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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20509**

**FORM 10-KSB**

- ý **Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the Fiscal Year Ended October 31, 2004.**
- o **Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the Transition Period from                      to                      .**

COMMISSION FILE NO. **001-13543**

# ANGEION CORPORATION

(Name of Small Business Issuer in its charter)

**Minnesota**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**41-1579150**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**350 Oak Grove Parkway, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55127-8599**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Issuer's telephone number, including area code: **(651) 484-4874**

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:  
**Common Stock, \$0.10 Par Value**  
**Warrants for Common Stock Purchase Rights**

Check whether the issuer filed all reports required to be filed by Section 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934 after distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court:

Yes  No

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

Check if there is no disclosure of delinquent filers in response to Item 405 of Regulation S-B contained in this form, and no disclosure will be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-KSB or any amendment to this Form 10-KSB.

The issuer's revenues for the year ended October 31, 2004 were \$20,688,000.

The aggregate market value of the issuer's common stock held by non-affiliates of the issuer as of January 14, 2005 was approximately \$5,934,000, based upon the closing sale price for the issuer's common stock on that date as reported by the Nasdaq SmallCap Market.

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There were 3,606,038 shares of the issuer's Common Stock, \$0.10 par value per share, outstanding as of January 14, 2005.

Documents Incorporated By Reference: None.

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**PART I**

**Item 1. Description of Business.**

*Unless the context requires otherwise, references in this Form 10-KSB to **Angeion** or the **Company** means **Angeion Corporation**, while references to **Medical Graphics** or **MedGraphics** refers to **Medical Graphics Corporation**, a wholly owned subsidiary of **Angeion**. **Angeion** acquired **Medical Graphics** in **December 1999**. For periods after **December 21, 1999** **Angeion** and **Medical Graphics** are collectively referred to as the **Company**.*

*In **November 2002**, **Angeion** changed its fiscal year from **December 31** to **October 31**. The consolidated financial statements in this Form 10-KSB cover the years ended **October 31, 2004** and **2003**. Unless the context otherwise provides, all reference to years cover those fiscal periods.*

**(a) General Development of Business.**

**Events Prior to 2000**

Angeion Corporation was incorporated in Minnesota during May 1986 for the purpose of developing, manufacturing and selling medical products. The Company initially used its engineering and manufacturing technologies to custom design and manufacture products to customers specifications, while it devoted its research and development capabilities to designing proprietary products. In July 1988, Angeion merged with Verde Ventures Incorporated, a public company organized in March 1987 that had no operations at the time of the merger. Verde Ventures Incorporated, the surviving legal entity, changed its name to Angeion Corporation and continued the business of the pre-merger Angeion Corporation.

In August 1990, the Company established a subsidiary to assume responsibility for the intensified research efforts on the development of a laser catheter ablation system, and in October 1990, the Company acquired a company engaged in the development of an automatic implantable cardioverter defibrillator ( ICD ) system. Subsequent to this acquisition, Angeion designed, developed, manufactured and marketed products, including ICDs that treat irregular heartbeats (arrhythmias). ICDs are designed to treat abnormally rapid heartbeats in the ventricular (or lower) chambers of the heart, a condition known as ventricular tachycardia ( VT ), and a severe form of VT known as ventricular fibrillation ( VF ), that if not terminated will lead to sudden cardiac death. ICDs are electronic devices that are implanted within the body and are connected to the heart with defibrillator leads. These devices monitor the patient's heartbeat and, in the event of VT or VF, deliver an electrical shock to return the heartbeat to normal rhythm. During the period from 1990 through March 2000, Angeion was engaged in the development, design and manufacture of ICDs. During 1999 and 2000, the Company completed two restructurings, granted a series of non-exclusive licenses to its ICD technology and discontinued its ICD operations.

In December 1999, the Company acquired Medical Graphics Corporation.

**Subsequent Developments.**



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In March 2000, Angeion announced that it had largely completed its assimilation of the Medical Graphics business and intended to focus its future efforts primarily on the markets served by and business operations of Medical Graphics and the acquisition and development of future businesses that contributed to shareholder value. Angeion entered into separate license agreements with Medtronic, Inc. and Sanofi-Synthélabo under which it granted each company non-exclusive licenses for its ICD technology.



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On March 15, 2000, the Company, through Medical Graphics, acquired the operating assets of AeroSport, Inc., a privately held Ann Arbor, Michigan corporation, and obtained an exclusive worldwide license to AeroSport's patented technology. AeroSport was a leading global supplier of gas exchange metabolic analyzers for the health, fitness, and research and education markets. The acquisition of the assets included the purchase of inventory, fixed assets and intellectual property for \$468,000. In addition, Medical Graphics entered into an exclusive worldwide license agreement for AeroSport's patented technology for royalty payments of 5% of net sales of products covered by those patents up to a maximum of \$850,000, with a \$700,000 minimum over seven years required to retain those rights.

During the summer of 2001, the Company introduced the New Leaf brand as the umbrella brand name for its planned family of health and fitness products to be marketed to consumers through health and fitness clubs, cardiac rehabilitation centers, weight loss centers and other retail outlets. At that time, the Company introduced the first product to carry the New Leaf brand, the New Leaf Personal Exercise System. The product provides the consumer with a personalized exercise plan based on an assessment of the individual's level of fitness and metabolism. The assessment is performed at a health club or fitness center equipped with one of the Company's VQassessment systems.

On June 17, 2002, Angeion Corporation filed a voluntary petition for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws ( Chapter 11 or Bankruptcy Case ) in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota under case number 02-32260. The Joint Modified Plan of Reorganization ( Plan ) was filed jointly with the holders of the Company's 7-1/2% Senior Convertible Notes ( Notes ) due April 2003. During the bankruptcy period, the Company continued to operate as debtor in possession.

On September 19, 2002, the Company entered into a Settlement and License Agreement ( Settlement Agreement ) with Biotronik, Inc. ( Biotronik ) under which the Company granted to Biotronik a perpetual, non-exclusive license to use the Company's cardiac stimulation technology. In return, Biotronik agreed to pay the Company \$4,000,000 in cash. As a result, the Company recorded license revenue of \$2,900,000 relating to the Settlement Agreement, which is net of the related transaction expenses of \$1,100,000.

On October 24, 2002, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order confirming the Company's Plan. The Plan became effective on October 25, 2002, the first business day after the date of confirmation. Upon the effectiveness of the Plan, Messrs. Arnold A. Angeloni, John C. Penn, Richard E. Jahnke and Jeffrey T. Schmitz constituted the Board of Directors of the Company.

By approving the Plan on October 24, 2002, the Bankruptcy Court also approved the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (the Articles of Incorporation ) and Amended and Restated Bylaws (the Bylaws ). The Articles of Incorporation grant the Creditors Committee, formed under that Plan of Reorganization (the Creditors Committee ) the right to designate four (4) directors at any time. This right terminates on the earlier of: (i) January 1, 2006 or (ii) the date on which the former holders of the Company's 7 1/2% Senior Convertible Notes due April 2003 collectively own less than forty percent (40%) of the outstanding shares of common stock. Until this right is terminated, there will be at least one (1) director serving as a Designee of the Creditors Committee. The unanimous vote of the Designee(s) of the Creditors Committee is required for the Board of Directors to approve (a) a merger of the Company with or into another entity or (b) a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company. The current designee of the Creditors Committee is Jeffrey T. Schmitz.

Under the Bylaws, for a period of three years after the end of the fiscal year in which the Plan was confirmed or until November 1, 2005, no purchase of the Company's common stock may be made by any beneficial owner of 5% or greater of the Company's common stock (or any person who would



become a 5% or greater owner as a result of the purchase), unless the transfer is approved in advance by the Company's Board of Directors. Further, each person that was a beneficial owner of 5% or greater of the Company's common stock immediately following confirmation of the Plan was prohibited from transferring more than 60% of the holder's common stock during the two year period after confirmation, unless the transfer was approved in advance by the Board of Directors. This limitation of transferability expired October 31, 2004.

Under the Plan, all of the Company's Old Common Stock and all existing options and warrants to purchase the Company's Old Common Stock were canceled. To effectuate the Plan, the Company issued a total of 3,594,433 shares of its common stock (i) upon conversion of the Notes and (ii) in replacement of the Old Common Stock (the Replacement Common Stock).

Under the Plan, each holder of the Company's Notes and each holder of certain other unsecured claims received the holder's pro rata share of 95% of the Replacement Common Stock. Each holder of the Company's Old Common Stock received a pro rata share of 5% of the Replacement Common Stock and one common stock purchase warrant for each share of Replacement Common Stock (the New Warrants). For each 20 shares of common stock owned prior to the Plan confirmation date, shareholders received one Share of Replacement Common Stock and one New Warrant to purchase one share of Replacement Common Stock at \$7.79 per share. The New Warrants expire on October 31, 2007 and are subject to redemption by the Company for \$.01 per Warrant at any time after January 1, 2004, if the closing price of the common stock exceeds \$9.73 (subject to adjustment) for ten consecutive trading days after January 1, 2004.

The Company also reserved 600,000 shares of its Replacement Common Stock for issuance upon exercise of stock options to be issued to employees pursuant to the Angeion Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan.

**The effective date of the Company's emergence from bankruptcy was October 25, 2002. For accounting purposes, the Company adopted fresh-start reporting principles in accordance with SOP 90-7 as of October 31, 2002. In accordance with fresh-start reporting, all assets and liabilities were recorded at their respective fair values. An independent third-party appraiser determined the fair values of substantially all of the Company's tangible and intangible assets.**

*Notice for Indemnification.*

As previously reported, ELA Medical advised Angeion in a letter dated June 6, 2002 that some of the ICD's formerly manufactured by Angeion were experiencing premature battery depletion. Following the June 6, 2002 letter, Angeion advised the attending physicians of the patients with these ICD's of the problems and provided a recommended procedure to determine what action is required. The text of these letters was reviewed and orally approved by the FDA during a site visit at Angeion. ELA Medical thereafter distributed both letters to physicians who subsequently reported that the devices in question had been implanted in 385 patients, excluding the 14 explantations previously reported in the June 6, 2002 letter. On July 31, 2002, the FDA issued a Field Corrective Action Report providing that the Angeion Lyra Model 2020, 2021, and 2022 ICD's be replaced (Field Corrective Action # Z-1152-2/Z-1154-2) because the devices could stop providing therapy due to premature battery depletion.

ELA Medical subsequently provided notice on June 18, 2003 for indemnification by Angeion for replacement of the ICD's pursuant to Supply Agreements under which Angeion had manufactured and sold the ICDs to ELA Medical and to a Joint Venture of which ELA Medical was a member. Angeion advised its insurance carriers of the ELA Medical claim. This claim and the related insurance coverage are currently in litigation as discussed under 2004 Developments.



**2004 Developments.**

On September 13, 2004, the basic insurer providing discontinued operations product liability coverage, Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company, advised Angeion that Medmarc was denying insurance coverage to Angeion for the claim by ELA Medical, Inc. In addition, on September 13, 2004, Medmarc commenced a declaratory judgment action against Angeion and ELA Medical in United States District Court for the District of Minnesota seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc's interpretation of the policy is correct. In the lawsuit, ELA Medical has entered a cross-claim against Angeion for the costs and expenses it incurred in connection with the recall in the equivalent amount of \$1,665,068.

Angeion has denied liability to ELA Medical and has counterclaimed against Medmarc and is seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc is liable (i) to Angeion for any amount that it is required to pay to ELA Medical, and (ii) for any fees and expenses that Angeion has incurred in connection with defense of the cross-claim by ELA Medical and the declaratory action by Medmarc. Angeion vigorously intends to pursue its available defenses against ELA Medical and it asserts that Medmarc is required to provide Angeion coverage with respect to these matters.

The lawsuit is just beginning and is currently only in the discovery stage. The Company expects that any trial in this matter will not occur until the spring of 2006.

See Note 13, Discontinued Operations, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-KSB for further discussion of this matter.

**(b) Financial Information about Industry Segments.**

The Company operates in a single industry segment: the research, development, manufacture and marketing of medical devices and fitness related products, including non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems.

**(c) Narrative Description of Business.**

**General**

Angeion, through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, designs non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems under the MedGraphics trade name that assist health care professionals in the prevention, early detection and cost-effective treatment of heart and lung disease. Primary MedGraphics products include pulmonary function and cardiopulmonary exercise ( CPX ) testing systems. MedGraphics cardiorespiratory systems operate with its proprietary BreezeSuite Windows NT/2000/XP compatible software, which is designed to be simple and easy-to-use while at the same time, provide the flexibility to address the specific needs of hospitals, clinics and physician offices. This software provides a common platform for all MedGraphics cardiorespiratory products. All MedGraphics products, except for certain OEM products, are sold with a personal computer, full color monitor, printer and other peripherals.

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The Company also sells health and fitness products under the New Leaf brand to consumers through health and fitness clubs, personal training studios, weight loss centers and other retail outlets. These fitness products provide the consumer with a personalized exercise plan based on an assessment of the individual's level of fitness and metabolism. The assessment is performed at a health club or personal training studio equipped with one of the Company's VO<sub>2</sub> assessment systems. The participating consumer must purchase a kit containing the single user materials required for the VO<sub>2</sub> assessment and,

optionally, a heart rate monitor and watch to help the user exercise at the correct intensity level to achieve the desired results.

**Pulmonary Function Systems.** Health care professionals use assessment of pulmonary function to diagnose lung diseases, such as asthma and emphysema, and manage treatment of their patients. Pulmonary function applications include screening asthma patients, pre-operative and post-operative assessment of heart and lung surgery patients, evaluating lung damage from occupational exposures and documenting responses to therapy.

These pulmonary function systems fall into three major product categories: Spirometry, Complete Pulmonary Function and Body Plethysmography.

All MedGraphics pulmonary function products use the preVent™ pneumotach, a patented disposable mouthpiece/flow measurement device that eliminates concern over the transmission of infectious diseases. The preVent gives all MedGraphics products the capability to perform spirometry, a test that measures the flow rates, volumes (capacities) and mechanical properties of the lung. MedGraphics pulmonary function products use a patented expert system, Pulmonary Consult, to assist physicians in the interpretation of test results. Additionally, the Profiler and Ultima PF hardware module are designed for use as a component of the Elite Body Plethysmography system to maximize manufacturing economies of scale.

Spirometry. The new CPF-S/D USB spirometer is comprised of a flow measurement module and a personal computer ( PC ). The CPF-S/D can serve as a platform that can be upgraded to either a complete pulmonary function or cardiopulmonary exercise system.

Complete Pulmonary Function Systems. The Profiler and Ultima PF Series comprise MedGraphics Complete Pulmonary Function system. The Profiler and Ultima PF are desktop or cart-mounted modules that perform non-invasive assessment of an individual's volumes (capacities), pressures, gas diffusion and mechanical properties in the lung. The Profiler Series and Ultima PF use a patented patient circuit to enhance infection control.

Capabilities available with the Profiler Series and Ultima Series systems include:

Profiler DL. The Profiler DL performs spirometry and also measures how efficiently the lungs can transfer oxygen into the bloodstream. The Profiler DL measures this lung function by using a gas chromatograph that measures gas concentrations before the patient inhales a test gas mixture and after the patient breathes the gas out. This is referred to as diffusion or diffusing capacity testing.

Profiler DX. The Profiler DX has all the abilities of the Profiler DL, plus the additional ability to measure the total volume of air in the lungs. This is done with a patented gas analyzer that measures the amount of nitrogen in a person's breath.

Ultima PF. The Ultima PF performs the same tests as the Profiler DX but uses a different methodology for assessing lung volumes. The Ultima Series also incorporates a sleeker design that has a smaller footprint and less weight to facilitate mobility.

The Profiler and Ultima Series systems' compact design and mobility option attract a wide variety of customers, including pulmonary laboratories in hospitals, clinics, physician offices, occupational medicine clinics, asthma centers and clinical research centers.



**Body Plethysmograph Systems.** The Elite Series comprises MedGraphics' body plethysmograph system. A body plethysmograph is an enclosed metal and clear acrylic chamber that offers the most sensitive method for measuring chest wall movement. The patient sits inside the chamber and undergoes diagnostic pulmonary function tests.

Elite D. The Elite D performs spirometry, measures the total volume of air in the lungs and the resistance to airflow in the airways of a person's lungs.

Elite DL. The Elite DL performs the same tests as the Elite D, and performs the diffusion test in the same manner as the Profiler DL.

Elite DX. The Elite DX performs all the tests as an Elite DL, and adds the lung volume test from the Profiler DX.

The Elite Series systems applications include diagnosing lung diseases (i.e. asthma and emphysema), managing treatment, assessing the surgical risk of lung transplant and lung reduction candidates and evaluating the impact of diseases, such as neuromuscular disease, on breathing. The system's design optimizes patient comfort with a clear-view acrylic enclosure and allows testing of a broad population including pediatric patients and individuals in wheelchairs.

**Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing Systems.** MedGraphics' cardiopulmonary exercise (CPX) testing systems measure fitness or conditioning levels as well as help physicians diagnose heart and lung diseases. This is accomplished by measuring the concentrations of oxygen and carbon dioxide as they enter and leave the lungs and assessing how they change as a person exercises on a bike or treadmill. The gas concentrations of a person at rest can also be measured to determine nutritional requirements of critically ill patients or individuals wishing to assess the number of calories burned per day, which is termed metabolic rate. This measurement is known as metabolic assessment and is marked by Medical Graphics as the CCM option. Configurations using both the CPX and CCM applications are marked as a MAX system. The CPX systems measure each breath using a patented breath-by-breath methodology. These CPX systems use the same patented preVent pneumotach as the pulmonary function systems. Medical Graphics' cardiopulmonary exercise systems also include a patented oxygen analyzer and a carbon dioxide analyzer. Medical Graphics holds several patents relating to gas sampling and data reporting, including two expert system software packages for evaluating the information obtained from cardiopulmonary exercise assessments.

The CPX and Ultima Series are sold in several different configurations:

CPX/D. The basic exercise testing system is a CPX/D, which measures an individual's fitness level while exercising and ability to perform work (functional capacity) or activities of daily living (ADL).

CCM/D. The basic metabolic assessment system is a CCM/D that measures the nutritional requirements of a patient at rest.

CPX/MAX/D. A CPX/MAX/D is a CPX/D with the metabolic assessment option added.

The CPX/D, CCM/D, and CPX/MAX/D systems all use the same base hardware platform and are differentiated primarily by software.

CardiO<sub>2</sub>. A CardiO<sub>2</sub> is a CPX/D with an integrated 12-lead electrocardiogram stress option added. The electrocardiogram, which measures heart functions, is generally referred to as an ECG.

CardiO<sub>2</sub>/MAX/D. A CardiO<sub>2</sub>/MAX/D is a CPX/D with an integrated 12-lead ECG and the metabolic assessment option.

VO 2000. The VO 2000 is a portable/ambulatory version that is about twice the size of a typical portable CD player and can transmit data via telemetry. In addition to all of the uses for CPX, applications for these portable and wearable products include assessment of work capacity in occupational medicine and physical therapy as well as field training of amateur and elite athletes during participation in their actual events. The VO 2000 is a key component of the Company's New Leaf Personal Exercise System health and fitness product.

The CPX/D can also be used in conjunction with other manufacturers' stand-alone ECG systems.

Ultima CPX. This is the basic model that performs cardiopulmonary exercise testing like the CPX/D and incorporates the sleeker, lighter weight Ultima design.

Applications for the cardiopulmonary systems include distinguishing between cardiovascular and pulmonary disease, screening for early signs of cardiac and pulmonary dysfunction, establishing exercise prescriptions and training programs and evaluating the efficacy of prescribed therapy. Customers include hospital cardiopulmonary laboratories, cardiology and pulmonary office-based clinics; critical care units, cardiac rehabilitation units, human performance laboratories and health clubs.

**Cycle Ergometers and Treadmills.** MedGraphics offers several models of cycle ergometers providing healthcare professionals and patients a tool for more successful outcomes in clinical rehabilitation and athletic training. A cycle ergometer is a specially designed stationary exercise bicycle that can operate at a broad spectrum of resistance levels while a treadmill is a motorized walking/running surface that can operate at different inclines to produce a range of work levels. MedGraphics has cycle ergometers and treadmills that are used in diagnostic, rehabilitation, training and sports medicine applications. The ergometers and treadmills are used and controlled by MedGraphics cardiopulmonary exercise testing systems.

## **Competition**



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The industry for companies selling cardiopulmonary diagnostic systems is competitive. There are a number of companies that currently offer, or are in the process of developing, products that compete with products offered by Medical Graphics. Medical Graphics' competitors include large medical companies, some of which have greater financial and technical resources and broader product lines. Viasys Healthcare, Inc. and Ferraris Medical, Inc represent the principal competitors for Medical Graphics' current products. The Company believes that the principal competitive factors in its markets are product features, price, quality, customer service, performance, market reputation, breadth of product offerings and effectiveness of sales and marketing efforts.

Competition based on price is expected to continue as an important factor in customer purchasing patterns as a result of cost containment pressures on, and consolidation in, the health care industry. This competition has exerted, and is likely to continue to exert, downward pressure on prices the Company is able to charge for its products. There can be no assurance that it will be able to offset such downward price pressure through corresponding cost reductions. Any failure to offset this pressure could have an adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

Any product developed by the Company that gains regulatory approval will have to compete for market acceptance and market share. The timing of market introduction of competitive products could adversely affect the competitiveness of Medical Graphics' products. Accordingly, the relative speeds with which the Company can develop products, complete clinical testing and the regulatory approval process and supply commercial quantities of the product to the market are important competitive factors. The Company expects that competition will also be based on many factors, including device size and weight, longevity, ease of programmability, ability to provide diagnostic capability, product reliability, physician familiarity with the device, patent protection, sales and marketing capability, third-party reimbursement policies, reputation and price.

The Company's New Leaf products for the health and fitness market combine components that individually have numerous competitors including from metabolic measurement systems (HealtheTech), heart rate monitors (Polar), nutrition education and lifestyle enhancement software (e-Diets), and weight loss programs (Jenny Craig, Weight Watchers). The Company believes that its integration of these components together with its proprietary exercise programming into a weight loss program for the consumer has been accomplished in a unique manner. The Company has protected this product with various patents and is presently unaware of any other system that competes directly.

#### **Manufacturing**



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Medical Graphics currently manufactures and assembles all major analyzer components of its pulmonary systems including a waveform analyzer, flow board, gas sample lines, gas chromatograph, nitrogen analyzer and oxygen analyzer. Sheet metal, electrical components and some measurement devices are purchased from outside vendors and are tested, assembled and packaged by Medical Graphics personnel into fully integrated systems. Medical Graphics also acquires general-purpose computers, monitors and printers from a variety of sources and integrates its proprietary transducer modules into these systems. Medical Graphics acquires its cycle ergometers and treadmills from third parties. Although some of Medical Graphics' components are purchased from only one or a limited number of suppliers, Medical Graphics believes that if it were unable to obtain components from these suppliers, it would be able to obtain comparable components from other sources without significant additional expense or interruption of business.

Medical Graphics is ISO 13485 certified for its development and manufacturing processes. See Regulation by Foreign Governments for additional discussion of the Company's ISO 13485 certification.

### **Marketing and Distribution**





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Medical Graphics markets its products in the United States through a direct sales force that targets customers located in hospitals, university-based medical centers, clinics and physician offices of heart and lung specialists. Each salesperson is responsible for a specific geographic area and sells Medical Graphics' complete product line to all customers, from hospitals to physician offices within that area. The Company markets its New Leaf personal exercise product through a separate direct sales force that targets customers located in fitness clubs, weight loss centers and cardiac rehabilitation clinics. Medical Graphics salespersons are compensated with a base salary, expense reimbursement and a revenue-based commission.

Medical Graphics markets its products outside the United States through independent distributors. During 2004, Medical Graphics used approximately 55 distributors to sell its products into 64 countries. These distributors typically carry a limited inventory of MedGraphics products and sell these products in

specific geographic areas, generally on an exclusive basis. International sales accounted for 17.2% and 15.9% of total sales for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. All of Medical Graphics' international sales are made on a United States dollar-denominated basis to distributors.

Sales into foreign countries involve certain risks not ordinarily associated with domestic business including fluctuations in exchange rates even when product sales are denominated in dollars, reliance on distributors and fluctuations in sales resulting from changes in local economies.

Medical Graphics believes that demonstration of its products' capabilities to potential customers is one of the most significant factors in achieving sales. Consequently, the main thrust of domestic and international promotional efforts is product demonstrations at trade shows and customer facilities. Other promotional efforts include educational seminars, print advertisements, direct mail campaigns and marketing through the ([www.medgraphics.com](http://www.medgraphics.com)) web site for cardiorespiratory diagnostic products and ([www.newleaffitness.com](http://www.newleaffitness.com)) for New Leaf health and fitness products.

#### **Research and Development**



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During 2003, the Company introduced two new Windows based BreezeSuite software products. In addition, Medical Graphics is continuing to add product improvements designed to enhance product reliability and improve margins as well as to migrate to newer operating platforms such as Windows XP and newer development tools such as .Net. Medical Graphics is also developing new products targeted for new growth markets, including products that will be marketed under the New Leaf brand. The Company believes ongoing research and development efforts have been and will remain important to its continuing success. Research and development expenses were \$1,672,000 and \$1,538,000 for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

### **Intellectual Property**



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Patents and trademarks are critical in the medical device industry. The Company believes strongly in protecting its intellectual property and has a long history of obtaining patents, when available, in connection with its research and product development programs. The Company also relies upon trade secrets and proprietary know-how.

Angeion owns over 100 patents related to ICD technology while its Medical Graphics subsidiary relies on a combination of patent, trademark and trade secret laws to establish proprietary rights in its products. Medical Graphics currently owns 24 United States patents and is actively developing and obtaining additional patents. These patents cover the various aspects of Medical Graphics' core technologies, including gas analysis, pressure and flow measurement, breath-by-breath assessment of gas exchange data analysis and expert system software. Also, the New Leaf business employs various Medical Graphics patents in its business model. In addition, Medical Graphics has a number of foreign patents with respect to technologies covered by its United States patents.

Foreign patents generally expire 20 years after the date of original application, but vary from country to country. Medical Graphics intends to aggressively enforce its intellectual property rights and has successfully done so in the past. There can be no assurance, however, that these patents, or any patents that may be issued as a result of existing or future application, will offer any degree of protection from competitors.

United States patents filed on or after June 8, 1995 have a term of 20 years from the date on which the application for the patent was filed. Domestic patents in force on June 8, 1995 and patents

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issued on applications filed prior to June 8, 1995 automatically have a term that is the greater of the 20 year term from the date of filing above or 17 years from the patent grant.

Both Angeion and Medical Graphics also own registered trademarks and have applied for other trademarks in the U.S. and certain foreign countries. Medical Graphics owns and actively enforces an array of related copyrights and trademarks. These include but are not limited to: Medgraphics, preVent Pneumotach, BreathPath, BreezeSuite, CPX/D, CCM/D, CardiO2, CPX/Express, 1085/DX, Elite/Dx, Elite/DL, PF/Dx, Profiler/Dx, Profiler/DL, CPF-S/D, Pulmonary Consult, Exercise Consult, KnowledgeNet and various Logos.

Similarly, New Leaf trademarks and copyrights include but are not limited to: New Leaf, ExerSmart, ExerScript, PDC Personal Digital Coach, PAS Personal Assessment System, and various Logos.

Although patent and intellectual property disputes in the medical device area have often been settled through licensing agreements or similar arrangements, costs associated with such arrangements may be substantial, and there can be no assurance that necessary licenses would be available to the Company on satisfactory terms, if at all. Accordingly, an adverse determination in a judicial or administrative proceeding or failure to obtain necessary licenses could prevent the Company from manufacturing and selling its products, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Company seeks to protect its trade secrets and proprietary know-how, in part, through confidentiality agreements, non-compete agreements and assignment of invention provisions in agreements with employees, consultants and other parties, as well as through contractual exclusivity with certain suppliers. There can be no assurance, however, that these agreements will not be breached, that the Company would have adequate remedies for any breach, or that the Company's trade secrets will not otherwise become known to or independently developed by competitors.

The Company conducts ongoing evaluations of potential infringement of any proprietary rights of third parties by the products the Company intends to market. Regardless of the Company's efforts to evaluate the potential infringement of any proprietary rights of third parties, however, there can be no assurance that such infringements do not exist or may not arise in the future. There has been substantial litigation regarding patent and other intellectual property rights in the medical device industry. Litigation, which will result in substantial cost to and diversion of effort by the Company, may be necessary to enforce patents issued to or licensed by the Company, to protect trade secrets or know-how owned by the Company, to defend the Company against claimed infringement of the rights of others, and to determine the scope and validity of the proprietary rights of others. Adverse determinations in litigation could subject the Company to significant liabilities to third parties or could require the Company to seek licenses from third parties.

Angeion has also entered into a number of license agreements over the past several years under which it has licensed its ICD technology to third parties. Angeion intends to continue to protect its intellectual technology and if appropriate to seek license agreements from third parties that utilize the Company's technology.

The Company has also entered into a Technology License Agreement under which it obtained a license related to the design and manufacture of talking heart rate monitors. This license represents the technology for the Company's New Leaf Personal Digital Coach.





**Government Regulation**



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Most of the products manufactured by the Company are devices as defined in the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (the Act) and are subject to the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), which regulates the manufacture, distribution, related record keeping, labeling and advertising of such devices. Following the enactment of the Medical Device Amendments to the Act in May 1976 (the Amendments), the FDA classified medical devices in commercial distribution into one of three classes, Class I, II or III. These classifications are based on the controls necessary to reasonably ensure the safety and efficacy of medical devices. The Company's New Leaf health and fitness products are not classified as medical devices as defined in the Act.

Many Class I devices have been exempted from pre-market notification requirements by the FDA. The same types of controls the FDA has used on devices since the passage of the Act in 1938 can adequately regulate these products. These general controls include provisions related to labeling, producer registration, defect notification, records and reports and good manufacturing practices. The more comprehensive Quality System Regulation (QSR) has replaced the good manufacturing practice regulation. As noted below, QSRs include implementation of quality assurance programs, written manufacturing specifications and processing procedures, written distribution procedures and record keeping requirements.

Class II devices are products for which the general controls of Class I devices are deemed not sufficient to assure the safety and effectiveness of the device and thus require special controls. Special controls for Class II devices include performance standards, post-market surveillance, patient registries and the use of FDA guidelines. Standards may include both design and performance requirements. Class III devices have the most restrictive controls and require pre-market approval by the FDA. Generally, Class III devices are limited to life-sustaining, life-supporting or implantable devices. All of Medical Graphics products are Class II devices. Angeion's ICD products were classified as Class III devices.

If the Company does not comply with applicable regulatory requirements, including marketing products only for approved uses, it could be subject to fines, injunctions, civil penalties, recall or seizure of products, total or partial suspension of production, refusal of the government to grant pre-market clearance or pre-market approval for products, withdrawal of approvals and criminal prosecution. In addition, changes in existing regulations or adoption of new governmental regulations or policies could prevent or delay regulatory approval of the Company's products or result in increased regulatory costs. Furthermore, once clearance or approval is granted, subsequent modifications to the approved product or manufacturing process may require a new round of clearances or approvals that could require substantial additional clinical data and FDA review.

### **Class II Requirements**



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Section 510(k) of the Act requires individuals or companies manufacturing medical devices intended for use with humans to file a notice with the FDA at least 90 days before introducing a product not exempted from notification requirements into the marketplace. The notice (a 510(k) Notification ) must state the class in which the device is classified and the action taken to comply with performance standards or pre-market approval that may be needed if the device is a Class II or Class III device, respectively. Under Section 510(k), a medical device can be marketed if the FDA determines that the device is substantially equivalent to similar devices marketed prior to May 28, 1976. In the past, Medical Graphics has filed notifications with the FDA of its intent to market its systems pursuant to Section 510(k) of the Amendments, the FDA subsequently cleared these systems for commercial sale and Medical Graphics is now marketing the devices under Section 510(k). The action of the FDA does not, however, constitute FDA approval of Medical Graphics products or pass upon their safety and effectiveness.

In addition to the requirements described above, the Act requires that all medical device manufacturers and distributors register with the FDA annually and provide the FDA with a list of those medical devices that they distribute commercially. The Act also requires that all manufacturers of medical devices comply with labeling requirements and manufacture devices in accordance with QSRs. QSRs require that companies manufacture their products and maintain their documents in a prescribed manner with respect to manufacturing, testing and quality control. In addition, these manufacturers are subject to inspection on a routine basis for compliance with the QSRs. The FDA's Medical Device Reporting regulation requires that companies provide information to the FDA on death or serious injuries alleged to have been associated with the use of their products, as well as product malfunctions that would likely cause or contribute to death or serious injury if the malfunction were to recur. The FDA further requires that certain medical devices not cleared with the FDA for marketing in the United States meet specific requirements before they are exported. Medical Graphics is registered as a manufacturer with the FDA and successfully passed an FDA audit in 2004.

The Company is subject to certain FDA regulations governing manufacturing practices, labels, packaging, defective products and complaints about its products. The FDA has authority to inspect the Company's facilities to ensure compliance with the Act and regulations thereunder. Failure to comply with these regulations could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. Further, the FDA regulates the export of medical devices that have not been approved or cleared for marketing in the United States.

#### **Regulation by Foreign Governments**





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The Company's products are also subject to regulation similar to that of the FDA in various foreign countries. ISO 13485 certification indicates that a company's development and manufacturing processes comply with standards for quality assurance and manufacturing process control. ISO 13485 certification evidences compliance with the requirements that enable a company to affix the CE Mark to its products. The CE Mark denotes conformity with European standards for safety and allows certified devices to be placed on the market in all European Union (EU) countries. Since June 1998, medical devices cannot be sold in EU countries unless they display the CE Mark. Medical Graphics received ISO 13485 certification for its development and manufacturing processes in 1998 and has passed annual surveillance and recertification audits since 1998. Medical Graphics has achieved CE certification for its primary cardiopulmonary testing products. There can be no assurance, however, that Medical Graphics will be able to obtain regulatory approvals or clearances for its products in foreign countries. Compliance with ISO 13485 certification also enables the Company's products to meet the Medical Device Requirements for Canada.

### **Employees**



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As of October 31, 2004, the Company had 117 full-time and 5 part-time employees, including 32 in sales and marketing, 29 in customer support, education and field service, 34 in engineering, materials and manufacturing, 11 in research, development and regulatory, and 16 engaged in finance and administration. No employees are represented by a collective bargaining agreement and the Company has not experienced any work stoppage. Management believes that relations with its employees are good.

### **Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-looking Statements**



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This Annual Report on Form 10-KSB contains certain forward-looking statements. For this purpose, any statements contained in this Form 10-KSB that are not statements of historical fact may be deemed to be forward-looking statements. Without limiting the foregoing, words such as may, will,

expect, believe, anticipate, estimate or continue or comparable terminology are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These statements by their nature involve substantial risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements as a result of certain factors, including those set forth in the following risk factors and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-KSB. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-KSB and the Company assumes no obligation to update such forward-looking statements, or to update the reasons why actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements.

**Certain Risk Factors**

**History of Recent Losses.** During the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, the Company incurred losses of \$2,300,000 and \$2,784,000, respectively. While the Company believes that its existing cash is adequate to support operations for the next 18 to 24 months or more, the Company must ultimately achieve profitability or obtain additional financing to be able to meet its future cash flow requirements, and there can be no assurance that it will do so.

**Product Liability and Potential Insufficiency of Product Liability Insurance.** The testing, manufacturing, marketing and sale of medical devices involve risk of liability claims and product recalls. ICD products that the Company sold in the past are highly complex and were used in medical procedures and in situations where there is a potential risk of serious injury, adverse side effects or death. As a result, the Company currently carries product liability insurance covering its products with policy limits per occurrence and in the aggregate which the Company has deemed to be sufficient. The Company cannot predict, however, whether this insurance is sufficient, or if not, whether the Company will be able to obtain sufficient insurance, to cover the risks associated with the Company's business or whether such insurance will be available at premiums that are commercially reasonable. Although the Company has discontinued its ICD business, a successful claim against or settlement by the Company in excess of its insurance coverage or the Company's inability to maintain insurance in the future could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations, liquidity and financial condition.

The Company has received a claim for indemnification from ELA Medical, Inc. for expenses incurred by ELA Medical in connection with ICDs formerly manufactured by the Company. Although the Company believes its product liability insurance covers the potential liability associated with the ELA Medical claim, subject to applicable self-retention, there can be no assurance that the Company will not be subject to other claims in the future. During the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, the Company recorded losses in discontinued operations of \$901,000 and \$235,000, respectively, to reflect an impairment of the ICD patents, its liability for expenses associated with a claim by ELA Medical for reimbursement of costs related to ICDs formerly manufactured by the Company that were experiencing premature battery depletion and related matters. These losses are net of probable insurance recoveries and include other expenses associated with the claim. See Note 13, Discontinued Operations, in Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and Item 3, Legal Proceedings in this Form 10-KSB.

**Success of Business Plan.** Successful implementation of the Company's business plan through its Medical Graphics subsidiary operating entity is dependent on the interaction of many variables, including the effects of changing industry conditions, competition and the Company's ability to successfully market and sell its new products. While the Company believes that its business plan reflects reasonable judgments in assessing those risks, there can be no assurance that influences not foreseen by the Company would not adversely affect its ability to execute the business plan strategies. While the Company believes that its business plan projections are in line with achievable performance levels, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able to obtain, and sustain, the projected sales volume increases.

***Dependence upon New Products.*** The Company has previously announced that it intended to focus a significant portion of its resources on the weight loss, cardiac rehabilitation and disease prevention markets that are a logical extension of its core cardiorespiratory systems business. The Company's future success will be dependent, in part, upon its ability to successfully identify and introduce new products and services into the weight loss, cardiac rehabilitation and disease prevention markets. In developing new products, it will incur additional research and development and marketing expenses. The Company's success will also depend upon cost effective development of new products for its cardiorespiratory markets. There can be no assurance that revenues, if any, from new products will be sufficient to recoup the Company's expenses in developing and marketing any new product. Moreover, there is no assurance that the Company can manufacture these new Medical Graphics and New Leaf products at a cost, or sell these products at a price, that will result in an acceptable rate of return for the Company. Market acceptance of these new products may be slow or customers may not accept the new products at all. If the Company cannot successfully develop and market new products, its financial performance and results of operations will be adversely affected.

***Need for Market Acceptance.*** Market acceptance of the Company's products will depend, in part, on the capabilities and operating features of its products compared to competing products, the Company's ability to convince the medical community of the clinical efficacy of its products, the timeliness of its product introductions compared to competing products and its ability to manufacture quality products profitably and in sufficient quantities. Failure of the Company's products to gain market acceptance would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. Furthermore, even if there is growth in the markets for the Company's products, there can be no assurance that the Company will participate in such growth.

***Importance of Intellectual Property Protection.*** Patents and trademarks are critical in the medical device industry, and the Company believes strongly in protecting its intellectual property and has a long history of obtaining patents, when available, in connection with its research and product development programs. The Company owns a number of United States and foreign patents. The Company also owns certain registered trademarks, and has applied for other trademarks in the United States and certain foreign countries. There can be no assurance, that patents and trademarks will be granted in the future, or that any patents and trademarks that the Company now holds or may be granted, or under which it has held license rights, will be valid or otherwise be of value to the Company. Even if the Company's patents and trademarks are valid, others may be able to introduce non-infringing products that are competitive with those of the Company. Competitors of the Company may also hold or be granted patents that are not licensed to the Company.

Although patent and intellectual property disputes in the medical device area have often been settled through licensing agreements or similar arrangements, costs associated with such arrangements may be substantial, and there can be no assurance that necessary licenses would be available to the Company on satisfactory terms or at all. Accordingly, an adverse determination in a judicial or administrative proceeding or failure to obtain necessary licenses could prevent the Company from manufacturing and selling its products, which would have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations.

The Company seeks to protect its trade secrets and proprietary know-how, in part, through confidentiality agreements, non-compete agreements and assignment of invention provisions in agreements with employees, consultants and other parties, as well as through contractual exclusivity with certain suppliers. There can be no assurance, however, that these agreements will not be breached, that the Company would have adequate remedies for any breach, or that the Company's trade secrets will not otherwise become known to or independently developed by competitors.





**Nasdaq SmallCap Market.** Angeion's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market. Under the rules for continued inclusion on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market, the Company must maintain a minimum bid price of \$1.00 for its common stock and must maintain a minimum of \$1.0 million in market value of its publicly held shares. Although the Company has been in compliance with the Nasdaq minimum bid requirements since December 2002, the Company can give no assurance that it will be able to meet the requirements for continued listing on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market in the future.

**Dependence on Senior Management and Other Key Personnel.** The Company's success depends largely on its senior management and other key personnel. Moreover, competition for qualified personnel with sufficient and relevant experience in the medical device industry is intense. Accordingly, the loss of the services of such individuals, or the inability to hire additional key individuals as required, could have a material adverse effect on the Company, including its current and future product development efforts.

**Dependence on Third Party Vendors.** The Company relies on third party vendors for certain components used in the Company's products. A number of significant components, such as capacitors, batteries and integrated circuits, are purchased from sole source suppliers. Medical Graphics acquires its cycle ergometers and treadmills from third parties. Although the Company attempts to maintain sufficient quantities of inventory of such components to minimize production delays or interruptions, there can be no assurance that the Company will find suitable alternatives at reasonable prices, if at all, or that any such alternatives will remain available to the Company. The Company's inability to obtain acceptable components in a timely manner or find and maintain suitable replacement suppliers for components would have a material adverse effect on the Company, including its ability to manufacture its products.

**Effect of Certain Anti-Takeover Provisions.** The Company is governed by the provisions of Sections 302A.671 and 302A.673 of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act. These anti-takeover provisions could potentially operate to deny shareholders the receipt of a premium on their common stock and may also have a depressive effect on the market price of the Company's common stock. Section 302A.671 generally provides that the shares of a corporation acquired in a control share acquisition have no voting rights unless voting rights are approved by the shareholders in a prescribed manner. A control share acquisition is generally defined as an acquisition of beneficial ownership of shares that would, when added to all other shares beneficially owned by the acquiring person, entitle the acquiring person to have voting power of 20% or more in the election of directors. Section 302A.673 prohibits a public corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder for a period of four years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested shareholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. A business combination includes mergers, asset sales and other transactions. An interested shareholder is a person who is the beneficial owner of 10% or more of the corporation's voting stock. Reference is made to the detailed terms of Sections 302A.671 and 302A.673 of the Minnesota Business Corporation Act.

Under the Bylaws, for a period of three years after the end of the fiscal year in which the Reorganization Plan is confirmed or until November 1, 2005, no purchase of the Company's common stock may be made by any beneficial owner of 5% or greater of the Company's common stock (or any person who would become a 5% or greater owner as a result of the purchase), unless the transfer is approved in advance by the Company's Board of Directors.

The Company has also entered into agreements with certain executive officers that provide for certain benefits upon a change of control.

**Item 2. Description of Property.**

The Company currently leases a 52,254 square foot building for its office, assembly and warehouse facilities located in suburban Saint Paul, Minnesota. The building is also the location of the Company's Medical Graphics subsidiary. The building lease for the Company's present office and manufacturing space expires in June 2009. Annual rental costs will be approximately \$286,000 in fiscal year 2005. Rent expense was \$301,000 and \$297,000 for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

**Item 3. Legal Proceedings.**

The Company is subject to certain claims and lawsuits that have been filed in the ordinary course of business. From time to time, the Company brings suit against others to enforce patent rights or to collect debts in the ordinary course of business. Apart from the litigation discussed below, management believes that the settlement of all litigation would not have a material effect on the financial position of the Company.

In June 2002, ELA Medical, a former partner of Angeion in a joint venture that manufactured and distributed ICDs, advised Angeion that some of the ICDs formerly manufactured by Angeion were experiencing premature battery depletion and that 14 had been explanted. In accordance with FDA procedures, Angeion instituted a field corrective action on certain of the ICDs.

In June 2003, ELA Medical sought reimbursement from Angeion for the cost of explanting and replacing the ICDs. Angeion advised its insurance carrier of the ELA Medical claim and sought coverage of the claim.

On September 13, 2004, the basic insurer, Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company, advised Angeion that Medmarc was denying insurance coverage to Angeion for the claim by ELA Medical, Inc. In addition, on September 13, 2004, Medmarc commenced a declaratory judgment action against Angeion and ELA Medical in United States District Court for the District of Minnesota seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc's interpretation of the policy is correct. In the lawsuit, ELA Medical has entered a cross-claim against Angeion for the costs and expenses it incurred in connection with the recall in the equivalent amount of \$1,665,068.

Angeion has denied liability to ELA Medical and has counterclaimed against Medmarc and is seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc is liable (i) to Angeion for any amount that it is required to pay to ELA Medical, and (ii) for any fees and expenses that Angeion has incurred in connection with defense of the cross-claim by ELA Medical and the declaratory action by Medmarc. Angeion vigorously intends to pursue its available defenses against ELA Medical and it asserts that Medmarc is required to provide Angeion coverage with respect to these matters.

The lawsuit is just beginning and is currently only in the discovery stage. The Company expects that any trial in this matter will not occur until the spring of 2006.

The Company believes that although it may have some liability to ELA Medical, for several reasons, it is not liable to ELA Medical for the entire amount alleged. The Company further believes that a certain portion of the amount expended by ELA Medical may not be covered by insurance. The Company currently believes that the amount of its potential liability to ELA Medical, including associated expenses, ranges from \$1,092,000 to \$2,198,000 and has recorded a liability of \$1,092,000 at October 31, 2004. Based on the relevant facts, the Company also believes it is probable that at least \$700,000 of any claims ultimately paid to ELA Medical are recoverable under existing insurance policies. Accordingly,

the Company recorded an additional loss of \$901,000 during FY 2004 to reflect its liability associated with this claim, an impairment of the ICD patents and other related matters. This loss is net of probable insurance recoveries and includes other expenses associated with the claim.

The ultimate amount of both the liability due to ELA Medical and the amount recoverable from the insurance carriers is subject to future development and additional information. The amounts currently estimated for the claim and associated expenses as well as the probable insurance recovery are based on data provided by ELA Medical for explantations that occurred through March 31, 2004 and other information related to the cause of the battery depletion. Since 167 devices remain implanted in patients at March 31, 2004, the amount of the claim may increase. While it is not possible to predict the ultimate amount of the claim or the associated expenses, the Company believes that if the amount of the claim increases, the amount recoverable from the insurance company would also increase. In addition, the Company's liability insurance coverage for claims associated with its ICD products expires on July 11, 2005.

The Company may incur additional expenses, which could be substantial, in connection with any purchase of insurance coverage beyond July 11, 2005.

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

Not Applicable.



**PART II****Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Small Business Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.**

The Company's common stock is traded on the Nasdaq SmallCap Market under the symbol ANGN. The prices below are the high and low sales prices as reported by the Nasdaq SmallCap Market for each quarter of FY 2004 and 2003

## Angeion Common Stock Prices

<b>Fiscal Years</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>
<b>2004</b>		
Fourth quarter	\$ 1.70	\$ 1.18
Third quarter	1.95	1.06
Second quarter	2.98	1.71
First quarter	3.40	1.42
<b>2003</b>		
Fourth quarter	2.45	1.25
Third quarter	2.49	0.65
Second quarter	1.45	0.65
First quarter	5.00	0.25

As of December 2004, approximately 640 persons held the Company's common stock of record. In addition, nominees for approximately 5,000 shareholders held a number of shares in street name.

**Dividends**

The Company has not paid any dividends on its common stock. The Company currently intends to retain any earnings for use in its operations and does not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the future.

**Equity Compensation Plan Information**

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The following table provides information as of October 31, 2004 with respect to the shares of the Company's common stock that may be issued under its equity compensation plan. The Company has one equity compensation plan, its 2002 Stock Option Plan.

<b>Plan Category</b>	<b>(a) Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights</b>	<b>(b) Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights</b>	<b>(c) Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))</b>
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	482,800	\$ 5.78	117,200

**Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

The Company had no unregistered sales of equity securities during the quarter ended October 31, 2004.

**Small Business Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The Company did not purchase any equity securities during the quarter ended October 31, 2004.

**Item 6. Management's Discussion and Analysis or Plan of Operation.**

**Overview**

The Company, through its Medical Graphics Corporation subsidiary, designs non-invasive diagnostic systems under the MedGraphics trade name that assist health care professionals in the prevention, early detection and cost-effective treatment of heart and lung disease. It also markets a version of some of these products under the New Leaf® brand to health and fitness clubs and personal trainers to assist them in developing exercise programs to help their clients meet their personal goals. Revenues consist of equipment and supply sales and service revenues. Equipment and supply sales reflect sales of Medical Graphics non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic equipment, sales of New Leaf health and fitness products, and aftermarket sales of peripherals and supplies. Service revenues reflect contract revenues from extended service contracts, non-warranty service visits and training. Total revenue was \$20.7 million and \$18.7 million for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

The Company's primary objectives for 2004 included improvement of sales and margins from cardiorespiratory diagnostic products, and increasing the number of fitness clubs and training studios offering the New Leaf products to their clients as well as increasing client participation at those locations. In addition, the Company continued with the programs commenced in 2003 to strengthen both its MedGraphics brand and New Leaf brand product offerings.

The year 2004 was another positive year for the Company's cardiorespiratory products in both the United States and international markets. Demand from domestic customers got off to a slow start in the first quarter of 2004 but finished the year with three consecutive quarters of strong demand. Our customers' interest in replacing their older pulmonary function systems with new equipment together with introduction of the new CPX Ultima during the second quarter of 2004 gave rise to that demand. Sales of the Company's New Leaf products also significantly contributed to domestic growth during 2004.

Internationally, distributor order rates varied from quarter to quarter but were relatively strong throughout the year. In Europe, distributor orders increased as a result of improved focus on our distributor network and the weakened U.S. Dollar compared to the Euro. Orders from Latin American distributors increased as a result of improving economies in Venezuela and Brazil.

During 2003 the Company commenced development of several new products intended for potential growth opportunities identified within both our domestic and international cardiorespiratory markets. The first of those new products, the CPX Ultima, was introduced during the second quarter of 2004. We are on schedule to begin selling four additional new products during 2005. The Company will be announcing these new products to its customers as they are introduced.

Significant progress was made with the sales of New Leaf fitness products during 2004 as those sales contributed to domestic growth for the year. However, we continue to modify and improve not only

the products being offered but also our promotional programs to introduce the New Leaf products. Last year we reported that throughout 2003, the New Leaf program contended with both the availability and quality of the personal digital coach product as the vendor that supplied that product struggled to implement effective manufacturing quality control procedures. We attempted to remedy that problem by entering into a Technology License Agreement in September 2003 under which the Company assumed the responsibility for all manufacturing of that product. The Company continues to address those quality problems. In the meantime, alternative devices have been identified and are now being offered to our New Leaf customers.

In June 2002, ELA Medical, a former partner of Angeion in a joint venture that manufactured and distributed ICDs, advised Angeion that some of the ICDs formerly manufactured by Angeion were experiencing premature battery depletion and that 14 had been explanted. In accordance with FDA procedures, Angeion instituted a field corrective action on certain of the ICDs. In June 2003, ELA Medical sought reimbursement from Angeion for the cost of explanting and replacing the ICDs. Angeion advised its insurance carrier of the ELA Medical claim and sought coverage of the claim. The insurance company, Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company, initially advised the Company that there was coverage, at least in part, and even reserved \$1.0 million for that coverage. In September 2004, Medmarc advised the Company that it was denying coverage and commenced an action against the Company seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc's interpretation of the policy was correct. The Company vigorously intends to pursue its available defenses against ELA Medical and has asserted that Medmarc is required to provide Angeion coverage with respect to these matters. The lawsuit is just beginning and is currently only in the discovery stage. The Company expects that any trial in this matter will not occur until the spring of 2006. See Note 13, Discontinued Operations, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-KSB and Item 3, Legal Proceedings for further discussion of this matter.

All intangible asset fair values were determined at October 31, 2002 by an independent third-party appraiser under SOP 90-7. See Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, *Basis of Presentation*. A portion of intangible assets is related to the value of patents associated with the Company's business of manufacturing and selling implantable cardioverter defibrillators (ICDs), which was discontinued in 2000.

During the period from 1999 through mid 2002, the Company licensed the ICD patents realizing \$53 million in cash and stock-based proceeds. The following schedule lists these transactions in chronological order.

Year	Amount (in thousands)
April 1999	\$ 35,000
March 2000	9,000
March 2000	5,000
September 2002	4,000

Subsequent to these transactions, an independent appraiser determined that the fair value of the ICD patents was \$450,000 at October 31, 2002. The most significant piece of information available to the independent appraiser at the time was the recent historical licensing revenue associated with the ICD patents.

Although the Company continues to explore the sale or licensing of the ICD patents, it has determined that the ICD patents have become impaired at October 31, 2004 because the Company does

not currently have an identifiable source of revenue or a bona fide agreement to provide a source of revenue for these patents to support their current value. Absent a revenue source, the patents were determined impaired and \$243,000 was charged to discontinued operations for the year ended October 31, 2004.

Despite this impairment, the Company believes the ICD patents continue to have value and remains committed to delivering that value on behalf of its shareholders. To that end, the Company continues to explore the sale or further licensing of the ICD patents.

**The following paragraphs discuss the Company s performance for the year ended October 31, 2004 compared to 2003.**



**Results of Operations**

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The following table summarizes selected financial data relating to the operations of the Company. Data for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003 are derived from the audited financial statements of the Company.

(000 s omitted)	Year Ended October 31,	
	2004	2003
Revenue	\$ 20,688	18,712
Gross margin	9,736	8,110
Gross margin percentage	47.1%	43.3%
Operating expenses:		
Selling and marketing	6,131	5,581
General and administrative	2,399	2,722
Research and development	1,672	1,538
Amortization of intangibles	951	847
	11,153	10,688
Operating loss	(1,417)	(2,578)
Interest income	18	29
Loss before taxes	(1,399)	(2,549)
Tax benefit		
Loss from continuing operations	(1,399)	(2,549)
Loss from discontinued operations	(901)	(235)
Net loss	\$ (2,300)	(2,784)

*Year Ended October 31, 2004 Compared to 2003*

**Revenues.** Total revenue increased by 10.6% to \$20.7 million for the year ended October 31, 2004 from \$18.7 million for the year ended October 31, 2003. Domestic product revenue increased by 10.1% to \$14.0 million in 2004 compared to \$12.7 million in 2003. Internationally, product revenue

increased 19.5% to \$3.6 million in 2004 from \$3.0 million in 2003. Service revenue increased 3.7% to \$3.1 million in 2004 compared to \$3.0 million in 2003.

The increase in domestic product revenue for the year reflects increased customer demand for both cardiorespiratory product systems and New Leaf products. Customer orders for cardiorespiratory product systems have been strong for the last three quarters with no near term signs suggesting that order rates will decline. Revenue from the Company's new CPX Ultima products, first shipped during the second quarter, contributed to the increase for the year.

**International product revenue finished 19.5% ahead of the prior year due to increased demand from both Latin American and European customers. Latin America business has improved due to improving economies and in Europe the weakened U.S. Dollar compared to the Euro has contributed to an improved business climate. Equipment orders from customers throughout the rest of the world modestly increased over 2003. While introduction of the new CPX Ultima products contributed to the international revenue increase, new products are subject to regulatory approval before they can be sold in certain countries.**

**Service revenue for 2004 increased over the prior year due to the Company's focus on increasing the number of non-warranty service visits.**

**Gross Margin.** Gross margin percentage increased to 47.1% of revenue for the year ended October 31, 2004 compared to 43.3% for 2003. The impact of the 2002 fresh-start accounting adjustments resulted in a decrease in gross margin of \$283,000 or 1.5% for the year ended October 31, 2003. Without those adjustments, the underlying gross margin rate would have been 44.8% for 2003. Consequently, the underlying improvement of gross margins from 44.8% in 2003 compared to the 47.1% in 2004 is due to improved manufacturing efficiencies due to higher throughput.

**Selling and Marketing.** Total selling and marketing expenses increased 9.9% to \$6.1 million for the year ended October 31, 2004 compared to \$5.6 million in 2003. The increase resulted primarily from increased marketing expenses associated with the Company's New Leaf health and fitness products. In addition, the expenses associated with the Company's attendance at trade shows have increased over the prior year.

**General and Administrative.** General and administrative expenses decreased 11.9% to \$2.4 million in 2004 compared to \$2.7 million in 2003. The decrease in general and administrative expenses was due to decreased personnel expenses, a lower provision for doubtful accounts and reduced insurance expenses.

**Research and Development.** Research and development expenses increased 8.7% to \$1.7 million in 2004 from \$1.5 million in 2003. The Company's research and development costs are focused on developing additional cardiorespiratory diagnostic products. The increase in research and development expenses for the year reflects the incremental costs of developing those new products. The first of these products, the CPX Ultima, was shipped to customers during the second quarter of 2004. Additional new products are scheduled for release throughout 2005 with the next product planned for release during the second quarter of 2005.

*Amortization of Intangibles.* Amortization of intangibles increased to \$951,000 for the year ended October 31, 2004 compared to \$847,000 for the same period in 2003. The increase in amortization is due to the acquisition of a Technology License Agreement under which the Company obtained a license related to the design and manufacture of talking heart rate monitors. In addition, the Company

revised the amortized life of its ICD patents from 10 to 3 years effective for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2003.

**Interest Income.** Interest income decreased to \$18,000 in 2004 from \$29,000 in 2003. The decrease in interest income reflects an decrease in excess cash balances available for short-term investment.

**Loss From Discontinued Operations.** During the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, the Company recorded losses of \$901,000 and \$235,000, respectively, in connection with its discontinued operations, including an impairment of its ICD patents, its liability to ELA Medical for expenses associated with a claim for reimbursement of costs related to ICD s formerly manufactured by the Company that were experiencing premature battery depletion and other related matters. These losses are net of probable insurance recoveries and include other expenses associated with the claim. For additional details, see Note 13, Discontinued Operations, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-QSB.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**



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The Company has financed its liquidity needs over the last several years through revenue generated by the operations of its wholly owned subsidiary, Medical Graphics Corporation, through revenue from license agreements for patented ICD technology and through the use of cash balances.

The Company had cash of \$2.4 million and working capital of \$5.3 million as of October 31, 2004. During the year ended October 31, 2004, the Company used \$467,000 in cash from continuing operations, primarily as a result of its net loss of \$2.3 million, which was offset by \$1.5 million of depreciation and amortization. Cash was generated by an increase of \$499,000 in accounts payable. The Company used cash for increases of \$728,000 and \$173,000 in accounts receivable and inventories, respectively, as well as a decrease of \$105,000 in accrued employee compensation. The changes in receivables, inventories and accounts payable all reflect a need to support higher levels of revenue. In addition, the Company used \$501,000 in cash for discontinued operations, which included legal fees and the purchase of additional product liability insurance for its discontinued ICD products.

During the year ended October 31, 2004, the Company used \$240,000 in cash for the purchase of property and equipment.

The Company has no material commitments for capital expenditures for fiscal year 2005.

With respect to the ELA Medical claim associated with the discontinued ICD products, the Company vigorously intends to pursue its available defenses against ELA Medical and asserts that Medmarc is required to provide insurance coverage with respect to these matters. The lawsuit is just beginning and is currently only in the discovery stage. The Company expects that any trial in this matter will not occur until the spring of 2006. The ultimate amount of both the liability due to ELA Medical and the amount recoverable from the insurance carriers is subject to future development and additional information. It is always possible that the Company will not prevail in this effort and the resulting expenses could be substantial. Furthermore, the Company's liability insurance coverage for claims associated with its ICD products expires on July 11, 2005. The Company may incur additional expenses, which could be substantial, in connection with any purchase of insurance coverage beyond July 11, 2005. For additional details, see Note 13, Discontinued Operations, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in this Form 10-KSB.

The Company expects that its operating results will be cash flow positive for fiscal 2005. Subject to the ELA claim discussed above, the Company believes that its liquidity and capital resource needs for

fiscal year 2005 will be met through its current cash and cash equivalents, cash flows from operations and working capital.

**Other Commitments**





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The Company has made various financial commitments in the ordinary course of conducting its business operations. Although these commitments are more fully discussed in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, we are summarizing all of our significant commitments in the following table:

Contractual Obligations	Total	Payments due by period (in thousands)			
		Less than 1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years	More than 5 years
Operating lease obligations	\$ 1,718	\$ 348	\$ 737	\$ 625	\$ 8
Minimum royalty payments for sales of AeroSport products	217	100	117		
	\$ 1,935	\$ 448	\$ 854	\$ 625	\$ 8

### Critical Accounting Policies

Significant accounting policies adopted and applied by the Company are summarized in Note 2, Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, which is included in this Form 10-KSB. Some of the more critical policies include revenue recognition, allowance for doubtful accounts, legal proceedings and claims and impairment of long-lived assets. The Company's policies for these items are discussed in the following paragraphs.

**Revenue Recognition.** The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, transfer of title has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. Customer purchase orders are generally used to determine the existence of an arrangement while shipping documents are used to verify transfer of title and service reports are used to verify that services have been provided. Collectibility is based primarily on the creditworthiness of the customer, which is determined by credit checks and analysis as well as customer payment history. Service contract revenue is generally deferred and recognized ratably over the period during which the services are to be performed, which is typically from one to four years. Deferred income associated with service contracts was \$893,000 as of October 31, 2004.

**When a sale involves multiple deliverables, such as equipment, installation services and training, the amount of the consideration from an arrangement is allocated to each respective element based on the residual method and recognized as revenue when revenue recognition criteria for each element are met. Fair value for installation services and training is established based on sales prices charged as well as other historical evidence of value with the remainder of the consideration allocated to the delivered equipment. Deferred income associated with installation and training was \$206,000 as of October 31, 2004.**

**Allowance for Doubtful Accounts.** The Company establishes estimates of the uncollectibility of accounts receivable. Management analyzes accounts receivable, historical write-offs as bad debts, customer concentrations, customer credit-worthiness, current economic trends and changes in customer payment terms when evaluating the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts. The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts at an amount that it estimates to be sufficient to provide adequate protection against losses resulting from collecting less than full payment on receivables. A considerable amount of judgment is required when assessing the realizability of receivables, including

assessing the probability of collection and the current credit-worthiness of each customer. If the financial condition of the Company's customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, an additional provision for doubtful accounts may be required. The Company's accounts receivable balance was \$4,157,000, net of an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$376,000 at October 31, 2004.

**Legal Proceedings and Claims.** The Company's core activities relate to the development, manufacture and sale of medical and fitness related products. In the past, the Company manufactured ICD's, which are medical products that are surgically implanted in patients.

From time to time, the Company may become subject to various legal proceedings or claims, the outcomes of which are subject to significant uncertainty. SFAS 5, *Accounting for Contingencies*, requires that an estimated loss from a loss contingency should be accrued by a charge to income if it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Disclosure of a contingency is required if there is at least a reasonable possibility that a loss has been incurred. The Company evaluates, among other factors, the degree of probability of an unfavorable outcome and the ability to make a reasonable estimate of the amount of loss. Changes in these factors could materially affect the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In connection with a claim for indemnification from ELA Medical, Inc., the Company has established a liability that it currently believes to reflect an obligation to ELA Medical. The Company believes that a significant portion of the amounts for which it has indemnified ELA Medical will be covered by insurance and has established a receivable to reflect the probable insurance recoveries. The Company has based both the liability and the probable receivable upon its review of the claim, the facts surrounding the claim and the language of the insurance policies. As the Company determines additional facts concerning the claim, the analysis may change. The Company's estimates regarding legal proceedings and claims are impacted significantly by judgments, assumptions and estimates used in the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements and actual results could differ materially from the amounts reported. See Note 13, *Discontinued Operations*, *Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements* and Item 3, *Legal Proceedings* in this Form 10-KSB.

**Impairment of Long-Lived Assets.** The Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that expected future undiscounted cash flows might not be sufficient to support the carrying value of an asset. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying value of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If such assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured as the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

#### **Foreign Currency Exchange Risk**



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All sales made by the Company's Medical Graphics subsidiary are denominated in U.S. dollars. The Company does not currently and does not intend in the future to utilize derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

The Company's foreign subsidiaries are not operating currently and are being liquidated. Balances remaining with these subsidiaries are currently minimal and the corresponding exposure to foreign exchange rate fluctuations is likewise minimal.

**New Accounting Pronouncements**

In November 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 151, ( SFAS No. 151 ), Inventory Costs, an amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4, which clarifies the types of costs that should be expensed rather than capitalized as inventory. This statement also clarifies the circumstances under which fixed overhead costs associated with operating facilities involved in inventory processing should be capitalized. The provisions of SFAS No. 151 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005 and the Company will adopt this standard in its fiscal 2006. The Company has not determined the impact, if any, that this statement will have on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

The FASB issued SFAS No. 123 (Revised 2004) ( SFAS No. 123R ), Share-Based Payment, in December 2004. SFAS No. 123R is a revision of FASB Statement 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation and supersedes APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and its related implementation guidance. The Statement focuses primarily on accounting for transactions in which an entity obtains employee services through share-based payment transactions. SFAS No. 123R requires a public entity to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award (with limited exceptions). That cost will be recognized over the period during which an employee is required to provide service in exchange for the award. Since the Company is a small business registrant, this statement is effective as of the beginning of the first interim or annual reporting period that begins after December 15, 2005 and the Company will adopt the standard in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. The Company has determined that, unless new options are granted, stock-based compensation expense will be \$5,000 for each of the second, third and fourth quarters of fiscal 2006.

**Item 7. Financial Statements.**



Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders

Angeion Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Angeion Corporation and subsidiaries as of October 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related consolidated statements of operations, cash flows, and shareholders' equity for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Angeion Corporation and subsidiaries as of October 31, 2004 and 2003, and the results of their operations and cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota  
January 27, 2005

## ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Balance Sheets

October 31, 2004 and 2003

(in thousands except share and per share data)

	2004	2003
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,390	\$ 3,588
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$376 and \$428, respectively	4,157	3,429
Inventories	2,947	2,774
Current assets of discontinued operations	700	756
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	294	262
Total current assets	10,488	10,809
Property and equipment, net	1,233	1,565
Intangible assets, net	6,309	7,503
	<b>\$ 18,030</b>	<b>\$ 19,877</b>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders Equity</b>		
<b>Current liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,526	\$ 1,027
Employee compensation	932	1,037
Deferred income	1,099	1,096
Warranty reserve	155	133
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	1,092	991
Other liabilities and accrued expenses	394	471
Total current liabilities	5,198	4,755
<b>Shareholders equity:</b>		
Common stock, \$0.10 par value. Authorized 25,000,000 shares, issued and outstanding 3,601,517 shares in 2004 and 3,594,433 shares in 2003	360	359
Additional paid-in capital	17,556	17,547
Accumulated deficit	(5,084)	(2,784)
Total shareholders equity	12,832	15,122
<b>Commitments and contingencies (Notes 8, 13, 14 and 15)</b>	<b>\$ 18,030</b>	<b>\$ 19,877</b>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Statements of Operations

(in thousands except per share amounts)

	Year Ended October 31,	
	2004	2003
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Equipment and supply sales	\$ 17,584	\$ 15,719
Service revenue	3,104	2,993
	20,688	18,712
<b>Cost of goods sold:</b>		
Cost of equipment and supply sales	10,457	9,882
Cost of service revenue	495	720
	10,952	10,602
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>9,736</b>	<b>8,110</b>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>		
Selling and marketing	6,131	5,581
General and administrative	2,399	2,722
Research and development	1,672	1,538
Amortization of intangibles	951	847
	11,153	10,688
<b>Operating loss</b>	<b>(1,417)</b>	<b>(2,578)</b>
<b>Other income:</b>		
Interest income	18	29
<b>Loss before taxes</b>	<b>(1,399)</b>	<b>(2,549)</b>
Tax benefit		
<b>Net loss from continuing operations</b>	<b>(1,399)</b>	<b>(2,549)</b>
<b>Loss from discontinued operations</b>	<b>(901)</b>	<b>(235)</b>
<b>Net loss</b>	<b>\$ (2,300)</b>	<b>\$ (2,784)</b>
<b>Net loss per share - basic and diluted</b>		
Continuing operations	\$ (0.39)	\$ (0.71)
Discontinued operations	(0.25)	(0.06)
Net loss	\$ (0.64)	\$ (0.77)
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding</b>		
Basic and diluted	3,598	3,594

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)

	Year Ended October 31,	
	2004	2003
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities:</b>		
Net loss	\$ (2,300)	\$ (2,784)
Loss from discontinued operations	901	235
Depreciation	572	611
Amortization	951	847
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows used in operating activities:		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(728)	(742)
Inventories	(173)	696
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(32)	(139)
Accounts payable	499	63
Employee compensation	(105)	598
Deferred income	3	285
Warranty reserve	22	22
Accrued expenses	(77)	(426)
Net cash used in continuing operations	(467)	(734)
Net cash used in discontinued operations	(501)	
Net cash used in operating activities	(968)	(734)
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities:</b>		
Purchase of property and equipment	(240)	(12)
Purchase of perpetual license		(100)
Net cash used in investing activities	(240)	(112)
<b>Cash Flows From Financing Activities:</b>		
Proceeds from stock transactions	10	
Net cash provided by financing activities	10	
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(1,198)</b>	<b>(846)</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year</b>	<b>3,588</b>	<b>4,434</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 2,390</b>	<b>\$ 3,588</b>
<b>Cash paid for interest</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ANGEION CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

(in thousands)

	Common stock Number of shares	Par value	Additional paid-in capital	Accumulated deficit	Total
<b>Balances at October 31, 2002</b>	3,595	\$ 359	\$ 17,547	\$	\$ 17,906
Net loss				(2,784)	(2,784)
<b>Balances at October 31, 2003</b>	3,595	359	17,547	(2,784)	15,122
Employee stock purchase plan	7	1	9		10
Net loss				(2,300)	(2,300)
<b>Balances at October 31, 2004</b>	3,602	\$ 360	\$ 17,556	\$ (5,084)	\$ 12,832

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

Angeion Corporation and Subsidiaries  
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  
October 31, 2004 and 2003

**(1) Description of Business**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Angeion Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiary, Medical Graphics Corporation. All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

Angeion Corporation (the Company) develops, manufactures and markets noninvasive cardio-respiratory diagnostic systems used in the management and improvement of cardio-respiratory health. The Company has also introduced a line of health and fitness products, many of which are derived from Medical Graphics technologies. These products, marketed under the New Leaf Health and Fitness Brand, help consumers effectively manage their weight and improve their fitness. Revenues consist of product sales and service revenues. Product sales reflect sales of Medical Graphics non-invasive cardiorespiratory diagnostic systems, New Leaf health and fitness products and aftermarket sales of peripherals and supplies. Service revenues reflect contract revenues from extended warranties, non-warranty service visits and training.

Historically, Angeion Corporation developed, manufactured and distributed products for the treatment of cardiac arrhythmia patients. In March 2000, the Company's board of directors decided to discontinue that historical business. See Note 13, Discontinued Operations.

**(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Basis of Presentation***

The consolidated financial statements contained in this report reflect the accounting principles set forth in Statement of Position 90-7, *Financial Reporting by Entities in Reorganization Under the Bankruptcy Code* (SOP 90-7). On June 17, 2002, the Company filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota. On October 24, 2002, the Court entered an order confirming the Joint Modified Plan of Reorganization dated September 4, 2002 (Reorganization Plan). The Reorganization Plan became effective on October 25, 2002. For accounting purposes, the Company adopted fresh-start reporting in accordance with SOP 90-7 as of October 31, 2002. In accordance with fresh-start reporting, all assets and liabilities were recorded at their respective fair values. The Company utilized the assistance of an independent third-party appraiser to determine the fair values of substantially all of the Company's tangible and intangible assets. Currently, property and equipment as well as intangible assets are carried at values determined by an independent third-party appraiser in accordance with SOP 90-7.

***Cash and Cash Equivalents***

Cash equivalents consist of temporary cash investments with maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase. At October 31, 2004, cash equivalents consisted of money market funds.

***Inventories***

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined on a first in, first out basis.

***Property and Equipment***

Property and equipment acquired subsequent to October 31, 2002 is carried at cost. Upon the adoption of SOP 90-7, the basis for property and equipment at October 31, 2002 was adjusted to reflect fair values of the assets based on an independent appraisal. Equipment, computers and furniture and fixtures are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets that range from three to eight years. Leasehold improvements are depreciated using the straight-line method over the shorter of the lease term, or the estimated useful life of the asset. Expenditures for repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

***Intangible Assets***

The elements of definite lived intangible assets and the related lives in years over which amortization is computed on a straight-line basis are listed in the following table:

<b>Intangible asset</b>	<b>Life</b>
Patents	3 and 10
Developed technology	3, 7 and 10

***Income Taxes***

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. See Note 9, *Income Taxes* for discussion of the Company's valuation allowance.

***Revenue Recognition***

The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, transfer of title has occurred or services have been rendered, the selling price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. Service contract revenue is generally deferred and recognized ratably over the period during which the services are to be performed, which is typically from one to four years.

When a sale involves multiple deliverables, such as equipment, installation services and training, the amount of the consideration from an arrangement is allocated to each respective element based on the residual method and recognized as revenue when revenue recognition criteria for each element are met. Fair value for installation and training is established based on sales prices charged as well as other historical evidence of value with the remainder of the consideration allocated to the delivered equipment.



*Net Loss Per Share*

Basic loss per share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average shares outstanding during the reporting period. Diluted loss per share is computed similar to basic loss per share except that the weighted average shares outstanding are increased to include additional shares from the assumed exercise of stock options or warrants, if dilutive. The number of additional shares is calculated by assuming that outstanding stock options or warrants were exercised and that the proceeds from the exercise were used to acquire shares of common stock at the average market price during the reporting period. All potentially dilutive common shares were excluded from the calculation because they were anti-dilutive for all periods presented.

**Concentrations of Credit Risk**

Financial instruments that subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash investments and trade accounts receivable. Cash in excess of current operating needs is invested in accordance with the Company's investment policy that emphasizes principal preservation.

**Stock-Based Compensation**

The Company applies the intrinsic value method prescribed under Accounting Principles Board Opinion (APB) No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations to account for the issuance of stock incentives to employees and directors. Accordingly, no compensation expense related to employees' and directors' stock incentives has been recognized in the financial statements. In accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, the Company is required to present pro forma information reflecting compensation cost for such issuances. Had the Company determined compensation costs based on the fair value at the date of grant for options granted, the Company's net loss would have been increased to the pro forma amounts indicated in the following table.

<b>(In thousands, except per share amounts)</b>	<b>Year Ended October 31, 2004</b>	<b>Year Ended October 31, 2003</b>
Net loss:		
As reported	\$ (2,300)	\$ (2,784)
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net loss, net of related tax effects		
Deduct: Total stock-based compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	(282)	(359)
Pro forma	\$ (2,582)	\$ (3,143)
Net loss per share - basic and diluted		
As reported	(0.64)	(0.77)
Pro forma	\$ (0.72)	\$ (0.87)

The estimated per share weighted-average fair value of all stock options granted during the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$0.85 and \$1.94, respectively, as of the grant date using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions for the respective periods:

	<b>Year Ended October 31, 2004</b>	<b>Year Ended October 31, 2003</b>
Risk-free interest rate	3.84%	3.93%
Expected volatility factor	75.26%	170.82
Expected dividend		
Expected option term	7 years	7 years



***Impairment of Long-Lived Assets***

The Company assesses the recoverability of long-lived assets annually or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that expected future undiscounted cash flows might not be sufficient to support the carrying value of an asset. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying value of an asset to future net cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the assets are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognized is measured as the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets. Assets to be disposed of are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell.

***Use of Estimates***

Preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities made in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates include accounts receivable, product warranty and inventory reserves, and depreciable lives of property, equipment and intangible assets.

***New Accounting Pronouncements***

In November 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 151 ( SFAS No. 151 ), Inventory Costs, an amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4, which clarifies the types of costs that should be expensed rather than capitalized as inventory. This statement also clarifies the circumstances under which fixed overhead costs associated with operating facilities involved in inventory processing should be capitalized. The provisions of SFAS No. 151 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005 and the Company will adopt this standard in its fiscal 2006. The Company has not determined the impact, if any, that this statement will have on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

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**(3) Inventories**

Inventories consisted of the following at October 31, 2004 and 2003:

(In thousands)	2004		2003	
Raw materials	\$	872	\$	1,121
Work-in process		167		44
Finished goods		1,908		1,609
	\$	2,947	\$	2,774

**(4) Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment consisted of the following at October 31, 2004 and 2003:

(In thousands)	2004		2003	
Furniture and fixtures	\$	1,276	\$	1,169
Equipment		643		510
Leasehold improvements		497		497
		2,416		2,176
Less: accumulated depreciation		(1,183)		(611)
	\$	1,233	\$	1,565

**(5) Intangible Assets**

As discussed in Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, *Basis of Presentation*, the Company adopted fresh-start reporting as described in SOP 90-7 under which the Company's assets were recorded at their respective fair value as of October 31, 2002. An independent third-party appraiser determined the fair values of the Company's intangible assets. Accordingly, all intangible assets are valued at fair value as of the date of fresh-start reporting, October 31, 2002, or cost in the case of subsequently acquired assets, as adjusted for subsequent amortization.

The Company determined that the remaining value of patents associated with the Company's previously discontinued business of manufacturing and selling ICD's had been impaired at October 31, 2004. Accordingly, the remaining value of \$243,000 has been charged to discontinued operations. See Note 13, Discontinued Operations for further discussion of this matter.

Intangible assets consisted of the following at October 31, 2004 and 2003:

(In thousands)	2004		2003	
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Intangible assets:			
Developed technology	\$	6,900	\$ 6,900
Patents		207	450
Trade name (unamortized)		1,000	1,000
		8,107	8,350
Amortization:			
Developed technology		(1,591)	(779)
Patents		(207)	(68)
	\$	6,309	\$ 7,503

Amortization expense, excluding the patent impairment charge noted above, was \$951,000 and \$847,000 for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

The intangible assets are being amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets that range from three to ten years. Estimated amortization expense for each of the succeeding fiscal years based on the intangible assets as of October 31, 2004 is as follows:

(In thousands)	Amortization	
2005	\$	812
2006		812
2007		779
2008		778
2009		778
Thereafter		1,350
	\$	5,309

**(6) Warranty Reserve**

Sales of the Company's equipment are subject to a warranty. Equipment warranties typically extend for a period of twelve months from the date of installation. Standard warranty terms are included in customer contracts. Under the terms of these warranties, the Company is obligated to repair or replace any components or assemblies that it deems defective in workmanship or materials. The Company reserves the right to reject warranty claims where it determines that failure is due to normal wear, customer modifications, improper maintenance or misuse. The Company adjusts the warranty reserve based on the number and type of equipment that is subject to warranty, adjusted for the remaining months of warranty coverage. The warranty reserve adjustment reflects the Company's historical warranty experience based on type of equipment. Warranty expenses are evaluated and adjusted periodically. Warranty provisions and claims for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003 were as follows:

(In thousands)	Warranty Reserve	
Balance October 31, 2002	\$	111
Warranty provisions		237
Warranty claims		(215)
Balance October 31, 2003		133
Warranty provisions		259
Warranty claims		(237)
Balance October 31, 2004	\$	155

**(7) Shareholders Equity**

*Common Stock and Warrants*

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There were 3,601,517 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding at October 31, 2004. Under the Reorganization Plan, the Company issued 179,731 warrants to purchase additional common stock. The warrants expire on October 31, 2007 and are subject to redemption by the Company under certain circumstances. The exercise price of the warrants is \$7.79 per share. At October 31, 2004 and 2003, there were 179,731 warrants outstanding.



**Stock Options**

The Reorganization Plan authorized the Angeion Corporation 2002 Stock Option Plan ( 2002 Stock Option Plan ). As of October 31, 2004, the Company had reserved 600,000 shares of its common stock for issuance upon exercise of stock options under the 2002 Stock Option Plan and 117,200 shares were available for future grants. The Company has not granted any stock options outside of the 2002 Stock Option Plan.

The 2002 Stock Option Plan provides that incentive stock options and nonqualified stock options to purchase shares of common stock may be granted at prices determined by the Compensation Committee, except that the purchase price of incentive stock options may not be less than 100% of the fair market value of the stock at date of grant. All options expire no later than ten years from date of grant and are subject to various vesting schedules. A summary of the status of the Company's 2002 Stock Option Plan as of October 31, 2004 and 2003 and the changes during the years ended on those dates is presented below:

	Shares	Weighted Average Price
Outstanding at October 31, 2002		\$
Granted	373,800	5.79
Exercised		
Expired or canceled		
Outstanding at October 31, 2003	373,800	5.79
Granted	109,000	5.77
Exercised		
Expired or canceled		
Outstanding at October 31, 2004	482,800	\$ 5.78

The following table summarizes information concerning stock options outstanding as of October 31, 2004:

Range of Exercise Prices	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Number Subject to Exercise	Weighted Average Exercise Price
\$ 2.00	120,000	8.14	\$ 2.00	42,000	\$ 2.00
\$ 6.23	176,000	8.49	\$ 6.23	176,000	\$ 6.23
\$ 7.79	186,800	8.11	\$ 7.79	141,696	\$ 7.79
Total	482,800	8.26	\$ 5.78	359,696	\$ 6.35

**(8) Leases**

The Company leases office and manufacturing space, and various office accessories. The building lease for the Company's present office and manufacturing space expires in June 2009. Total lease expenses, including the building, were \$323,000 and \$297,000 for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. Future minimum lease payments under operating leases in effect at October 31, 2004 are as follows:

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<b>Year ended October 31, (In thousands)</b>		<b>Amount</b>
2005	\$	348
2006		363
2007		374
2008		364
2009		261
Thereafter		8
	\$	1,718

**(9) Income Taxes**

The Company has a federal net operating loss carry forward at October 31, 2004 of approximately \$129,750,000, which is available to reduce income taxes payable in future years. If not used, this carry forward will expire in years 2005 through 2024. Approximately \$39,600,000 of this carry forward will expire over the next five years. In addition, the Company has a general business tax credit carry forward of approximately \$1,114,000, which is available to reduce future Federal income taxes, if any. If not used, these carry forwards will expire in years 2005 through 2014. Approximately \$636,000 of the general business tax carry forward will expire over the next five years. Under the Tax Reform Act of 1986, the utilization of these tax loss and tax credit carry forwards may be limited as a result of significant changes in ownership.

In December 1999, the Company completed its acquisition of Medical Graphics Corporation. The net operating losses and tax credits of Medical Graphics Corporation on the date of the acquisition are subject to annual limitation under Internal Revenue Code Sections 382 and 383, respectively. The Company does not believe the utilization of the carry forwards will be significantly limited under the Internal Revenue Code provisions.

The actual tax expense attributable to income from continuing operations differs from the expected tax expense (benefit) computed by applying the U.S. federal corporate income tax rate of 34% to the net loss as follows:

	Year Ended October 31, 2004	Year Ended October 31, 2003
Federal statutory rate	34.0%	34.0%
Bankruptcy reorganization	0.0	0.0
Change in Federal valuation allowance	(28.3)	(33.3)
Miscellaneous (including state taxes)	(5.7)	(0.7)
Effective income taxes	0.0%	0.0%

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented below:

(In thousands)	October 31, 2004	October 31, 2003
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carry-forwards	\$ 51,142	\$ 50,542
General business tax credits	1,114	1,186
Other	389	587
Valuation allowance	(50,833)	(49,955)
Total deferred tax assets	1,812	2,360
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Intangible assets	1,592	1,869
Fixed assets	220	468
Other	0	23
Total deferred tax liabilities	1,812	2,360
Net deferred income tax asset (liability)	\$ 0	\$ 0



The valuation allowance for deferred tax assets as of October 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$50,833,000 and \$49,955,000, respectively. The total valuation allowance increased \$878,000 for the year ended October 31, 2004 and increased \$949,000 for the year ended October 31, 2003. In assessing the need for a valuation allowance, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income and tax planning strategies in making this assessment.

Included as part of the Company's net operating loss carry forwards is approximately \$2,300,000 in tax deductions that resulted from the exercise of stock options. When these loss carry forwards are realized, the corresponding changes in the valuation allowance will be recorded as additional paid-in-capital.

## **(10) Employee Benefit Plans**

### ***401(k) Savings Plan***

Substantially all employees are eligible to participate in the 401(k) Savings Plan ( Savings Plan ). Employees may make pre-tax voluntary contributions to their individual accounts up to a maximum of 50% of their aggregate compensation, but not more than currently allowable Internal Revenue Service limitations. The Savings Plan permits matching and discretionary employer contributions. The Company matches 25% of the first 4% of an employee's annual compensation. Company contributions to the Savings Plan were \$53,000 and \$47,000 for the years ended October 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively. Employee participants in the Savings Plan may allocate their account balances among 14 different funds available through the Custodian.

### ***Employee Stock Purchase Plan***

On May 14, 2003, shareholders of the Company adopted the Angeion Corporation 2003 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ( Stock Plan ) and authorized the issuance of 100,000 shares under the Plan. The Stock Plan is available to all employees subject to certain eligibility requirements. Terms of the Stock Plan provide that participating employees may purchase the Company's common stock on a voluntary after tax basis. Employees may purchase the Company's common stock at a price that is no less than the lower of 85% of the fair market value of one share of common stock at the beginning or end of each stock purchase period. The Company issued 7,084 shares under the Stock Plan during the year ended October 31, 2004 and did not issue any shares during the year ended October 31, 2003.

## **(11) Reporting Comprehensive Income**

**The Company's net loss and comprehensive loss are equivalent and therefore are not presented separately.**

## **(12) Segment Reporting**

The Company operates in a single industry segment, medical products. For management purposes, the Company is segmented into two geographic areas. Net sales for these areas are shown in the following table.

(In thousands)	Year Ended October 31, 2004	Year Ended October 31, 2003
Revenues from unaffiliated customers		
United States	\$ 17,136	\$ 15,740
Foreign countries	3,552	2,972
	\$ 20,688	\$ 18,712

Substantially all of the Company's long-lived assets are located at the Company's facilities in the United States.

### (13) Discontinued Operations

#### *Overview*

During the period from October 1990 through March 2000, the Company was engaged in the development, design, manufacture and sale of implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) systems. ICDs are designed to treat abnormally rapid heartbeats or tachycardia in the ventricular (or lower) chambers of the heart. ICDs are electronic devices that are implanted within the body and are connected to the heart with defibrillator leads. These devices are designed to monitor the patient's heartbeat and, in the event of tachycardia, deliver an electrical shock to return the heartbeat to normal rhythm.

During March 2000, the Company announced its decision to discontinue the development, manufacture and distribution of ICDs. Accordingly, the ICD business is accounted for as a discontinued operation and amounts in the financial statements and related notes for all periods shown reflect discontinued operations accounting. Operating results of the discontinued ICD business are summarized as follows:

(In thousands)	Year Ended October 31, 2004	Year Ended October 31, 2003
Revenues	\$	\$
Loss from discontinued operations	\$ (901)	\$ (235)

#### *Impairment of ICD Patents*

All intangible asset fair values were determined at October 31, 2002 by an independent third-party appraiser under SOP 90-7. See Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, *Basis of Presentation*. A portion of intangible assets is related to the value of patents associated with the Company's business of manufacturing and selling implantable cardioverter defibrillators (ICDs), which was discontinued in 2000.

During the period from 1999 through mid 2002, the Company licensed the ICD patents realizing \$53 million in cash and stock-based proceeds. Subsequent to these transactions, an independent appraiser determined that the fair value of the ICD patents was \$450,000 at October 31, 2002. The most significant piece of information available to the independent appraiser at the time was the recent historical licensing revenue associated

with the ICD patents.



Although the Company continues to explore the sale or licensing of the ICD patents, it has determined that the ICD patents have become impaired as of October 31, 2004 because the Company does not currently have an identifiable source of revenue or a bona fide agreement to provide a source of revenue for these patents to support their current value. The patent impairment charge of \$243,000 was recorded within discontinued operations for the year ended October 31, 2004.

### *Contingencies and Litigation*

In June 2002, ELA Medical, a former partner of Angeion in a joint venture that manufactured and distributed ICDs, advised Angeion that some of the ICDs formerly manufactured by Angeion were experiencing premature battery depletion and that 14 had been explanted. In accordance with FDA procedures, Angeion instituted a field corrective action on certain of the ICDs.

In June 2003, ELA Medical sought reimbursement from Angeion for the cost of explanting and replacing the ICDs. Angeion advised its insurance carrier of the ELA Medical claim and sought coverage of the claim.

On September 13, 2004, the basic insurer, Medmarc Casualty Insurance Company, advised Angeion that Medmarc was denying insurance coverage to Angeion for the claim by ELA Medical, Inc. In addition, on September 13, 2004, Medmarc commenced a declaratory judgment action against Angeion and ELA Medical in United States District Court for the District of Minnesota seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc's interpretation of the policy is correct. In the lawsuit, ELA Medical has entered a cross-claim against Angeion for the costs and expenses it incurred in connection with the recall in the equivalent amount of \$1,665,068.

Angeion has denied liability to ELA Medical and has counterclaimed against Medmarc and is seeking a declaratory judgment that Medmarc is liable (i) to Angeion for any amount that it is required to pay to ELA Medical, and (ii) for any fees and expenses that Angeion has incurred in connection with defense of the cross-claim by ELA Medical and the declaratory action by Medmarc. Angeion vigorously intends to pursue its available defenses against ELA Medical and it asserts that Medmarc is required to provide Angeion coverage with respect to these matters.

The lawsuit is just beginning and is currently only in the discovery stage. The Company expects that any trial in this matter will not occur until the spring of 2006.

The Company believes that although it may have some liability to ELA Medical, for several reasons, it is not liable to ELA Medical for the entire amount alleged. The Company further believes that a certain portion of the amount expended by ELA Medical may not be covered by insurance. The Company currently believes that the amount of its potential liability to ELA Medical ranges from \$1,092,000 to \$2,198,000 and has recorded a liability of \$1,092,000 at October 31, 2004. The Company also believes it is probable that at least \$700,000 of any claims ultimately paid to ELA Medical are recoverable under existing insurance policies. Accordingly, the Company recorded an additional loss of \$901,000 during FY 2004 to reflect a change in the expected recovery, impairment of the ICD patents and liability associated with this claim.

The ultimate amount of both the liability due to ELA Medical and the amount recoverable from the insurance carriers is subject to future development and additional information. The amounts currently estimated for the claim and associated expenses as well as the probable insurance recovery are based on data provided by ELA Medical for explantations that occurred through March 31, 2004 and other information related to the cause of the battery depletion. Since 167 devices remain implanted in patients



at March 31, 2004, the amount of the claim may increase. While it is not possible to predict the ultimate amount of the claim or the associated expenses, the Company believes that if the amount of the claim increases, the amount recoverable from the insurance company would also increase. In addition, the Company's liability insurance coverage for claims associated with its ICD products expires on July 11, 2005.

The Company may incur additional expenses, which could be substantial, in connection with any purchase of insurance coverage beyond July 11, 2005.

#### **(14) Royalty Commitments**

In March 2000, the Company agreed to pay royalties to AeroSport, Inc. for net sales of products covered by AeroSport's patented technology. The royalties are to be 5% of net sales subject to a number accurate or inaccurate, may result in our being sued by our advertisers, merchants, members or third parties and as a result our revenue and reputation could be materially and adversely affected.

In addition, we may acquire personal or confidential information, including credit card information, from users of our websites and mobile applications, related to our Local Deals and hotel booking platform. Our existing security measures may not be successful in preventing security breaches. For example, outside parties may attempt to fraudulently induce employees, merchants or customers to disclose sensitive information in order to gain access to our secure systems and networks. A party (whether internal, external, an affiliate or unrelated third party) that is able to circumvent our security systems could steal consumer information or transaction data or other proprietary information. In the last few years, several major companies, such as Target, Home Depot, Zappos, LinkedIn and Sony, have experienced high-profile security breaches that exposed their customers' personal information. A security breach at any travel service provider, hotel, payment processor, GDS or other third party travel supplier, such as the security breach experienced by Sabre, could result in negative publicity and exposure, as well as damage to the reputations of the hotels impacted by the incident.

While we strive to use commercially acceptable means to protect customer personal information, no method of transmission over the Internet, or method of electronic storage, is 100% secure. Further, because the techniques used to obtain unauthorized access, disable or degrade service, or sabotage systems change frequently and often are not recognized until launched against a target, we may be unable to anticipate these techniques or to implement adequate preventative measures. These issues are likely to become more difficult to manage as we expand the number of places where we operate and as the tools and techniques used in such attacks become more advanced. Security breaches or the unauthorized disclosure of customer personal information could result in negative publicity, damage our reputation, expose us to risk of loss or litigation and possible liability and subject us to regulatory penalties and sanctions. Any failure or perceived failure by us, or our service providers, to comply with the privacy policies, privacy-related obligations to users or other third parties, or privacy related legal obligations, or any compromise of security that results in the unauthorized release or transfer of personally identifiable information or other user data, may result in governmental enforcement actions, litigation or public statements against the company by consumer advocacy groups or others and could cause our customers and members to lose trust in the company, which could have an adverse effect on our business. If our security measures are breached, or if our services are subject to attacks that degrade or deny the ability of users to access our products and services, our products and services may be perceived as not being secure, users and customers may curtail or stop using our products and services, and we may incur significant legal and financial exposure.



We could also be adversely affected if legislation or regulations are expanded to require changes in our business practices or if governing jurisdictions interpret or implement their legislation or regulations in ways that negatively affect our business, results of operations or financial condition. For example, the European Union has adopted the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”), effective in May 2018, which is designed to harmonize and enhance data privacy laws across Europe. The GDPR imposes requirements that are inconsistent with other laws currently in effect, yet regulators may claim that both apply. Complying with these varying national requirements could cause us to incur substantial costs or require us to change our business practices in a manner adverse to our business. In addition, compliance with these laws may restrict our ability to provide services to our customers that they may find to be valuable. To the extent that European regulatory authorities impose fines on the Company or require changes to the Company's business practices, the Company's business and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected. We also could be adversely affected if legislation or regulations are expanded to require additional changes in our business practices or if governing jurisdictions interpret or implement their legislation or regulations in ways that negatively affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

We post on our websites our privacy policies and practices concerning the collection, use and disclosure of user data. Any failure, or perceived failure, by us to comply with our posted privacy policies or with any regulatory requirements or orders or other federal, state or international privacy or consumer protection-related laws and regulations could result in proceedings or actions against us by governmental entities or others (e.g., class action privacy litigation), and subject us to significant penalties and negative publicity, require us to change our business practices, increase our costs and adversely affect our business. If Internet and mobile users were to reduce their use of our websites, mobile platforms, products, and services as a result of these privacy concerns, our business could be harmed. As noted above, we are also subject to the possibility of security breaches, which themselves may result in a violation of these laws.

Claims have been asserted against us relating to shares not issued in our 2002 merger.

The Company was formed as a result of a combination and merger of entities founded by the Company's principal stockholder, Ralph Bartel. In 2002, Travelzoo.com Corporation was merged into Travelzoo Under and subject to the terms of the merger agreement, holders of promotional shares of Travelzoo.com Corporation (“Netsurfers”) who established that they had satisfied certain prerequisite qualifications were allowed a period of 2 years following the effective date of the merger to receive one share of Travelzoo in exchange for each share of common stock of Travelzoo.com Corporation. In 2004, two years following the effective date of the merger, certain promotional shares remained unexchanged. As the right to exchange these promotional shares expired, no additional shares were reserved for issuance. Thereafter, the Company began to offer a voluntary cash program for those who established that they had satisfied certain prerequisite qualifications for Netsurfer promotional shares as further described below.

Beginning in 2010, the Company became subject to unclaimed property audits of various states in the United States related to the above unexchanged promotional shares. The Company recorded charges for the estimated settlements with these states of \$20.0 million, \$3.0 million and \$22.0 million in 2011, 2012 and 2013, respectively. In 2014, the Company released \$7.6 million of the reserve related to the completion of settlements with the states.

Although the Company has settled the states' unclaimed property claims with all states, the Company may still receive inquiries from certain potential Netsurfer promotional stockholders that had not provided their state of residence to the Company by April 25, 2004. Therefore, the Company is continuing its voluntary program under which it makes cash payments to individuals related to the promotional shares for individuals whose residence was unknown by the Company and who establish that they satisfy the original conditions required for them to receive shares of Travelzoo.com Corporation, and who failed to submit requests to convert their shares into shares of Travelzoo within the required time period. This voluntary program is not available for individuals whose promotional shares have been escheated to a state by the Company, except those individuals for which their residence was unknown to the Company. The Company did not make any payment under this voluntary program for the three months ended March 31, 2018.

The total cost of this voluntary program is not reliably estimable because it is based on the ultimate number of valid requests received and future levels of the Company's common stock price. The Company's common stock price affects

the potential liability because the amount of cash payments under the program is based in part on the recent level of the stock price at the date valid requests are received. The Company does not know how many of the requests for shares originally received by Travelzoo.com Corporation in 1998 were valid, but the Company believes that only a portion of such requests were valid. In order to receive payment under this voluntary program, a person is required to establish that such person validly held shares in Travelzoo.com Corporation.

Federal laws and regulations, such as the Bank Secrecy Act and the USA PATRIOT Act and similar foreign laws, could be expanded to include Local Deals and Getaway vouchers.

Various federal laws, such as the Bank Secrecy Act and the USA PATRIOT Act and foreign laws and regulations, such as the European Directive on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering and terrorist financing, impose certain anti-money laundering requirements on companies that are financial institutions or that provide financial products and services. For these purposes, financial institutions are broadly defined to include money services businesses such as money transmitters, check cashers and providers of prepaid access cards. Examples of anti-money laundering requirements imposed on financial institutions include customer identification and verification programs, suspicious activity monitoring and reporting, record retention policies and procedures and transaction reporting. We do not believe that we are a financial institution subject to these laws and regulations based, in part, upon the closed loop nature and other characteristics of vouchers and our role with respect to the distribution of vouchers to members. However, the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, a division of the U.S. Department of the Treasury tasked with implementing the requirements of the Bank Secrecy Act, recently issued final rules regarding the scope and requirements for non-bank parties involved in stored value or prepaid access cards, including obligations on sellers or providers of “prepaid access”. Under the final rule, providers or sellers of closed loop vouchers, such as those offered through the Local Deals and Getaway programs, would only be subject to registration if the voucher exceed \$2,000 in total value or if they are sold in aggregate amounts exceeding \$10,000 to any single person in one day. Should the \$2,000 limit be exceeded or should more than \$10,000 in aggregate vouchers be sold to any individual person (sales to businesses for resale or distribution are excluded) then we may be deemed either a seller or provider of prepaid access subject to regulation. In the event that we become subject to the requirements of the Bank Secrecy Act or any other anti-money laundering law or regulation imposing obligations on us as a money services business, our regulatory compliance costs to meet these obligations would likely increase which could reduce our net income. In addition, the costs for third parties to sell vouchers would increase, which may restrict our ability to enlist third parties to issue vouchers.

Our internal control over financial reporting may not be effective, and our independent registered public accounting firm may not be able to attest as to the effectiveness of such internal controls, which could have a significant and adverse effect on our business.

We are obligated to evaluate our internal control over financial reporting in order to allow management to report on, and our independent registered public accounting firm to opine on, our internal control over financial reporting, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations of the SEC, which we collectively refer to as Section 404. In our Section 404 evaluation, we may identify areas of internal control that may need improvement and may require remediation efforts where necessary. Currently, none of our identified areas that need improvement has been categorized as material weaknesses. We may identify conditions that may result in material weaknesses in the future.

We may be unable to protect our registered trademark or other proprietary intellectual property rights.

Our success depends to a significant degree upon the protection of the Travelzoo brand name. We rely upon a combination of copyright, trade secret and trademark laws, as well as non-disclosure and other contractual arrangements to protect our intellectual property rights. The steps we have taken to protect our proprietary rights, however, may not always succeed in deterring misappropriation of proprietary information.

We have registered the Travelzoo trademark in the U.S., Australia, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, the European Union, the U.K. and other jurisdictions. If we are unable to protect our rights in the mark in North America, Europe, and Asia Pacific, a key element of our strategy of promoting Travelzoo as a brand could be disrupted and our business could be adversely affected. We may not always be able to detect unauthorized use of our proprietary information or take appropriate steps to enforce our intellectual property rights. In addition, the validity, enforceability, and scope of protection of intellectual property in Internet-related industries are uncertain and still evolving. The laws of countries in which we may market our services in the future are uncertain and may afford little or no effective protection of our intellectual property. The unauthorized reproduction or other misappropriation of our proprietary technology could enable third parties to benefit from our technology and brand name without paying us for them. If this were to occur, our business could be materially adversely affected.





We may face liability from intellectual property litigation that could be costly to prosecute or defend and distract management's attention with no assurance of success.

We cannot be certain that our products, content and brand names do not or will not infringe valid patents, copyrights or other intellectual property rights held by third parties. We expect that infringement claims in our markets will increase in number as more participants enter the markets. We may be subject to legal proceedings and claims from time to time relating to the intellectual property of others in the ordinary course of our business. We may incur substantial expenses in defending against these third party infringement claims, regardless of their merit, and such claims could result in a significant diversion of the efforts of our management personnel. Successful infringement claims against us may result in monetary liability or a material disruption in the conduct of our business. We endeavor to defend our intellectual property rights diligently, but intellectual property litigation is extremely expensive and time consuming, and has and is likely to continue to divert managerial attention and resources from our business objectives. Successful infringement claims against us could result in monetary liability and resolution of claims may require us to obtain licenses to use intellectual property rights belonging to third parties, which may be expensive to procure.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

We believe that our potential exposure to changes in market interest rates is not material. The Company is not a party to any derivative transactions. We invest in highly liquid investments with short maturities. Accordingly, we do not expect any material loss from these investments.

Our operations in Canada expose us to foreign currency risk associated with agreements being denominated in Canadian dollars. Our operations in Europe expose us to foreign currency risk associated with agreements being denominated in British Pound Sterling and Euros. Our operations in Asia Pacific expose us to foreign currency risk associated with agreements being denominated in Australian dollars, Chinese Yuan, Hong Kong dollar, Japanese Yen and Taiwanese Yuan. We are exposed to foreign currency risk associated with fluctuations of these currencies as the financial position and operating results of our operations in Asia Pacific, Canada and Europe are translated into U.S. dollars for consolidation purposes. We do not use derivative instruments to hedge these exposures. We are a net receiver of U.S. dollars from our foreign subsidiaries and therefore benefit from a weaker U.S. dollar and are adversely affected by a stronger U.S. dollar relative to the foreign currency used by the foreign subsidiary as its functional currency. We have performed a sensitivity analysis as of March 31, 2018, using a modeling technique that measures the change in the fair values arising from a hypothetical 10% adverse movement in the levels of foreign currency exchange rates relative to the U.S. dollar with all other variables held constant. The foreign currency exchange rates we used were based on market rates in effect at March 31, 2018. The sensitivity analysis indicated that a hypothetical 10% adverse movement in foreign currency exchange rates would result in an incremental \$296,000 foreign exchange loss for the nine month ended March 31, 2018.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

Based on management's evaluation (with the participation of the Company's Global Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO)), as of March 31, 2018, our CEO and CFO have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)), are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to management, including our CEO and CFO, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

During the quarter ended March 31, 2018, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal controls over financial reporting.

**PART II—OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

The information set forth under “Note 3—Commitments and Contingencies” to the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included in Part I, Item 1 of this report is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

An updated description of the risk factors associated with our business is included under “Risk Factors” in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations,” contained in Item 2 of Part I of this report. This description includes any material changes to and supersedes the description of the risk factors associated with our business previously disclosed in Item 1A of our 2017 Annual Report on Form 10-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2: Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds  
Repurchases of Equity Securities

In March 2018, the Company announced a stock repurchase program authorizing the repurchase of up to 500,000 shares of the Company's outstanding common stock. The Company did not repurchase any of its equity securities during the three months ended March 31, 2018.

Item 6. Exhibits

The following table sets forth a list of exhibits:

Exhibit Number	Description
<u>3.1</u>	Certificate of Incorporation of Travelzoo (Incorporated by reference to our Pre-Effective Amendment No. 6 to our Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-55026), filed February 14, 2002)
<u>3.2</u>	Certificate of Incorporation of Travelzoo and Certificates of Amendment To the Certificate of Incorporation to Effect a Reverse Stock Split Followed by a Forward Stock Split Of Travelzoo's Common Stock.
<u>3.3</u>	By-laws of Travelzoo (Incorporated by reference to our Pre-Effective Amendment No. 6 to our Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-55026), filed February 14, 2002).
<u>10.1</u>	Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 on Form 10-Q (File No. 000-50171), filed November 9, 2007)
<u>10.2</u> †	Employment Agreement, dated July 23, 2013 between Rachel Barnett and Travelzoo, amended on May 22, 2017
<u>10.3</u> †	Employment Agreement, dated October 11, 2012 between Christian Alexander Smart and Travelzoo
<u>10.19</u>	Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement between Travelzoo and Rachel Barnett dated April 26, 2018 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 on Form 8-K (File No. 000-50171), filed May 2, 2018)
<u>31.1</u> †	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<u>31.2</u> †	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<u>32.1</u> †	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
<u>32.2</u> †	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS†	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.CAL†	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document

101.DEF† XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document

101.LAB‡ XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document

101.PRE† XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

\* This exhibit is a management contract or a compensatory plan or arrangement.

‡ Filed herewith

† Furnished herewith

SIGNATURE

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.

TRAVELZOO  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ GLEN CEREMONY  
Glen Ceremony  
On behalf of the Registrant and as Chief Financial Officer  
and Principal Accounting Officer

Date: May 10, 2018