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Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

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

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

Commission file number 001-14124

MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

62-1566286  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

8503 Hilltop Drive  
Ooltewah, Tennessee  
(Address of principal executive offices)

37363  
(Zip Code)

(423) 238-4171  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(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 during

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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 the 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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

The number of shares outstanding of the registrant's common stock, par value \$.01 per share, as of October 30, 2009 was 11,608,690.

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## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this Form 10-Q, including but not limited to statements made in Part I, Item 2—“Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” may be deemed to be forward-looking statements, as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “could,” “continue,” “future,” “potential,” “b,” “project,” “plan,” “intend,” “seek,” “estimate,” “predict,” “expect,” “anticipate” and similar expressions, or the negative of such or other comparable terminology. Forward-looking statements also include the assumptions underlying or relating to any of the foregoing statements. Such forward-looking statements are made based on our management’s beliefs as

well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, our management. Our actual results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements due to, among other things: economic and market conditions; the risks related to the general economic health of our customers; our customers' access to capital and credit to fund purchases, including the ability of our customers to secure floor plan financing; the success and timing of existing and additional export and governmental orders; the cyclical nature of our industry; changes in fuel and other transportation costs; our dependence on outside suppliers of raw materials; changes in the cost of aluminum, steel and related raw materials; and those other risks referenced herein, including those risks referred to in Part II, Item 1A—"Risk Factors" and those risks discussed in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including those risks discussed under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal 2008, which discussion is incorporated herein by this reference. Such factors are not exclusive. We do not undertake to update any forward-looking statement that may be made from time to time by, or on behalf of, our company.

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands, except share data)

	September 30, 2009 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2008
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and temporary investments	\$ 38,212	\$ 19,445
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1,955 and \$1,881 at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively	40,473	52,424
Inventories	35,676	43,107
Prepaid expenses and other	2,183	1,840
Current deferred income taxes	2,436	2,440
Total current assets	118,980	119,256
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT, net	32,875	34,757
GOODWILL	11,619	11,619
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	7,686	8,542
OTHER ASSETS	63	107
	\$ 171,223	\$ 174,281
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Current portion of long-term obligations	\$ 234	\$ 1,849
Accounts payable	20,934	26,710
Accrued liabilities and other	11,611	11,333
Total current liabilities	32,779	39,892
LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS, less current portion	74	2,417
<b>COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Notes 5 and 7)</b>		
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized, none issued or outstanding	-	-
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 11,608,610 and 11,593,798 outstanding at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively	116	116
Additional paid-in capital	161,294	160,919
Accumulated deficit	(24,623 )	(28,622 )
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	1,583	(441 )
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 138,370	\$ 131,972
	\$ 171,223	\$ 174,281

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



**MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

(In thousands, except per share data)  
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
NET SALES	\$57,547	\$66,735	\$170,558	\$209,071
<b>COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>				
Costs of operations	48,695	58,608	145,238	184,355
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,954	6,366	18,209	19,079
Interest expense, net	234	254	794	1,046
Other (income) expense	(83 )	36	(367 )	(47 )
Total costs and expenses	54,800	65,264	163,874	204,433
<b>INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES</b>	<b>2,747</b>	<b>1,471</b>	<b>6,684</b>	<b>4,638</b>
<b>INCOME TAX PROVISION</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>2,685</b>	<b>1,748</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$1,700</b>	<b>\$917</b>	<b>\$3,999</b>	<b>\$2,890</b>
<b>BASIC INCOME PER COMMON SHARE</b>	<b>\$0.15</b>	<b>\$0.08</b>	<b>\$0.34</b>	<b>\$0.25</b>
<b>DILUTED INCOME PER COMMON SHARE</b>	<b>\$0.14</b>	<b>\$0.08</b>	<b>\$0.34</b>	<b>\$0.25</b>
<b>WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING:</b>				
Basic	11,608	11,594	11,604	11,592
Diluted	11,971	11,601	11,842	11,618

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)  
(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$3,999	\$2,890
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	2,642	2,635
Amortization of deferred financing costs	35	71
Provision for doubtful accounts	508	135
Loss on disposal of equipment	17	-
Stock-based compensation	299	77
Issuance of non-employee director shares	75	75
Deferred income tax provision	869	301
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	11,906	9,303
Inventories	9,004	(6,120 )
Prepaid expenses and other	(320 )	(1,251 )
Accounts payable	(6,743 )	(5,807 )
Accrued liabilities and other	(160 )	660
Net cash flows from operating activities	22,131	2,969
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchases of property, plant, and equipment	(606 )	(4,495 )
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	1	2
Payments received on notes receivable	139	153
Net cash flows from investing activities	(466 )	(4,340 )
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Payments on long-term obligations	(4,018 )	(1,391 )
Borrowings under long-term obligations	44	150
Other	-	(1 )
Net cash flows from financing activities	(3,974 )	(1,242 )
<b>EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS</b>		
	1,076	(242 )
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>18,767</b>	<b>(2,855 )</b>
<b>CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, beginning of period</b>	<b>19,445</b>	<b>23,282</b>
<b>CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, end of period</b>	<b>\$38,212</b>	<b>\$20,427</b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:</b>		
Cash payments for interest	\$939	\$1,481
Cash payments for income taxes, net of refunds	\$2,348	\$1,724

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.





MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
(Unaudited)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The condensed consolidated financial statements of Miller Industries, Inc. and subsidiaries (the “Company”) included herein have been prepared by the Company pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. Nevertheless, the Company believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the financial information presented not misleading. In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments, which are of a normal recurring nature, to present fairly the Company’s financial position, results of operations and cash flows at the dates and for the periods presented. Cost of goods sold for interim periods for certain entities is determined based on estimated gross profit rates. Interim results of operations are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for the fiscal year. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008. Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation, with no impact on previously reported shareholders’ equity. The Company has evaluated events and transactions occurring after September 30, 2009 through November 9, 2009, the filing date of this Form 10-Q.

2. BASIC AND DILUTED INCOME PER SHARE

Basic income per share is computed by dividing income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted income per share is calculated by dividing income by the weighted average number of common and potential dilutive common shares outstanding. Diluted income per share takes into consideration the assumed conversion of outstanding stock options resulting in approximately 363,000 and 7,000 potential dilutive common shares for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and 238,000 and 26,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008. Options to purchase approximately 5,000 and 6,000 shares, for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, which were outstanding during the period, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the effect would have been anti-dilutive. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, options to purchase approximately 124,000 and 6,000 shares, respectively, which were outstanding during the period, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the effect would have been anti-dilutive.

3. INVENTORIES

Inventory costs include materials, labor and factory overhead. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market (net realizable value), determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Appropriate consideration is given to obsolescence, valuation and other factors in determining net realizable value. Revisions of these estimates could result in the need for adjustments. Inventories, net of reserves, at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 consisted of the following (in thousands):

	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Chassis	\$ 4,940	\$ 6,493
Raw materials	14,392	17,203

Work in process	8,046	10,567
Finished goods	8,298	8,844
	\$ 35,676	\$ 43,107

## 4. GOODWILL AND LONG-LIVED ASSETS

The Company periodically reviews the carrying amount of its long-lived assets and goodwill to determine if those assets may be recoverable based upon the future operating cash flows expected to be generated by those assets. Management believes that its long-lived assets are appropriately valued.

## 5. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-term obligations consisted of the following at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008 (in thousands):

	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Outstanding borrowings under Senior Credit Facility	\$ -	\$ 2,100
Mortgage, equipment and other notes payable	308	2,166
	308	4,266
Less current portion	(234 )	(1,849 )
	\$ 74	\$ 2,417

Certain equipment and manufacturing facilities are pledged as collateral under the Company's mortgage and equipment notes payable.

In February 2009, approximately \$1.7 million of the Company's mortgage notes payable was repaid and the related obligation was terminated. In June 2009, the remaining \$1.5 million balance of the term loan portion of the Company's Senior Credit Facility was repaid in full.

Future maturities of long-term obligations at September 30, 2009 (which consist solely of equipment and other notes payable) are as follows (in thousands):

2010	\$234
2011	74
	\$308

## Credit Facility and Other Obligations

## Senior Credit Facility

The Company is party to a Credit Agreement (the "Senior Credit Agreement") with Wachovia Bank, National Association, for a \$27.0 million senior secured credit facility (the "Senior Credit Facility"). The Senior Credit Facility, as amended, consists of a \$20.0 million revolving credit facility (the "Revolver"), and a \$7.0 million term loan (the "Term Loan"). The Senior Credit Facility is secured by substantially all of the Company's assets, and contains customary representations and warranties, events of default and affirmative and negative covenants for secured facilities of this type. Covenants under the Senior Credit Facility restrict the payment of cash dividends if a default or event of default under the Senior Credit Agreement has occurred or would result from the dividends, or if the

Company would be in violation of the consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio test in the Senior Credit Agreement as a result of the dividends, among various other restrictions.

In the absence of a default, all borrowings under the Revolver and Term Loan bear interest at the LIBOR Market Index Rate plus a margin of between 0.75% to 1.50% per annum that is subject to adjustment from time to time based upon the Consolidated Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Senior Credit Agreement). The Revolver is scheduled to expire on June 17, 2010, and the Term Loan is scheduled to mature on June 15, 2010.

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the Company had no outstanding borrowings under the Revolver. In June 2009, the Company repaid all outstanding obligations under the Term Loan.

## Interest Rate Risk

Changes in interest rates affect the interest paid on indebtedness under the Senior Credit Facility because outstanding amounts of indebtedness under the Senior Credit Facility are subject to variable interest rates. Under the Senior Credit Facility, the non-default rate of interest is equal to the LIBOR Market Index Rate plus a margin of between 0.75% to 1.50% per annum (for a rate of interest of 0.99% at September 30, 2009). Because there were no amounts outstanding under the Senior Credit Facility, a one percent change in the interest rate on our variable-rate debt would not have a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows for the three-month period ended September 30, 2009.

## 6. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

Stock compensation expense for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 was \$100,000 and \$0, respectively, and \$299,000 and \$77,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and is included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statements of income. The Company did not issue any stock options during the nine months ended September 30, 2009. As of September 30, 2009, the Company had \$1,230,000 of unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options with \$100,000 to be expensed during the remainder of 2009, \$399,000 to be expensed in each of 2010 and 2011, and \$332,000 to be expensed in 2012. For additional disclosures related to the Company's stock-based compensation refer to Notes 2 and 5 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008.

## 7. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### Commitments

The Company has entered into arrangements with third-party lenders where it has agreed, in the event of default by a customer, to repurchase from the third-party lender Company products repossessed from the customer. These arrangements are typically subject to a maximum repurchase amount. The maximum amount of collateral that the Company could be required to purchase was approximately \$13.8 million at September 30, 2009, and \$21.7 million at December 31, 2008. However, the Company's risk under these arrangements is mitigated by the value of the products that would be repurchased as part of the transaction. The Company considered the fair value at inception of its liability under these arrangements and concluded that the liability associated with these potential repurchase obligations is not material.

### Contingencies

The Company is, from time to time, a party to litigation arising in the normal course of its business. Litigation is subject to various inherent uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters could be resolved unfavorably to the Company, which could result in substantial damages against the Company. The Company has established accruals for matters that are probable and reasonably estimable and maintains product liability and other insurance that management believes to be adequate. Management believes that any liability that may ultimately result from the resolution of these matters in excess of available insurance coverage and accruals will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Company.

## 8. INCOME TAXES

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the Company had no unrecognized income tax positions recorded. The Company does not expect its unrecognized tax positions to change significantly in the next twelve

months. If unrecognized tax positions existed, the interest and penalties related to the unrecognized tax positions would be recorded as income tax expense in the consolidated statement of operations.

The Company is subject to United States federal income taxes, as well as income taxes in various states and foreign jurisdictions. The Company's tax years 2006 through 2008 remain open to examination for U.S. Federal income taxes. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to state or non-U.S. income tax examinations prior to 2006.

## 9. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The Company had comprehensive income of \$1.9 million and a comprehensive loss of \$0.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$6.0 million and \$1.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Components of the Company's other comprehensive income consist primarily of foreign currency translation adjustments.

## 10. GEOGRAPHIC AND CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Net sales and long-lived assets (property, plant and equipment and goodwill and intangible assets) by region were as follows (revenue is attributed to regions based on the locations of customers) (in thousands):

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
Net Sales:				
North America	\$ 45,023	\$ 44,388	\$ 128,448	\$ 146,884
Foreign	12,524	22,347	42,110	62,187
	\$ 57,547	\$ 66,735	\$ 170,558	\$ 209,071

	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Long Lived Assets:		
North America	\$ 41,460	\$ 43,472
Foreign	3,034	2,904
	\$ 44,494	\$ 46,376

The Company's largest customer accounted for 19.8% of consolidated net sales for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 19.9% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, no single customer accounted for 10% or more of consolidated net sales. The Company's largest customer represented 19.9% and 11.5% of accounts receivable as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

## 11. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

Effective July 1, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB), codified accounting literature into a single source of authoritative accounting principles to be applied by nongovernmental entities in the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Since the codification did not change existing U.S. GAAP, it did not have an impact on the Company's results of operations or financial condition. All references to pre-codified GAAP have been removed from this Form 10-Q.

### Recently Adopted Standards

In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance under Accounting Standard Codification (ASC) 805, which requires the acquisition method of accounting to be applied for all business combinations. The guidance establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer: (i) recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree; (ii) recognizes



and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and (iii) determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. The impact of the Company's adoption of the guidance under ASC 805 as of January 1, 2009 was not material; but will impact any future business combinations of the Company.

In December 2007, the FASB issued authoritative guidance under ASC 810 requiring all entities to report minority interests in subsidiaries as equity in the consolidated financial statements, and requiring that transactions between entities and noncontrolling interests be treated as equity. The adoption of the guidance under ASC 810 as of January 1, 2009 did not have an effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted authoritative guidance under ASC 820. ASC 820 provides a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures regarding fair value measurements and the effect on earnings. The impact of the Company's adoption of the provisions of ASC 820 related to certain "nonfinancial" assets and liabilities as of January 1, 2009 was not material.

In March 2008, the FASB issued authoritative guidance under ASC 815 which requires expanded disclosure requirements about an entity's derivative instruments and hedging activities. The Company adopted this guidance as of January 1, 2009. The adoption of ASC 815 did not have an effect on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

In April 2008, the FASB issued authoritative guidance under ASC 350 and ASC 275 that amends the factors considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset. This guidance also enhances disclosures related to renewal and extension assumptions. The guidance is to be applied prospectively for any intangible assets acquired after December 31, 2008. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

In May 2009, the FASB issued authoritative guidance under ASC 855. This guidance incorporates into authoritative accounting literature certain guidance that already existed within generally accepted auditing standards, with the requirements concerning recognition and disclosure of subsequent events remaining essentially unchanged. This guidance addresses events which occur after the balance sheet date but before the issuance of financial statements. Under ASC 855, as under previous practice, an entity must record the effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the balance sheet date and must disclose but not record the effects of subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the balance sheet date. This standard added an additional required disclosure relative to the date through which subsequent events have been evaluated and whether that is the date on which the financial statements were issued. We have evaluated certain events and transactions occurring after September 30, 2009 and through November 9, 2009, the date of our Form 10-Q filing, and determined that none met the definition of a subsequent event for purposes of recognition or disclosure in our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the period ended September 30, 2009.

## ITEM 2.MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Executive Overview

Miller Industries, Inc. is the world's largest manufacturer of vehicle towing and recovery equipment, with domestic manufacturing subsidiaries in Tennessee and Pennsylvania, and foreign manufacturing subsidiaries in France and the United Kingdom. We offer a broad range of equipment to meet our customers' design, capacity and cost requirements under our Century®, Vulcan®, Challenger®, Holmes®, Champion®, Chevron™, Eagle®, Titan®, Jige™ and Boniface™ brand names. In this Item 2 – "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," the words "Miller Industries," "the Company," "we," "our," "ours" and "us" refer to Miller Industries, Inc. and its subsidiaries or any of them.

Our management focuses on a variety of key indicators to monitor our overall operating and financial performance. These indicators include measurements of revenue, operating income, gross margin, earnings per share,

capital expenditures and cash flow.

We derive revenues primarily from product sales made through our network of domestic and foreign independent distributors. Our revenues are sensitive to a variety of factors including general economic conditions as well as demand for, and price of, our products, our technological competitiveness, our reputation for providing quality products and reliable service, competition within our industry, and the cost of raw materials (including aluminum, steel and petroleum-related products).

Our industry is cyclical in nature and over the course of 2008 and 2009 the overall demand for our products and our resulting revenues continued to be negatively affected by:

wavering levels of consumer confidence;

volatility and disruption in domestic and international capital and credit markets and the resulting decrease in the availability of financing, including floor plan financing, for our customers and towing operators;

significant periodic increases in fuel and insurance costs and their negative effect on the ability of our customers to purchase towing and related equipment; and

the overall effects of the global economic downturn.

We remain concerned about the continuing effects of the economic downturn on the towing and recovery industry, and have taken specific steps to reduce our production levels and lower our costs in response to these uncertainties. These steps included reductions in production hours through reduced work weeks and furloughs at all U.S. facilities, headcount reductions for certain non-production personnel and salary reductions for most salaried personnel. In addition, we have reduced certain administrative expenses. We will continue to monitor our overall cost structure to ensure that it remains in line with business conditions.

In addition, we have been and will continue to be affected by changes in the prices that we pay for raw materials, particularly aluminum, steel, petroleum-related products and other raw materials, which represent a substantial part of our total costs of operations. Aluminum and steel prices were at historically high levels for the first three quarters of 2008, but moderated beginning in the fourth quarter of 2008 and continuing into 2009. In the past, as we have determined necessary, we have implemented price increases to offset these higher costs. We also developed alternatives to some of the components used in our production process that incorporate these raw materials, and our suppliers have implemented these alternatives in the production of our component parts. We continue to monitor raw material prices and availability in order to more favorably position the Company in this dynamic market.

Follow-on orders under our 2007 municipal and military contracts were minimal until the second half of 2008, when we began to secure additional export and governmental orders for which we now expect production to continue into the second half of 2010. Through these follow-on orders, which accounted for 19.9% of consolidated net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, along with continued performance in the government and international marketplace, we were able to somewhat offset lower demand from our core customers during the second half of 2008 and the first three quarters of 2009. We continue to work to fulfill these orders, and to secure additional export and governmental orders, but we cannot predict the success or timing of any such orders.

In 2009, we continued to repay principal under our senior credit facility, and in June 2009 repaid the remaining balance outstanding under the term loan portion of our senior credit facility. This level of debt represents a significant decrease in our overall indebtedness from prior periods.

In 2008, we completed our modernization and expansion projects at our manufacturing facilities in Hermitage, Pennsylvania, and Ooltewah, Tennessee. We believe these modernization and expansion efforts will position us to more effectively face the challenges of the global marketplace in the future.

## Critical Accounting Policies

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require us to make estimates. Certain accounting policies are deemed “critical,” as they require management’s highest degree of judgment, estimates and assumptions. A discussion of critical accounting policies, the judgments and uncertainties affecting their application and the likelihood that materially different amounts would be reported under different conditions or using different assumptions follows:

### Accounts receivable

We extend credit to customers in the normal course of business. Collections from customers are continuously monitored and an allowance for doubtful accounts is maintained based on historical experience and any specific customer collection issues. While such bad debt expenses have historically been within expectations and the allowance established, there can be no assurance that we will continue to experience the same credit loss rates as in the past.

### Inventory

Inventory costs include materials, labor and factory overhead. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market (net realizable value), determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Appropriate consideration is given to obsolescence, valuation and other factors in determining net realizable value. Revisions of these estimates could result in the need for adjustments.

### Valuation of long-lived assets and goodwill

Long-lived assets and goodwill are reviewed for impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of these assets may not be fully recoverable. When a determination has been made that the carrying amount of long-lived assets and goodwill may not be fully recovered, the amount of impairment is measured by comparing an asset’s estimated fair value to its carrying value. The determination of fair value is based on projected future cash flows discounted at a rate determined by management or, if available, independent appraisals or sales price negotiations. The estimation of fair value includes significant judgment regarding assumptions of revenue, operating costs, interest rates, property and equipment additions, and industry competition and general economic and business conditions among other factors. We believe that these estimates are reasonable, however, changes in any of these factors could affect these evaluations. Based on these estimations, we believe that our long-lived assets are appropriately valued.

### Warranty Reserves

We estimate expense for product warranty claims at the time products are sold. These estimates are established using historical information about the nature, frequency, and average cost of warranty claims. We review trends of warranty claims and take actions to improve product quality and minimize warranty claims. We believe the warranty reserve is adequate; however, actual claims incurred could differ from the original estimates, requiring adjustments to the accrual.

### Income taxes

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities based on differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax bases of assets and liabilities. We consider the need to record a valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. We consider tax loss carryforwards, reversal of

deferred tax liabilities, tax planning and estimates of future taxable income in assessing the need for a valuation allowance. If unrecognized tax positions exist, we record interest and penalties related to the unrecognized tax positions as income tax expense in our consolidated statement of operations.

#### Revenues

Under our accounting policies, revenues are recorded when risk of ownership has transferred to independent distributors or other customers, which generally occurs on shipment. From time to time, revenue is recognized under a bill and hold arrangement. While we manufacture only the bodies of wreckers, which are installed on truck chassis manufactured by third parties, we frequently purchase the truck chassis for resale to our customers. Sales of company-purchased truck chassis are included in net sales. Margins are substantially lower on completed recovery vehicles containing company-purchased chassis because the markup over the cost of the chassis is nominal.

## Foreign Currency Translation

The functional currency for our foreign operations is the applicable local currency. The translation from the applicable foreign currencies to U.S. dollars is performed for balance sheet accounts using current exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date, historical rates for equity and the weighted average exchange rate during the period for revenue and expense accounts. Foreign currency translation adjustments are included in shareholders' equity. Intercompany debt denominated in a currency other than the functional currency, is remeasured into the functional currency. Gains and losses resulting from foreign currency transactions are included in other income and expense in our consolidated statement of income.

## Results of Operations—Three Months Ended September 30, 2009 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2008

Net sales for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 13.8% to \$57.5 million from \$66.7 million for the comparable period in 2008. This decrease is attributable to decreased demand due to difficult economic conditions and limited customer access to capital and credit.

Costs of operations for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 16.9% to \$48.7 million from \$58.6 million for the comparable period in 2008, which was attributable to lower overall production levels, including labor hours worked, in connection with the economic conditions described above. Overall, costs of operations decreased as a percentage of sales from 87.8% to 84.6% primarily due to product mix as well as lower costs for raw materials including aluminum, steel and petroleum-related products.

Selling, general, and administrative expenses for the three months ended September 30, 2009 decreased to \$5.9 million from \$6.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2008. The decrease is attributable to cost reduction efforts as well as the impact of lower sales volume. As a percentage of sales, selling, general, and administrative expenses increased to 10.5% for the three months ended September 30, 2009 from 9.5% for the three months ended September 30, 2008 due to the fixed nature of many of these expenses being spread over a lower sales base.

Total interest expense decreased to \$0.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2009 from \$0.3 million for the comparable year-ago period. Decreases in interest expense were primarily due to lower debt levels, decreases in interest on chassis purchases together with interest on distributor floor plan financing.

Other income and expense relate to foreign currency transaction gains and losses. During the three months ended September 30, 2009, the gain was \$83,000 compared to a loss of \$36,000 for the prior year period.

The provision for income taxes for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 reflects a combined effective U.S. federal, state and foreign tax rate of 38.1% and 37.7%, respectively.

## Results of Operations—Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008

Net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 18.4% to \$170.6 million from \$209.0 million for the comparable period in 2008. This decrease is attributable to decreased demand due to difficult economic conditions and limited customer access to capital and credit.

Costs of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased 21.2% to \$145.2 million from \$184.4 million for the comparable period in 2008, which was attributable to lower overall production levels, including labor hours worked, in connection with the economic conditions described above. Overall, costs of operations decreased as

a percentage of sales from 88.2% to 85.2% primarily due to product mix as well as lower raw materials costs including aluminum, steel and other petroleum-related products.



Selling, general, and administrative expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 decreased to \$18.2 million from \$19.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. The decrease is attributable to cost reduction efforts, as well as the impact of lower sales volume. As a percentage of sales, selling, general, and administrative expenses increased to 10.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 from 9.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 due to the fixed nature of many of these expenses being spread over a lower sales base.

Total interest expense decreased to \$0.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 from \$1.0 million for the comparable year-ago period. Decreases in interest expense were primarily due to lower debt levels, decreases in interest on chassis purchases together with interest on distributor floor plan financing.

Other income and expense relate to foreign currency transaction gains and losses. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009, the gain was \$367,000 compared to a gain of \$47,000 for the prior year period.

The provision for income taxes for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 reflects a combined effective U.S. federal, state and foreign tax rate of 40.2% and 37.7%, respectively.

#### Liquidity and Capital Resources

Cash provided by operating activities was \$22.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$3.0 million for the comparable period in 2008. The cash provided by operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 reflects decreases in accounts receivable and inventory due to lower sales volume offset by decreases in accounts payable.

Cash used in investing activities was \$0.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$4.3 million for the comparable period in 2008. The cash used in investing activities was for the purchase of property, plant and equipment.

Cash used in financing activities was \$4.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, compared to \$1.2 million for the comparable period in 2008. The cash used in financing activities repaid the term loan under our senior credit facility, mortgage notes payable, and other outstanding long-term debt.

During 2008 and 2009, we generally have used available cash flow from operations to reduce the outstanding balance on our credit facility, pay down other long-term debt and pay for capital expenditures related to our recently completed plant modernization.

Our primary cash requirements include working capital, capital expenditures and interest and principal payments on indebtedness, if any, under our senior credit facility. We expect our primary sources of cash to be cash flow from operations, cash and cash equivalents on hand at September 30, 2009 and borrowings from unused availability under our senior credit facility. We expect these sources to be sufficient to satisfy our cash needs during 2009 and the next several years. However, our ability to satisfy our cash needs will substantially depend upon a number of factors, including our future operating performance, taking into account the economic and other factors discussed above and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report, as well as financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond our control.

The revolver under our senior secured credit facility is scheduled to expire on June 17, 2010, and the term loan is scheduled to mature on June 15, 2010. We intend to secure a new revolver prior to the expiration of the revolver under our senior secured credit facility but there can be no assurance that we will be able to do so on acceptable terms or at all.

## Credit Facilities and Other Obligations

### Senior Credit Facility

We are party to a Credit Agreement with Wachovia Bank, National Association for a \$27.0 million senior secured credit facility. The senior credit facility, as amended, consists of a \$20.0 million revolving credit facility, and a \$7.0 million term loan. The senior credit facility is secured by substantially all of our assets, and contains customary representations and warranties, events of default and affirmative and negative covenants for secured facilities of this type. Covenants under the senior credit facility restrict the payment of cash dividends if a default or event of default under the Credit Agreement has occurred or would result from the dividends or if the Company would be in violation of the consolidated fixed charge coverage ratio test in the Credit Agreement as a result of the dividends, among various other restrictions.

In the absence of a default, all borrowings under the revolver and term loan bear interest at the LIBOR Market Index Rate plus a margin of between 0.75% to 1.50% per annum that is subject to adjustment from time to time based upon the Consolidated Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Senior Credit Agreement). The revolver is scheduled to expire on June 17, 2010, and the term loan is scheduled to mature on June 15, 2010.

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, we had no outstanding borrowings under the revolving credit facility. In June 2009, we repaid the remaining outstanding balance under the term loan.

#### Other Long-Term Obligations

In February 2009, approximately \$1.7 million of mortgage notes payable was repaid and the related obligation was terminated. At September 30, 2009 we had approximately \$0.3 million of equipment notes payable and other long-term obligations. We also had approximately \$1.5 million in non-cancelable operating lease obligations.

### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

In the normal course of our business, we are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates that could impact our results of operations and financial position.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Changes in interest rates affect the interest paid on indebtedness under our senior credit facility because outstanding amounts of indebtedness under our senior credit facility are subject to variable interest rates. Under our senior credit facility, the non-default rate of interest is equal to the LIBOR Market Index Rate plus a margin of between 0.75% to 1.50% per annum (for a rate of interest of 0.99% at September 30, 2009). Because there were no amounts outstanding under the Senior Credit Facility, a one percent change in the interest rate on our variable-rate debt would not have materially impacted our financial position, results of operations or cash flows for the quarter ended September 30, 2009.

#### Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We are subject to risk arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates related to our international operations in Europe. We manage our exposure to our foreign currency exchange rate risk through our regular operating and financing activities, and not through the use of any financial or derivative instruments, forward contracts or hedging activities. Because we report in U.S. dollars on a consolidated basis, foreign currency exchange fluctuations could have a translation impact on our financial position. At September 30, 2009, we recognized a \$2.0 million increase in our foreign currency translation adjustment account compared with December 31, 2008 because of weakening of the U.S. dollar against certain foreign currencies. During the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, the impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes on our results of operations and cash flows was a gain of \$83,000 and a loss of \$36,000, respectively. The impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes on our results of operations and cash flows were gains of \$367,000 and \$47,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Co-Chief Executive Officers (Co-CEOs) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rules 13a14(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Based upon this evaluation, our Co-CEOs and CFO have concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act are recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms.

There were no significant changes in our internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of this evaluation.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are, from time to time, a party to litigation arising in the normal course of our business. Litigation is subject to various inherent uncertainties, and it is possible that some of these matters could be resolved unfavorably to us, which could result in substantial damages against us. We have established accruals for matters that are probable and reasonably estimable and maintain product liability and other insurance that management believes to be adequate. Management believes that any liability that may ultimately result from the resolution of these matters in excess of available insurance coverage and accruals will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position or results of operations.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes to the Risk Factors included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- 3.1 Charter, as amended, of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the Commission on April 22, 2002)
- 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed with the Commission on November 8, 2007)
- 31.1 Certification Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) by Co-Chief Executive Officer\*
- 31.2 Certification Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) by Co-Chief Executive Officer\*
- 31.3 Certification Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) by Chief Financial Officer\*
- 32.1 Certification Pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of United States Code by Co-Chief Executive Officer\*
- 32.2 Certification Pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of United States Code by Co-Chief Executive Officer\*
- 32.3 Certification Pursuant to Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of United States Code by Chief Financial Officer\*

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\* Filed herewith



SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Miller Industries, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MILLER INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: /s/ J. Vincent Mish  
J. Vincent Mish  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer

Date: November 9, 2009