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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-Q

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	S INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant	t as Specified in Its Charter)
California	95-2594729
(State or Other Jurisdiction of	(IRS Employer
<b>Incorporation or Organization</b> )	Identification No.)
7800 Woodley Avenue,	91406
Van Nuys, California	(Zip Code)
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	( <b>3.p</b> 00 <b>00</b> )
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(Registrant s Telephone N	(umber, Including Area Code)
15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2 past 90 days. Yes b No o	) has been subject to such filing requirements for the
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a s	hell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange
Act). Yes o No b	
Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each o practicable date.	f the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest
	Shares Outstanding at August 3, 2007

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# PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements
Superior Industries International, Inc.
Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations

(Thousands of dollars, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	1	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,				
NET SALES Cost of sales	\$	<b>2007</b> 255,217 241,639		<b>2006</b> 219,880 210,704	\$ :	<b>2007</b> 500,092 484,369		<b>2006</b> 403,405 390,006	
GROSS PROFIT		13,578		9,176		15,723		13,399	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		9,037		7,455		15,952		12,850	
INCOME (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS		4,541		1,721		(229)		549	
Interest income, net Other income (expense), net		1,066 (486)		1,332 (799)		1,888 1,888		2,820 (790)	
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES AND EQUITY EARNINGS		5,121		2,254		3,547		2,579	
Income tax provision Equity in earnings of joint ventures		(2,817) 731		(1,155) 1,129		(207) 1,549		(537) 1,622	
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS		3,035		2,228		4,889		3,664	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax benefits of \$119 and \$301 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2006				(121)				(447)	
NET INCOME	\$	3,035	\$	2,107	\$	4,889	\$	3,217	
EARNINGS PER SHARE BASIC:									
Income from continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.14 (0.02)	

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Net income	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.12
EARNINGS PER SHARE DILUTED:								
Income from continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.14 (0.02)
Net income	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.12
See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.								

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# **Superior Industries International, Inc. Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets**

(Thousands of dollars, except per share data) (Unaudited)

ASSETS	June 30, 2007	D	31, 2006
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 84,183	\$	68,385
Short-term investments	Ψ 01,105	Ψ	9,750
Accounts receivable, net	164,507		138,552
Inventories, net	117,551		118,724
Income taxes receivable	8,387		,
Deferred income taxes	6,536		6,416
Other current assets	3,880		4,766
Total current assets	385,044		346,593
Property, plant and equipment	320,058		310,414
Investments	43,974		46,247
Noncurrent deferred tax asset, net	11,894		
Other assets	8,028		8,759
Total assets	\$ 768,998	\$	712,013
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 97,081	\$	60,959
Accrued expenses	45,028		41,898
Income taxes payable			10,253
Total current liabilities	142,109		113,110
Noncurrent tax liabilities (Note 8)	60,387		
Executive retirement liabilities	21,993		21,666
Noncurrent deferred tax liabilities, net			17,049
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)			
Shareholders equity			
Preferred stock, \$25.00 par value Authorized - 1,000,000 shares Issued - none			
Common stock, \$0.50 par value Authorized - 100,000,000 shares Issued and	12.206		12.205
outstanding - 26,612,191 shares (26,610,191 shares at December 31, 2006)	13,306		13,305
Additional paid-in capital	37,159		35,094
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(36,371)		(37,097)
Retained earnings	530,415		548,886

Total shareholders equity 544,509 560,188

Total liabilities and shareholders equity \$768,998 \$712,013

See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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**Superior Industries International, Inc. Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows**(Thousands of dollars)

(Unaudited)

	Si	x Months End 2007	led	June 30, 2006
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$	39,007	\$	27,296
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Additions to property, plant and equipment Proceeds from sale of held-to-maturity securities Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale securities		(29,417) 9,750 4,927		(47,341)
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(14,740)		(47,341)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Cash dividends paid Stock options exercised		(8,510) 41		(8,516)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(8,469)		(8,516)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		15,798		(28,561)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		68,385		107,349
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period  See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.	\$	84,183	\$	78,788
See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.				

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# Superior Industries International, Inc. Consolidated Condensed Statement of Shareholders Equity

(Thousands of dollars, except per share data) (Unaudited)

	Common Number of			Retained		
DALANCE AT	Shares	Amount	Capital	(Loss)	Earnings	Total
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31, 2006	26,610,191	\$ 13,305	\$ 35,094	\$ (37,097)	\$ 548,886	\$ 560,188
Cumulative effect of adoption of FIN 48 (Note 8)					(14,850)	(14,850)
BALANCE AT JANUARY 1, 2007	26,610,191	\$ 13,305	\$ 35,094	\$ (37,097)	\$ 534,036	\$ 545,338
Comprehensive income:						
Net income					4,889	4,889
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax: Foreign currency translation adjustment Unrealized loss on available-for-sale				2,225		2,225
securities Reclassification adjustment for realized gain on sale of available-for-sale				(1)		(1)
securities				(1,498)		(1,498)
Total comprehensive income (a)						5,615
Stock-based compensation expense			2,025			2,025
Stock options exercised, including related tax benefit	2,000	1	40			41

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Cash dividend declared

(\$0.32 per share) (8,510)

BALANCE AT JUNE 30,

2007 26,612,191 \$13,306 \$ 37,159 \$ (36,371) \$530,415 \$544,509

(a) Comprehensive

loss, net of tax

was \$(5,255,000)

for the six months

ended June 30,

2006, which

included: net

income of

\$3,217,000,

foreign currency

translation

adjustments loss

of \$(8,407,000),

forward foreign

currency contract

gain of \$56,000,

an unrealized loss

on pension

obligation of

\$(594,000) and an

unrealized gain

on

available-for-sale

securities of

\$473,0000.

See notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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# Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements June 30, 2007

(Unaudited)

#### **Note 1** Nature of Operations

Headquartered in Van Nuys, California, the principal business of Superior Industries International, Inc. (referred to herein as the company, Superior or in the first person notation we, us and our) is the design and manufacture of aluminum road wheels for sale to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM). We are one of the largest suppliers of cast and forged aluminum wheels to the world s leading automobile and light truck manufacturers, with wheel manufacturing operations in the United States, Mexico and Hungary.

Ford Motor Company (Ford), General Motors Corporation (GM) and DaimlerChrysler AG (DaimlerChrysler) together represented approximately 84 percent of our total sales during the six months of 2007 and 86 percent of annual sales in 2006. The loss of all or a substantial portion of our sales to Ford, GM or DaimlerChrysler would have a significant adverse impact on our financial results, unless the lost volume could be replaced. This risk is partially mitigated over the short-term due to the long-term relationships we have with our customers, including multi-year purchase orders related to approximately 238 different wheel programs. However as previously reported, intense global competitive pricing pressure continues to make it difficult to maintain these contractual arrangements and there are no guarantees that similar arrangements could be negotiated in the future. We still expect this trend to continue into the foreseeable future. Including our 50 percent owned joint venture in Europe, we also manufacture aluminum wheels for Audi, BMW, Isuzu, Jaguar, Land Rover, Mazda, MG Rover, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Subaru, Suzuki, Toyota and Volkswagen. The availability and demand for aluminum wheels are subject to unpredictable factors, such as changes in the general economy, the automobile industry, gasoline prices and consumer interest rates. The raw materials used in producing our products are readily available and are obtained through numerous suppliers with whom we have established trade relations.

On September 15, 2006, we announced the planned closure of our wheel manufacturing facility located in Johnson City, Tennessee, and the resulting lay off of approximately 500 employees. This was the latest step in our program to rationalize our production capacity following announcements by our customers of sweeping production cuts, particularly in the light truck and sport utility platforms, that had reduced our requirements for the near future. Accordingly, an asset impairment charge against earnings totaling \$4.4 million (pretax) was recorded in the third quarter of 2006, when we estimated that the future undiscounted cash flows of this facility would not be sufficient to recover the carrying value of our long-lived assets attributable to that facility. All manufacturing activities in the Johnson City facility ceased in March 2007.

# Note 2 Presentation of Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements

During interim periods, we follow the accounting policies set forth in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K and apply appropriate interim financial reporting standards for a fair statement of our operating results and financial position in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as indicated below. Users of financial information produced for interim periods in 2007 are encouraged to read this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q in conjunction with our Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

As described in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K, we revised our accounting policy definition of cash and cash equivalents in the fourth quarter 2006 to include short-term highly liquid investments as cash equivalents, as they represent investments that have been purchased with maturity dates of 90 days or less and generally with maturities of approximately 10 days. We believe this change in accounting principle to be a preferable method of accounting for these short-term investments as it reflects our intended purpose for these investments. We have, in accordance with SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections , retrospectively applied this new accounting principle to our previously reported consolidated condensed balance sheets by restating cash and cash equivalents to include short-term investments of \$26.4 million at the end of the second quarter 2006. Additionally, the statements of cash flows have been restated to reflect these balances as cash and cash equivalents, and to eliminate from investing activities their respective proceeds from sales and purchases during those periods.

Interim financial reporting standards require us to make estimates that are based on assumptions regarding the outcome of future events and circumstances not known at that time, including the use of estimated effective tax rates. Inevitably, some

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assumptions will not materialize, unanticipated events or circumstances may occur which vary from those estimates and such variations may significantly affect our future results. Additionally, interim results may not be indicative of our annual results.

Rather than utilizing a calendar quarter for our fiscal quarters, we utilize a 4-4-5 convention, with each 13- or 14-week quarter generally ending on the last Sunday of March, June, September and December. Accordingly, our fiscal years comprise the 52- or 53-week period ending on the last Sunday in December. For convenience of presentation in these consolidated condensed financial statements, the number of weeks in and period end dates for all fiscal periods in 2007 and 2006 are as follows:

		Actual	Presented
	Number of	Period	Period
Fiscal Period	Weeks	End Date	End Date
Fiscal year 2006			
First quarter	13	03/26/2006	03/31/2006
Second quarter	13	06/25/2006	06/30/2006
Third quarter	13	09/24/2006	09/30/2006
Fourth quarter	14	12/31/2006	12/31/2006
	53		
Fiscal year 2007			
First quarter	13	04/01/2007	03/31/2007
Second quarter	13	07/01/2007	06/30/2007

The accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the SEC s requirements for Form 10-Q and contain all adjustments, of a normal and recurring nature, which are necessary for a fair statement of (i) the consolidated condensed statements of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, (ii) the consolidated condensed balance sheets at June 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006, (iii) the consolidated condensed statements of cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, and (iv) the consolidated condensed statement of shareholders—equity for the six months ended June 30, 2007. The consolidated condensed balance sheet data as of December 31, 2006 were derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Note 3** Stock-Based Compensation

We have only one stock option plan that authorizes us to issue incentive and non-qualified stock options to our directors, officers and key employees totaling up to 3.0 million shares of common stock. It is our policy to issue shares from authorized but not issued shares upon the exercise of stock options. At June 30, 2007, there were 0.9 million shares available for future grants under this plan. Options are generally granted at not less than fair market value on the date of grant and expire no later than ten years after the date of grant. Options granted to employees generally vest ratably over a four-year period, while options granted to non-employee directors generally vest one year from the date of grant.

During 2007 and 2006, we granted options for a total of 120,000 shares in each period, while options for 2,000 shares were exercised during the 2007 period. The weighted average fair value at the grant date for options issued during the first six months of 2007 and 2006 was \$6.07 and \$6.60 per option, respectively. The fair value of options at the grant date was estimated utilizing the Black-Scholes valuation model with the following weighted average assumptions for 2007 and 2006, respectively: (a) dividend yield on our common stock of 3.32 percent and 3.29 percent; (b) expected stock price volatility of 30.8 percent and 31.4 percent; (c) a risk-free interest rate of 4.7 percent in both periods; and (d) an expected option term of 7.3 and 7.4 years.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, stock-based compensation expense related to stock option plans under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment (SFAS 123R), was allocated as follows:

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(Thousands of dollars)

	Th	ree Months	d June	S	ix Months 30		June
	2	2007	 2006		2007	<i></i>	2006
Cost of sales	\$	241	\$ 150	\$	432	\$	286
Selling, general and administrative		860	521		1,593		1,034
Stock-based compensation expense before income							
taxes		1,101	671		2,025		1,320
Income tax benefit		(393)	(169)		(726)		(310)
Stock-based compensation expense after income							
taxes	\$	708	\$ 502	\$	1,299	\$	1,010

As of June 30, 2007, the balance of \$5.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested awards is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 2.7 years.

There were no significant capitalized stock-based compensation costs at June 30, 2007 and December 31, 2006. We received cash totaling \$41,000 from stock options exercised in the first six months of 2007 and no stock options were exercised in the first six months of 2006.

# Note 4 New Accounting Standards

In June 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. This Interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken on a tax return. This Interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest, penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. The evaluation of a tax position in accordance with this Interpretation is a two-step process. The first step is to determine if it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination and should therefore be recognized. The second step is to measure a tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. This Interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. We have adopted FIN 48 as of January 1, 2007. See Note 8 Income Taxes in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further discussion of the impact of adoption of FIN 48.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157). This Statement defines fair value as used in numerous accounting pronouncements, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosure related to the use of fair value measures in financial statements. The Statement is to be effective for our financial statements issued in 2008; however, earlier application is encouraged. We are currently evaluating the timing of adoption and the impact that adoption might have on our financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities , which provides companies with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The objective of SFAS No. 159 is to reduce both the complexity in accounting for financial instruments and the volatility in earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently. SFAS No. 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between companies that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. SFAS No. 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. We have not completed our evaluation of SFAS No. 159, but we do not expect the adoption to have a material effect on our operating results or financial position.

In March 2007, the FASB ratified Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 06-10 Accounting for Collateral Assignment Split-Dollar Life Insurance Agreements (EITF 06-10). EITF 06-10 provides guidance for determining a liability for the postretirement benefit obligation as well as recognition and measurement of the associated asset on the basis of the terms of the collateral assignment agreement. EITF 06-10 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007. We are currently assessing the impact, if any, of EITF 06-10 on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

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#### Note 5 Business Segments

SFAS No. 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information, directs companies to use the management approach for segment reporting. This approach reflects management s aggregation of business segments and is consistent with how the company and its key decision-makers assess operating performance, make operating decisions, and allocate resources. This approach also considers the existence of managers responsible for each business segment and how information is presented to the company s Board of Directors. We have only one reportable operating segment—automotive wheels. Our former components business segment is classified as discontinued operations in our consolidated condensed statements of operations.

Net sales and net property, plant and equipment by geographic area are summarized below: (Thousands of dollars)

	30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2007		2006	2007		2006	
Net sales:								
U.S.	\$	149,656	\$	171,691	\$ 297,920	\$	316,023	
Mexico		105,561		48,189	202,172		87,382	
Consolidated net sales	\$	255,217	\$	219,880	\$ 500,092	\$	403,405	
					June 30, 2007		cember 31, 2006	
Property, plant and equipment, net: U.S.					\$ 129,640	\$	141,653	
Mexico					190,418	•	168,761	

#### **Note 6** Revenue Recognition

Consolidated property, plant and equipment, net

Sales of products and any related costs are recognized when title and risk of loss transfers to the purchaser, generally upon shipment. Wheel program development revenues, representing internal development expenses and initial tooling that are reimbursable by our customers, are recognized as such related costs and expenses are incurred and recoverability is probable, generally upon receipt of a customer purchase order. Wheel program development revenues totaled \$2.6 million and \$5.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively and \$6.2 million and \$10.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

\$ 320,058

\$

310,414

#### Note 7 Earnings Per Share

In accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 128, Earnings Per Share, basic net income per share is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net income per share includes the dilutive effect of outstanding stock options, calculated using the treasury stock method. Of the 3.1 million stock options outstanding at June 30, 2007, 2.0 million shares had an exercise price greater than the weighted average market price of the stock for the period and were excluded in the calculation of diluted earnings per share for that period. All of the 2.4 million stock options outstanding at June 30, 2006 had an exercise price greater than the weighted average market price of the stock for the period and were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share for that period. Summarized below are the calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share for the respective periods:

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(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,				S	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2007			2006		2007	2006		
Basic Earnings per Share: Reported net income	\$	3,035	\$	2,107	\$	4,889	\$	3,217	
Weighted average shares outstanding Basic		26,611		26,610		26,611		26,610	
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.12	
Diluted Earnings per Share: Reported net income	\$	3,035	\$	2,107	\$	4,889	\$	3,217	
Weighted average shares outstanding Weighted average dilutive stock options		26,611 56		26,610		26,611 27		26,610	
Weighted average shares outstanding Diluted		26,667		26,610		26,638		26,610	
Diluted earnings per share	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.12	

#### Note 8 Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for pursuant to SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes , which requires use of the liability method and the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities. The effect on deferred taxes for a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period of enactment. Provision is made for U.S. income taxes on undistributed earnings of international subsidiaries and 50 percent owned joint ventures, unless such future earnings are considered permanently reinvested. Tax credits are accounted for as a reduction of the provision for income taxes in the period in which the credits arise.

The income tax provision on income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2007 was \$2.8 million compared to \$1.2 million for the same period last year. The income tax provision on income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity earnings for the six months ended June 30, 2007 was \$0.2 million compared to \$0.5 million for the same period last year. The effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2007 is 55.0 percent and 51.2 percent for the same period last year. The effective tax rate is higher than the U.S. federal statutory rate of 35.0 percent primarily due to a discrete event of \$0.7 million increase for the accrual of FIN 48 liabilities and interest. The effective tax rate for the first six months of 2007 is 5.8 percent and 20.8 percent for the same period last year. The effective tax rate includes the net benefit of \$1.3 million from discrete events, including the release of FIN 48 liabilities, partially offset by accruals relating to tax return filings and valuation allowances.

We conduct business internationally and, as a result, one or more of our subsidiaries files income tax returns in U.S. federal, U.S. state and certain foreign jurisdictions. Accordingly, in the normal course of business, we are subject to examination by taxing authorities throughout the world, including Hungary, Mexico, the Netherlands, Japan and the United States. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal, state and local, or Mexico (our major filing jurisdictions) income tax examinations for years before 1999.

Our subsidiary, Superior Industries International Michigan LLC was under audit by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for the 2004 tax year. The IRS has increased the scope of the audit to include Superior Industries International, Inc. and Subsidiaries for the 2004 and 2005 tax years. It is currently not determinable when the examination phase will conclude, and it is not reasonably possible to quantify at this time any estimated range of reductions in the unrecognized tax benefits. The state of Michigan has concluded its audit of Superior Industries International Michigan LLC for the tax years 2002 through 2005. There were no material adjustments as a result of this audit. We adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on January 1, 2007. As a result of adoption, we recognized a charge of approximately \$14.8 million to retained earnings, established a long-term reserve for uncertain tax positions of \$40.3 million and a long-term deferred tax asset of \$25.5 million. In addition, we reclassified \$2.5 million from our long-term deferred tax liability and \$16.3 million from our current income taxes payable, which resulted in a \$7.4 million income tax receivable, to our long-term reserve for uncertain tax positions which is included in Non current tax liabilities . The \$14.8 million charge to retained earnings resulted primarily from applying the newly prescribed recognition threshold and measurement attributes of FIN 48 to existing

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transfer pricing tax positions. We are reviewing certain components of the adoption amount and immaterial adjustments are possible during the third quarter of 2007. The establishment of the \$25.5 million deferred tax asset and the reclassification of \$2.5 million from our long-term deferred tax liability due to the adoption of FIN 48 and the current period change of \$0.7 million in long-term deferred taxes resulted in a \$11.7 million long-term deferred tax asset, net of the \$17.0 million long-term deferred tax liability at the end of 2006. We have also accrued \$1.0 million of additional interest for the six months ended June 30, 2007. Within the next twelve-month period ending June 30, 2008, it is reasonably possible that up to \$8.4 million of unrecognized tax benefits will be recognized due to the expiration of certain statues of limitation.

As of the adoption date, we had gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$59.1 million, of which \$30.4 million, if recognized, would impact the effective tax rate. Also, as of the adoption date, we had accrued interest expense related to unrecognized tax benefits of \$10.4 million. We recognize interest and penalties that are accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense.

#### Note 9 Equity Earnings and Other Income (Expense), Net

Included below are summary statements of operations for Suoftec Light Metal Products, Ltd. (Suoftec), our 50-percent owned joint venture in Hungary, which manufactures cast and forged aluminum wheels principally for the European automobile industry. Being 50-percent owned and non-controlled, Suoftec is not consolidated, but accounted for using the equity method. The elimination of intercompany profits in inventory adjusted our share of the joint venture s net income for the second quarter of 2007 and 2006 to \$0.6 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, and for the six months of 2007 and 2006 to \$1.4 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. (Thousands of dollars)

	T	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended Ju 30,			
		2007	Ο,	2006		2007	,	2006	
Net sales	\$	34,625	\$	34,402	\$	71,157	\$	63,583	
Gross profit	\$	3,540	\$	3,339	\$	5,027	\$	5,879	
Net income	\$	2,360	\$	2,078	\$	3,321	\$	3,663	
Superior s share of net income	\$	1,180	\$	1,039	\$	1,660	\$	1,832	

In the first quarter of 2007, we sold an available-for-sale corporate equity security realizing a \$2.4 million gain that was included in other income (expense), net.

#### Note 10 Accounts Receivable

(Thousands of dollars)

	June 30, 2007	D	ecember 31, 2006
Trade receivables	\$ 157,276	\$	121,707
Wheel program development receivables	5,850		8,199
Dividend receivable from joint venture			5,266
Value-added tax receivables	384		1,414
Other receivables	3,797		4,755
	167,307		141,341
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(2,800)		(2,789)
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 164,507	\$	138,552

#### **Note 11 Inventories**

(Thousands of dollars)

Raw materials Work in process Finished goods	June 30, 2007	D	December 31, 2006	
	\$ 15,054 36,018 66,479	\$	16,279 35,810 66,635	
Inventories, net	\$ 117,551	\$	118,724	

#### Note 12 Property, Plant and Equipment

(Thousands of dollars)

		December		
	June 30,	31,		
	2007	2006		
Land and buildings	\$ 95,938	\$ 95.	,712	
Machinery and equipment	528,995	498.	,243	
Leasehold improvements and others	14,141	13.	,829	
Construction in progress	43,629	55,	,455	
	682,703	663,	,239	
Accumulated depreciation	(362,645)	(352,	,825)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 320,058	\$ 310,	,414	

Depreciation expense was \$10.5 million and \$9.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively, and \$20.6 million and \$19.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The 2006 three-month and six-months depreciation expense of \$9.6 million and \$19.8 million excludes depreciation expense related to discontinued operations of \$0.2 million and \$0.5 million, respectively.

#### **Note 13 Retirement Plans**

We have an unfunded supplemental executive retirement plan covering our directors, officers, and other key members of management. We typically purchase life insurance policies on each of the participants to provide for future liabilities. Subject to certain vesting requirements, the plan provides for a benefit based on the final average compensation, which becomes payable on the employee s death, disability or upon attaining age 65, if retired from the company. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, payments to retirees of approximately \$374,000 have been made in accordance with this plan. We presently anticipate payments to retirees totaling \$785,000 for 2007. (Thousands of dollars)

	Th	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June				
					30,				
	2	007	2	006	2	2007	2	2006	
Service cost	\$	137	\$	261	\$	273	\$	458	
Interest cost		280		294		561		516	

 Net amortization
 48
 95
 95
 167

 Net periodic pension cost
 \$ 465
 \$ 650
 \$ 929
 \$ 1,141

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#### **Note 14** Commitments and Contingencies

On May 2, 2007, we settled our dispute with the City of Los Angeles regarding a retroactive rental rate adjustment on the ground lease for our Van Nuys, California property. There was no impact on our results of operations in 2007, as the settlement amount \$1.0 million had been provided for in a prior period.

In late 2006, two purported shareholder derivative lawsuits were filed based on allegations concerning some of the company s past stock option grants and practices. In these lawsuits, the company is named only as a nominal defendant from whom the plaintiffs seek no monetary recovery. In addition to naming the company as a nominal defendant, the plaintiffs named various present and former employees, officers and directors of the company as individual defendants from whom they seek monetary relief, purportedly for the benefit of the company.

These cases are based on general allegations that the grant dates for a number of the options granted to certain company directors, officers and employees occurred prior to upward movements in the stock price, and that the stock option grants were not properly accounted for in the company s financial reports and not properly disclosed in the company s SEC filings. The two lawsuits were subsequently consolidated on March 13, 2007 and a consolidated complaint was filed on March 23, 2007, which generally tracks the allegations and legal claims alleged in the original complaints. The company and the individual defendants filed motions to dismiss on May 14, 2007. In addition, on August 9, 2007, the U.S. District Court in the matter of In Re Superior Industries International, Inc. Derivative Litigation granted Superior s motion to dismiss the consolidated complaint. The court also granted the plaintiffs twenty days in which to file an amended complaint. As this litigation is at such a preliminary stage, it would be premature to anticipate the probable outcome of these cases and whether such an outcome would be materially adverse to the company.

In 2006, we were served with notice of a class action lawsuit against the company. The complaint alleges that certain employees at our Van Nuys, California facility were denied rest and meal periods as required under the California Labor Code. As this litigation is at such a preliminary stage, it would be premature to anticipate the probable outcome of these cases and whether such an outcome would be materially adverse to the company.

We are party to various legal and environmental proceedings incidental to our business. Certain claims, suits and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business have been filed or are pending against us. Based on facts now known, we believe all such matters are adequately provided for, covered by insurance, are without merit, and/or involve such amounts that would not materially adversely affect our consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position. For additional information concerning contingencies, risks and uncertainties, see Note 15 Risk Management.

# Note 15 Risk Management

We are subject to various risks and uncertainties in the ordinary course of business due, in part, to the competitive global nature of the industry in which we operate, to changing commodity prices for the materials used in the manufacture of our products, and to development of new products.

We have foreign operations in Mexico and Hungary that, due to the settlement of accounts receivable and accounts payable, require the transfer of funds denominated in their respective functional currencies — the Mexican Peso, the Euro and the Hungarian Forint. The value of the Mexican Peso relative to the U.S. Dollar for the first six months of 2007 was virtually unchanged. The value of the Euro relative to the U.S. dollar increased approximately 2 percent for the first six months of 2007. The value of the Hungarian Forint increased approximately 4 percent to the U.S. Dollar for the first six months of 2007. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses, which are included in other income (expense) in the consolidated condensed statements of operations, have not been material.

When market conditions warrant, we may also enter into contracts to purchase certain commodities used in the manufacture of our products, such as aluminum, natural gas, environmental emission credits and other raw materials. Any such commodity commitments are expected to be purchased and used over a reasonable period of time in the normal course of business. Accordingly, pursuant to SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, they are not accounted for as derivatives. We currently have several purchase agreements for the delivery of natural gas over the next one and a half years. The contract value and fair value of these purchase commitments approximated \$8.2 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, at June 30, 2007. Percentage changes in the market prices of natural gas will impact the fair value by a similar percentage. We do not hold or purchase any natural

gas forward contracts for trading purposes.

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# Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. We may from time to time make written or oral statements that are—forward-looking—within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including statements contained in this report and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and reports and other public statements to our shareholders. These statements may, for example, express expectations or projections about future actions or results that we may anticipate but, due to developments beyond our control, do not materialize. Actual results could differ materially because of issues and uncertainties such as those listed herein, which, among others, should be considered in evaluating our financial outlook. The principal factors that could cause our actual performance and future events and actions to differ materially from such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, changes in the automotive industry, increased global competitive pressures, our dependence on major customers and third party suppliers and manufacturers, our exposure to foreign currency fluctuations, and other factors or conditions described in Item 1A Risk

Factors in Part II of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and in Item 1A Risk Factors in Part I of our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. We assume no obligation to update publicly any forward-looking statements.

#### **Executive Overview**

Overall North American production of passenger cars and light trucks in the second quarter was reported by industry publications as being down approximately 1.9 percent versus the same period a year ago, compared to a 3.7 percent increase for our unit shipments in the current period. Net sales in the second quarter of 2007 increased 16.1 percent over the same period in 2006, due to the 3.7 percent increase in unit shipments and a 13.7 percent increase in the average selling price. The increased selling price was due principally to the shift in sales mix to larger diameter wheels and an increase of approximately 4.3 percent in the pass-through price of aluminum to our customers. Gross profit in the second quarter of 2007 increased 48.0 percent to 5.3 percent of net sales from 4.2 percent a year ago, due principally to the 3.7 percent increase in sales volume and increased productivity in several of our plant locations, including our new wheel facility in Mexico. These margin improvements were partially offset by the additional expenses incurred to shutdown our wheel manufacturing facility in Johnson City, Tennessee, that was announced in September of 2006.

# **Results of Operations**

(Thousands of dollars, except per share amounts)

	T	hree Months	End	ed June	,	Six Months 1	Ende	ed June	
	30,				30,				
Selected data		2007		2006		2007		2006	
Net sales	\$	255,217	\$	219,880	\$	500,092	\$	403,405	
Gross profit	\$	13,578	\$	9,176	\$	15,723	\$	13,399	
Percentage of net sales		5.3%		4.2%		3.1%		3.3%	
Income (loss) from operations	\$	4,541	\$	1,721	\$	(229)	\$	549	
Percentage of net sales		1.8%		0.8%		0.0%		0.1%	
Income from continuing operations	\$	3,035	\$	2,228	\$	4,889	\$	3,664	
Percentage of net sales		1.2%		1.0%		1.0%		0.9%	
Diluted earnings per share continuing									
operations	\$	0.11	\$	0.08	\$	0.18	\$	0.14	
Sales									

Consolidated revenues in the second quarter of 2007 increased \$35.3 million, or 16.1 percent, to \$255.2 million from \$219.9 million in the same period a year ago. Excluding wheel program development revenues, which totaled \$2.6 million in the second quarter of 2007 and \$5.6 million in the second quarter of 2006, wheel sales increased \$38.3 million, or 17.9 percent, to \$252.6 million from \$214.3 million in the second quarter a year ago, as our wheel

shipments increased by 3.7 percent. The average selling price of our wheels increased 13.7 percent in the current quarter due to a shift in sales mix to larger, higher-priced wheels in the current quarter and the pass-through price of aluminum increased the average selling price by approximately 4.3 percent.

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Consolidated revenues in the first six months of 2007 increased \$96.7 million, or 24.0 percent, to \$500.1 million from \$403.4 million in the same period a year ago. Excluding wheel program development revenues, which totaled \$6.2 million in 2007 and \$10.9 million in the first six months of 2006, wheel sales increased \$101.4 million, or 25.8 percent, to \$493.9 million from \$392.5 million in the same period a year ago, as our wheel shipments increased by 9.5 percent. The average selling price of our wheels increased 14.9 percent in the current period, with the pass-through price of aluminum increasing the average selling price by approximately 6.7 percent with the remaining increase due principally to a shift in sales mix to larger, higher-priced wheels in the period.

According to *WARD s AutoInfoBank*, an industry data publication, overall North American production of light trucks and passenger cars during the second quarter of 2007 decreased approximately 1.9 percent, compared to our 3.7 percent increase in aluminum wheel shipments. In mid-to-late 2006, we were awarded new and replacement business and, as a result, recorded unusually high shipments in the first half of 2007 as compared to the same period a year ago. This business reflected product for both new vehicle launches as well as some current production takeover business. The sustainability of this volume level going forward will be a function of how well our customer s vehicles are received by the consumer in the automotive marketplace and cannot be predicted at this time. The principal unit shipment increases in the current period compared to a year ago were for GM s GMT 800/900 platform and Acadia, Ford s Fusion and Explorer vehicles, and DaimlerChrysler s Sebring.

The principal unit shipment decreases in the current period compared to a year ago were for GM s Hummer and CTS, Ford s Freestyle and F Series and DaimlerChrysler s Dodge Durango and Jeep Grand Cherokee. Shipments to GM increased to 38.5 percent of total OEM unit shipments from 36.0 percent in 2006 and shipments to DaimlerChrysler increased to 15.2 percent from 14.2 percent a year ago, while shipments to Ford decreased to 29.1 percent from 37.7 percent a year ago. Shipments to international customers increased to 17.2 percent from 12.2 percent a year ago, due principally to increased shipments for Nissan s Sentra, Subaru s Outback and Toyota s Tundra and Sienna platforms.

#### Gross Profit

Consolidated gross profit increased \$4.4 million for the second quarter to \$13.6 million, or 5.3 percent of net sales, compared to \$9.2 million, or 4.2 percent of net sales, for the same period a year ago. Consolidated gross profit increased \$2.3 million for the first six months of 2007 to \$15.7 million, or 3.1 percent of net sales, compared to \$13.4 million, or 3.3 percent of net sales, for the same period a year ago. The additional gross profit on the increased sales volume, the continued ramp-up of production of our new wheel plant in Mexico and the progress made towards resolving certain production inefficiencies in several of our facilities offset the negative gross margin impact of the winding down of our activities in our Johnson City wheel facility.

We are continuing to implement action plans to improve operational performance and mitigate the impact of the severe pricing environment in which we now operate. We must emphasize, however, that while we continue to reduce costs through process automation and identification of industry best practices, the pace of customer price reductions may continue at a rate faster than our progress on achieving cost reductions for an indefinite period of time. This is due to the slow and methodical nature of developing and implementing these cost reduction programs. In addition, fixed-price natural gas contracts that expire in the next one and a half years may expose us to higher costs that cannot be immediately recouped in selling prices. The impact of these factors on our future financial position and results of operations may be negative, to an extent that cannot be predicted, and we may not be able to implement sufficient cost-saving strategies to mitigate any future impact.

# Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the second quarter of 2007 were \$9.0 million, or 3.5 percent of net sales, compared to \$7.5 million, or 3.4 percent of net sales, in the same period in 2006. The impact of stock-based compensation on selling, general and administrative expenses in the three months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 was \$0.9 million and \$0.5 million, respectively. In addition, there were several accruals in the second quarter of 2007 related to professional fees, principally legal fees, and bonus accruals, which are based on a percentage of income, which increased approximately \$0.8 million versus the same period a year ago. For the six-month periods, selling, general and administrative expenses were \$16.0 million, or 3.2 percent of net sales, for 2007 compared to \$12.9 million, or 3.2 percent of net sales, for the same period in 2006. The impact of stock-based compensation on

selling, general and administrative expenses in the six months ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 was \$1.6 million and \$1.0 million, respectively. In addition, there were several accruals in the first six months of 2007 related to professional fees, principally audit and legal fees, and bonus accruals which increased approximately \$1.9 million versus the same period a year ago.

Interest Income, Net and Other Income (Expense), Net

Net interest income for the second quarter decreased to \$1.1 million from \$1.3 million a year ago and was \$1.9 million for the six-month period in 2007, compared to \$2.8 million for the same period in 2006. The decreased net interest income in the 2007

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periods was due primarily to a decrease in the amount of cash invested during the period offsetting an increase in the average rate of interest earned during the period. The decrease in cash invested was due principally to the cash required to fund \$45.8 million in capital expenditures during the last three quarters of 2006.

Other income (expense), net for the first six months of 2007 includes a \$2.4 million gain on sale of an available-for-sale security.

Equity in Earnings of Joint Ventures

Equity in earnings of joint ventures is represented principally by our share of the equity earnings of our 50-percent owned joint venture in Hungary, Suoftec Ltd. Our share of Suoftec s net income totaled \$1.2 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$1.0 million in 2006. Including an adjustment for the elimination of intercompany profits in inventory, our adjusted equity earnings of this joint venture was \$0.6 million in the second quarter of 2007 compared to \$1.1 million in 2006. For the six-month period, our share of the joint venture s net income, net of an adjustment for intercompany profit elimination, was \$1.4 million for 2007 and \$1.6 million for 2006. The principal reasons for the lower profitability in the current period was the timing of selling price adjustments for the change in aluminum cost increases and a significant increase in utility costs during the current period. See Note 9 Equity Earnings and Other Income, Net of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for additional information regarding the Suoftec joint venture.

#### Income Tax Benefit

The income tax provision on income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2007 was \$2.8 million compared to \$1.2 million for the same period last year. The income tax provision on income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity earnings for the six months ended June 30, 2007 was \$0.2 million compared to \$0.5 million for the same period last year. The effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2007 is 55.0 percent and 51.2 percent for the same period last year. The effective tax rate is higher than the U.S. federal statutory rate of 35.0 percent primarily due to a discrete event of \$0.7 million increase for the accrual of FIN 48 liabilities and interest. The effective tax rate for the first six months of 2007 is 5.8 percent and 20.8 percent for the same period last year. The effective tax rate includes the net benefit of \$1.3 million from discrete events, including the release of FIN 48 liabilities, partially offset by accruals relating to tax return filings and valuation allowances.

We adopted the provisions of FIN 48 on January 1, 2007. As a result of adoption, we recognized a charge of approximately \$14.8 million to retained earnings, established a long-term reserve for uncertain tax positions of \$40.3 million and a long-term deferred tax asset of \$25.5 million. In addition, we reclassified \$2.5 million from our long-term deferred tax liability and \$16.3 million from our current income taxes payable, which resulted in a \$7.4 million income tax receivable, to our long-term reserve for uncertain tax positions which is included in Non current tax liabilities. The \$14.8 million charge to retained earnings resulted primarily from applying the newly prescribed recognition threshold and measurement attributes of FIN 48 to existing transfer pricing tax positions. We are reviewing certain components of the adoption amount and immaterial adjustments are possible during the third quarter of 2007. The establishment of the \$25.5 million deferred tax asset and the reclassification of \$2.5 million from our long-term deferred tax liability due to the adoption of FIN 48 and the current period change of \$0.7 million in long-term deferred taxes resulted in a \$11.7 million long-term deferred tax asset, net of the \$17.0 million long-term deferred tax liability at the end of 2006.

As of the adoption date, we had gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$59.1 million, of which \$30.4 million, if recognized, would impact the effective tax rate. Also, as of the adoption date, we had accrued interest expense related to unrecognized tax benefits of \$10.4 million. We recognize interest and penalties that are accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. In the current period, we have accrued an additional \$2.2 million increase in our uncertain tax positions. We have also accrued \$1.0 million of additional interest for the six months ended June 30, 2007. See Note 8 Income Taxes for further discussion of FIN 48.

#### Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our sources of liquidity include cash and short-term investments, net cash provided by operating activities and other external sources of funds. Working capital and the current ratio were \$242.9 million and 2.7:1, respectively, at June 30, 2007 versus \$233.5 million and 3.1:1 at December 31, 2006. We have no long-term debt. As of June 30,

2007, our cash and short-term investments totaled \$84.2 million compared to \$78.1 million at December 31, 2006 and \$88.5 million at June 30, 2006. The decrease in cash and short-term investments since June 30, 2006 was due principally to our funding a higher level of capital expenditures, primarily for our new state-of-the-art wheel facility constructed in Chihuahua, Mexico. With the closure of our Johnson City wheel facility, much of that plant s recently purchased equipment will be transferred to other wheel facilities, thereby reducing future capital requirements. Accordingly, despite the reduced profitability experienced the last few years, for the foreseeable future, we currently expect all working capital requirements, funds required for investing activities, cash

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dividend payments and repurchases of our common stock to be funded from internally generated funds or existing cash and short-term investments.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$11.7 million to \$39.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2007, compared to \$27.3 million for the same period a year ago, due principally to a favorable change of \$11.9 million in operating assets and liabilities. The principal changes in operating assets and liabilities were the changes in the liabilities for uncertain tax positions which resulted in a favorable \$20.1 million impact on cash provided by operating activities, and changes in accounts payable and inventories of \$14.3 million and \$3.2 million, respectively, were offset by unfavorable changes in accounts receivable of \$9.8 million and income taxes payable of \$8.6 million. The favorable change in the accounts payable component of operating assets and liabilities was due principally to extending vendor payments during the current period. The unfavorable change in accounts receivable was due to the higher sales activity in the current period. The principal unfavorable change in non-cash items were deferred taxes and other non-cash items totaling \$14.1 million which were partially offset by the \$5.2 million favorable change in equity earnings from joint ventures, net of dividends received. The unfavorable change in deferred taxes was due to changes in contingent tax reserves. The favorable change in equity earnings in joint ventures, net of dividends received was due to the receipt of dividend payment in the current period from our Hungarian joint venture. The principal investing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2007 were funding \$29.4 million of capital expenditures and proceeds from the sale of a marketable security of \$9.8 million and an available-for-sale investment of \$4.9 million. Similar investing activities during the same period a year ago included funding \$47.3 million of capital expenditures. Capital expenditures in the current period include approximately \$20.1 million for our new wheel manufacturing facility in Chihuahua, Mexico, compared to \$35.3 million in the same period a year ago. The remainder of the 2007 and 2006 capital expenditures were for ongoing improvements to our existing facilities, none of which were individually significant.

Financing activities during the six months ended June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2006 consisted primarily of the payment of cash dividends on our common stock totaling \$8.5 million in both periods.

On August 1, 2007, we commenced a Tender Offer to amend certain stock options that were granted under our 1993 Stock Option Plan and our 2003 Equity Incentive Plan: (i) that had original exercise prices per share that were less than the fair market value per share of our common stock underlying the option on the date all corporate actions were completed necessary to effectuate the option grant (Correct Grant Date), (ii) that were unvested, either in whole or in part, as of December 31, 2004, (iii) that are outstanding as of the expiration date of the Offer, and (iv) that are held by individuals who are subject to taxation in the United States and who remain employees of the company or a subsidiary as of the expiration date of the Offer. Under the terms of the Tender Offer, eligible option holders may elect to (i) receive amended Eligible Options whose exercise price per share is increased to the fair market value of a share of our common stock on the option s Correct Grant Date, and (ii) for each amended option, receive a cash payment equal to 110 percent of the difference between the Black-Scholes value of each amended option and the Black-Scholes value of each eligible option, multiplied by the number of unexercised shares of our common stock subject to the eligible option that was amended in the Tender Offer. Cash payments will be paid on or promptly following January 24, 2008, and all such payments will be subject to any applicable tax withholding. Cash payments, totaling \$80,000, will not be subject to any further vesting conditions and will be made without regard to whether an eligible option is vested and whether an eligible participant is an employee at such time. We believe the Tender Offer will not have a material adverse impact on our financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to apply significant judgment in making estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported therein, as well as financial information included in this Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. These estimates and assumptions, which are based upon historical experience, industry trends, terms of various past and present agreements and contracts, and information available from other sources that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent through other sources. There can be no assurance that actual results reported in the future will not differ from these estimates, or that

future changes in these estimates will not adversely impact our results of operations or financial condition. Except for income taxes, there have been no material changes to the critical accounting policies previously disclosed in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The methodology applied to management s estimate for income taxes has changed due to the implementation of a new accounting pronouncement as described below.

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#### **New Accounting Standards**

In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48), which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. This Interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken on a tax return. This Interpretation also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest, penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. The evaluation of a tax position in accordance with this Interpretation is a two-step process. The first step is to determine if it is more likely than not that a tax position will be sustained upon examination and should therefore be recognized. The second step is to measure a tax position that meets the more likely than not recognition threshold to determine the amount of benefit to recognize in the financial statements. This Interpretation is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. We have adopted FIN 48 as of January 1, 2007. See Note 8 Income Taxes in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for further discussion of the impact of adoption of FIN 48.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157). This Statement defines fair value as used in numerous accounting pronouncements, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosure related to the use of fair value measures in financial statements. The Statement is to be effective for our financial statements issued in 2008; however, earlier application is encouraged. We are currently evaluating the timing of adoption and the impact that adoption might have on our financial position or results of operations.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities , which provides companies with an option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The objective of SFAS No. 159 is to reduce both the complexity in accounting for financial instruments and the volatility in earnings caused by measuring related assets and liabilities differently. SFAS No. 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between companies that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. SFAS No. 159 is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. We have not completed our evaluation of SFAS No. 159, but we do not expect the adoption to have a material effect on our operating results or financial position.

In March 2007, the FASB ratified Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 06-10 Accounting for Collateral Assignment Split-Dollar Life Insurance Agreements (EITF 06-10). EITF 06-10 provides guidance for determining a liability for the postretirement benefit obligation as well as recognition and measurement of the associated asset on the basis of the terms of the collateral assignment agreement. EITF 06-10 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2007. We are currently assessing the impact, if any, of EITF 06-10 on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

#### **Risk Management**

We are subject to various risks and uncertainties in the ordinary course of business due, in part, to the competitive global nature of the industry in which we operate, to changing commodity prices for the materials used in the manufacture of our products, and to development of new products.

We have foreign operations in Mexico and Hungary that, due to the settlement of accounts receivable and accounts payable, require the transfer of funds denominated in their respective functional currencies — the Mexican Peso, the Euro and the Hungarian Forint. The value of the Mexican Peso relative to the U.S. Dollar for the first six months of 2007 was virtually unchanged. The value of the Euro relative to the U.S. dollar increased approximately 2 percent for the first six months of 2007. The value of the Hungarian Forint increased approximately 4 percent to the U.S. Dollar for the first six months of 2007. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses, which are included in other income (expense) in the consolidated condensed statements of operations, have not been material.

When market conditions warrant, we may also enter into contracts to purchase certain commodities used in the manufacture of our products, such as aluminum, natural gas, environmental emission credits and other raw materials. Any such commodity commitments are expected to be purchased and used over a reasonable period of time in the normal course of business. Accordingly, pursuant to SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, they are not accounted for as derivatives. We currently have several purchase agreements for the

delivery of natural gas over the next one and a half years. The contract value and fair value of these purchase commitments approximated \$8.2 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, at June 30, 2007. Percentage changes in the market prices of natural gas will impact the fair value by a similar percentage. We do not hold or purchase any natural gas forward contracts for trading purposes.

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

See Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Risk Management .

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

#### Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The company s management, with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and acting Chief Financial Officer (CFO), evaluated the effectiveness of the company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of July 1, 2007. Based on this evaluation, the CEO and CFO concluded that, as of July 1, 2007, the company s disclosure controls and procedures were not effective based on the material weakness described below.

Notwithstanding the material weakness that existed at July 1, 2007 as described below, management believes that the consolidated condensed financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows as of, and for, the periods presented in this report. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changing conditions, or that the degree of compliance with policies or procedure may deteriorate.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company s annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. Management identified the following material weakness in the company s internal control over financial reporting as of July 1, 2007:

1) We did not maintain effective controls over the work performed by our outside tax advisors in the preparation of the current period income tax provision, primarily related to FIN48 issues. This control deficiency resulted in various proposed review adjustments to the current period income tax provision, the net result of which required no change to the consolidated condensed financial statements. However, due to the magnitude and the number of required adjustments, management has determined that this control deficiency constitutes a material weakness.

#### Remediation Steps to Address the Material Weakness

Summarized below are some of the remediation measures we will undertake in an effort to mitigate the possible risks of this material weakness in connection with the preparation of the consolidated condensed financial statements included in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q. We will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of our internal controls and procedures on an ongoing basis and will take further action as appropriate:

1) We will ensure that adequate control oversight occurs in the review process of the services provided by outside tax advisors. Specifically, we will require increase documentation and subsequent review by our highest level of internal tax and financial expertise. Any significant financial reporting positions proposed by our outside tax advisors will require full review and approval by our Vice President and General Counsel and our acting CFO. We will also increase the number of coordinated meetings between our outside tax advisors and internal resources to ensure all appropriate tax positions are identified and agreed upon earlier in the closing process.

#### Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

No changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) occurred during the quarter ended July 1, 2007 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

Information regarding reportable legal proceedings is contained in Item 3 Legal Proceedings in Part I of our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K and in Note 14 Commitments and Contingencies of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. On May 2, 2007, we settled our dispute with the City of Los Angeles regarding a retroactive rental rate adjustment on the ground lease for our Van Nuys, California. In addition, on August 9, 2007, the U.S. District Court in the matter of In Re Superior Industries International, Inc. Derivative Litigation granted Superior s motion to dismiss the consolidated complaint. The court also granted the plaintiffs twenty days in which to file an amended complaint. Other than the above, there were no material developments during the current quarter that require us to amend or update descriptions of legal proceedings previously reported in our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

In addition to the other information set forth in this report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Item 1A Risk Factors in Part I of our 2006 Annual Report on Form 10-K, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described in this report and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial also may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or future results.

# Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

There were no repurchases of our common stock during the second quarter of 2007.

#### Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Our Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on May 24, 2007, for the purpose of electing three Directors and to vote on a shareholder proposal to amend the company s corporate governance documents to provide that director nominees be elected by affirmative vote of the majority of votes cast at our annual meeting of shareholders. Proxies for the meeting were solicited pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and there was no solicitation in opposition to management s solicitation. There were 26,610,191 shares of our common stock issued, outstanding and entitled to vote as of the record date, March 26, 2007. There were present at the meeting, in person or by proxy, the holders of 21,732,539 shares, representing 81.7 percent of the total shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the meeting. Accordingly, 18.3 percent, or 4,877,652 shares were not present at the meeting, in person or by proxy. All of management s nominees for Director as listed in the proxy statement were elected for a three-year term with the following vote:

	Shares	Shares
Nominee	Voted for	Withheld
Sheldon I. Ausman	17,113,683	4,618,856
V. Bond Evans	17,114,123	4,618,416
Michael J. Joyce	17,126,513	4,606,026

The following incumbent Directors will have their terms of office expire as of the date of the Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the years indicated below:

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Incumbent Director	Year
Louis L. Borick	2008
Steven J. Borick	2008
Francisco S. Uranga	2008
Phillip W. Colburn	2009
Margaret S. Dano	2009

The results of the shareholder proposal as listed in the proxy statement were:

	Shares	Shares	<b>Shares</b> Shares		
	For	Against	Abstain	Non-Vote	
Shareholder proposal	6,342,011	9,201,441	1,152,649	5,036,438	

#### Item 6. Exhibits

- a) Exhibits:
- 31.1 Certification of Steven J. Borick, President and Chief Executive Officer, Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
- 31.2 Certification of Emil J. Fanelli, Chief Accounting Officer and acting Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (filed herewith).
  - 32 Certification of Steven J. Borick, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Emil J. Fanelli, Chief Accounting Officer and acting Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (furnished 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.

SUPERIOR INDUSTRIES INTERNATIONAL,

INC. (Registrant)

Date August 15, 2007 /s/ Steven J. Borick

Steven J. Borick

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date August 15, 2007 /s/ Emil J. Fanelli

Emil J. Fanelli

Chief Accounting Officer and acting Chief Financial Officer

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