

RITA MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC
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THERE TO FILED PURSUANT TO 13d-2 (b)
(Amendment No. 1)*

RITA Medical Systems, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

76774E-10-3

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2001

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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- Rule 13d-1(b)
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CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)**
Delphi Ventures II, L.P. (DV II)
Tax ID Number:

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**
(a) o
(b) ý

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**
Delaware

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

5. **Sole Voting Power**
0 shares

6. **Shared Voting Power**
0 shares

7. **Sole Dispositive Power**
0 shares

8. **Shared Dispositive Power**
0 shares

9. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
0

10. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)**
 o

11. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)**
0%

12. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
PN

CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)

Delphi BioInvestments II, L.P. (DBI II)

Tax ID Number:

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

Delaware

5. Sole Voting Power
0 shares

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

6. Shared Voting Power
0 shares

7. Sole Dispositive Power
0 shares

8. Shared Dispositive Power
0 shares

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

0

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)**
 Delphi Management Partners II, L.P. (DMP II)
 Tax ID Number:

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**
 (a) o
 (b) ý

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**
 Delaware

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	5.	Sole Voting Power 0 shares
	6.	Shared Voting Power 0 shares
	7.	Sole Dispositive Power 0 shares
	8.	Shared Dispositive Power 0 shares

9. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
 0

10. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)**
 o

11. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)**
 0%

12. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
 PN

CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)**
James J. Bochnowski (Bochnowski)
Tax ID Number:

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**
(a) o
(b) ý

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**
U.S. Citizen

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

5. **Sole Voting Power**
45,276 shares

6. **Shared Voting Power**
0 shares

7. **Sole Dispositive Power**
45,276 shares

8. **Shared Dispositive Power**
0 shares

9. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
45,276

10. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)**
 o

11. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)**
0.3%

12. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
IN

CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)

David L. Douglass (Douglass)

Tax ID Number:

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

U.S. Citizen

5. Sole Voting Power
0 shares

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

6. Shared Voting Power
0 shares

7. Sole Dispositive Power
0 shares

8. Shared Dispositive Power
0 shares

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

0

10. Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0.0%

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

IN

CUSIP No. 76774E-10-3

1. **Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only)**
Donald J. Lothrop (Lothrop)
Tax ID Number:

2. **Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)**
(a) o
(b) ý

3. **SEC Use Only**

4. **Citizenship or Place of Organization**
U.S. Citizen

5. **Sole Voting Power**
0 shares

**Number of
Shares
Beneficially
Owned by
Each
Reporting
Person With**

6. **Shared Voting Power**
0 shares

7. **Sole Dispositive Power**
0 shares

8. **Shared Dispositive Power**
0 shares

9. **Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person**
0

10. **Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)**
 o

11. **Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)**
0.0%

12. **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**
IN

Item 1.

- (a) **Name of Issuer**
RITA Medical Systems, Inc.
- (b) **Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices**
967 North Shoreline Boulevard
Mountain View, CA 94043

Item 2.

- (a) **Name of Person Filing**
This statement is filed by Delphi Ventures II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (DV II), Delphi BioInvestments II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (DBI II), Delphi Management Partners II, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (DMP II) and the general partner of DV II and DBI II, James J. Bochnowski (Bochnowski), David L. Douglass (Douglass) and Donald J. Lothrop (Lothrop), the general partners of DMP II. The foregoing entities and individuals are collectively referred to as the Reporting Persons.

DMP II is the general partner of DV II and DBI II and may be deemed to have sole power to vote and sole power to dispose of shares of the issuer directly owned by DV II and DBI II. Bochnowski, Douglass and Lothrop are the general partners of DMP II and may be deemed to have shared power to vote and shared power to dispose of the shares of the issuer directly owned by DV II and DBI II.

- (b) **Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence**
The address of the principal business office for each of the Reporting Persons is:

Delphi Ventures
3000 Sand Hill Road
Building 1 Suite 135
Menlo Park, CA 94025

- (c) **Citizenship**
DV II, DBI II and DMP II are Delaware limited partnerships. Bochnowski, Douglass and Lothrop are United States citizens.

- (d) **Title of Class of Securities**

Common Stock

- (e) **CUSIP #** 76774E-10-3

Item 3.

Not Applicable.

Signatures

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 13, 2002

DELPHI VENTURES II, L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership

Goodwill	
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Trademarks	
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Total	
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Balance at September 11, 2004	
	\$
	33,697
	\$
	7,893
	\$
	41,590

Intangibles acquired

-

197

197

Purchase accounting
adjustments

35

-

35

Foreign currency translation
effects

1,820

-

1,820

Balance at January 1, 2005

35,552

8,090

43,642

Intangibles acquired

2,489

74

2,563

Purchase accounting
adjustments

351

-

351

Foreign currency translation
effects

(1,184

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-

(1,184

)

Balance at September 10, 2005

\$

37,208

\$

8,164

\$

45,372

4. Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) represents net earnings and any revenue, expenses, gains and losses that, under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, are excluded from net earnings and recognized directly as a component of stockholders' equity.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements - continued
September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004**

The ending accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	September 10, 2005	January 1, 2005	September 11, 2004
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ 18,346	\$ 23,787	\$ 14,197
Foreign currency cash flow hedge adjustments	(142)	(1,477)	(402)
Minimum pension liability adjustments, net of taxes	(2,864)	(2,864)	(3,883)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	\$ 15,340	\$ 19,446	\$ 9,912

The reconciliation from net earnings to comprehensive income is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	12 Weeks Ended		36 Weeks Ended	
	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004
Net earnings	\$ 24,634	\$ 21,946	\$ 54,023	\$ 45,229
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Foreign currency translation adjustments	1,754	(1,057)	(5,441)	137
Change in fair value of foreign currency exchange contracts, net of taxes	(712)	509	1,335	1,235
Comprehensive income	\$ 25,676	\$ 21,398	\$ 49,917	\$ 46,601

5. Business Segments

The Company has one reportable segment that is engaged in manufacturing, sourcing, marketing, licensing and distribution of branded footwear and licensed apparel and accessories to the retail sector, including casual shoes, slippers, moccasins, dress shoes, boots, uniform shoes, work shoes, performance outdoor footwear and apparel and accessories. Revenue of this segment is derived from the sale of branded products to external customers as well as royalty income from the licensing of the Company's trademarks and brand names to licensees and distributors. The business units comprising the branded footwear and licensing segment manufacture, source, market and distribute products in a similar manner. Branded footwear and licensed products are distributed through wholesale channels and under licensing and distributor arrangements.

The other business units in the following table consist of the Company's retail, tannery and pigskin procurement operations. The Company operated 73 domestic retail stores and six consumer direct internet sites at September 10, 2005 that sell Company-manufactured and sourced products, as well as footwear manufactured by unaffiliated companies. The other business units distribute products through retail and wholesale channels.

There have been no material changes in the way the Company measures segment profits or in its basis of determining business segments.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements - continued
September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004**

Business segment information is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	Branded Footwear and Licensing	Other Businesses	Corporate	Consolidated
12 weeks ended September 10, 2005				
Revenue from external customers	\$258,330	\$ 20,786	\$ -	\$ 279,116
Intersegment revenue	10,173	1,268	-	11,441
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	40,815	1,101	(5,477)	36,439
36 weeks ended September 10, 2005				
Revenue from external customers	\$676,058	\$ 63,939	\$ -	\$ 739,997
Intersegment revenue	25,960	2,462	-	28,422
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	88,585	2,951	(11,622)	79,914
12 weeks ended September 11, 2004				
Revenue from external customers	\$ 240,275	\$ 20,622	\$ -	\$ 260,897
Intersegment revenue	8,462	861	-	9,323
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	35,484	962	(4,036)	32,410
36 weeks ended September 11, 2004				
Revenue from external customers	\$ 625,704	\$ 58,837	\$ -	\$ 684,541
Intersegment revenue	21,629	1,914	-	23,543
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	75,167	1,793	(10,323)	66,637

6. Financial Instruments and Risk Management

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, accounts and notes receivable, accounts and notes payable and long-term debt. Except for fixed-rate, long-term debt at September 10, 2005 with a carrying value of \$42,857,000 and a fair value of \$45,073,000, the Company's estimate of the fair values of these financial instruments approximates their carrying amounts at September 10, 2005. Fair value was determined using discounted cash flow analyses and current interest rates for similar instruments. The Company does not hold or issue financial instruments for trading purposes.

The Company follows Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended by SFAS Nos. 137 and 138, which requires that all derivative instruments be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value and establishes criteria for designation and effectiveness of hedging relationships. The Company utilizes foreign currency forward exchange contracts to manage the volatility associated with foreign currency inventory purchases made by non-U.S. wholesale operations in the normal course of business. At September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004, foreign exchange contracts with a notional value of \$47,808,000 and \$17,048,500, respectively, were outstanding to purchase various currencies (principally U.S. dollars) with maturities ranging up to one year. These contracts have been designated as cash flow hedges. As of September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004, liabilities of \$615,400 and \$61,500 have been recorded for the fair value of the foreign exchange contracts, respectively.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements - continued
September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004**

The fair value of the foreign currency forward exchange contracts represents the estimated receipts or payments necessary to terminate the contracts. Hedge effectiveness is evaluated by the hypothetical derivative method. Any hedge ineffectiveness is reported within the cost of products sold caption of the consolidated condensed statements of operations. Hedge ineffectiveness was not material for the third quarter and first three quarters ended September 10, 2005, respectively, and was \$199,000 and \$958,000 for the third quarter and first three quarters ended September 11, 2004, respectively. If, in the future, the foreign exchange contracts are determined to be ineffective hedges or are terminated before their contractual termination dates, the Company would be required to reclassify into earnings all or a portion of the unrealized amounts related to the cash flow hedges that are currently included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) within stockholders' equity.

The Company does not generally require collateral or other security on trade accounts and notes receivable.

7. Stock-Based Compensation

The Company has elected to follow Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations, in accounting for its stock incentive plans because the alternative fair value accounting provided under SFAS No.123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, requires the use of option valuation models that were not specifically developed for valuing the types of stock incentives maintained by the Company. Under APB Opinion No. 25, compensation expense would be recognized if the market price of the stock underlying an award on the date of grant exceeds any related exercise price.

Pro forma information regarding net earnings and earnings per share is required by SFAS No. 123, and has been determined as if the Company had accounted for its stock awards using the fair value method. The fair value of these awards was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The following weighted-average assumptions for the first three quarters of 2005 were: risk-free interest rate of 3.68% (3.3% in 2004); dividend yield of 1.1% (1.1% in 2004); expected market price volatility factor of 0.24 (0.33 in 2004); and an expected option life of four years.

The estimated weighted-average fair value for each option granted was \$5.10 and \$4.41 for the first three quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements - continued**
September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004

For purposes of pro forma disclosures, the estimated fair values of stock options are amortized to expense over the related vesting periods. The Company's pro forma information under SFAS No. 123 is as follows (thousands of dollars, except per share data):

	12 Weeks Ended		36 Weeks Ended	
	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004
Net earnings, as reported	\$ 24,634	\$ 21,946	\$ 54,023	\$ 45,229
Add: Total stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects	792	603	2,413	1,984
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value method for all awards, net of related tax effects	1,149	1,363	3,519	4,680
Pro forma net earnings	\$ 24,277	\$ 21,186	\$ 52,917	\$ 42,533
Net earnings per share:				
Basic - as reported	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.96	\$ 0.78
Basic - pro forma	0.43	0.37	0.94	0.74
Diluted - as reported	0.42	0.37	0.91	0.75
Diluted - pro forma	0.41	0.35	0.90	0.70

8. Pension Expense

A summary of net pension and SERP (Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan) expense recognized by the Company is as follows (thousands of dollars):

	12 Weeks Ended		36 Weeks Ended	
	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004	September 10, 2005	September 11, 2004
Service cost pertaining to benefits earned during the period	\$ 989	\$ 922	\$ 2,967	\$ 2,766
Interest cost on projected benefit obligations	2,185	2,081	6,555	6,243
Expected return on pension assets	(2,780)	(2,756)	(8,340)	(8,268)
Net amortization loss	1,805	1,285	5,415	3,855

Net pension expense	\$ 2,199	\$ 1,532	\$ 6,597	\$ 4,596
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9. Litigation and Contingencies

The Company is involved in various environmental claims and other legal actions arising in the normal course of business. The environmental claims include sites where the Environmental Protection Agency has notified the Company that it is a potentially responsible party with respect to environmental remediation. These remediation claims are subject to ongoing environmental impact studies, assessment of remediation alternatives, allocation of costs between responsible parties and concurrence by regulatory authorities and have not yet advanced to a stage where the Company's liability is fixed. However, after taking into consideration legal counsel's evaluation of all actions and claims against the Company, management is currently of the opinion that their outcome will not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or future results of operations.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements - continued
September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004**

Pursuant to certain of the Company's lease agreements, the Company has provided financial guarantees to third parties in the form of indemnification provisions. These provisions indemnify and reimburse the third parties for costs, including but not limited to adverse judgments in lawsuits and taxes and operating costs. The terms of the guarantees are equal to the terms of the related lease agreements. The Company is not able to calculate the maximum potential amount of future payments it could be required to make under these guarantees, as the potential payments are dependent on the occurrence of future unknown events.

The Company has future minimum royalty obligations due under the terms of certain licenses held by the Company. These minimum future obligations on licenses are as follows (thousands of dollars):

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Thereafter
Minimum royalties	\$1,018	\$796	\$940	\$1,044	\$1,309	\$ 2,356

Minimum royalties are based on both fixed obligations and assumptions regarding the consumer price index. Royalty obligations in excess of minimum requirements are based upon future sales levels. In accordance with these agreements, the Company incurred royalty expense of \$2,145,000 and \$2,273,000 for the first three quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

The terms of certain license agreements also require advertising expenditures based on the level of sales. In accordance with these agreements, the Company's advertising obligations, based on actual sales, totaled \$1,362,000 and \$1,559,000 for the first three quarters of 2005 and 2004, respectively.

10. Business Acquisitions

During the second quarter of 2005, the Company purchased the remaining 5% ownership from the minority stockholder of Wolverine Europe Limited, making it a wholly-owned subsidiary. The purchase price was \$2,322,000 of which \$407,000 was deferred until July 1, 2006. The transaction eliminated the minority interest of \$566,000 resulting in goodwill of \$1,756,000.

On January 3, 2005, the Company expanded its owned Wolverine® and CAT® Footwear operations in Canada. Based on a preliminary purchase price allocation, assets consisting primarily of inventory and fixed assets totaling approximately \$1,248,000 were acquired from a former Wolverine® and CAT® Footwear distributor for cash of \$2,333,000, subject to certain post-closing adjustments, and resulted in goodwill and intangible assets of approximately \$1,085,000. Consolidated pro forma revenue and net earnings in 2005, assuming the transaction occurred at the beginning of the year, are not materially different from reported amounts.

11. New Accounting Standards

On December 16, 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment*, which would require all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the consolidated statements of operations based on their fair values, effective for public companies for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005. SFAS No. 123(R) also requires the benefits of tax deductions in excess of recognized compensation cost to be reported as a financing cash flow, rather than as an operating cash flow as required under current literature. The Company intends to adopt SFAS No. 123(R) effective with its fiscal year

beginning January 1, 2006. SFAS No. 123(R) permits public companies to adopt its requirements using either the modified prospective or retrospective method.

The Company plans to elect the prospective method upon adoption and while the Company continues to evaluate its share based payment strategies, it estimates the net of tax impact of SFAS No. 123 (R) to range from \$4.1 million to \$5.3 million or \$.07 to \$.09 per share for 2006.

ITEM 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Overview

Wolverine World Wide, Inc. (the "Company") achieved record results for the third quarter 2005. Revenue grew 7.0% to \$279.1 million, from \$260.9 million for the third quarter of 2004. The revenue increases were broad-based with The Hush Puppies Company, the Heritage Group and the Outdoor Group all reporting revenue increases while the Wolverine Footwear Group fell slightly below its third quarter 2004 performance. Earnings per share for the third quarter grew to \$0.42 per share compared to \$0.37 per share for the third quarter of 2004, an increase of 13.5%.

Revenue for the first three quarters of 2005 grew 8.1% to \$740.0 million from \$684.5 million for the first three quarters of 2004. Earnings per share during the first three quarters of 2005 grew to \$0.91 per share compared to \$0.75 per share for the first three quarters of 2004, an increase of 21.3%.

Record third quarter earnings were achieved through strong gross margin expansion of 130 basis points to 38.9%. Gross margin for the first three quarters increased 120 basis points with approximately 60 basis points of the improvement resulting from favorable hedge rate changes associated with the Company's foreign currency hedging strategy for inventory purchases.

The balance sheet reflected an increase in accounts receivable of \$13.3 million, a 6.9% increase over the prior year's comparable quarter end. The Company realized a 2.5% improvement in days' sales outstanding at the end of third quarter 2005 versus the third quarter of 2004. Inventory levels rose \$14.4 million or 7.9% over the balance at the end of the same period in the prior year. The Company ended the third quarter of 2005 with \$47.8 million in cash on hand and debt outstanding of \$43.9 million.

Achievements during the third quarter of 2005 include:

Global Expansion

Revenue from international operations increased 19.7% as compared to the third quarter of 2004 and now represents 32.3% of total revenue on a year-to-date basis. The Company continues to experience growth in its European operations which recorded a 19.9% increase in the third quarter. The European operations currently represent 20.9% of total year-to-date revenue.

Product Expansion

During the third quarter of 2005, extensions to the already successful Wolverine Multishox™ product were launched to the trade. The Heritage group introduced new product lines in both CAT® and Harley-Davidson® footwear. The Hush Puppies consumer responded favorably to the more contemporary and updated product offering. Global acceptance of the Merrell® Continuum initiatives such as "Aqua Sport" and "Chameleon" continued to fuel growth. In the third quarter, the Merrell® design team initiated the Spring 2007 Patagonia® product line-up. The Outdoor Group began the process of building a design team to launch a Merrell® apparel line. This is an important step in capitalizing on the lifestyle potential of the Merrell® brand as well as other brands in the Company's portfolio.

Strategic Marketing

The Company continues to forge strong connections with its target consumers. During the third quarter of 2005, four new Hush Puppies® stores were opened by the Company's Hush Puppies® international licensees. Additionally, a CAT® concept shop was completed and opened by the Company's Chilean distributor. The Merrell® Shop-in-Shop program has grown to 157 Shop-in-Shops in the U.S. and 24 in Europe. Merrell's success in the Shop-in-Shops has led to agreements with independent retailers to open Merrell® exclusive stores. One store was opened in Germany during the quarter, with two slated for opening in U.S. markets in early 2006. The Wolverine Retail division opened one additional outlet store bringing the total store count to 73. Grass roots marketing efforts continue to bring the excitement of the brands to the core consumer.

The following is a discussion of the Company's results of operations and liquidity and capital resources for the 2005 third quarter and year-to-date periods. This section should be read in conjunction with the consolidated condensed financial statements and notes included in this report and the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005.

Results of Operations - Comparisons of the 12 Weeks Ended September 10, 2005 (third quarter of 2005) to the 12 Weeks Ended September 11, 2004 (third quarter of 2004)

Financial Summary - Third Quarter of 2005 versus Third Quarter of 2004

	2005		2004		Change	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
<i>(Millions of Dollars, Except Per Share Data)</i>						
Revenue						
Branded Footwear and Licensing	\$258.3	92.6%	\$240.3	92.1%	\$18.0	7.5%
Other business units	20.8	7.4%	20.6	7.9%	0.2	0.8%
Total revenue	\$279.1	100.0%	\$260.9	100.0%	\$18.2	7.0%
Gross margin						
Branded Footwear and Licensing	\$100.8	39.0%	\$90.9	37.8%	\$9.9	10.9%
Other business units	7.9	38.0%	7.3	35.5%	0.6	7.9%
Total gross margin	\$108.7	38.9%	\$98.2	37.6%	\$10.5	10.7%
Selling and administrative expenses	\$72.1	25.8%	\$65.2	25.0%	\$6.9	10.6%
Interest expense-net	0.3	0.1%	0.7	0.3%	(0.4)	(56.1%)
Other income-net	(0.2)	(0.1%)	(0.1)	0.0%	(0.1)	(79.5%)
Earnings before income taxes and minority interest	36.4	13.1%	32.4	12.4%	4.0	12.4%
Net earnings	24.6	8.8%	21.9	8.4%	2.7	12.2%
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.42		\$0.37		\$0.05	13.5%

The Company has one reportable segment that is engaged in manufacturing, sourcing, marketing and distributing branded products. Within the Branded Footwear and Licensing segment, the Company has identified five operating units, consisting of the Outdoor Group (comprised of the Merrell®, Sebago® and Patagonia® brands), the Wolverine Footwear Group (comprised of the Wolverine®, Hystest®, Bates® and Stanley® brands), the Heritage Brands Group (comprised of CAT® Footwear and Harley-Davidson® Footwear), The Hush Puppies Company, and Other Branded Footwear and Licensing. The Company's other business units consist of Wolverine Retail and Wolverine® Leathers (comprised of the tannery and procurement operations). The following is supplemental information on total revenue:

Total Revenue - Third Quarter

	2005		2004		Change	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%

(Millions of Dollars)						
Outdoor Group	\$85.6	30.7%	\$74.3	28.5%	\$11.3	15.2%
Wolverine Footwear Group	65.2	23.4%	66.9	25.6%	(1.7)	(2.5%)
Heritage Brands Group	50.8	18.2%	46.2	17.7%	4.6	10.0%
The Hush Puppies Company	45.0	16.1%	42.4	16.2%	2.6	6.1%
Other Branded Footwear and Licensing	11.7	4.2%	10.5	4.0%	1.2	11.4%
Total Branded Footwear and Licensing revenue	\$258.3	92.6%	\$240.3	92.1%	\$18.0	7.5%
Other business units	20.8	7.4%	20.6	7.9%	0.2	0.8%
Total revenue	\$279.1	100.0%	\$260.9	100.0%	\$18.2	7.0%

REVENUE

The Company reported an \$18.2 million increase in revenue for the quarter. The addition of the CAT® and Wolverine® wholesale operations in Canada, the Merrell® wholesale operations in Sweden and Finland and the transition in the Sebago® operations from a distributor-based business to a wholesale business in the UK and Germany represented \$5.1 million of the revenue increase. The impact of translating foreign denominated revenue to U.S. dollars had a nominal impact on revenue during the quarter. The remaining increase was a result of increases in unit volume, changes in product mix and

changes in average selling price. International revenue increased in the quarter accounting for 32.9% of total revenue as compared to 29.4% in 2004.

The Outdoor Group recorded a revenue increase of \$11.3 million in the quarter, a 15.2% improvement over the third quarter of 2004. The Merrell® business accounted for \$9.9 million of the increase while Sebago® recorded a \$1.4 million increase. The Merrell® division experienced increases across the globe. Broad acceptance and strong sell-through of the new Continuum™ performance product fueled the increase. The Sebago® growth was driven by increased U.S. and European shipments. New product introductions in the sports fashion category and technical water sport category drove the increase in the U.S. In Europe, operating model changes have created a more competitive pricing model and resulted in increased demand for both classic as well as new product introductions.

The Wolverine Footwear Group recorded a \$1.7 million decrease in revenue in the quarter. The Bates® uniform footwear business reported a \$1.8 million reduction due primarily to lower shipments to the Department of Defense. Partially offsetting the decrease was incremental revenue of \$0.7 million from the Wolverine® Canada operation. The Wolverine® Boots and Shoes business recognized a \$0.6 million increase due to demand for premium Gore-Tex® waterproof boots and Wolverine MultiShox™ product. Additionally, a \$0.4 million reduction in Stanley® footwear also contributed to the revenue decline.

The Heritage Brands Group experienced a \$4.6 million increase in revenue during the quarter. CAT® Footwear's revenue increased \$5.0 million during the quarter, of which \$4.2 million came from strong shipments in Europe and with the Company's international partners. Strong boot sales and shipments of product with the premium iTechnology™ drove the increase. Incremental revenue of \$2.1 million from the CAT® Canada business also contributed to the increase. The U.S. CAT® business experienced a reduction of \$1.3 million, partially offsetting the increase. Harley-Davidson® Footwear revenue decreased \$0.4 million in the quarter due primarily to a reduction in at-once business.

The Hush Puppies Company's revenue increased \$2.6 million in the third quarter of 2005. The Hush Puppies® foreign operations contributed \$2.1 million of the increase. Strong global acceptance of the more contemporary image and updated product offering is driving increases across the globe. The U.S. business has expanded distribution in both the department store channel as well as with independent fashion retailers resulting in a \$0.5 million increase.

Within the Company's other business units, Wolverine Retail reported an increase in revenue of \$0.9 million as a result of same store revenue increases of 3.3%. One new retail store was opened in the quarter for a total of 73 stores compared to 68 at third quarter end 2004. The Wolverine® Leathers operation reported a \$0.7 million decrease in revenue from external customers.

GROSS MARGIN

Gross margin of 38.9% for the third quarter of 2005 reflected a 130 basis point improvement over the same period in the prior year. Benefits from an improved sales mix with increased sales of higher margin lifestyle and performance products resulted in a 50 basis point improvement. Benefits from favorable hedge rate changes associated with the Company's foreign currency hedging strategy for inventory purchases resulted in lower product costs which added 60 basis points to the margin. Improved pricing margins added 20 basis points to the increase.

SELLING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Selling and administrative expenses of \$72.1 million for the third quarter of 2005 increased \$6.9 million from the third quarter 2004 level. The addition of the CAT® and Wolverine® operations in Canada, the Merrell® business in Sweden and Finland and the transition of the Sebago® operations from a distributor- based business to a wholesale business in the UK and Germany accounted for \$1.8 million of the increase. The Company realized increases in pension and profit-sharing expenses of \$0.9 million. The remaining increases related primarily to selling, marketing and distribution costs which are variable to the increase in revenue.

INTEREST, OTHER & TAXES

The decrease in net interest expense reflects lower average outstanding amounts on senior notes and minimal borrowing under the Company's revolving credit facility as well as increased interest income from invested cash balances.

The Company's change in other income primarily relates to the change in realized gains or losses on foreign denominated assets and liabilities.

The Company's third quarter 2005 effective income tax rate was 32.4% compared to 31.9% for the third quarter of 2004.

NET EARNINGS

As a result of the revenue, gross margin and expense changes discussed above, the Company achieved net earnings of \$24.6 million for the third quarter of 2005 as compared to \$21.9 million for the third quarter of 2004, an increase of \$2.7 million.

Results of Operations - Comparisons of the 36 Weeks Ended September 10, 2005 (first three quarters of 2005) to the 36 Weeks Ended September 11, 2004 (first three quarters of 2004)

Financial Summary - First Three Quarters of 2005 versus First Three Quarters of 2004

	2005		2004		Change	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
<i>(Millions of Dollars, Except Per Share Data)</i>						
Revenue						
Branded Footwear and Licensing	\$676.1	91.4%	\$625.7	91.4%	\$50.4	8.0%
Other business units	63.9	8.6%	58.8	8.6%	5.1	8.7%
Total revenue	\$740.0	100.0%	\$684.5	100.0%	\$55.5	8.1%
Gross margin						
Branded Footwear and Licensing	\$266.5	39.4%	\$239.0	38.2%	\$27.5	11.5%
Other business units	23.0	36.0%	20.1	34.1%	2.9	14.7%
Total gross margin	\$289.5	39.1%	\$259.1	37.9%	\$30.4	11.7%
Selling and administrative expenses	\$208.5	28.2%	\$189.8	27.7%	\$18.7	9.8%
Interest expense-net	1.3	0.2%	2.5	0.4%	(1.2)	(48.2%)
Other expense (income)-net	(0.2)	0.0%	0.2	0.0%	(0.4)	(209.6%)
Earnings before income taxes and minority interest	79.9	10.8%	66.6	9.7%	13.3	19.9%
Net earnings	54.0	7.3%	45.2	6.6%	8.8	19.4%
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.91		\$0.75		\$0.16	21.3%

The following is supplemental information on revenue of the Branded Footwear and Licensing operating units:

Total Revenue - First Three Quarters

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	2005		2004		Change	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
(Millions of Dollars)						
Outdoor Group	\$245.0	33.1%	\$208.1	30.4%	\$36.9	17.7%
Wolverine Footwear Group	170.6	23.1%	181.2	26.5%	(10.6)	(5.9%)
Heritage Brands Group	123.4	16.7%	112.6	16.4%	10.8	9.6%
The Hush Puppies Company	116.7	15.8%	105.1	15.4%	11.6	11.0%
Other Branded Footwear and Licensing	20.4	2.7%	18.7	2.7%	1.7	8.9%
Total Branded Footwear and Licensing revenue	\$676.1	91.4%	\$625.7	91.4%	\$50.4	8.0%
Other business units	63.9	8.6%	58.8	8.6%	5.1	8.7%
Total revenue	\$740.0	100.0%	\$684.5	100.0%	\$55.5	8.1%

REVENUE

The revenue increase for the first three quarters of 2005 was \$55.5 million. The addition of the CAT® and Wolverine® wholesale operations in Canada, the Merrell® wholesale operations in Sweden and Finland and the transition in the Sebago® operations from a distributor-based to a wholesale business in the UK and Germany represented \$15.7 million of the revenue increase. The impact of translating foreign

denominated revenue into U.S. dollars improved revenue by \$4.8 million and the remaining increase was a result of increases in unit volume, changes in product mix and changes in selling price. International revenue increased on a year-to-date basis to account for 32.3% of total revenue compared to 28.7% in 2004.

The Outdoor Group reported a \$36.9 million revenue increase for the first three quarters of 2005. The Merrell® business accounted for \$33.0 million of the increase while Sebago® contributed an additional \$3.9 million. The addition of the wholesale operations in Sweden and Finland accounted for \$6.0 million of the Merrell® growth. The introduction of the Continuum™ performance product has been driving the global growth and strong sell-through has been achieved in both the U.S. and international markets. The Sebago® growth has come primarily in the European operations. The change from a distributor business in the U.K. and Germany to a wholesale-based operation has added \$0.8 million in revenue.

The Wolverine Footwear Group reported a \$10.6 million reduction in revenue for the first three quarters of 2005. The Bates® uniform footwear business reported a decrease of \$12.5 million due primarily to lower shipments to the Department of Defense. The lower demand was anticipated and is in line with the Company's plan. The Wolverine® Boots and Shoes business reported an increase of \$1.8 million driven primarily by incremental business in Canada. The Stanley® business recorded an increase of \$0.1 million.

The Heritage Brands Group experienced a \$10.8 million increase in revenue for the first three quarters of 2005. The CAT® business generated a \$12.2 million increase which was driven by the addition of incremental revenue in Canada of \$6.8 million as well as an increase in Europe of \$8.3 million. These increases were partially offset by decreases in the U.S. and with other international distributors. The European growth was fueled by strong boot sales as well as shipments of footwear incorporating iTechnology™. Harley-Davidson® Footwear's revenue decreased \$1.4 million for the first three quarters of 2005 due to a reduction in at-once business.

The Hush Puppies Company recorded an \$11.6 million increase in revenue for the first three quarters of 2005. Improved revenue in the U.K., combined with international licensing royalties accounted for \$7.2 million of the increase. Strong sell-through on Spring product as well as deliveries of Fall products in all distribution channels fueled the year-to-date increase. Growth in the U.S. market was driven by increases in the department store channel.

Within the Company's other business units, Wolverine Retail reported a \$4.0 million increase in revenue as a result of same store revenue increases of 6.6% for the first three quarters of 2005 as well as the addition of five new stores since the third quarter of 2004. The Wolverine® Leathers operation reported a \$1.1 million increase for the first three quarters of 2005. The growth was a result of increased sales to external customers.

The Company ended the third quarter of 2005 with an order backlog increase of over 19.0% compared to the third quarter backlog of 2004.

GROSS MARGIN

The gross margin percentage for the first three quarters of 2005 of 39.1% represents a 120 basis point improvement over the same period of the prior year. Benefits from an improved sales mix with increased sales of higher margin lifestyle and performance products resulted in a 50 basis point improvement. Benefits from favorable hedge rate changes associated with the Company's foreign currency hedging strategy for inventory purchases resulted in lower product costs which added 60 basis points to the margin. Improved pricing margins added 10 basis points to the increase.

SELLING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Selling and administrative expenses increased \$18.7 million for the first three quarters of 2005. The addition of the CAT® and Wolverine® operations in Canada, the Merrell® wholesale operations in Sweden and Finland and the transition in the Sebago® operation from a distributor-based to a wholesale business in the U.K. and Germany

accounted for \$5.6 million of the increase. The Company realized an increase in pension and profit-sharing expense of \$3.2 million. The Company continues to invest in marketing and new business development which accounted for \$4.2 million of the increase. The remaining increases related primarily to selling and distribution costs which are variable to the increase in revenue. The increase in expense was partially offset by a \$3.1 million reduction in bad debt expense resulting from improved accounts receivable collection.

INTEREST, OTHER & TAXES

The decrease in net interest expense reflects lower average outstanding amounts on senior notes and minimal borrowing under the Company's revolving credit facility as well as increased interest income from invested cash balances.

The change in other income primarily relates to the change in realized gains or losses on foreign denominated assets and liabilities.

The Company's effective income tax rate for the first three quarters of 2005 was 32.4% compared to 32.0% for the first three quarters of 2004. The estimated annualized effective rate for fiscal 2005 is 32.4% and does not include any impact from the potential repatriation of foreign earnings and profits under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 as the Company is still evaluating its alternatives, which it anticipates completing in the fourth quarter of 2005.

NET EARNINGS

As a result of the revenue, gross margin and expense changes discussed above, the Company achieved net earnings of \$54.0 million for the first three quarters of 2005 as compared to \$45.2 million for the first three quarters of 2004, an increase of \$8.8 million.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

	September 10, 2005	January 1, 2005	September 11, 2004	Change from	
				January 1, 2005	September 11, 2004
<i>(Millions of Dollars)</i>					
Cash	\$ 47.8	\$ 72.2	\$ 39.1	\$ (24.4)	\$ 8.7
Accounts receivable	205.3	151.2	191.9	54.1	13.4
Inventories	196.4	182.9	182.0	13.5	14.4
Accounts payable	47.7	52.0	51.6	(4.3)	(3.9)
Accrued salaries and wages	15.4	15.8	19.7	(0.4)	(4.3)
Other accrued liabilities	60.6	30.7	50.1	29.9	10.5
Debt	43.9	43.9	55.6	-	(11.7)
Cash provided by operating activities	40.6		49.7		(9.1)
Additions to property, plant and equipment	11.6		12.8		(1.2)
Depreciation and amortization	13.6		13.5		0.1

Cash of \$36.8 million was used to fund working capital investments during the first three quarters of 2005 compared to \$14.1 million used during the first three quarters of 2004. Accounts receivable for the 2005 third quarter increased 6.9% as compared to the third quarter of 2004 and the number of days' sales outstanding was reduced by 2.5% as compared to the third quarter of 2004. Inventory levels were up 7.9% for the 2005 third quarter over the same period last year on a 7.0% increase in revenue; and inventory turns improved 2.9%. No single customer accounted for more than 5% of the outstanding accounts receivable balance at September 10, 2005.

The decrease in accounts payable as compared to the prior year's third quarter end was primarily attributable to the timing of inventory purchases from contract suppliers. The increase in other accrued liabilities was primarily attributable to adjustments made for foreign currency forward exchange contracts and increases in employee benefit accruals.

The majority of capital expenditures were for information system enhancements, distribution equipment and building improvements. The Company leases machinery, equipment and certain warehouse, office and retail store space under operating lease agreements that expire at various dates through 2023.

The Company has a long-term revolving credit agreement that expires in July 2010 and allows for borrowings up to \$150.0 million. The revolving credit facility is used to support working capital requirements. No amounts were outstanding under revolving credit facilities at September 10, 2005 or September 11, 2004. The Company was in compliance with all debt covenant requirements at September 10, 2005. Proceeds from existing credit facilities and anticipated renewals, along with cash flows from operations, are expected to be sufficient to meet capital needs in the foreseeable future. Any excess cash flows from operating activities

are expected to be used to purchase property, plant and equipment, pay down existing debt, fund internal and external growth initiatives, pay dividends or repurchase the Company's common stock.

The decrease in debt at September 10, 2005 compared to September 11, 2004 primarily was the result of annual principal payments on the Company's senior notes. The Company had commercial letter of credit facilities outstanding of \$1.5 million and \$1.3 million at September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004, respectively. The total debt to total capital ratio for the Company was 8.6% for the 2005 third quarter, 11.5% for the 2004 third quarter and 8.7% for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005.

The Company's pension benefit costs and credits are based upon actuarial valuations. Inherent in these valuations are key assumptions, including discount rates and expected returns on plan assets. The Company is required to consider market conditions, including changes in interest rates, in selecting these assumptions. Pre-tax charges resulting from the Company's defined benefit pension plans increased \$2.0 million for the first three quarters of 2005 when compared to the same period of 2004.

The Company's Board of Directors approved a common stock repurchase program on October 5, 2004. This program authorizes the repurchase of 3.0 million shares of common stock over a 24-month period commencing on the effective date of the program. There were 959,800 shares (\$22.28 average price paid per share) repurchased during the 2005 third quarter and 1,980,700 shares (\$21.82 average price paid per share) repurchased during the first three quarters of 2005 under this program. The primary purpose of this stock repurchase program is to increase stockholder value. The Company intends to continue to repurchase shares of its common stock in open market or privately negotiated transactions, from time to time, depending upon market conditions and other factors. Additional information about stock repurchases is included in Part II, Item 2 of this Form 10-Q.

The Company declared dividends of \$3.7 million in the third quarter of 2005, or \$.065 per share. This represents a 51.2% increase over the \$.043 per share declared in the third quarter of 2004. The quarterly dividend is payable on November 1, 2005 to stockholders of record on October 3, 2005.

On June 6, 2005 the Company announced an exclusive Footwear Licensing Agreement for Patagonia® Footwear with product introduction expected in Spring 2007.

The European Union is conducting anti-dumping investigations regarding the importation into the European Union of leather footwear from China and Vietnam and safety footwear from China and India. While the outcome of these investigations is uncertain, they could result in the imposition by the European Union of additional import duties on footwear imported into the European Union by the Company. The Company and a number of other companies in the footwear industry are advocating against the imposition of such duties by the European Union. The Company is also exploring alternative European Union sourcing model options if such duties are imposed.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of the Company's consolidated condensed financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. On an ongoing basis, management evaluates these estimates. Estimates are based on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Historically, actual results have not been materially different from the Company's estimates. However, actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

The Company has identified the critical accounting policies used in determining estimates and assumptions in the amounts reported in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005. Management believes there have been no changes in those critical accounting policies.

ITEM 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The information concerning quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ended January 1, 2005, is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company faces market risk to the extent that changes in foreign currency exchange rates affect the Company's foreign assets, liabilities and inventory purchase commitments and to the extent that its long-term debt requirements are affected by changes in interest rates. The Company manages these risks by attempting to denominate contractual and other foreign arrangements in U.S. dollars and by maintaining a significant percentage of fixed-rate debt. The Company does not believe that there has been a material change in the nature of the Company's primary market risk exposures, including the categories of market risk to which the Company is exposed and the particular markets that present the primary risk of loss to the Company. As of the date of this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report, the Company does not know of or expect there to be any material change in the general nature of its primary market risk exposure in the near term.

The methods used by the Company to manage its primary market risk exposures, as described in the sections of its annual report incorporated herein by reference in response to this item, have not changed materially during the current year. As of the date of this Form 10-Q Quarterly Report, the Company does not expect to change its methods used to manage its market risk exposures in the near term. However, the Company may change those methods in the future to adapt to changes in circumstances or to implement new techniques.

The Company's market risk exposure is mainly comprised of its vulnerability to changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Prevailing rates and rate relationships in the future will be primarily determined by market factors that are outside of the Company's control. All information provided in response to this item consists of forward-looking statements. Reference is made to the section captioned "Forward-Looking Statements" at the beginning of this document for a discussion of the limitations on the Company's responsibility for such statements. For purposes of this item, "near term" means a period of time going forward up to one year from the date of the financial statements included in this report.

The Company applies SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended by SFAS Nos. 137 and 138, when accounting for derivative instruments. These provisions require the Company to recognize all derivatives on the balance sheet at fair value. Derivatives that are not hedges must be adjusted to fair value through earnings. If a derivative is a hedge, depending on the nature of the hedge, changes in the fair value of derivatives are either offset against the change in fair value of the hedged assets, liabilities or firm commitments through earnings or recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) until the hedged item is recognized in earnings.

The Company conducts wholesale operations outside of the United States in Europe and Canada where the functional currencies are primarily the British Pound, Canadian Dollar and euro. The Company utilizes foreign currency forward exchange contracts to manage the volatility associated with foreign currency inventory purchases made by non-U.S. wholesale operations in the normal course of business. At September 10, 2005 and September 11, 2004, the Company had outstanding forward currency exchange contracts to purchase \$47.8 million and \$17.0 million, respectively, of various currencies (principally U.S. dollars) with maturities ranging up to one year.

The Company also has production facilities in the Dominican Republic where financial statements are prepared in U.S. dollars as the functional currency; however, operating costs are paid in the local currency. Royalty revenue generated by the Company from certain third-party foreign licensees is calculated in the licensees' local currencies, but paid in U.S. dollars. Accordingly, the Company could be subject to related foreign currency remeasurement gains and losses in 2005 and beyond.

ITEM 4. Controls and Procedures

As of quarter end, an evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures. Based on such evaluation, the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the

period covered by this report in timely alerting them to material information relating to the Company (including its consolidated subsidiaries) required to be included in the Company's periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. There have been no changes during the quarter ended September 10, 2005 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities⁽¹⁾

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
Period 1 (June 19, 2005 to July 16, 2005)				
Common Stock Repurchase Program ⁽²⁾	-	\$ -	-	1,940,382
Employee Transactions ⁽³⁾	-	-	N/A	N/A
Period 2 (July 17, 2005 to August 13, 2005)				
Common Stock Repurchase Program ⁽²⁾	731,600	22.29	731,600	1,208,782
Employee Transactions ⁽³⁾	3,351	22.45	N/A	N/A
Period 3 (August 14, 2005 to September 10, 2005)				
Common Stock Repurchase Program ⁽²⁾	228,200	22.25	228,200	980,582
Employee Transactions ⁽³⁾	-	-	N/A	N/A
Total for Third Quarter ended September 10, 2005				
Common Stock Repurchase Program ⁽²⁾	959,800	\$ 22.28	959,800	980,582
Employee Transactions ⁽³⁾	3,351	22.45	N/A	N/A

1. The information in this table and in these notes has been adjusted to reflect the three-for-two stock split distributed on February 1, 2005.
2. The Company's Board of Directors approved a common stock repurchase program on October 5, 2004. This program authorizes the repurchase of 3.0 million shares of common stock over a 24-month period commencing on the effective date of the program. All shares repurchased during the period covered by this report were purchased under a publicly announced program.
3. Employee transactions include: (1) shares delivered or attested in satisfaction of the exercise price and/or tax withholding obligations by holders of employee stock options who exercised options and (2) restricted shares withheld to offset tax withholding that occurs upon vesting of restricted shares. The Company's employee stock compensation plans provide that the value of the shares delivered or attested to, or withheld, shall be the average of the high and low price of the Company's common stock on the date the relevant transaction occurs.

ITEM 6. Exhibits

The following documents are filed as exhibits to this report on Form 10-Q:

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3.1	Certificate of Incorporation, as amended. Previously filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 26, 2005. Here incorporated by reference.
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws. Previously filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 7, 2002. Here incorporated by reference.
4.1	Credit Agreement dated as of July 22, 2005, among Wolverine World Wide, Inc., certain subsidiaries of Wolverine World Wide, Inc., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Harris, N.A., as Syndication Agent, Comerica Bank, Standard Federal Bank N.A. and National City Bank of the Midwest, as Documentation Agents, and certain other Banks that are parties to the Credit Agreement. Previously filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 28, 2005. Here incorporated by reference.
31.1	Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
31.2	Certification of Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer under Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
32.1	Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350.

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.

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.
AND SUBSIDIARIES

October 20, 2005

/s/ Timothy J. O'Donovan

Date

Timothy J. O'Donovan
President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of
the Board
(Duly Authorized Signatory for Registrant)

October 20, 2005

/s/ Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.

Date

Stephen L. Gulis, Jr.
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