agreement with CIT and certain indebtedness owed to the holders of the convertible notes and Joseph M. Dahan. See Risk Factors for an additional discussion regarding the risks and uncertainties related to the Merger and Merger Transactions.

*IP Asset Purchase Agreement*

On September 8, 2015, we, along with Joe's Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( **IP Assets Purchaser** ), and solely for the purposes of its related guarantee, Sequential Brands Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, entered into an asset purchase agreement (the **IP Asset Purchase Agreement** ), pursuant to which, the IP Assets Purchaser, among other things, purchased certain intellectual property assets (the **Intellectual Property Assets** ) used or held for use in our business operated under the brand names Joe's Jeans, Joe's, Joe's JD and else (the **Business** ). The aggregate purchase price was \$67 million. Additionally, at the closing of the sale, the IP Assets Purchaser deposited \$2.5 million to an escrow account, which will be used to defer certain costs and expenses which may be incurred by us after the closing of the transaction.

The IP Asset Purchase Agreement contains representations and warranties, covenants related to our operations and business, and indemnification rights of both parties after the closing of the transaction that are customary for transactions of this type.

We will retain and operate the 32 Joe's® brand retail stores after the closing of the Operating Asset Purchase Agreement and the IP Asset Purchase Agreement and thereafter will proceed with the disposition of certain stores; provided, however that, certain retail stores designated by Operating Assets Purchaser will be transferred to the Operating Assets Purchaser on or prior to December 31, 2016 for no additional consideration. Subject to certain limitations on our aggregate net liability with respect to the net costs and expenses related to the operation of the retail stores if the Merger Transactions do not close, such costs and expenses will be borne by us, the IP Assets Purchaser and the Operating Assets Purchaser. The Operating Assets Purchaser will supply Joe's® branded merchandise to the retail stores for resale under a license from the IP Assets Purchaser.

*Operating Asset Purchase Agreement*

On September 8, 2015, we, along with GBG USA Inc., a Delaware corporation ( **Operating Assets Purchaser** ), entered into an asset purchase agreement (the **Operating Asset Purchase Agreement** and together with the IP Asset Purchase Agreement, the **Asset Purchase Agreements** ), pursuant to which, the Operating Assets Purchaser, among other things, purchased certain inventory and other assets and assume certain liabilities from us and our subsidiaries related to the Joe's Business, including certain employees of the Joe's Business and at a later date, specified Joe's store leases. The aggregate purchase price was \$13 million. Additionally, at the closing of the sale, the Operating Assets Purchaser deposited \$1.5 million into an escrow account, which will be used to defer certain costs and expenses which may be incurred by the Company

after the closing of the transaction.

The Operating Asset Purchase Agreement contains representations and warranties, covenants of the Company, and indemnification rights of both parties after the closing of the transaction that are customary for transactions of this type.

On September 11, 2015, we completed the Asset Sale of the Joe's Business pursuant to the respective Asset Purchase Agreements. The proceeds were used to repay all of our indebtedness outstanding under the term loan credit agreement and a portion of our indebtedness outstanding under our revolving credit agreement.

#### *Agreement and Plan of Merger*

On September 8, 2015, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the **Merger Agreement**) with JJ Merger Sub LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and our wholly owned subsidiary (**Merger Sub**), and RG, pursuant to which Merger Sub will merge with and into RG on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement (the **Merger**), with RG surviving the Merger as our wholly-owned subsidiary. Subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, the Merger is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2015.

At the effective time of the Merger (the **Effective Time**), on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, all of the common units of RG (the **RG Units**) outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time will be converted into the right to receive an aggregate of \$81 million in cash (the **Aggregate Cash Consideration**) and 8,870,968 shares of Common Stock (after giving effect to a 1 for 30 reverse stock split) (the **Aggregate Stock Consideration** and, together with the Aggregate Cash Consideration, the **Aggregate Merger Consideration**). The portion of the Aggregate Merger Consideration constituting the Aggregate Cash Consideration will be reduced by an amount necessary to satisfy certain indebtedness of RG outstanding as of the Effective Time (as adjusted, the **Actual Cash Consideration** and, together with the Aggregate Stock Consideration, the **Actual Merger Consideration**).

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The Merger Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and covenants of us and RG.

The completion of the Merger is subject to customary closing conditions, including, among others, (i) our stockholder approval of: (x) the issuance of Common Stock in connection with the Merger, (y) the issuance of Common Stock upon conversion of the Company's Series A Preferred Stock (defined below) pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement (as defined below), and (z) a charter amendment to effect a 1 for 30 reverse stock split of our Common Stock (the **Reverse Stock Split**), (ii) consummation of the asset sales pursuant to each of the IP Asset Purchase Agreement and Operating Asset Purchase Agreement, (iii) consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Stock Purchase Agreement (defined below), (iv) consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Rollover Agreement (as defined below), (v) RG must have obtained financing or the persons who have committed to provide financing must be prepared to provide the financing immediately following the Effective Time, (vi) the Registration Statement on Form S-4 registering the Common Stock to be issued in connection with the Merger must have become effective, (vii) the Common Stock to be issued in the Merger must be authorized for listing on NASDAQ and (viii) since the date of the Merger Agreement, there must not be any changes, events, effects, developments, occurrences or state of facts that, individually or in the aggregate would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on us or RG, subject to customary exceptions.

The Merger Agreement may be terminated under certain circumstances, including if the Merger has not been consummated on or before February 8, 2016.

We have agreed to pay RG a termination fee of \$5.25 million, less certain expenses, if: (i) we terminate the Merger Agreement under certain circumstances and within twelve months after such termination, consummates a takeover proposal or enters into a definitive agreement with respect to a takeover proposal; (ii) the Merger Agreement is terminated by RG as a result of the Board changing its recommendation with respect to the Merger and related transactions; or (iii) the Merger Agreement is terminated by us because we have received a superior proposal and enter into a definitive agreement with respect thereto. In the event that the Merger Agreement is terminated by us because of RG's failure to obtain financing or by RG because the Merger has not occurred by February 8, 2016 at a time that we would have the right to terminate pursuant to a financing issue and have provided notice of such right, in each case, so long as we are not in breach of certain obligations related to obtaining the financing, then RG must pay us a reverse termination fee of \$7.5 million, less certain expenses they may have been previously reimbursed to us. If either party terminates the Merger Agreement as a result of the other party's breach, then the breaching party must pay the non-breaching party up to an aggregate amount of \$3 million for all of the documented out-of-pocket fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Merger Agreement and related transactions.

*Stock Purchase Agreement*

On September 8, 2015, we entered into a stock purchase agreement (the **Stock Purchase Agreement**) with TCP Denim, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and affiliate of TCP (the **Purchaser**), pursuant to which we will issue and sell to Purchaser immediately prior to the consummation of the Merger an aggregate of fifty thousand (50,000) shares of the Company's preferred stock, par value \$0.10 per share, designated as Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the **Series A Preferred Stock**), for an aggregate purchase price of \$50 million in cash. Concurrently with the execution of the Stock Purchase Agreement, Tengram Capital Partners Fund II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, is entering into a limited guaranty in favor of us with respect to the obligations of the Purchaser under the Stock Purchase Agreement to pay the purchase price.

The Stock Purchase Agreement also provides that the proceeds from the sale of Series A Preferred Stock must be used for the purposes of consummating the Merger and the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement. The Stock Purchase Agreement provides that at the Effective Time, the applicable number of directors on our Board will resign such that only two directors on the Board immediately prior to the

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closing will remain on the Board immediately following the closing. Furthermore, as of the Effective Time, the Board shall appoint the three persons designated by Purchaser to fill three of such vacancies as a director. A remaining vacancy will be filled by our chief executive officer following the Effective Time.

The following is a summary of the terms of the Series A Preferred Stock as set forth in the form of certificate of designation for the Series A Preferred Stock: (i) each share of Series A Preferred Stock entitles the holder thereof to receive cumulative cash dividends, payable quarterly, at an annual rate of 10%, plus accumulated and accrued dividends thereon through such date; additionally, if the Board declares or pays a dividend on the Common Stock, then each holder of the Series A Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive a cash dividend on an as converted basis; (ii) each holder of the Series A Preferred Stock is entitled to vote on an as converted basis and together with the holders of Common Stock as a single class, subject to certain limitations; (iii) for so long as a to be determined percent of the shares of the Series A Preferred Stock remain outstanding, the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock,



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exclusively and as a separate class, will be entitled to elect three (3) members of the Board (the *Series A Directors* ), and such Series A Director may only be removed without cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock; (iv) the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock have separate class voting rights with respects to certain matters affecting their rights; (v) upon any liquidation event, holders of the Series A Preferred Stock are entitled to receive the greater of the liquidation preference on the date of determination and the amount that would be payable to the holders of the Series A Preferred Stock had such holders converted their shares of Series A Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock immediately prior to such liquidation event; and (vi) each share of the Series A Preferred Stock is convertible, at the option of the holder thereof, at any time and without the payment of additional consideration by the holder, at an initial conversion price of \$11.10 (after taking into account the 1 for 30 reverse stock split).

*Rollover Agreement*

On September 8, 2015, we entered into a rollover agreement (the *Rollover Agreement* ) with the holders of convertible notes (the *Convertible Notes* ), pursuant to which they have agreed to contribute to us the Convertible Notes in exchange for the following:

- issuance of a number of shares of our Common Stock with a value per share of \$11.10 equal to the sum (i) of a specified percentage of the principal amount of Convertible Notes held by such noteholder, which principal amount, as of July 1, 2015, is an aggregate of \$33,990,538 and will be increased by any PIK interest payable in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes until the time that is immediately prior to the Effective Time (the *Rollover Time* ), and (without duplication) and (ii) all accrued interest, including default interest as applicable, owing on 50% of the principal amount of such Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes as of the Rollover Time, which amount, as of July 1, 2015, is an aggregate of \$1,936,617 and which will continue to accrue interest in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes until the Rollover Time. The holders of Convertible Notes will receive in the aggregate approximately 14.0% of our Common Stock outstanding immediately after consummation of the Merger;
- a cash payment to each noteholder equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the principal amount of Convertible Notes as of the Rollover Time held by each such holder of the Convertible Notes, which principal amount, as of July 1, 2015, is an aggregate of \$33,990,538, which will be increased by any PIK interest payable in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes until the Rollover Time; and
- Modified Convertible Notes with a principal amount equal to the sum of (i) a specified percentage of the principal amount of Convertible Notes as of the Rollover Time held by each holder of the Convertible Notes, which principal amount, as of July 1, 2015, is an aggregate of \$33,990,538 and will be increased by any PIK interest payable in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes until the Rollover Time, and (without duplication) (ii) all accrued interest, including default interest as applicable, owing on 50% of the principal amount of the Convertible Notes in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes as of the Rollover Time, which amount, as of July 1, 2015, is an aggregate of \$1,936,617 and which will continue to accrue interest in accordance with the terms of the Convertible Notes until the Rollover Time. The holders of Convertible Notes will receive in the aggregate approximately \$16.4 million outstanding principal amount of Modified Convertible Notes.

The Rollover Agreement will be automatically terminated upon termination of the Merger Agreement prior to the Rollover Time. The Rollover Agreement may also be terminated by us or by Mr. Kim and Fireman Capital CPF Hudson Co-Invest LP ( *Fireman* ) if the Rollover Time has not occurred prior to April 8, 2016.

The Modified Convertible Notes are structurally and contractually subordinated to our senior debt and will mature five and a half years following the date of such note. The Modified Convertible Notes accrue interest quarterly on the outstanding principal amount at a rate of 6.5% per annum (to be increased to 7% as of October 1, 2016 with respect to the Modified Convertible Notes issued to Fireman), which will be payable 50% in cash and 50% in additional paid in kind ( *PIK Notes* ); provided, however, that we may, in our sole discretion, elect to pay 100% of such interest in cash. Beginning upon the date of issuance, the Modified Convertible Notes will be convertible by each of the holders into shares of Common Stock, cash, or a combination of cash and Common Stock, at our election.

If we elect to issue only shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the Modified Convertible Notes, each of the Modified Convertible Notes would be convertible, in whole but not in part, into a number of shares equal to the conversion amount divided by the market price. The conversion amount is (a) the product of (i) the market price, multiplied by (ii) the quotient of (A) the principal amount, divided by (B) the conversion price, minus (b) the aggregate optional prepayment amounts paid to the holder. The market price is the average of the closing prices for the Common Stock over the 20 trading day period immediately preceding the notice of conversion. If we elect to pay cash with respect to a conversion of the Modified Convertible Notes, the amount of cash to be paid per share will be equal to the conversion amount. We will have the right to prepay all or any portion of the principal amount of the Modified Convertible Notes at any time so long as it makes a pro rata prepayment on all of the Modified Convertible Notes.

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*Registration Rights Agreement*

At the Effective Time, we expect to enter into a registration rights agreement (the **Registration Rights Agreement**) with the Purchaser under the Stock Purchase Agreement and the holders of the Convertible Notes party to the Rollover Agreement. Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, we will provide certain demand registration rights to register the shares of Common Stock issued in connection with the Rollover Agreement, and issuable upon conversion of the Modified Convertible Notes and Series A Preferred Stock, on registration statements on Form S-1 or Form S-3, subject to certain limitations as described therein, and will also provide certain piggy back registration rights.

*Voting Agreement*

On September 8, 2015, we entered into a voting agreement, with RG and Joseph M. Dahan, our Creative Director and Director, pursuant to which Mr. Dahan has agreed to vote all of the Common Stock he holds in a manner so as to facilitate consummation of the Merger. As of the date hereof, Mr. Dahan owns approximately 17% of our outstanding voting stock.

*CIT Agreements*

On September 11, 2015, we entered into (i) the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement (as defined below), (ii) the Reaffirmation and Amendment of Collateral Documents (as defined below), and (iii) the Reassignment and Termination Agreement (as defined below).

A portion of the proceeds of the Asset Sale (as defined below) were used to repay all of our indebtedness outstanding under the Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated September 30, 2013 (the **Term Loan Credit Agreement**), with Garrison Loan Agency Services LLC (**Garrison**), as administrative agent, collateral agent, lead arranger, documentation agent and syndication agent, and the lenders party thereto. As a result, the Term Loan Credit Agreement was paid in full and terminated on September 11, 2015.

In connection with the Asset Sale, on September 11, 2015, we, along with Hudson Clothing, LLC, our wholly-owned subsidiary (**Hudson** or the **Borrower**), as Administrative Borrower, and certain of our other subsidiaries party thereto, as Guarantors, entered into the Amended and Restated Revolving Credit Agreement (the **A&R Revolving Credit Agreement**) with CIT, as administrative agent and collateral agent, and the lenders party thereto. Among other things, the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement (i) amends and restates the Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2013 (as amended by (a) Omnibus Amendment No. 1 to Revolving Credit Agreement and Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated as of December 20, 2013, (b) Amendment No. 2 to Revolving Credit Agreement, dated as of April 23, 2015, and (c) the CIT Forbearance Agreement (as defined below), by and among Hudson and Joe's Jeans Subsidiary Inc., as borrowers, us and certain of our other subsidiaries as a party thereto, as guarantors, CIT, and the lenders party thereto, and (ii) waives the Existing Defaults and Forbearance Defaults (each as defined under the Forbearance and Amendment No. 3 to Revolving Credit Agreement, dated June 26, 2015, between the Company and CIT (the **CIT Forbearance Agreement**)) and certain other defaults. Pursuant to a separate consent and agreement, CIT and the lenders consented to the Asset Sale.

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The A&R Revolving Credit Agreement provides for a revolving credit facility (the **Revolving Facility**) with up to \$10,000,000 of lender commitments (the **Revolving Commitment**). The Borrowers' actual maximum credit availability under the Revolving Facility varies from time to time and is equal to the lesser of (i) the Revolving Commitment minus an availability block of \$2.5 million, or \$7.5 million, and (ii) a calculated borrowing base, which is based on the value of the eligible accounts and eligible inventory minus the availability block of \$2.5 million minus reserves imposed by the revolving lenders, all as specified in the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement. The Revolving Facility provides for swingline loans, up to \$1 million sublimit, and letters of credit, up to \$1 million sublimit, within such credit availability limits. Proceeds from advances under the Revolving Facility may be used (i) to pay fees and expenses in connection with the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement and the Asset Sale and (ii) for working capital needs and general corporate purposes.

All unpaid loans under the Revolving Facility mature on December 31, 2015. The Borrowers have the right at any time and from time to time to (i) terminate the commitments under the Revolving Facility in full and (ii) prepay any borrowings under the Revolving Facility, in whole or in part, without terminating or reducing the commitment under the Revolving Facility.

The Revolving Facility is guaranteed by us and all of our subsidiaries, and is secured by liens on substantially all assets owned by the borrowers and guarantors party thereto, subject to permitted liens and exceptions. In connection with the Asset Sale, the Guarantee and Collateral Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2013, by and among Joe's Jeans Subsidiary, Inc. (**Joe's Jeans Subsidiary**), and Hudson, us and certain of our subsidiaries as a party thereto and CIT, as administrative agent and collateral agent, as amended (the

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**Guarantee and Collateral Agreement** ), was further amended pursuant to the Reaffirmation and Amendment of Collateral Documents, dated as of September 11, 2015, by and among CIT, us, Joe's Jeans Subsidiary, Hudson, Innovo West Sales, Inc., Joe's Jeans Retail Subsidiary, Inc., Hudson Clothing Holdings, Inc., and HC Acquisition Holdings, Inc (the **Reaffirmation and Amendment of Collateral Documents** ), providing for among other things, the addition of the factor as a secured party under the Guarantee and Collateral Agreement.

Advances under the Revolving Facility are in the form of either base rate loans or LIBOR rate loans. The interest rate for base rate loans under the Revolving Commitment fluctuates and is equal to (x) the greatest (the **Alternate Base Rate** ) of (a) JPMorgan Chase Bank prime rate; (b) the Federal funds rate plus 0.50%; and (c) the rate per annum equal to the 90 day LIBOR published in the New York City edition of the Wall Street Journal under Money Rates (the **90-Day LIBO Rate** ) plus 1.0%, in each case, plus (y) 3.50%. The interest rate for LIBOR rate loans under the Revolving Commitment is equal to the 90-Day LIBO Rate per annum plus 4.50%. Interest on the Revolving Facility is payable on the first day of each calendar month and the maturity date. Among other fees, the Borrowers pay a commitment fee of 0.25% per annum (due quarterly) on the average daily amount of the unused revolving commitment under the Revolving Facility. The Borrowers also pay fees with respect to any letters of credit issued under the Revolving Facility.

The Revolving Facility contains usual and customary negative covenants for transactions of this type, including, but not limited to, restrictions on our and our subsidiaries' ability, to create or incur indebtedness; create liens; consolidate, merge, liquidate or dissolve; sell, lease or otherwise transfer any of its assets (with the Asset Sale expressly permitted); substantially change the nature of its business; make investments or acquisitions; pay dividends; enter into transactions with affiliates; amend material documents, prepay certain indebtedness and make capital expenditures. The negative covenants are subject to certain exceptions as specified in the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement.

Additionally, in connection with the Asset Sale, Joe's Jeans Subsidiary, Hudson, the Operating Assets Purchaser and CIT entered into a Reassignment and Termination Agreement, dated as of September 11, 2015 (the **Reassignment and Termination Agreement** ). Pursuant to the Reassignment and Termination Agreement, Joe's Jeans Subsidiary was terminated as a party to the Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2013 (as amended, the **Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement** ), by and among Joe's Jeans Subsidiary, Hudson, and CIT. Subject to the terms and conditions provided in the Reassignment and Termination Agreement, CIT reassigned to Joe's Jeans Subsidiary all of its accounts factored with CIT which were outstanding as of the date of the Reassignment and Termination Agreement.

*Separation Agreement with Joseph Dahan*

As previously disclosed, in connection with the closing of the Operating Asset Purchase Agreement on September 11, 2015, Mr. Joseph M. Dahan resigned as our Creative Director and Director pursuant to the Separation Agreement and Mutual Limited Release, dated as of September 8, 2015, between Mr. Dahan and us (the **Separation Agreement and Mutual Limited Release** ).

*Employment Agreement with Peter Kim*

On September 8, 2015, we entered into a new three-year Employment Agreement with Mr. Kim (the **Employment Agreement** ), to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of Hudson that will become effective and replace Mr. Kim's previous employment agreement as of the Effective Time. Mr. Kim's annual base salary will initially be \$600,000 and Mr. Kim will also be eligible to receive an annual discretionary bonus targeted at 50% of his base salary, based on the satisfaction of criteria and performance standards as established in advance by the Compensation

Committee. The Employment Agreement also provides Mr. Kim with certain other benefits and the reimbursement of certain expenses, which are discussed in detail in the Employment Agreement. At the Effective Time, we have agreed to grant Mr. Kim (i) restricted stock units in respect of 166,667 shares of Common Stock (the **Restricted Stock Award**) that will vest and become transferable in three equal, annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the Effective Time, subject to Mr. Kim's continuous employment and (ii) performance share units in respect of 166,667 shares of the Common Stock (the **Performance Shares**) that will be earned over a three-year performance period. One-third of the Performance Shares will be entitled to vest each year based on annual performance metrics established by the Compensation and Stock Option Committee of the Board at the beginning of the applicable year. The Restricted Stock Award and Performance Shares will be settled in cash, unless we attain stockholder approval of a new equity incentive plan covering such awards. Mr. Kim will also be entitled to participate in all regular long-term incentive programs maintained by us or Hudson on the same basis as similarly-situated employees.

Mr. Kim has also entered into a non-competition agreement with us and Hudson (the **Non-Competition Agreement**), which also will become effective as of the Effective Time of the Merger, pursuant to which Mr. Kim has agreed not to engage in, compete with or permit his name to be used by or in connection with any premium denim apparel business outside his role with Hudson, that is competitive to us, Hudson or our respective subsidiaries for a period of up to three years from the Effective Time.

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On September 11, 2015, we completed the Asset Sale of our Joe's Business. Accordingly, the Joe's Business was classified as held for sale as of August 31, 2015 and its results of operations are presented as discontinued operations in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of net loss and comprehensive loss for all periods presented. The assets and liabilities of the discontinued operations have been reclassified as assets and liabilities held for sale within our condensed consolidated balance sheets for all periods presented.

The operating results of discontinued operations for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014 are as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Three months ended</b>		<b>Nine months ended</b>	
	<b>August 31, 2015</b>	<b>August 31, 2014</b>	<b>August 31, 2015</b>	<b>August 31, 2014</b>
	<b>(unaudited)</b>		<b>(unaudited)</b>	
Net sales	\$ 22,120	\$ 26,950	\$ 69,965	\$ 79,222
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, before provision for income taxes	(1,846)	1,036	(2,006)	3,712
Income tax expense (benefit)	(793)	272	(793)	983
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	\$ (1,053)	\$ 764	\$ (1,213)	\$ 2,729

The components of major assets and liabilities held for sale at August 31, 2015 and November 30, 2014 were as follows (in thousands):

	<b>August 31, 2015</b>	<b>November 30, 2014</b>
	<b>(unaudited)</b>	<b>(unaudited)</b>
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
<u>Current assets:</u>		
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 682	\$ 1,309
Factored accounts receivable, net	12,014	19,316
Inventories, net	29,396	35,965
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	337	460
Property and equipment, net	1,988	
Goodwill	3,836	
Intangible assets	24,000	
Other assets	279	
Total Current assets	72,532	57,050
<u>Noncurrent assets:</u>		
Property and equipment, net		2,143
Goodwill		3,836
Intangible assets		24,000
Other assets		295
Total Noncurrent assets		30,274
Assets of held for sale	\$ 72,532	\$ 87,324

**LIABILITIES:**Current liabilities:

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Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	4,558	\$	10,854
Deferred rent		65		
Total Current liabilities		4,623		10,854
<u>Noncurrent liabilities:</u>				
Deferred rent				32
Total Noncurrent liabilities				32
Liabilities held for sale	\$	4,623	\$	10,886



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In April 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, ( *FASB* ), issued Accounting Standards Update, ( *ASU* ) 2014-08, *Presentation of Financial Statements (Topic 205) and Property Plant and Equipment (Topic 360), Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity*, ( *ASU 2014-08* ) which provides amended guidance on the presentation of financial statements and reporting discontinued operations and disclosures of disposals of components of an entity within property, plant and equipment. ASU 2014-08 amends the definition of a discontinued operation and requires entities to disclose additional information about disposal transactions that do not meet the discontinued operations criteria. The effective date of ASU 2014-08 is for disposals that occur in annual periods (and interim periods therein) beginning on or after December 15, 2014, with early adoption permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact, if any, that this amended guidance may have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

In May 2014, FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, ( *ASU 2014-09* ) which provides a single, comprehensive framework for all entities in all industries to apply in the determination of when to recognize revenue, and, therefore, supersedes virtually all existing revenue recognition requirements and guidance. This framework is expected to result in less complex guidance in application while providing a consistent and comparable methodology for revenue recognition. The core principle of the guidance is that an entity should apply the following steps: (i) identify the contract(s) with a customer, (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract(s), (iii) determine the transaction price, (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract(s), and (v) recognize revenue when, or as, the entity satisfies a performance obligation. We are currently evaluating the impact that this amended guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. In July 2015, the FASB reached a decision to defer the effective date of the amended guidance. In August 2015, ASU 2015-14, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606): Deferral of the Effective Date*, was issued which defers the effective date of ASU 2014-09 to December 15, 2017. Early adoption is not permitted.

In August 2014, FASB issued ASU No. 2014-15 to communicate amendments to FASB Accounting Standards Codification Subtopic 205-40, *Disclosure of Uncertainties about an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern*, (the *ASC amendments* ). The ASC amendments establish new requirements for management to evaluate a company's ability to continue as a going concern and to provide certain related disclosures. The ASC amendments are effective for the annual periods ending after December 15, 2016, and for annual periods and interim periods thereafter. Early application is permitted, but we have not yet adopted such guidance.

In July 2015, FASB issued ASU 2015-11, *Inventory (Topic 330) - Simplifying the Measurement of Inventory*, which will require an entity to measure inventory at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Net realizable value is defined as the estimated selling prices in the ordinary course of business, less reasonably predictable costs of completion, disposal and transportation. The guidance will be effective for us beginning with fiscal year 2018. Early adoption is permitted. We are currently evaluating the impact that this amended guidance will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

**NOTE 5 FACTORED ACCOUNTS AND RECEIVABLES**

Factored accounts and receivables consist of the following (in thousands):

August 31, 2015

November 30, 2014

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Non-recourse receivables assigned to factor	\$	11,331	\$	14,314
Client recourse receivables		517		1,919
Total receivables assigned to factor		11,848		16,233
Allowance for customer credits		(3,330)		(5,128)
Due from factor	\$	8,518	\$	11,105
Non-factored accounts receivable	\$	1,101	\$	2,123
Allowance for customer credits		(788)		(766)
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(171)		(78)
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	\$	142	\$	1,279

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Of the total amount of receivables sold by us as of August 31, 2015 and November 30, 2014, we hold the risk of payment of \$517,000 and \$1,919,000, respectively, in the event of non-payment by the customers.

*CIT Commercial Services Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement*

On September 30, 2013, we entered into the Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement with CIT, which replaced all prior agreements relating to factoring and inventory security. The Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement provides that we sell and assign to CIT certain of our accounts receivable, including accounts arising from or related to sales of inventory and the rendition of services. We will pay a factoring rate of 0.50 percent for accounts for which CIT bears the credit risk, subject to discretionary surcharges, and 0.35 percent for accounts for which we bear the credit risk, but in no event less than \$3.50 per invoice. The Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement may be terminated by CIT upon 60 days' written notice or immediately upon the occurrence of an event of default as defined in the agreement. The accounts receivable agreement may be terminated by us upon 60 days' written notice prior to September 30, 2018 or annually with 60 days' written notice prior to September 30th of each year thereafter. The Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement remains effective until it is terminated.

In November 2014, we received an initial notice of default and event of default and demand for payment of default interest from Garrison, as term loan agent, under the term loan facility entered into on September 30, 2013. As a result of the event of default under the term loan facility, this also triggered a default and an event of default under the terms of the revolving credit facility with CIT entered into on September 30, 2013. As a result of such default and event of default, both of CIT and Garrison have reserved their respective rights to exercise any and all remedies available to them under their respective agreements and have demanded payment of interest under those agreements at the default rate of interest. On February 10, 2015, we received additional notices of default and events of default for failure to comply with certain financial and other covenants and a demand for continued payment of default interest from both Garrison and CIT.

On June 26, 2015, we entered into a CIT Forbearance Agreement with CIT as discussed above. See Note 2 - Subsequent Events for a further discussion of the Asset Sale, repayment of certain indebtedness under the agreements with Garrison and CIT and the entry into the A&R Revolving Credit Agreement.

As of August 31, 2015, our cash balance was \$368,000 and our borrowing base cash availability with CIT was approximately \$11,000,000. This amount with CIT fluctuates on a daily basis based upon invoicing and collection related activity by CIT for the receivables sold. See also Note 14 Debt for a further discussion of our debt arrangements with CIT and other lenders and Note 2 Subsequent Events for a discussion of our A&R Revolving Credit Agreement and the Amended and Restated Factoring Agreement with CIT.

**NOTE 6 INVENTORIES, NET**

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market with cost determined by the first-in, first-out method. Inventories consisted of the following (in thousands):

**August 31, 2015**

**November 30, 2014**

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Finished goods	\$	9,319	\$	15,478
Finished goods consigned to others		718		531
Work in progress		1,332		3,157
Raw materials		5,328		6,778
		16,697		25,944
Less reserves for obsolescence and slow moving items		(1,347)		(590)
	\$	15,350	\$	25,354

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**NOTE 7 LONG-LIVED AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL**

*Valuation of Long-lived and Intangible Assets and Goodwill*

We assess the impairment of identifiable intangibles, long-lived assets and goodwill annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable. Factors considered important that could trigger an impairment review other than on an annual basis include the following:

- A significant underperformance relative to expected historical or projected future operating results;
- A significant change in the manner of the use of the acquired asset or the strategy for the overall business; or
- A significant negative industry or economic trend.

When we determine that the carrying value of long-lived assets may not be recoverable based upon the existence of one or more of the aforementioned factors and the carrying value exceeds the estimated undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset, impairment is measured based on a projected discounted cash flow method using a discount rate determined by management. These cash flows are calculated by netting future estimated sales against associated merchandise costs and other related expenses such as payroll, occupancy and marketing. An asset is considered to be impaired if we determine that the carrying value may not be recoverable based upon our assessment of the asset's ability to continue to generate income from operations and positive cash flow in future periods or if significant changes our strategic business objectives and utilization of the assets occurred. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated undiscounted future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized in the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the estimated fair value, which is determined based on discounted future cash flows. The impairment loss calculations require management to apply judgment in estimating future cash flows and the discount rates that reflect the risk inherent in future cash flows. Future expected cash flows for store assets are based on management's estimates of future cash flows over the remaining lease period or expected life, if shorter. We consider historical trends, expected future business trends and other factors when estimating each store's future cash flow. We also consider factors such as: the local environment for each store location, including mall traffic and competition; our ability to successfully implement strategic initiatives; and the ability to control variable costs such as cost of sales and payroll, and in some cases, renegotiate lease costs.

In the third and fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, we recorded store impairment charge of \$840,000 related to six of our retail stores. In the third quarter of fiscal 2015, we recorded store impairment charge of \$470,000 related to two of our retail stores. Based on the operating performance of these stores, we believed that we could not recover the carrying value of property and equipment located at these stores.

Business acquisitions are accounted for under the purchase method by assigning the purchase price to tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at their fair values and the excess of the purchase price over the amounts assigned is recorded as goodwill. Purchased intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their estimated useful lives. Goodwill and

intangible assets with indefinite lives are not amortized but are tested at least annually for impairment or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

In fiscal 2007, we acquired through merger JD Holdings, which included all of the goodwill and intangible assets goodwill related to the Joe s®, Joe s Jeans and JD® logo and marks. On September 30, 2013, we acquired Hudson, which included all of the goodwill and intangible assets related to the Hudson® logos and marks. We have assigned an indefinite life to the remaining intangible assets relating to the trademarks acquired, and therefore, no amortization expenses are expected to be recognized. However, we will test the assets for impairment annually in accordance with our critical accounting policies. On September 11, 2015, we sold the Intellectual Property Assets of the Joe s Business to the IP Asset Purchaser. See Note 2 - Subsequent Events for a further discussion of the sale of these and other assets.

We evaluate goodwill for impairment at least annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable using a two-step process. The first step is to determine the fair value of each reporting unit and compare this value to its carrying value. If the fair value exceeds the carrying value, no further work is required and no impairment loss would be recognized. The second step is performed if the carrying value exceeds the fair value of the assets. The implied fair value of the reporting unit s goodwill must be determined and compared to the carrying value of the goodwill.

We review our other indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment on an annual basis, or when circumstances indicate their carrying value may not be recoverable. We calculate the value of the indefinite-lived intangible assets using a discounted cash flow method, based on the relief from royalty concept.

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Our annual impairment testing date is September 30 of each year or when circumstances indicate their carrying value may not be recoverable. Based on our under-performance in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, we determined that it was appropriate to perform an impairment testing as of November 30, 2014. Based on our testing we determined that the goodwill allocated to our Hudson wholesale reporting unit was impaired by \$23,585,000, and there was no impairment of our other indefinite-lived intangible assets. As of February 28, 2015, we also determined that a triggering event had occurred due to the decline in our market capitalization and tested our goodwill and other indefinite-lived assets for impairment and determined that there was no impairment.

**NOTE 8 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

*Joe Dahan*

Since the acquisition of the Joe's® brand as a result of a merger in October 2007 through February 18, 2013, Mr. Dahan was entitled to a certain percentage of our gross profit in any applicable fiscal year until October 2017. At the time of the acquisition, pursuant to ASC 805 *Business Combinations*, we assessed this original contingent consideration arrangement as compensatory and expensed such amounts over the term of the earn out period at the defined percentage amounts.

On February 18, 2013, we entered into a new agreement with Mr. Dahan that fixed the overall amount to be paid by us for the remaining months of year six through year 10 in the original merger agreement at \$9,168,000 through weekly installment payments beginning on February 22, 2013 until November 27, 2015. In the first quarter of fiscal 2013, we recorded a charge of \$8,732,000 as contingent consideration buy-out expense in connection with this agreement. This amount represented the net present value of the total fixed amount that Mr. Dahan would receive. The entire amount was expensed during the first quarter of fiscal 2013 as the amount payable represented a present obligation due to Mr. Dahan. On September 30, 2013, in connection with entry into new credit facilities relating to the acquisition of Hudson, Mr. Dahan, CIT, Garrison and all of our loan parties entered into an earn out subordination agreement, which provides, among other things, that any payment, whether in cash, in kind, securities or any other property, in connection with the our obligations to Mr. Dahan is expressly junior and subordinated in right of payment to all amounts due and owing upon any indebtedness outstanding under the revolving credit facility and the term loan facility. We were permitted to make certain amounts of weekly installment payments of our obligations in the absence of an insolvency proceeding or any event of default under the revolving credit agreement or the term loan credit agreement. As a result of our default under the revolving credit agreement or the term loan credit agreement, we did not make any payments to Mr. Dahan during fiscal 2015. In connection with the Asset Sale, Mr. Dahan was repaid a portion of the payments owed to him and the remainder is expected to be paid at the closing of the Merger and Merger Transactions.

See Note 12 Commitments and Contingencies - Contingent Consideration Payments, Buy Out Agreement and Earnout Subordination Agreement for a further discussion on these agreements with Mr. Dahan and Note 2 Subsequent Events for a discussion of Mr. Dahan's termination of employment and resignation from our Board of Directors.

*Ambre Dahan*

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In January 2013, we entered in to a consulting arrangement with Ambre Dahan, the spouse of Mr. Dahan, for design director services that paid her \$175,000 per annum on a bi-weekly basis. For the three months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, we paid Ms. Dahan \$0 and \$47,000, and for the nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, we paid Ms. Dahan \$0 and \$135,000, respectively, under this arrangement. This arrangement was terminated effective as of November 17, 2014.

*Albert Dahan*

In October 2011, we entered into an agreement with Ever Blue LLC ( *Ever Blue* ), an entity for which Albert Dahan is the sole member, for the sale of children s products. Ever Blue has an exclusive right to produce, distribute and sell children s products bearing the Joe s® brand on a worldwide basis, subject to certain limitations on the channels of distribution. In exchange for the license, Ever Blue pays to us a royalty on net sales with certain guaranteed minimum sales for each term. In connection with this agreement, we provided initial funding to Ever Blue for inventory purchases, which such amount has been repaid in full. For the three months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, we recognized \$0 and \$52,000, respectively, in royalty income under the license agreement. For the nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, we recognized \$45,000 and \$360,000, respectively, in royalty income under the license agreement.

*Peter Kim*

We have entered into several agreements, including a stock purchase agreement, a convertible note, a registration rights agreement, an employment agreement and a non-competition agreement with Peter Kim, Chief Executive Officer of our Hudson subsidiary, in connection with the acquisition of Hudson. See Note 14 - Debt for a further discussion of those agreements. In connection with the Merger, we entered into the Rollover Agreement, the Employment Agreement and the Non-Competition Agreement. For a description of those agreements see Note 2 - Subsequent Events



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*Employment Agreements with Officers and Directors*

We have entered into employment agreements with Marc Crossman, our former President and Chief Executive Officer, Joe Dahan, our former Creative Director, Peter Kim, our Chief Executive Office of our Hudson subsidiary, and Hamish Sandhu, our Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Dahan was also a member of our Board of Directors until September 11, 2015.

*Marc Crossman*

On May 30, 2008, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Crossman to serve as our President and Chief Executive Officer. The employment agreement was effective as of December 1, 2007, the commencement of our 2008 fiscal year, had an initial term of two years and automatically renewed for additional two year periods on December 1, 2009, December 1, 2011 and December 1, 2013, respectively. The employment agreement continues to automatically renew for additional two year periods if neither we nor Mr. Crossman provides 180 days advanced notice of non-renewal prior to the end of the term or upon the occurrence of a change in control. Under the employment agreement, Mr. Crossman is entitled to an annual salary of \$429,300, an annual discretionary bonus targeted at 50 percent of his base salary based upon the achievement of financial and other performance criteria that the Compensation and Stock Option Committee of the Board of Directors, or Compensation Committee, may deem appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion, an annual grant of equity compensation pursuant to our stock incentive plans, life and disability insurance policies paid on his behalf and other discretionary benefits that the Compensation Committee may deem appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion. The employment agreement provides for severance payment of up to two years if terminated under certain circumstances.

On January 19, 2015, our Board of Directors accepted the resignation of Mr. Crossman. The Board and Mr. Crossman also agreed that Mr. Crossman would become a consultant for a period of twelve (12) months pursuant to a consulting agreement. In exchange for a release of all claims related to Mr. Crossman's employment and the provision of consulting services by Mr. Crossman, we have agreed to pay Mr. Crossman the following: (i) payment of \$35,775 per month for a period of twelve (12) months; (ii) acceleration of the unvested equity awards previously granted to Mr. Crossman; (iii) granted him restricted common stock in the amount of 600,000 shares that vest 1/12th on a monthly basis over the twelve (12) month period; and (iv) agreed to reimburse him for health and dental COBRA payments for a period of twelve (12) months or until he is eligible for coverage under a successor employer's group health plan.

*Joe Dahan*

On October 25, 2007, we entered into an employment agreement for Mr. Dahan to serve as Creative Director for the Joe's brand. The initial term of employment was for five years, or until October 25, 2012, and then automatically renewed for successive one year periods unless terminated earlier in accordance with the agreement. Under the employment agreement, Mr. Dahan is entitled to an annual salary of \$300,000 and other discretionary benefits that the Compensation Committee may deem appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion. The employment agreement provides for severance payment of up to one year if terminated under certain circumstances. In connection with the separation and mutual release agreement entered into with Mr. Dahan, we agreed to pay him severance from September 11, 2015 until October 25, 2015. See Note 2 Subsequent Events for a discussion of the agreement.

*Peter Kim*

On September 30, 2013, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Kim to serve as Chief Executive Officer of our Hudson subsidiary for a term of three years. Under the employment agreement, Mr. Kim is entitled to a base salary of \$500,000 per year and is also eligible to receive an annual discretionary bonus targeted at 50 percent of his base salary, based on the satisfaction of criteria and performance standards as established in advance and agreed to by Mr. Kim and the Compensation Committee. Mr. Kim is also entitled to other discretionary benefits that the Compensation Committee may deem appropriate in its sole and absolute discretion. The employment agreement provides for severance payment of up to one year if terminated under certain circumstances. In connection with the Merger, we entered into the Employment Agreement and Non-Competition Agreement with Mr. Kim to be effective upon the completion of the Merger. See Note 2 Subsequent Events for details of the agreement.

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Hamish Sandhu

On July 2, 2015, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Sandhu to serve as our Chief Financial Officer for a term of one year with automatic renewal for successive one year periods unless terminated earlier in accordance with the agreement or advanced notice of non-renewal 90 days before the expiration of the current term. Under the employment agreement, Mr. Sandhu is entitled to a an annual salary of \$325,000 and other cash and non-cash compensation, including an annual discretionary cash and equity bonus of not less than 10 percent of his base salary based upon the achievement of financial and other performance criteria as set forth in the employment agreement, premiums for health insurance paid on his behalf and for his family and life and disability insurance policies paid on his behalf. The employment agreement provides for severance payment of up to one year if terminated under certain circumstances.

**NOTE 9 EARNINGS PER SHARE**

Earnings per share are computed using weighted average common shares and dilutive common equivalent shares outstanding. Potentially dilutive shares consist of outstanding options, shares issuable upon the assumed conversion of Convertible Notes, restricted stock and unvested restricted stock units ( *RSUs* ). A reconciliation of the numerator and denominator of basic earnings per share and diluted earnings per share is as follows:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	(in thousands, except per share data)		(in thousands, except per share data)	
	August 31, 2015	August 31, 2014	August 31, 2015	August 31, 2014
<b>Basic earnings (loss) per share computation:</b>				
Numerator:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 6,712	\$ (488)	\$ (18,072)	\$ (2,292)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(1,053)	764	(1,213)	2,729
Net income (loss) and comprehensive (loss) income	\$ 5,659	\$ 276	\$ (19,285)	\$ 437
Denominator:				
Weighted average common shares outstanding	69,614	68,362	69,314	68,151
<b>Income (loss) per common share - basic</b>				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 0.10	\$ (0.01)	\$ (0.26)	\$ (0.03)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(0.02)	0.01	(0.02)	0.04
Net (loss) income and comprehensive (loss) income	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.00	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.01
<b>Diluted earnings (loss) per share computation:</b>				
Numerator:				
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$ 6,712	\$ (488)	\$ (18,072)	\$ (2,292)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(1,053)	764	(1,213)	2,729
Net income (loss) and comprehensive (loss) income	\$ 5,659	\$ 276	\$ (19,285)	\$ 437
Denominator:				
Weighted average common shares outstanding	69,614	68,362	69,314	68,151
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Restricted shares, RSUs and options	6	518		784
Dilutive potential common shares	69,620	68,880	69,314	68,935

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**Income (loss) per common share - dilutive**

Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	0.10	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.26)	\$	(0.03)
Income (loss) from discontinued operations		(0.02)		0.01		(0.02)		0.04
Net income (loss) and comprehensive (loss) income	\$	0.08	\$	0.00	\$	(0.28)	\$	0.01

For the three months ended August 31, 2015, and 2014, currently exercisable options, the Convertible Notes, unvested restricted shares and unvested RSUs in the aggregate of 19,840,873 and 19,656,831, respectively, have been excluded from the calculation of the diluted loss per share as their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

For the nine months ended August 31, 2015, and 2014, currently exercisable options, the Convertible Notes, unvested restricted shares and unvested RSUs in the aggregate of 19,882,230 and 19,766,669, respectively, have been excluded from the calculation of the diluted loss per share as their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

*Shares Reserved for Future Issuance*

As of August 31, 2015, shares reserved for future issuance include: (i) 88,333 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of stock options granted under the incentive plans; (ii) 448,103 shares of common stock issuable upon the vesting of RSUs; (iii) an aggregate of 2,642,271 shares of common stock available for future issuance under the Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Incentive Plan; and (iv) 19,095,794 shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the Convertible Notes.

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A valuation allowance is required when it is more likely than not that all or a portion of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. Quarterly, management reassesses the need for a valuation allowance. Realization of deferred income tax assets is dependent upon taxable income in prior carryback years, estimates of future taxable income, tax planning strategies and reversals of existing taxable temporary differences. In determining the need for a valuation allowance, we reviewed all available evidence pursuant to the requirements of FASB ASC 740. Pursuant to ASC 740, we excluded the deferred income tax liabilities associated with identified indefinite long lived intangible assets as a source of income. For the first quarter of fiscal 2015, based upon our assessment of all available evidence, we have concluded that it is more likely than not that the net deferred tax assets, as of November 30, 2014, with the exception of certain deferred taxes associated with separate filing states for Hudson, will not be realized. For the first quarter of fiscal 2015, the valuation allowance associated with deferred taxes as of November 30, 2014, increased by \$14,481,000. Based on our prior assessment for fiscal 2014, 2013, and 2012, we had determined that the deferred tax assets were more likely than not to be realized with the exception of a valuation allowance of \$640,000, \$342,000 and \$0, respectively, that was recorded against a state net operating loss deferred tax asset. We considered all available evidence, both positive and negative, in our assessment of the valuation allowance needed as of February 28, 2015. Due to a review of operating performance for the quarter and a change in business strategy, which included the disposal of certain assets that have a fair value in excess of tax basis, we increased our valuation allowance by \$14,481,000 as of February 28, 2015. In calculating the amount of deferred tax assets subject to a valuation allowance, we have excluded the deferred tax liabilities associated with our trademarks from that amount. These intangible assets have an indefinite life and therefore, we cannot expect that the associated deferred tax liabilities will reverse over the same periods as our other net deferred tax assets. For the third quarter of fiscal 2015, based on our reassessment of the realizability of deferred taxes, due to the September 11, 2015 asset sale described in Note 2, the valuation allowance established during the first quarter is reduced by \$6,528,000. We determined that the net deferred taxes associated with that valuation allowance reduction (excluding the deferred tax liabilities for trademarks) were realized as part of the asset sale. The tax benefit for the three months ended August 31, 2015 consisted of the discrete reduction of \$6,528,000 to our valuation allowance established during the first quarter of fiscal 2015 and the recording of the tax benefit for the operating losses for the nine months ended August 31, 2015 for which no tax benefit was previously taken.

**NOTE 11 STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY***Stock Incentive Plans*

On June 3, 2004, we adopted the 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the **2004 Incentive Plan**) and in October 2011, we adopted an Amended and Restated 2004 Stock Incentive Plan (the **Restated Plan**) to update it with respect to certain provisions and changes in the tax code since its original adoption. Under the Restated Plan, the number of shares authorized for issuance is 6,825,000 shares of common stock. After the adoption of the Restated Plan in October 2011, we no longer grant awards pursuant to the 2004 Incentive Plan; however, it remains in effect for awards outstanding as of the adoption of the Restated Plan. Under the Restated Plan, grants may be made to employees, officers, directors and consultants under a variety of awards based upon underlying equity, including, but not limited to, stock options, restricted common stock, restricted stock units or performance shares. The Restated Plan limits the number of shares that can be awarded to any employee in one year to 1,250,000. The exercise price for incentive options may not be less than the fair market value of our common stock on the date of grant and the exercise period may not exceed ten years. Vesting periods, terms and types of awards are determined by the Board of Directors and/or our Compensation Committee. The Restated Plan includes a provision for the acceleration of vesting of all awards upon a change of control as well as a provision that allows forfeited or unexercised awards that have expired to be available again for future issuance. Since fiscal 2008, we have issued both restricted common stock and RSUs to our officers, directors and employees pursuant to our various plans. The RSUs represent the right to receive one share of common stock for each unit on the vesting date provided that the employee continues to be employed by us. On the vesting date of the RSUs, we expect to issue the shares of common stock to each participant upon vesting and expect to withhold an equivalent number of shares at fair market value on the vesting date to fulfill tax withholding obligations. Any RSUs withheld or forfeited will be shares available for issuance in accordance with the terms of the Restated Plan.

The shares of common stock issued upon exercise of a previously granted stock option or a grant of RSUs are considered new issuances from shares reserved for issuance in connection with the adoption of the various plans. We require that the option holder provide a written notice of exercise in accordance with the option agreement and plan to the stock plan administrator and full payment for the shares be made prior to issuance. All issuances are made under the terms and conditions set forth in the applicable plan. As of August 31, 2015, 2,642,271 shares remained available for issuance under the Restated Plan.

For all stock compensation awards that contain graded vesting with time-based service conditions, we have elected to apply a straight-line recognition method to account for all of these awards. For existing grants that were not fully vested at November 30, 2014, there was a total of \$1,206,000 and \$938,000 of stock based compensation expense recognized during the nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

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The following summarizes option grants, restricted common stock and RSUs issued to members of the Board of Directors for the fiscal years 2002 through the third quarter of fiscal 2015 (in actual amounts) for service as a member:

Granted as of:	August 31, 2015		Exercise price
	Number of options		
2002	40,000	\$	1.00
2002	31,496	\$	1.27
2003	30,768	\$	1.30
2004	320,000	\$	1.58
2005	300,000	\$	5.91
2006	450,000	\$	1.02

	Number of restricted shares issued
2007	320,000
2008	473,455
2009	371,436
2010	131,828
2011	
2012	617,449
2013	
2014	219,678
2015	

Exercise prices for all options outstanding as of August 31, 2015 were as follows:

Exercise Price	Options Outstanding and Exercisable	
	Number of shares	Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life
\$ 0.38	13,333	9.4
\$ 1.02	75,000	0.7
	88,333	2.0

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The following table summarizes stock option activity by plan for the nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014 (in actual amounts):

	Total Number of Shares	2004 Incentive Plan	Restated Plan
Outstanding at November 30, 2014	550,000	550,000	
Granted	40,000		40,000
Exercised			
Forfeited / Expired	(501,667)	(475,000)	(26,667)
Outstanding and exercisable at August 31, 2015	88,333	75,000	13,333
Outstanding at November 30, 2013	775,000	775,000	
Granted			
Exercised			
Forfeited / Expired	(25,000)	(25,000)	
Outstanding and exercisable at August 31, 2014	750,000	750,000	

Stock option activity in the aggregate for the periods indicated are as follows (in actual amounts):

	Options	Weighted average exercise price	Weighted average remaining contractual Life (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at November 30, 2014	550,000	\$ 5.03		
Granted	40,000	0.38		
Exercised				
Expired				
Forfeited	(501,667)	5.37		
Outstanding and exercisable at August 31, 2015	88,333	\$ 0.92	2.0	\$
Weighted average per option fair value of options granted during the year		N/A		

	Options	Weighted average exercise price	Weighted average remaining contractual Life (Years)	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding at November 30, 2013	775,000	\$ 4.03		
Granted				
Exercised				
Expired	(25,000)	1.58		
Forfeited				
Outstanding and exercisable at August 31, 2014	750,000	\$ 4.12	0.1	\$ 3,000
Weighted average per option fair value of options granted during the year		N/A		





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As of August 31, 2015, there was \$457,000 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements granted under the 2004 Incentive Plan and the Restated Plan. That unrecognized compensation cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.3 years.

A summary of the status of restricted common stock and RSUs as of November 30, 2014 and November 30, 2013, and changes during the nine months ended August 31, 2015 and 2014, are presented below (in actual amounts):

	<b>Restricted Shares</b>	<b>Restricted Stock Units</b>	<b>Total Shares</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Grant-Date Fair Value</b>	
				<b>Restricted Shares</b>	<b>Restricted Stock Units</b>
Outstanding at November 30, 2014	792,303	1,033,851	1,826,154	\$ 1.08	\$ 1.00
Granted	600,000		600,000	0.37	
Issued	(1,142,303)	(380,690)	(1,522,993)	0.87	

### Seasonality and Backlog

The retail toy industry is inherently seasonal. Generally, our sales have been highest during the third and fourth quarters, and collections for those sales have been highest during the succeeding fourth and first fiscal quarters. Sales of writing instrument products are likewise seasonal, with sales highest during the second and third quarters, as are our Go Fly a Kite®, Funnoodle® pool toys and junior sports products, which are largely sold in the first and second quarters. Our working capital needs have been highest during the third and fourth quarters.

While we have taken steps to level sales over the entire year, sales are expected to remain heavily influenced by the seasonality of our toy products. The result of these seasonal patterns is that operating results and demand for working capital may vary significantly by quarter. Orders placed with us for shipment are cancelable until the date of shipment. The combination of seasonal demand and the potential for order cancellation makes accurate forecasting of future sales difficult and causes us to believe that backlog may not be an accurate indicator of our future sales. Similarly, financial results for a particular quarter may not be indicative of results for the entire year.

### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 141 (Revised) (“FAS 141(R)”), Business Combinations. This statement contains specific guidance regarding the accounting for costs of business acquisitions and for estimating contingent consideration provisions at the time of acquisition. This new guidance replaces the previous guidance in FAS 141. We will apply guidance of FAS 141(R) for any acquisitions.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

As of March 31, 2009, we had working capital of \$313.5 million, compared to \$325.1 million as of December 31, 2008. This decrease was primarily attributable to our operating activities earn-out and working capital adjustment payments related to our acquisitions.

Operating activities used net cash of \$6.9 million in 2009, as compared to providing cash of \$15.4 million in 2008. Net cash was used primarily due to our net loss and changes in working capital, offset in part by non-cash charges. Our accounts receivable turnover as measured by days sales for the quarter outstanding in accounts receivable was 59 days as of March 31, 2009, which is comparable to 56 days as of March 31, 2008. Other than open purchase orders issued in the normal course of business, we have no obligations to purchase finished goods from our manufacturers. As of March 31, 2009, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$145.8 million.

Our investing activities used net cash of \$15.5 million in 2009, as compared to \$17.7 million in 2008, consisting primarily of cash paid for the Creative Designs earn-out of \$5.7 million, the working capital adjustment for Tollytots of \$1.7 million, the working capital adjustment for Kid Only of \$3.4 million, the working capital adjustment for Disguise of \$0.9 million, and the purchase of office furniture and equipment and molds and tooling of \$4.2 million used in the manufacture of our products, offset in part by the change in other assets of \$0.3 million. In 2008, our investing activities consisted primarily of cash paid for the Creative Designs earn-out of \$6.7 million, the Play Along earn-out of \$6.7 million and the purchase of office furniture and equipment and molds and tooling of \$3.5 million used in the manufacture of our products and other assets. As part of our strategy to develop and market new products, we have entered into various character and product licenses with royalties generally ranging from 1% to 14% payable on net sales of such products. As of March 31, 2009, these agreements required future aggregate minimum guarantees of \$112.8 million, exclusive of \$49.5 million in advances already paid. Of this \$112.8 million future minimum guarantee, \$46.3 million is due over the next twelve months.

Our financing activities used net cash of \$1.3 million in 2009, consisting of cash paid for the repurchase of restricted stock. In 2008, financing activities used net cash of \$0.6 million, consisting of cash paid for the repurchase of restricted stock, partially offset by proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

In October 2008, we acquired substantially all of the assets of Tollytots Limited. The total initial consideration of \$25.5 million consisted of \$11.8 million in cash and the assumption of liabilities in the amount of \$13.7 million, and resulted in goodwill of \$3.0 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out of up to an aggregate amount of \$5.0 million in cash over the three calendar years following the acquisition based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria, which will be recorded as goodwill when and if earned. Tollytots is a leading designer and producer of licensed baby dolls and baby doll pretend play accessories based on well-known brands and was included in our results of operations from the date of acquisition. Pro forma results of operations are not provided since the amounts are not material to the consolidated results of operations.

In October 2008, we acquired substantially all of the stock of Kids Only, Inc. and a related Hong Kong company, Kids Only Limited (collectively, "Kids Only"). The total initial consideration of \$23.2 million consisted of \$20.3 million in cash and the assumption of liabilities in the amount of \$2.9 million, and resulted in goodwill of \$12.6 million. In addition, we agreed to pay an earn-out of up to an aggregate amount of \$5.6 million in cash over the three calendar years following the acquisition based on the achievement of certain financial performance criteria, which will be recorded as goodwill when and if earned. Kids Only is a leading designer and producer of licensed indoor and outdoor kids' furniture, and has an extensive portfolio which also includes baby dolls and accessories, room décor and a myriad of other children's toy products and was included in our results of operations from the date of acquisition. Pro forma results of operations are not provided since the amounts are not material to the consolidated results of operations.

In December 2008, we acquired certain assets of Disguise, Inc. and a related Hong Kong company, Disguise Limited (collectively, "Disguise"). The total initial consideration of \$60.8 million consisted of \$38.8 million in cash and the assumption of liabilities in the amount of \$22.0 million, and resulted in goodwill of \$30.5 million. We have not finalized its purchase price allocation for Disguise and have engaged a third party to perform studies and valuations of the estimated fair value of assets and liabilities assumed. Disguise is a leading designer and producer of Halloween and everyday costume play and was included in our results of operations from the date of acquisition. Pro forma results of operations are not provided since the amounts are not material to the consolidated results of operations.

In June 2003, we sold an aggregate of \$98.0 million of 4.625% Convertible Senior Notes due June 15, 2023 and received net proceeds of approximately \$94.4 million. The notes are convertible into shares of our common stock at an initial conversion price of \$20.00 per share, or 50 shares per note, subject to certain circumstances. The notes may be converted in each quarter subsequent to any quarter in which the closing price of our common stock is at or above a prescribed price for at least 20 trading days in the last 30 trading day period of the quarter. The prescribed price for the conversion trigger is \$24.00 through June 30, 2010, and increases nominally each quarter thereafter. Cash interest is payable at an annual rate of 4.625% of the principal amount at issuance, from the issue date to June 15, 2010, payable on June 15 and December 15 of each year. After June 15, 2010, interest will accrue on the outstanding notes until maturity. At maturity, we will redeem the notes at their accreted principal amount, which will be equal to \$1,811.95 (181.195%) per \$1,000 principal amount at issuance, unless redeemed or converted earlier. The notes were not convertible as of March 31, 2009 and are not convertible during the second quarter of 2009.

We may redeem the notes at our option in whole or in part beginning on June 15, 2010, at 100% of their accreted principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, payable in cash. Holders of the notes may also require us to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2010, for cash, at a repurchase price of 100% of the principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. Holders of the notes may also require us to repurchase all or part of their notes on June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018 at a repurchase price of 100% of the accreted principal amount per note plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and may be paid in cash, in shares of common stock or a combination of cash and shares of common stock.

We believe that our cash flow from operations and cash and cash equivalents on hand will be sufficient to meet our working capital and capital expenditure requirements and provide us with adequate liquidity to meet our anticipated operating needs for at least the next 12 months. Although operating activities are expected to provide cash, to the extent we grow significantly in the future, our operating and investing activities may use cash and, consequently, this growth may require us to obtain additional sources of financing. There can be no assurance that any necessary additional financing will be available to us on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. We intend to finance our long-term liquidity requirements out of net cash provided by operations and cash on hand.



### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

Market risk represents the risk of loss that may impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows due to adverse changes in financial and commodity market prices and rates. We are exposed to market risk in the areas of changes in United States and international borrowing rates and changes in foreign currency exchange rates. In addition, we are exposed to market risk in certain geographic areas that have experienced or remain vulnerable to an economic downturn, such as China. We purchase substantially all of our inventory from companies in China, and, therefore, we are subject to the risk that such suppliers will be unable to provide inventory at competitive prices. While we believe that, if such an event were to occur we would be able to find alternative sources of inventory at competitive prices, we cannot assure you that we would be able to do so. These exposures are directly related to our normal operating and funding activities. Historically, we have not used derivative instruments or engaged in hedging activities to minimize our market risk.

#### Interest Rate Risk

In June 2003, we issued convertible senior notes payable of \$98.0 million with a fixed interest rate of 4.625% per annum, which remain outstanding as of March 31, 2009. Accordingly, we are not generally subject to any direct risk of loss arising from changes in interest rates.

#### Foreign Currency Risk

We have wholly-owned subsidiaries in Hong Kong and China. Sales made by the Hong Kong subsidiaries are denominated in U.S. dollars. However, purchases of inventory are typically denominated in Hong Kong dollars and local operating expenses are denominated in the local currency of the subsidiary, thereby creating exposure to changes in exchange rates. Changes in the local currency/U.S. dollar exchange rates may positively or negatively affect our operating results. We do not believe that near-term changes in these exchange rates, if any, will result in a material effect on our future earnings, fair values or cash flows, and therefore, we have chosen not to enter into foreign currency hedging transactions. We cannot assure you that this approach will be successful, especially in the event of a significant and sudden change in the value of the Hong Kong dollar or Chinese Yuan relative to the U.S. dollar.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, after evaluating the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Report, have concluded that as of that date, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective. There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation required by Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(d) that occurred during the period covered by this Report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

PART II  
OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

On October 19, 2004, we were named as defendants in a lawsuit commenced by WWE in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York concerning our toy licenses with WWE and the video game license between WWE and the joint venture company operated by THQ and us, encaptioned World Wrestling Entertainment, Inc. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc., et al., 1:04-CV-08223-KMK (the "WWE Action"). The complaint also named as defendants THQ, the joint venture, certain of our foreign subsidiaries, Jack Friedman (our Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officer), Stephen Berman (our Co-Chief Executive Officer, President and Secretary and a member of our Board of Directors), Joel Bennett (our Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer), Stanley Shenker and Associates, Inc., Bell Licensing, LLC, Stanley Shenker and James Bell.

WWE sought treble, punitive and other damages (including disgorgement of profits) in an undisclosed amount and a declaration that the video game license with the joint venture, which is scheduled to expire in 2009 (subject to the joint venture's right to extend that license for an additional five years), and an amendment to our toy licenses with WWE, which are scheduled to expire in 2009, are void and unenforceable. This action alleged violations by the defendants of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act ("RICO") and the anti-bribery provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act, and various claims under state law.

On February 16, 2005, we filed a motion to dismiss the WWE Action. On March 30, 2005, the day before WWE's opposition to our motion was due, WWE filed an Amended Complaint seeking, among other things, to add the Chief Executive Officer of THQ as a defendant and to add a claim under the Sherman Act. The Court allowed the filing of the Amended Complaint and ordered a two-stage resolution of the viability of the Complaint, with motions to dismiss the federal jurisdiction claims based on certain threshold issues to proceed and all other matters to be deferred for consideration if the Complaint survived scrutiny with respect to the threshold issues. The Court also stayed discovery pending the determination of the motions to dismiss.

The motions to dismiss the Amended Complaint based on these threshold issues were fully briefed and argued and, on March 31, 2006, the Court granted the part of our motion seeking dismissal of the Robinson-Patman Act and Sherman Act claims and denied the part of our motion seeking to dismiss the RICO claims on the basis of the threshold issue that was briefed (the "March 31 Order").

On April 7, 2006, we sought certification to appeal from the portion of the March 31 Order denying our motion to dismiss the RICO claim on the one ground that was briefed. Shortly thereafter, WWE filed a motion for reargument with respect to the portion of the March 31 Order that dismissed the Sherman Act claim and, alternatively, sought judgment with respect to the Sherman Act claim so that it could pursue an immediate appeal. At a court conference on April 26, 2006 the Court deferred the requests for judgment and for certification and set up briefing schedules with respect to our motion to dismiss the RICO claim on grounds that were not the subject of the first round of briefing, and our motion to dismiss the action based on the release contained in a January 15, 2004 Settlement Agreement and General Release between WWE and the Company (the "Release"). The Court also established a briefing schedule for WWE's motion for reargument of the dismissal of the Sherman Act claim. These motions were argued and submitted in September 2006. Discovery remained stayed.

On November 30, 2007, the Court indicated that the WWE Action would be dismissed. On December 21, 2007 the Court dismissed the WWE Action with prejudice (the "December 2007 Order") based on (1) the failure to plead RICO injury; (2) the bar of the RICO statute of limitations; (3) the denial of WWE's motion for reconsideration of the Sherman Act claim; and (4) the lack of subject matter jurisdiction with respect to the pendent state law claims.



Thereafter, WWE filed an appeal to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals. We filed a motion for reconsideration of the part of the December 2007 Order that stated that the Release did not bar the WWE Action. That motion was fully briefed and submitted to the Court. In September 2008, the Court granted the motion and held that the applicability of a January 2004 release executed by WWE in favor of the Company would not be determined in connection with the motion to dismiss the action. We also filed a cross-appeal based on the Court's earlier order denying our request to dismiss based on the lack of a cognizable enterprise and based on the December 2007 Order's statement with respect to the Release. WWE moved to dismiss our cross-appeal. It has been withdrawn without prejudice to our right to argue these issues as grounds for affirmance of the December 2007 Order. The appeal briefing was completed and argument was held on May 6, 2009, with the matter taken under submission.

In November 2004, several purported class action lawsuits were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York: (1) Garcia v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8807 (filed on November 5, 2004), (2) Jonco Investors, LLC v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-9021 (filed on November 16, 2004), (3) Kahn v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8910 (filed on November 10, 2004), (4) Quantum Equities L.L.C. v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-8877 (filed on November 9, 2004), and (5) Irvine v. JAKKS Pacific, Inc. et al., Civil Action No. 04-9078 (filed on November 16, 2004) (the "Class Actions"). The complaints in the Class Actions alleged that defendants issued positive statements concerning increasing sales of our WWE licensed products which were false and misleading because the WWE licenses had allegedly been obtained through a pattern of commercial bribery, our relationship with the WWE was being negatively impacted by the WWE's contentions and there was an increased risk that the WWE would either seek modification or nullification of the licensing agreements with us. Plaintiffs also alleged that we misleadingly failed to disclose the alleged fact that the WWE licenses were obtained through an unlawful bribery scheme. The plaintiffs in the Class Actions were described as purchasers of our common stock, who purchased from as early as October 26, 1999 to as late as October 19, 2004. The Class Actions sought compensatory and other damages in an undisclosed amount, alleging violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by each of the defendants (namely the Company and Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett), and violations of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act by Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett. On January 25, 2005, the Court consolidated the Class Actions under the caption In re JAKKS Pacific, Inc. Shareholders Class Action Litigation, Civil Action No. 04-8807. On May 11, 2005, the Court appointed co-lead counsels and provided until July 11, 2005 for an amended complaint to be filed; and a briefing schedule thereafter with respect to a motion to dismiss. The motion to dismiss was fully briefed and argument occurred on November 30, 2006. The motion was granted in January 2008 to the extent that the Class Actions were dismissed without prejudice to plaintiffs' right to seek leave to file an amended complaint based on statements that the WWE licenses were obtained from the WWE as a result of the long-term relationship with WWE. A motion seeking leave to file an amended complaint was granted and an amended complaint filed. Briefing was completed with respect to a motion to dismiss that was scheduled for argument in October 2008. The Court adjourned the argument date. The parties have notified the Court that an agreement in principle to resolve this action has been reached. The agreement, which is subject to agreement on documentation and Court approval, will settle the matter for \$3.9 million, without any admission of liability on the part of the Company, or its officers and directors.

We believe that the claims in the WWE Action are without merit and we intend to continue to defend vigorously against the WWE Action. However, because the WWE Action is on appeal, we cannot assure you as to the outcome of it, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses.

On December 2, 2004, a shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by Freeport Partner, LLC against us, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett, Freeport Partners v. Friedman, et al., Civil Action No. 04-9441 (the "Derivative Action"). The Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to us by their actions and in particular to hold them liable on a contribution theory with respect to any liability we incur in connection with the Class Actions. On or about February 10, 2005, a second shareholder derivative action was filed in the Southern District of New York by David Oppenheim against us, nominally, and against Messrs. Friedman, Berman, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller and Skala, Civil Action 05-2046 (the "Second Derivative Action"). The Second Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for damages allegedly caused to us by their actions as a result of alleged breaches of their fiduciary duties. On or about March 16, 2005, a third shareholder derivative action was filed. It is captioned Warr v. Friedman, Berman, Bennett, Blatte, Glick, Miller, Skala, and JAKKS (as a nominal defendant), and it was filed in the Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (the "Third Derivative Action"). The Third Derivative Action seeks to hold the individual defendants liable for (1) damages allegedly caused to us by their alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, abuse of control, gross mismanagement, waste of corporate assets and unjust enrichment; and (2) restitution to us of profits, benefits and other compensation obtained by them. Stays/and or extensions of time to answer are in place with respect to the derivative actions. Agreement in principle to resolve the Derivative Actions has been reached, but it is subject

to agreement on documentation, Board approval and Court approval.

On March 1, 2005, we delivered a Notice of Breach of Settlement Agreement and Demand for Indemnification to WWE (the "Notification"). The Notification asserted that WWE's filing of the WWE Action violated a Covenant Not to Sue contained in a January 15, 2004 Settlement Agreement and General Release ("General Release") entered into between WWE and us and, therefore, that we were demanding indemnification, pursuant to the Indemnification provision contained in the General Release, for all losses that the WWE's actions have caused or will cause to us and our officers, including but not limited to any losses sustained by us in connection with the Class Actions. On March 4, 2005, in a letter from its outside counsel, WWE asserted that the General Release does not cover the claims in the WWE Action.

On March 30, 2006, WWE's counsel wrote a letter alleging breaches by the joint venture of the video game agreement relating to the manner of distribution and the payment of royalties to WWE with respect to sales of the WWE video games in Japan. WWE has demanded that the alleged breaches be cured within the time periods provided in the video game license, while reserving all of its rights, including its alleged right of termination of the video game license.

On April 28, 2006 the joint venture responded, asserting, among other things, that WWE had acquiesced in the manner of distribution in Japan and the payment of royalties with respect to such sales and, in addition, had separately released the joint venture from any claims with respect to such matter, including the payment of royalties with respect to such sales, and that there is therefore no basis for an allegation of a breach of the license agreement. While the joint venture does not believe that WWE has a valid claim, it tendered a protective "cure" of the alleged breaches with a full reservation of rights. WWE "rejected" that cure and reserved its rights.

On October 12, 2006, WWE commenced a lawsuit in Connecticut state court against THQ and THQ/JAKKS Pacific LLC (the "LLC"), involving a claim set forth above concerning allegedly improper sales of WWE video games in Japan and other countries in Asia (the "Connecticut Action"). The lawsuit seeks, among other things, a declaration that WWE is entitled to terminate the video game license and monetary damages and raised Connecticut Unfair Trade Practices Act ("CUTPA") and contract claims against THQ and the LLC. A motion to strike the CUTPA claim was denied in May 2007. Cross-motions for summary judgment were filed, certain discovery has been provided for by Court Order and the briefing will be completed in August 2009, followed by oral argument at a time thereafter.

In March 2007, WWE filed a motion seeking leave to amend its complaint in the Connecticut Action to add the principal part of the state law claims present in the WWE Action to the Connecticut Action. That motion further sought, inter alia, to add our Company and Messrs. Friedman, Berman and Bennett (the "Individual Defendants") as defendants in the Connecticut Action. The motion was argued on May 8, 2007 and was granted from the bench, subject to a decision that the schedule was suspended and no discovery matters would be addressed until pleading motions were resolved. In June 2007, our Company and the Individual Defendants moved for a stay of the Connecticut Action, inter alia, based on the pendency of the WWE Action. On July 30, 2007, in light of the pending motion to dismiss in the WWE Action, the Court ordered a 120-day stay of the Connecticut Action (the "Stay"). In November 2007 we moved for a continuation of the Stay. WWE served discovery and sought leave to file an amended complaint alleging the state law claims from the WWE Action. Thereafter we moved for a conference and a stay of discovery. A conference was held on January 14, 2008 at which WWE was allowed to amend its complaint to assert the state law claims set forth in the WWE Action and a briefing schedule was established with respect to a combined motion to strike and a motion for summary judgment (the "Dispositive Motion"). This motion was briefed and argument was held on May 19, 2008. WWE cross-moved for partial summary judgment striking our Release defense. In August 2008, the Dispositive Motion was granted. WWE filed a motion for reargument which was denied. Thereafter, WWE filed an appeal and a scheduling conference will be held in May 2009. In July 2008, THQ filed a cross-complaint which asserts claims by THQ and Mr. Farrell for indemnification from the Company in the event that WWE prevails on any of its claims against THQ and Farrell and also asserts claims by THQ that the Company breached its fiduciary duties to THQ in connection with the videogame license between WWE and THQ/JAKKS Pacific LLC and seeks equitable and legal relief, including substantial monetary and exemplary damages against the Company in connection with this claim. The Company requested that THQ revise its claims and THQ objected to this request. This matter has not yet been resolved. The Company has moved to sever and stay the cross-claims pending WWE's appeal of its dismissed claims to which the cross-claims relate. That motion has been fully briefed. The Company intends to contest all of these claims vigorously.

We believe that the claims in the Connecticut Action are without merit and we intend to defend vigorously against them. However, because this action is subject to appeal, we cannot assure you as to the outcome of the action, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses. THQ and the LLC have stated that they believe the claims in the Connecticut Action prior to the additional claims in the amended complaint are without merit and have filed an opposition to WWE's motion for partial summary judgment and filed a motion for summary judgment dismissing the remaining claims in the Connecticut Action as a matter of law on multiple grounds and they intend to continue to defend themselves vigorously. In connection with the above cross-motions for summary judgment, certain discovery has been provided for by Court Order and the briefing will be completed in July 2009, followed by oral argument at a later date. However, because this action is in its preliminary stage, we cannot assure you as to the outcome, nor can we estimate the range of our potential losses, if any.

Our agreement with THQ provides for payment of a preferred return to us in connection with our joint venture. The preferred return is subject to change after June 30, 2006 and is to be set for the distribution period beginning July 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2009 (the "Next Distribution Period"). The agreement provides that the parties will negotiate in good faith and agree to the preferred return not less than 180 days prior to the start of the Next Distribution Period. It further provides that if the parties are unable to agree on a preferred return, the preferred return will be determined by arbitration. The parties have not reached an agreement with respect to the preferred return for

the Next Distribution Period and the preferred return is being determined through arbitration. JAKKS seeks to retain the same rates as set forth under the original joint venture agreement while THQ seeks to pay a substantially lower rate. The parties agreed on an arbitrator, the baseball-style arbitration has been conducted and the parties are now awaiting decision.

All matters in connection with the application by Jax, Ltd. for registration of the trademark JAX with respect to "board games" in class 28 with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO"), and the Jax, Ltd. counterclaim seeking cancellation of the Company's registration for the mark JAKKS PACIFIC have been dismissed with prejudice.

We are a party to, and certain of our property is the subject of, various other pending claims and legal proceedings that routinely arise in the ordinary course of our business, but we do not believe that any of these claims or proceedings will have a material effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

From time to time, including in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, we publish forward-looking statements, as disclosed in our Disclosure Regarding Forward-Looking Statements beginning immediately following the Table of Contents of this Report. We note that a variety of factors could cause our actual results and experience to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed or anticipated in our forward-looking statements. The factors listed below are illustrative of the risks and uncertainties that may arise and that may be detailed from time to time in our public announcements and our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, such as on Forms 8-K, 10-Q and 10-K. We undertake no obligation to make any revisions to the forward-looking statements contained in this Report to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of the filing of this report.

The outcome of litigation in which we have been named as a defendant is unpredictable and a materially adverse decision in any such matter could have a material adverse affect on our financial position and results of operations.

We are defendants in litigation matters, as described under “Legal Proceedings” in our periodic reports filed pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including the lawsuit commenced by WWE and the purported securities class action and derivative action claims stemming from the WWE lawsuit (see “Legal Proceedings”). These claims may divert financial and management resources that would otherwise be used to benefit our operations. Although we believe that we have meritorious defenses to the claims made in each and all of the litigation matters to which we have been named a party, and intend to contest each lawsuit vigorously, no assurances can be given that the results of these matters will be favorable to us. A materially adverse resolution of any of these lawsuits could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations.

Our inability to redesign, restyle and extend our existing core products and product lines as consumer preferences evolve, and to develop, introduce and gain customer acceptance of new products and product lines, may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our business and operating results depend largely upon the appeal of our products. Our continued success in the toy industry will depend on our ability to redesign, restyle and extend our existing core products and product lines as consumer preferences evolve, and to develop, introduce and gain customer acceptance of new products and product lines. Several trends in recent years have presented challenges for the toy industry, including:

- Age Compression: The phenomenon of children outgrowing toys at younger ages, particularly in favor of interactive and high technology products;
- Increasing use of technology;
- Shorter life cycles for individual products; and
- Higher consumer expectations for product quality, functionality and value.

We cannot assure you that:

- our current products will continue to be popular with consumers;
- the product lines or products that we introduce will achieve any significant degree of market acceptance; or
- the life cycles of our products will be sufficient to permit us to recover licensing, design, manufacturing, marketing and other costs associated with those products.

Our failure to achieve any or all of the foregoing benchmarks may cause the infrastructure of our operations to fail, thereby adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The failure of our character-related and theme-related products to become and/or remain popular with children may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The success of many of our character-related and theme-related products depends on the popularity of characters in movies, television programs, live wrestling exhibitions, auto racing events and other media. We cannot assure you that:

- media associated with our character-related and theme-related product lines will be released at the times we expect or will be successful;
- the success of media associated with our existing character-related and theme-related product lines will result in substantial promotional value to our products;
  - we will be successful in renewing licenses upon expiration on terms that are favorable to us; or
- we will be successful in obtaining licenses to produce new character-related and theme-related products in the future.

Our failure to achieve any or all of the foregoing benchmarks may cause the infrastructure of our operations to fail, thereby adversely affecting our business, financial condition and results of operations.

There are risks associated with our license agreements.

- Our current licenses require us to pay minimum royalties

Sales of products under trademarks or trade or brand names licensed from others account for substantially all of our net sales. Product licenses allow us to capitalize on characters, designs, concepts and inventions owned by others or developed by toy inventors and designers. Our license agreements generally require us to make specified minimum royalty payments, even if we fail to sell a sufficient number of units to cover these amounts. In addition, under certain of our license agreements, if we fail to achieve certain prescribed sales targets, we may be unable to retain or renew these licenses.

- Some of our licenses are restricted as to use

Under the majority of our license agreements the licensors have the right to review and approve our use of their licensed products, designs or materials before we may make any sales. If a licensor refuses to permit our use of any licensed property in the way we propose, or if their review process is delayed, our development or sale of new products could be impeded.

- New licenses are difficult and expensive to obtain

Our continued success will depend substantially on our ability to obtain additional licenses. Intensive competition exists for desirable licenses in our industry. We cannot assure you that we will be able to secure or renew significant licenses on terms acceptable to us. In addition, as we add licenses, the need to fund additional royalty advances and guaranteed minimum royalty payments may strain our cash resources.

- A limited number of licensors account for a large portion of our net sales

We derive a significant portion of our net sales from a limited number of licensors. If one or more of these licensors were to terminate or fail to renew our license or not grant us new licenses, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

The toy industry is highly competitive and our inability to compete effectively may materially and adversely impact our business, financial condition and results of operations.



The toy industry is highly competitive. Globally, certain of our competitors have financial and strategic advantages over us, including:

- greater financial resources;
- larger sales, marketing and product development departments;
- stronger name recognition;
- longer operating histories; and
- greater economies of scale.

In addition, the toy industry has no significant barriers to entry. Competition is based primarily on the ability to design and develop new toys, to procure licenses for popular characters and trademarks and to successfully market products. Many of our competitors offer similar products or alternatives to our products. Our competitors have obtained and are likely to continue to obtain licenses that overlap our licenses with respect to products, geographic areas and markets. We cannot assure you that we will be able to obtain adequate shelf space in retail stores to support our existing products or to expand our products and product lines or that we will be able to continue to compete effectively against current and future competitors.

An adverse outcome in the litigation commenced against us and against our video game joint venture with THQ by WWE, or a decline in the popularity of WWE, could adversely impact our interest in that joint venture.

The joint venture with THQ depends entirely on a single license, which gives the venture exclusive worldwide rights to produce and market video games based on World Wrestling Entertainment characters and themes. An adverse outcome against us, THQ or the joint venture in the lawsuit commenced by WWE, or an adverse outcome against THQ or the joint venture in the lawsuit commenced by WWE against THQ and the joint venture (see the first Risk Factor, above, and "Legal Proceedings"), would adversely impact our rights under the joint venture's single license, which would adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operation.

Furthermore, the popularity of professional wrestling, in general, and World Wrestling Entertainment, in particular, is subject to changing consumer tastes and demands. The relative popularity of professional wrestling has fluctuated significantly in recent years. A decline in the popularity of World Wrestling Entertainment could adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The termination of THQ's manufacturing licenses and the inability of the joint venture to otherwise obtain these licenses from other manufacturers would materially adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The joint venture relies on hardware manufacturers and THQ's non-exclusive licenses with them for the right to publish titles for their platforms and for the manufacture of the joint venture's titles. If THQ's manufacturing licenses were to terminate and the joint venture could not otherwise obtain these licenses from other manufacturers, the joint venture would be unable to publish additional titles for these manufacturers' platforms, which would materially adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

The failure of the joint venture or THQ to perform as anticipated could have a material adverse effect on our financial position and results of operations.

The joint venture's failure to timely develop titles for new platforms that achieve significant market acceptance, to maintain net sales that are commensurate with product development costs or to maintain compatibility between its personal computer CD-ROM titles and the related hardware and operating systems would adversely affect the joint venture's and our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Furthermore, THQ controls day-to-day operations of the joint venture and all of its product development and production operations. Accordingly, the joint venture relies exclusively on THQ to manage these operations effectively. THQ's failure to effectively manage the joint venture would have a material adverse effect on the joint venture's and our business and results of operations. We are also dependent upon THQ's ability to manage cash flows of the joint venture. If THQ is required to retain cash for operations, or because of statutory or contractual restrictions, we may not receive cash payments for our share of profits, on a timely basis, or at all.

The amount of preferred return that we now receive from the joint venture is subject to change, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

The joint venture agreement provides for us to have received guaranteed preferred returns through June 30, 2006 at varying rates of the joint venture's net sales depending on the cumulative unit sales and platform of each particular game. The preferred return was subject to change after June 30, 2006 and was to be set for the distribution period beginning July 1, 2006 and ending December 31, 2009 (the "Next Distribution Period"). The agreement provides that the parties will negotiate in good faith and agree to the preferred return not less than 180 days prior to the start of the Next Distribution Period. It further provides that if the parties are unable to agree on a preferred return, the preferred return will be determined by arbitration. Since the parties have not reached an agreement with respect to the preferred return for the Next Distribution Period, the preferred return for the Next Distribution Period is to be determined through arbitration. The preferred return is accrued in the quarter in which the licensed games are sold and the preferred return is earned. Based on the same rates as set forth under the original joint venture agreement, an estimated receivable of \$56.2 million for the cumulative preferred return for the period from July 1, 2006 to March 31, 2009, has been accrued as of March 31, 2009, pending the resolution of this outstanding issue.

Any adverse change to the preferred return for the next distribution period as well as the ongoing performance of the joint venture may result in our experiencing reduced net income, which would adversely affect our results of operations.

We may not be able to sustain or manage our rapid growth, which may prevent us from continuing to increase our net revenues.

We have experienced rapid growth in our product lines resulting in higher net sales over the last six years, which was achieved through acquisitions of businesses, products and licenses. For example, revenues associated with companies we acquired since 2006 were approximately \$10.5 million and \$9.6 million, for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the three months ended March 31, 2009, respectively, representing 1.2% and 8.8% of our total revenues for those periods. As a result, comparing our period-to-period operating results may not be meaningful and results of operations from prior periods may not be indicative of future results. We cannot assure you that we will continue to experience growth in, or maintain our present level of, net sales.

Our growth strategy calls for us to continuously develop and diversify our toy business by acquiring other companies, entering into additional license agreements, refining our product lines and expanding into international markets, which will place additional demands on our management, operational capacity and financial resources and systems. The increased demand on management may necessitate our recruitment and retention of qualified management personnel. We cannot assure you that we will be able to recruit and retain qualified personnel or expand and manage our operations effectively and profitably. To effectively manage future growth, we must continue to expand our operational, financial and management information systems and to train, motivate and manage our work force. There can be no assurance that our operational, financial and management information systems will be adequate to support our future operations. Failure to expand our operational, financial and management information systems or to train, motivate or manage employees could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

In addition, implementation of our growth strategy is subject to risks beyond our control, including competition, market acceptance of new products, changes in economic conditions, our ability to obtain or renew licenses on commercially reasonable terms and our ability to finance increased levels of accounts receivable and inventory necessary to support our sales growth, if any. Accordingly, we cannot assure you that our growth strategy will continue to be implemented successfully.

If we are unable to acquire and integrate companies and new product lines successfully, we will be unable to implement a significant component of our growth strategy.

Our growth strategy depends in part upon our ability to acquire companies and new product lines. Revenues associated with our acquisitions since 2006 represented approximately 1.2% and 8.8% of our total revenues for the year ended December 31, 2008 and the three months ended March 31, 2009, respectively. Future acquisitions will succeed only if we can effectively assess characteristics of potential target companies and product lines, such as:

- attractiveness of products;
- suitability of distribution channels;
- management ability;
- financial condition and results of operations; and

- the degree to which acquired operations can be integrated with our operations.

We cannot assure you that we can identify attractive acquisition candidates or negotiate acceptable acquisition terms, and our failure to do so may adversely affect our results of operations and our ability to sustain growth. Our acquisition strategy involves a number of risks, each of which could adversely affect our operating results, including:

- difficulties in integrating acquired businesses or product lines, assimilating new facilities and personnel and harmonizing diverse business strategies and methods of operation;
  - diversion of management attention from operation of our existing business;
  - loss of key personnel from acquired companies; and
  - failure of an acquired business to achieve targeted financial results.

A limited number of customers account for a large portion of our net sales, so that if one or more of our major customers were to experience difficulties in fulfilling their obligations to us, cease doing business with us, significantly reduce the amount of their purchases from us or return substantial amounts of our products, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our three largest customers accounted for 57.4% and 56.5% of our net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2009 and the year ended December 31, 2008, respectively. Except for outstanding purchase orders for specific products, we do not have written contracts with or commitments from any of our customers. A substantial reduction in or termination of orders from any of our largest customers could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, pressure by large customers seeking price reductions, financial incentives, changes in other terms of sale or for us to bear the risks and the cost of carrying inventory also could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. If one or more of our major customers were to experience difficulties in fulfilling their obligations to us, cease doing business with us, significantly reduce the amount of their purchases from us or return substantial amounts of our products, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, the bankruptcy or other lack of success of one or more of our significant retailers could negatively impact our revenues and bad debt expense.

We depend on our key personnel and any loss or interruption of either of their services could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our success is largely dependent upon the experience and continued services of Jack Friedman, our Chairman and Co-Chief Executive Officer, and Stephen G. Berman, our President and Co-Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer. We cannot assure you that we would be able to find an appropriate replacement for Mr. Friedman or Mr. Berman if the need should arise, and any loss or interruption of Mr. Friedman's or Mr. Berman's services could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We depend on third-party manufacturers, and if our relationship with any of them is harmed or if they independently encounter difficulties in their manufacturing processes, we could experience product defects, production delays, cost overruns or the inability to fulfill orders on a timely basis, any of which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We depend on many third-party manufacturers who develop, provide and use the tools, dies and molds that we own to manufacture our products. However, we have limited control over the manufacturing processes themselves. As a result, any difficulties encountered by the third-party manufacturers that result in product defects, production delays, cost overruns or the inability to fulfill orders on a timely basis could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We do not have long-term contracts with our third-party manufacturers. Although we believe we could secure other third-party manufacturers to produce our products, our operations would be adversely affected if we lost our relationship with any of our current suppliers or if our current suppliers' operations or sea or air transportation with our overseas manufacturers were disrupted or terminated even for a relatively short period of time. Our tools, dies and molds are located at the facilities of our third-party manufacturers.

Although we do not purchase the raw materials used to manufacture our products, we are potentially subject to variations in the prices we pay our third-party manufacturers for products, depending on what they pay for their raw materials.



We have substantial sales and manufacturing operations outside of the United States subjecting us to risks common to international operations.

We sell products and operate facilities in numerous countries outside the United States. For the three months ended March 31, 2009 and the year ended December 31, 2008 sales to our international customers comprised approximately 17.1% and 17.9%, respectively, of our net sales. We expect our sales to international customers to account for a greater portion of our revenues in future fiscal periods. Additionally, we utilize third-party manufacturers located principally in China which are subject to the risks normally associated with international operations, including:

- currency conversion risks and currency fluctuations;
- limitations, including taxes, on the repatriation of earnings;
- political instability, civil unrest and economic instability;
- greater difficulty enforcing intellectual property rights and weaker laws protecting such rights;
- complications in complying with laws in varying jurisdictions and changes in governmental policies;
  - greater difficulty and expenses associated with recovering from natural disasters;
    - transportation delays and interruptions;
    - the potential imposition of tariffs; and
- the pricing of intercompany transactions may be challenged by taxing authorities in both Hong Kong and the United States, with potential increases in income taxes.

Our reliance on external sources of manufacturing can be shifted, over a period of time, to alternative sources of supply, should such changes be necessary. However, if we were prevented from obtaining products or components for a material portion of our product line due to medical, political, labor or other factors beyond our control, our operations would be disrupted while alternative sources of products were secured. Also, the imposition of trade sanctions by the United States against a class of products imported by us from, or the loss of “normal trade relations” status by China, could significantly increase our cost of products imported from that nation. Because of the importance of our international sales and international sourcing of manufacturing to our business, our financial condition and results of operations could be significantly and adversely affected if any of the risks described above were to occur.

Our business is subject to extensive government regulation and any violation by us of such regulations could result in product liability claims, loss of sales, diversion of resources, damage to our reputation, increased warranty costs or removal of our products from the market, and we cannot assure you that our product liability insurance for the foregoing will be sufficient.

Our business is subject to various laws, including the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Flammable Fabrics Act and the rules and regulations promulgated under these acts. These statutes are administered by the Consumer Products Safety Commission (“CPSC”), which has the authority to remove from the market products that are found to be defective and present a substantial hazard or risk of serious injury or death. The CPSC can require a manufacturer to recall, repair or replace these products under certain circumstances. We cannot assure you that defects in our products will not be alleged or found. Any such allegations or findings could result in:



- product liability claims;
- loss of sales;
- diversion of resources;
- damage to our reputation;
- increased warranty and insurance costs; and
- removal of our products from the market.

Any of these results may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations. There can be no assurance that our product liability insurance will be sufficient to avoid or limit our loss in the event of an adverse outcome of any product liability claim.

We depend on our proprietary rights and our inability to safeguard and maintain the same, or claims of third parties that we have violated their intellectual property rights, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We rely on trademark, copyright and trade secret protection, nondisclosure agreements and licensing arrangements to establish, protect and enforce our proprietary rights in our products. The laws of certain foreign countries may not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent or in the same manner as the laws of the United States. We cannot assure you that we or our licensors will be able to successfully safeguard and maintain our proprietary rights. Further, certain parties have commenced legal proceedings or made claims against us based on our alleged patent infringement, misappropriation of trade secrets or other violations of their intellectual property rights. We cannot assure you that other parties will not assert intellectual property claims against us in the future. These claims could divert our attention from operating our business or result in unanticipated legal and other costs, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Market conditions and other third-party conduct could negatively impact our margins and implementation of other business initiatives.

Economic conditions, such as rising fuel prices and decreased consumer confidence, may adversely impact our margins. In addition, general economic conditions were significantly and negatively affected by the September 11th terrorist attacks and could be similarly affected by any future attacks. Such a weakened economic and business climate, as well as consumer uncertainty created by such a climate, could adversely affect our sales and profitability. Other conditions, such as the unavailability of electronics components, may impede our ability to manufacture, source and ship new and continuing products on a timely basis. Significant and sustained increases in the price of oil could adversely impact the cost of the raw materials used in the manufacture of our products, such as plastic.

We may not have the funds necessary to purchase our outstanding convertible senior notes upon a fundamental change or other purchase date, as required by the indenture governing the notes.

On June 15, 2010, June 15, 2013 and June 15, 2018, holders of our convertible senior notes may require us to purchase their notes, which repurchase may be made for cash. In addition, holders may also require us to purchase their notes for cash upon the occurrence of certain fundamental changes in our board composition or ownership structure, if we liquidate or dissolve under certain circumstances or if our common stock ceases being quoted on an established over-the-counter trading market in the United States. If we do not have, or have access to, sufficient funds to repurchase the notes, then we could be forced into bankruptcy. In fact, we expect that we would require third-party financing, but we cannot assure you that we would be able to obtain that financing on favorable terms or at all.

We have a material amount of goodwill which, if it becomes impaired, would result in a reduction in our net income.

Goodwill is the amount by which the cost of an acquisition accounted for using the purchase method exceeds the fair value of the net assets we acquire. Current accounting standards require that goodwill no longer be amortized but instead be periodically evaluated for impairment based on the fair value of the reporting unit. As of March 31, 2009, we have not had any impairment of goodwill, which is reviewed on a quarterly basis and formally evaluated on an annual basis.

At March 31, 2009, approximately \$406.7 million, or 43.5%, of our total assets represented goodwill. Declines in our profitability or market capitalization may impact the fair value of our reporting units, which could result in a write-down of our goodwill. Reductions in our net income caused by the write-down of goodwill would adversely affect our results of operations.

Item 6. Exhibits

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3.2.1	By-Laws of the Company(2)
3.2.2	Amendment to By-Laws of the Company(3)
4.1	Indenture, dated as of June 9, 2003, by and between the Registrant and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.(4)
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(5) Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

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

JAKKS PACIFIC, INC.

Date: May 11, 2009

By:

/s/ JOEL M. BENNETT

Joel M. Bennett

Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

(Duly Authorized Officer and Principal

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