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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

- Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2003 or
- Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 for the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 0-26954

CD&L, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

22-3350958

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

80 Wesley Street
South Hackensack, New Jersey
(Address of principal executive offices)

07606
(Zip Code)

(201) 487-7740
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Yes No

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The number of shares of common stock of the Registrant, par value \$.001 per share, outstanding as of November 7, 2003 was 7,658,660.

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FORM 10-Q FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

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CD&L, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands, except share information)

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

Cash and cash equivalents

Accounts receivable, net

Prepaid expenses and other current assets

Total current assets

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200

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EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, net
 GOODWILL
 DEFERRED FINANCING COSTS, net
 OTHER ASSETS

Total assets

\$

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

Short-term borrowings
 Current maturities of long-term debt
 Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and bank overdrafts

\$

Total current liabilities

LONG-TERM DEBT, net of current maturities
 OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Total liabilities

COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:

Preferred stock, \$.001 par value; 2,000,000 shares
 authorized; no shares issued and outstanding
 Common stock, \$.001 par value; 30,000,000 shares
 authorized; 7,688,027 shares issued at September 30, 2003 and
 December 31, 2002
 Additional paid-in capital
 Treasury stock, 29,367 shares at cost
 Accumulated deficit

Total stockholders' equity

Total liabilities and stockholders' equity

\$

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CD&L, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
 (In thousands, except per share data)
 (Unaudited)

For the Three Months
 Ended
 September 30,

2003	2002

200

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Revenue	\$	40,846	\$	38,921	\$
Cost of revenue		32,549		31,240	
		-----		-----	
Gross profit		8,297		7,681	
		-----		-----	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		7,042		6,136	
Depreciation and amortization		171		308	
Other income, net		(285)		(49)	
Interest expense		633		650	
		-----		-----	
		7,561		7,045	
		-----		-----	
Income before provision for income taxes		736		636	
Provision for income taxes		294		255	
		-----		-----	
Net income	\$	442	\$	381	\$
		=====		=====	
Net income per share:					
Basic	\$.06	\$.05	\$
		=====		=====	
Diluted	\$.05	\$.05	\$
		=====		=====	
Basic weighted average common shares outstanding		7,659		7,659	
		=====		=====	
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		8,175		8,166	
		=====		=====	

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Net income	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities -	
Non-cash extinguishment of debt	
Gain on disposal of equipment	
Depreciation, amortization and deferred financing amortization	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	
(Increase) decrease in -	
Accounts receivable, net	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	
Other assets	
Increase in -	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and bank overdrafts	
Other long-term liabilities	
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	-----

CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:

Proceeds from sale of equipment	
Additions to equipment and leasehold improvements	
Net cash used in investing activities	-----

CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:

Short-term borrowings, net	
Repayments of long-term debt	
Deferred financing costs	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	-----

Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period	-----
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period	\$ =====
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See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

CD&L, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. The

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condensed consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2002 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date. Certain reclassifications have been made to the September 30, 2002 condensed consolidated statements of operations and cash flows to conform to the current period presentation. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the year ending December 31, 2003. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the CD&L, Inc. (the "Company" or "CD&L") Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

(2) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION:

In December 2002, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure" ("SFAS 148") was issued and became effective in 2002. This Statement amends SFAS No. 123 "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," ("SFAS 123") to provide alternative methods of transition for an entity that voluntarily changes to the fair value method of accounting for stock-based compensation. The Company has elected to continue to recognize stock-based compensation using the intrinsic value method and has incorporated the additional disclosure requirements of SFAS 148.

The Company has adopted the disclosure provisions of SFAS 148. As a result, under the provisions of SFAS 123, the Company applies Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB 25"), and related interpretations in accounting for its stock option plans. Accordingly, no compensation expense has been recognized for its stock-based compensation plans. Pro forma information regarding net income and earnings per share is required, and has been determined as if the Company had accounted for its stock options under the fair value method. The fair value for these options was estimated at the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002-

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For t
	2003	2002		200
Weighted average fair value	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.45	\$	
Risk-free interest rate	4.00%	4.30%		
Volatility factor	142%	101%		
Expected life	7 years	7 years		7
Dividend yield	None	None		

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The pro forma information regarding net income and earnings per share is as follows (in thousands, except per share data)-

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For t
	2003	2002	200
Net income, as reported	\$ 442	\$ 381	\$
Stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	(1)	(6)	
Pro forma net income	\$ 441	\$ 375	\$
Net income per share:			
Basic, as reported	\$.06	\$.05	\$
Diluted, as reported	\$.05	\$.05	\$
Basic, pro forma	\$.06	\$.05	\$
Diluted, pro forma	\$.05	\$.05	\$

(3) **SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS:**

As of June 27, 2002 CD&L and Summit Business Capital Corporation, doing business as Fleet Capital - Business Finance Division, entered into an agreement establishing a revolving credit facility (the "Fleet Facility") of \$15,000,000. The Fleet Facility replaced a revolving credit facility with First Union Commercial Corporation established in July 1997. The Fleet Facility expires on June 27, 2005 and provides CD&L with standby letters of credit, prime rate based loans at the bank's prime rate, as defined, plus 25 basis points (4.25% at September 30, 2003) and LIBOR based loans at the bank's LIBOR, as defined, plus 225 basis points (3.37% at September 30, 2003). Credit availability is based on eligible amounts of accounts receivable, as defined, up to a maximum amount of \$15,000,000 and is secured by substantially all of the assets, including certain cash balances, accounts receivable, equipment, leasehold improvements and general intangibles of the Company and its subsidiaries. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the maximum borrowings outstanding under the Fleet Facility were approximately \$3,518,000 and the outstanding borrowings as of September 30, 2003 were approximately \$2,829,000. As of September 30, 2003, the Company had borrowing availability of \$1,978,000 under the Fleet Facility, after adjusting for restrictions related to outstanding standby letters of credit of \$7,000,000 and minimum availability requirements.

Under the terms of the Fleet Facility, the Company is required to maintain certain financial ratios and comply with other financial conditions. The Fleet Facility also prohibits the Company from incurring certain additional indebtedness, limits certain investments, advances or loans and restricts substantial asset sales, capital expenditures and cash dividends. Pursuant to a modification agreement with its lender, the Company was in compliance with its debt covenants as of September 30, 2003.

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Insurance Financing Agreements -

In connection with the renewal of certain of the Company's insurance policies, CD&L entered into four agreements to arrange for the financing of annual insurance premiums. A total of \$3,236,000 was financed through these arrangements. Monthly payments, including interest, amount to \$328,000. The interest rates range from 3.50% to 4.75% and the notes mature in March and April 2004. The related annual insurance premiums were paid to the various insurance companies at the beginning of each policy year. All outstanding debt amounts at September 30, 2003 are included in short-term borrowings. The corresponding prepaid insurance has been recorded in prepaid expenses and other current assets.

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(4) LONG-TERM DEBT:

On January 29, 1999, the Company completed a \$15,000,000 private placement of senior subordinated notes and warrants (the "Senior Notes") with three financial institutions. The Senior Notes originally bore interest at 12.0% per annum and are subordinate to all senior debt including the Company's Fleet Facility. Under the terms of the Senior Notes, as amended, the Company is required to maintain certain financial ratios and comply with other financial conditions contained in the Senior Notes agreement. Pursuant to a modification agreement with its lender, the Company was in compliance with the Senior Notes covenants as of September 30, 2003.

The Senior Notes mature on January 29, 2006 and may be prepaid by the Company under certain circumstances. The warrants expire January 19, 2009 and are exercisable at any time prior to expiration at a price of \$.001 per equivalent share of common stock for an aggregate of 506,250 shares of the Company's stock, subject to additional adjustments. The Company has recorded the fair value of the warrants of \$1,265,000 as a credit to additional paid-in-capital and a debt discount on the Senior Notes. The Company used the proceeds to finance acquisitions and to reduce outstanding short-term borrowings. As of August 17, 2000, November 21, 2000, March 30, 2001, May 30, 2001, August 20, 2001, November 19, 2001, April 12, 2002, June 28, 2002, April 23, 2003 and November 13, 2003, the Company and the note holders modified the Senior Subordinated Loan Agreement (the "Senior Note Agreement") entered into on January 29, 1999. The Senior Note Agreement, as amended, provides for scheduled repayments of \$250,000 at the end of each calendar quarter beginning in the first quarter of 2003 and ending in the fourth quarter of 2005. Such payments increase to \$312,500 if the Company meets certain availability benchmarks under the Fleet Facility, as defined. The interest rate on the \$3,000,000 of the notes scheduled to be repaid through 2005 would be reduced to 10% on a prospective basis if the Company makes a voluntary principal repayment of \$750,000 at any time prior to maturity.

Seller-Financed Debt -

On March 30, 2001, pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of March 7, 2001, Sureway Worldwide, LLC ("Sureway Worldwide"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Delivery Systems, LLC ("Global"), purchased certain assets from a subsidiary of CD&L. As part of the payment price for such assets, Sureway Worldwide issued to CD&L a promissory note in the original principal amount of \$2,500,000 guaranteed by Global (the "Note Receivable"). Such note and the guaranty were subordinated to Sureway Worldwide's and Global's

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obligations to its secured lender. No payments had been made to CD&L on the Note Receivable since issuance. CD&L wrote-off the entire amount of the Note Receivable on December 31, 2001 based on management's determination that the note would not be collected.

On February 16, 1999, the Company and its subsidiary, Sureway Air Traffic Corporation, Inc. ("Sureway"), entered into and consummated an asset and stock purchase agreement with Victory Messenger Service, Inc., Richard Gold ("Gold"), Darobin Freight Forwarding Co., Inc. ("Darobin"), and The Trust Created Under Paragraph Third of the Last Will and Testament of Charles Gold (the "Trust"), (collectively "Gold Wings"), whereby Sureway purchased all of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of Darobin and certain of the assets and liabilities of the other sellers. In conjunction therewith, the Company became obligated for seller-financed acquisition debt of \$1,650,000. As of February 28, 2003, the note had a remaining principal balance of \$1,034,000 (the "CDL/Gold Note").

On February 28, 2003, the Company completed a series of related transactions with GMV Express, Inc. ("GMV"), Gold (a principal of GMV) and his affiliates, and Global and its subsidiary, Sureway Worldwide. The net effect of the transactions with Global, Sureway Worldwide, GMV and Gold is that the Company assigned the Note Receivable to GMV in exchange for a release on the CDL/Gold Note payable, so that the Company is now relieved of its \$1,034,000 liability for the CDL/Gold Note and the Company has no further rights to the Note Receivable. In addition, the Company received payments from Sureway Worldwide and Global of approximately \$117,000 (\$72,000 in settlement of disputed claims and \$45,000 for other amounts due) and provided Gold with a release covering claims of breach of certain non-competition agreements. As a result of this transaction, the Company recorded a gain of \$1,034,000 which is included within other income, net.

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(5) GOODWILL AND DEFERRED FINANCING COSTS:

On June 30, 2001, SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142") was issued. SFAS 142 eliminated goodwill amortization over its estimated useful life. However, goodwill is subject to at least an annual assessment for impairment by applying a fair-value based test. Additionally, acquired intangible assets must be separately recognized if the benefit of the intangible asset is obtained through contractual or other legal rights, or if the intangible asset can be sold, transferred, licensed, rented or exchanged, regardless of the acquirer's intent to do so. Intangible assets with definitive lives are amortized over their useful lives. The Company adopted SFAS 142 effective January 1, 2002. For purposes of performing the fair-value based test of goodwill, the Company has determined that it has one reporting unit. This reporting unit is consistent with its single operating segment, which management determined is appropriate under the provisions of SFAS No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information" ("SFAS 131"). During 2002, a transitional goodwill impairment test was performed and the Company determined that there was no impairment of goodwill. Further, as required by SFAS 142, an annual impairment test was completed at the end of fiscal 2002 and the Company determined that there was no impairment. Fair value was determined by two methods:

1. Present value of future estimated cash flows, including a

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determination of a terminal value.

2. Market capitalization utilizing quoted market prices of the Company's common stock.

The adoption of SFAS 142 did not result in the recognition of an impairment of goodwill. However, changes in business conditions could result in impairment in the future. Examples of changes in business conditions include, but are not limited to, bankruptcy or loss of a significant customer, a significant adverse change in regulatory factors, a loss of key personnel, increased levels of competition from companies with greater financial resources than the Company and margin erosion caused by our inability to increase prices to our customers at the same rate that our costs increase.

Deferred financing costs totaled \$493,000 as of September 30, 2003 (net of accumulated amortization of \$845,000). Amortization of deferred financing costs for the three months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002 was approximately \$56,000 and \$57,000, respectively and \$168,000 and \$153,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively. Amortization of deferred financing costs has been recorded as interest expense.

Estimated amortization of deferred financing costs for the years ended December 31 (in thousands)-

2003	\$224
2004	224
2005	199
2006	14

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(6) NOTE RECEIVABLE FROM STOCKHOLDER:

In February 1996, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ("Liberty Mutual") filed an action against Securities Courier Corporation ("Securities"), a subsidiary of the Company, Mr. Vincent Brana, an employee of the Company, and certain other parties in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. Under the terms of its acquisition of Securities, the Company had certain rights to indemnification from Mr. Brana. In connection with the indemnification, Mr. Brana has entered into a settlement agreement and executed a promissory note (the "Brana Note") in such amount as may be due for any defense costs or award arising out of this suit. Mr. Brana has agreed to repay the Company on December 1, 2003, together with interest calculated at a rate per annum equal to the rate charged the Company by its senior lender. Mr. Brana delivered 357,301 shares of CD&L common stock to the Company as collateral for the Brana Note. On September 8, 2000 the parties entered into a settlement agreement in which Securities and Mr. Brana agreed to pay Liberty Mutual \$1,300,000. An initial payment of \$650,000 was made by Securities on October 16, 2000, \$325,000 plus interest at a rate of 10.5% per annum was paid in monthly installments ending July 1, 2001 and the balance of \$325,000 plus interest at a rate of 12.0% per annum was paid in monthly installments ending July 1, 2002.

At September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002, the Company had a receivable due from Mr. Brana totaling \$2,800,000. As of September 30,

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2003 and December 31, 2002, considering the market value of the collateral, the settlement being negotiated below, and Mr. Brana's failure to provide satisfactory evidence to support his ability to pay the Brana Note, the Company maintained a \$2,800,000 reserve against the receivable.

In an effort to resolve all outstanding disputes between Mr. Brana and the Company, a settlement agreement is currently being negotiated. If an agreement is reached, the Company would return to Mr. Brana the 357,301 shares of CD&L common stock held by the Company as collateral for the \$2,800,000 note, and provide certain releases for claims that the Company may have against him. Mr. Brana's employment with the Company was terminated on September 1, 2002, and he has served as a paid consultant since that time.

(7) LITIGATION:

The Company is, from time to time, a party to litigation arising in the normal course of its business, including claims for uninsured personal injury and property damage incurred in connection with its same-day delivery operations. In connection therewith, the Company has recorded reserves of \$465,000 and \$325,000 as of September 30, 2003 and December 31, 2002, respectively.

Also from time to time, federal and state authorities have sought to assert that independent contractors in the transportation industry, including those utilized by CD&L, are employees rather than independent contractors. The Company believes that the independent contractors that it utilizes are not employees under existing interpretations of federal and state laws. However, federal and state authorities have and may continue to challenge this position. Further, laws and regulations, including tax laws, and the interpretations of those laws and regulations, may change.

Management believes that none of these actions, including the actions described above, will have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position or results of operations of the Company.

(8) INCOME PER SHARE:

Basic earnings per share represents net income divided by the weighted average shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share represents net income divided by the weighted average shares outstanding adjusted for the incremental dilution of potentially dilutive common shares.

A reconciliation of weighted average common shares outstanding to weighted average common shares outstanding assuming dilution follows (in thousands)-

Three Months Ended September 30,		N
2003	2002	200

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Basic weighted average		
common shares outstanding	7,659	7,659
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Stock options and warrants	516	507
	-----	-----
Diluted weighted average		
common shares		
outstanding	8,175	8,166
	=====	=====

The following potentially dilutive common shares were excluded from the computation of diluted Earnings per Share because the exercise or conversion price was greater than the average market price of common shares (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended September 30,		
	-----		-----
	2003	2002	2001
	-----		-----
Stock options and warrants	1,877	1,931	
Seller financed convertible notes	431	475	

(9) NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT:

In January 2003, Interpretation No. 46 of the Financial Accounting Standards Board, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46") was issued. The Company does not believe that it has any relationships with variable interest entities that will be subject to the requirements of FIN 46.

(10) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS:

Effective as of February 1, 2003, the Company has leased its former vehicle repair facility to a company whose principal is a shareholder and former executive of the Company. During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company made payments for vehicle maintenance and repairs of approximately \$52,300 and \$186,300, respectively. During the first nine months of 2003, the Company sold 63 vehicles for approximately \$40,350 to this company. Additionally, the Company has recorded rental income from this company of approximately \$9,000 and \$24,000 during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2003, respectively. Refer to the 2002 Form 10-K for additional discussion of related party transactions.

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The Company is provided a "safe harbor" for forward-looking statements contained in this report by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company may discuss forward-looking information in this Report such as its expectations for future performance, growth and acquisition strategies, liquidity and capital needs and its future prospects. Actual results may not necessarily develop as the Company anticipates due to many factors including, but not limited to the timing of certain transactions, unexpected expenses encountered, the effect of economic and market conditions, the impact of competition and the factors listed in the Company's 2002 Report on Form 10-K and other SEC filings. Because of these and other reasons, the Company's actual results may vary materially from management's current expectations.

Overview

The condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company including all related notes, which appear elsewhere in this report, should be read in conjunction with this discussion of the Company's results of operations and its liquidity and capital resources.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

The Company's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations are based upon the Company's consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, the Company evaluates its estimates, including those related to accounts and notes receivable, intangible assets, insurance reserves, income taxes and contingencies. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

The Company believes the following critical accounting policies reflect more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company maintains allowances for doubtful accounts and notes receivable for estimated losses resulting from the inability of its customers and debtors to make payments when due or within a reasonable period of time thereafter. The Company estimates allowances for doubtful accounts and notes receivable by evaluating past due aging trends, analyzing customer payment histories and assessing market conditions relating to its customers' operations and financial condition. Such allowances are developed principally for specific customers. If the financial condition of the Company's customers and debtors were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make required payments, additional allowances may be required.

Goodwill

The value of the Company's goodwill is significant relative to total assets and stockholders' equity. The Company reviews goodwill for

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impairment on at least an annual basis using several fair-value based tests, which include, among others, a discounted cash flow and terminal value computation. The discounted cash flow and terminal value computation is based on management's estimates of future operations. Changes in business conditions could materially impact management's estimates of future operations and this could result in an impairment of goodwill. Such impairment, if any, could have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated operations and financial condition.

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Examples of changes in business conditions include, but are not limited to, bankruptcy or loss of a significant customer, a significant adverse change in regulatory factors, a loss of key personnel, increased levels of competition from companies with greater financial resources than the Company and margin erosion caused by our inability to increase prices to our customers at the same rate that our costs increase.

Insurance Reserves

The Company retains certain insurance risk through various insurance policies. The Company's deductible for workers' compensation is \$500,000 per loss (\$350,000 prior to May 1, 2003). The deductible for employee health medical costs is \$150,000 per loss (\$125,000 prior to March 1, 2002). Effective July 1, 2003, automobile liability coverage is maintained for covered vehicles through a fully-insured indemnity program with no deductible (\$350,000 deductible prior to July 1, 2003). The Company reserves the estimated amounts of uninsured claims and deductibles related to such insurance retentions for claims that have occurred in the normal course of business. These reserves are established by management based upon the recommendations of third-party administrators who perform a specific review of open claims, which include fully developed estimates of both reported claims and incurred but not reported claims, as of the balance sheet date. Actual claim settlements may differ materially from these estimated reserve amounts.

Income Taxes

The Company files income tax returns in every jurisdiction in which it has reason to believe it is subject to tax. Historically, the Company has been subject to examination by various taxing jurisdictions. To date, none of these examinations have resulted in any material additional tax. Nonetheless, any tax jurisdiction may contend that a filing position claimed by the Company regarding one or more of its transactions is contrary to that jurisdiction's laws or regulations.

Results of Operations

Income and Expense as a Percentage of Revenue

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For
	2003	2002	20
Revenue	100.0%	100.0%	
Gross profit	20.3%	19.7%	

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Selling, general and administrative expenses	17.2%	15.8%
Depreciation and amortization	0.4%	0.8%
Other income, net	(0.7%)	(0.1%)
Interest expense	1.5%	1.7%
Income before provision for income taxes	1.8%	1.6%
Net income	1.1%	1.0%

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2003 Compared to the Three Months Ended September 30, 2002

Revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2003 increased by \$1,925,000, or 4.9%, to \$40,846,000 from \$38,921,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2002. An increase in volume from new and existing customers contributed to such revenue increase, partially offset by certain price reductions granted to extend customer contracts.

Cost of revenue increased by \$1,309,000, or 4.2%, to \$32,549,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 from \$31,240,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2002. Cost of revenue for the three months ended September 30, 2003 represents 79.7% of revenues as compared to 80.3% for the same period in 2002. The increase in cost of revenue is due primarily to the increase in revenue; however, the decrease in cost of revenue as a percentage of revenue is due primarily to \$180,000 in reduced fuel costs and a \$538,000 reduction in insurance expense. The reduction in insurance expense is primarily due to a reduction in reserves for incurred but not reported ("IBNR") losses as a result of the Company adopting a fully-insured auto program. These reductions were partially offset by approximately \$327,000 in increased direct labor costs as compared to the same period in 2002.

Selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") increased by \$906,000, or 14.8%, to \$7,042,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 from \$6,136,000 for the same period in 2002. Stated as a percentage of revenue, SG&A increased to 17.2% for the three months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to 15.8% for the same period in 2002. The increase in SG&A is due to a variety of factors including a \$311,000 increase in provision for doubtful accounts, an increase of \$131,000 in premises rent and \$125,000 in additional legal expenses.

Depreciation and amortization decreased by \$137,000, or 44.5%, to \$171,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 from \$308,000 for the same period in 2002. Such reduction was primarily caused by the full depreciation of certain vehicles held under a capital lease that ended during 2002 and reduced capital expenditures in 2001, 2002 and 2003.

Other income, net increased to \$285,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 from \$49,000 for the same period in 2002. This increase was primarily due to a \$220,000 World Trade Center Recovery Grant received by one of our New York City facilities.

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As a result of the factors discussed above, income before provision for income taxes increased by \$100,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002.

Provision for income taxes increased by \$39,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002. This was due to the increase in income before provision for income taxes discussed above. The effective tax rate for both periods was 40%.

Net income increased by \$61,000 to net income of \$442,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to net income of \$381,000 for the same period in 2002. This was due to the factors discussed above.

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2002

Revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 increased by \$5,685,000, or 4.9%, to \$122,040,000 from \$116,355,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2002. An increase in volume from new and existing customers contributed to such revenue increase, partially offset by certain price reductions granted to extend customer contracts.

Cost of revenue increased by \$6,227,000, or 6.7%, to \$98,741,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 from \$92,514,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2002. Cost of revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 represents 80.9% of revenues as compared to 79.5% for the same period in 2002. The increase in cost of revenue is due primarily to the increase in revenue; however, the increase in cost of revenue as a percentage of revenue is due primarily to certain price reductions referred to above, an increase in direct labor costs as compared to the same period in 2002 and increased cargo claims of \$797,000 as a result of the increased deductibles. These increases were partially offset by reduced fuel costs of \$574,000 and an \$831,000 reduction in insurance expense. The reduction in insurance expense is primarily due to a reduction in reserves for IBNR losses as a result of the Company adopting a fully-insured auto program.

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Selling, general and administrative expenses ("SG&A") increased by \$692,000, or 3.6%, to \$20,177,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 from \$19,485,000 for the same period in 2002. Stated as a percentage of revenue, SG&A decreased to 16.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to 16.7% for the same period in 2002. The decrease in SG&A is due primarily to a reduction in compensation expense of \$1,167,000 which includes reduced staffing, lower incentive compensation and the reversal of previously recorded severance benefits. This reduction in SG&A is partially offset by a \$388,000 increase in facility rent costs and an increase of \$379,000 in provision for doubtful accounts.

Depreciation and amortization decreased by \$339,000, or 37.0%, to \$577,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 from \$916,000 for the same period in 2002. Such reduction was primarily caused by the full depreciation of certain vehicles held under a capital lease that ended during 2002 and reduced capital expenditures in 2001, 2002 and 2003.

Other income, net increased to \$1,451,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 for the reasons discussed below.

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On March 30, 2001, pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of March 7, 2001, Sureway Worldwide, LLC ("Sureway Worldwide"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Global Delivery Systems, LLC ("Global"), purchased certain assets from a subsidiary of CD&L. As part of the payment price for such assets, Sureway Worldwide issued to CD&L a promissory note in the original principal amount of \$2,500,000 guaranteed by Global (the "Note Receivable"). Such note and the guaranty were subordinated to Sureway Worldwide's and Global's obligations to its secured lender. No payments had been made to CD&L on the Note Receivable since issuance. CD&L wrote-off the entire amount of the Note Receivable on December 31, 2001 based on management's determination that the note would not be collected.

On February 16, 1999, the Company and its subsidiary, Sureway Air Traffic Corporation, Inc. ("Sureway"), entered into and consummated an asset and stock purchase agreement with Victory Messenger Service, Inc., Richard Gold ("Gold"), Darobin Freight Forwarding Co., Inc. ("Darobin"), and The Trust Created Under Paragraph Third of the Last Will and Testament of Charles Gold (the "Trust"), (collectively "Gold Wings"), whereby Sureway purchased all of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of Darobin and certain of the assets and liabilities of the other sellers. In conjunction therewith, the Company became obligated for seller-financed acquisition debt of \$1,650,000. As of February 28, 2003, the note had a remaining principal balance of \$1,034,000 (the "CDL/Gold Note").

On February 28, 2003, the Company completed a series of related transactions with GMV Express, Inc. ("GMV"), Gold (a principal of GMV) and his affiliates, and Global and its subsidiary, Sureway Worldwide. The net effect of the transactions with Global, Sureway Worldwide, GMV and Gold is that the Company assigned the Note Receivable to GMV in exchange for a release on the CDL/Gold Note payable, so that the Company is now relieved of its \$1,034,000 liability for the CDL/Gold Note and the Company has no further rights to the Note Receivable. In addition, the Company received payments from Sureway Worldwide and Global of approximately \$117,000 (\$72,000 in settlement of disputed claims and \$45,000 for other amounts due) and provided Gold with a release covering claims of breach of certain non-competition agreements. As a result of this transaction, the Company recorded a gain of \$1,034,000 during the nine month period ended September 30, 2003, included within other income, net.

Additional sources of other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 related to a \$220,000 World Trade Center Recovery Grant received by one of our New York City facilities, \$112,000 of interest income from our Midwest Note and \$90,000 of gain on disposal of equipment.

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As a result of the factors discussed above, income before provision for income taxes increased by \$737,000 for the nine months ended June 30, 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002.

Provision for income taxes increased by \$294,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to the same period in 2002. This was due to the increase in income before provision for income taxes discussed above. The effective tax rate for both periods was 40%.

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Net income improved by \$443,000 to net income of \$1,270,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 as compared to net income of \$827,000 for the same period in 2002. This was due to the factors discussed above.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's working capital decreased by \$298,000 from \$2,869,000 as of December 31, 2002 to \$2,571,000 as of September 30, 2003. The decrease is primarily a result of cash used in operating activities. Cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$386,000 to \$1,066,000 as of September 30, 2003. Cash of \$3,551,000 was used by operations while \$114,000 was used by net investing activities and \$3,279,000 was provided by net financing activities. Cash used by operations and cash provided by net financing activities was primarily the result of the \$3,236,000 in insurance financing arrangements discussed in Note 3. Capital expenditures amounted to \$208,000 and \$470,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

As of June 27, 2002 CD&L and Summit Business Capital Corporation, doing business as Fleet Capital - Business Finance Division, entered into an agreement establishing a revolving credit facility (the "Fleet Facility") of \$15,000,000. The Fleet Facility replaced a revolving credit facility with First Union Commercial Corporation established in July 1997. The Fleet Facility expires on June 27, 2005 and provides CD&L with standby letters of credit, prime rate based loans at the bank's prime rate, as defined, plus 25 basis points (4.25% at September 30, 2003) and LIBOR based loans at the bank's LIBOR, as defined, plus 225 basis points 3.37% at September 30, 2003). Credit availability is based on eligible amounts of accounts receivable, as defined, up to a maximum amount of \$15,000,000 and is secured by substantially all of the assets, including certain cash balances, accounts receivable, equipment, leasehold improvements and general intangibles of the Company and its subsidiaries. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the maximum borrowings outstanding under the Fleet Facility were approximately \$3,518,000 and the outstanding borrowings as of September 30, 2003 were approximately \$2,829,000. As of September 30, 2003, the Company had borrowing availability of \$1,978,000 under the Fleet Facility, after adjusting for restrictions related to outstanding standby letters of credit of \$7,000,000 and minimum availability requirements.

Under the terms of the Fleet Facility, the Company is required to maintain certain financial ratios and comply with other financial conditions. The Fleet Facility also prohibits the Company from incurring certain additional indebtedness, limits certain investments, advances or loans and restricts substantial asset sales, capital expenditures and cash dividends. Pursuant to a modification agreement with its lender, the Company was in compliance with its debt covenants as of September 30, 2003.

On January 29, 1999, the Company completed a \$15,000,000 private placement of senior subordinated notes and warrants (the "Senior Notes") with three financial institutions. The Senior Notes originally bore interest at 12.0% per annum and are subordinate to all senior debt including the Company's Fleet Facility. Under the terms of the Senior Notes, as amended, the Company is required to maintain certain financial ratios and comply with other financial conditions contained in the Senior Notes agreement. Pursuant to a modification agreement with its lender, the Company was in compliance with the Senior Notes covenants as of September 30, 2003.

The Senior Notes mature on January 29, 2006 and may be prepaid by the Company under certain circumstances. The warrants expire January 19, 2009 and are exercisable at any time prior to expiration at a price of \$.001 per equivalent share of common stock for an aggregate of 506,250 shares of the Company's stock, subject to additional adjustments. The Company has recorded the fair value of the warrants of \$1,265,000 as a credit to additional paid-in-capital and a debt discount on the Senior Notes. The Company used the proceeds to finance acquisitions and to reduce outstanding short-term borrowings. As of August 17, 2000, November 21, 2000, March 30, 2001, May 30, 2001, August 20, 2001, November 19, 2001, April 12, 2002, June 28, 2002, April 23, 2003 and November 13, 2003; the Company and the note holders modified the Senior Subordinated Loan Agreement (the "Senior Note Agreement") entered into on January 29, 1999. The Senior Note Agreement, as amended, provides for scheduled repayments of \$250,000 at the end of each calendar quarter beginning in the first quarter of 2003 and ending in the fourth quarter of 2005. Such payments increase to \$312,500 if the Company meets certain availability benchmarks under the Fleet Facility, as defined. The interest rate on the \$3,000,000 of the notes scheduled to be repaid through 2005 would be reduced to 10% on a prospective basis if the Company makes a voluntary principal repayment of \$750,000 at any time prior to maturity.

Self-Insurance -

The Company's risk of incurring uninsured losses has increased in 2003 as a result of increased deductibles retained by the Company in order to reduce premiums in conjunction with the renewal of certain insurance policies in 2003. This risk may be mitigated to some extent as the Company entered into fully insured auto liability insurance programs during the third quarter of 2003. There can be no assurances that the Company's risk management policies and procedures will minimize future uninsured losses or that a material increase in frequency or severity of uninsured losses will not occur and adversely impact the Company's future consolidated financial results.

The Company has an accumulated deficit of (\$7,559,000) as of September 30, 2003. There can be no assurances that the Company's lenders will agree to waive any future covenant violations, if any, continue to renegotiate and modify the terms of their loans, or further extend the maturity date, should it become necessary to do so. Further, there can be no assurances that the Company will be able to meet its revenue, cost or income projections, upon which the debt covenants are based.

Management believes that cash flows from operations and its borrowing capacity, after the debt modifications referred to above, are sufficient to support the Company's operations and general business and capital requirements for at least the next twelve months. Such conclusions are predicated upon sufficient cash flow from operations and the continued availability of a revolving credit facility. The risks associated with cash flow from operations are mitigated by the Company's low gross profit margin. Unless extraordinary, decreases in revenue should be accompanied by corresponding decreases in costs, resulting in minimal impact to liquidity. The risks associated with the revolving credit facility are as discussed above.

Inflation

While inflation has not had a material impact on the Company's results

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of operations for the periods presented herein, recent fluctuations in fuel prices can and do affect the Company's operating costs.

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Item 3 - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

The Company is exposed to the effect of changing interest rates. At September 30, 2003, the Company's debt consisted of approximately \$14,418,000 (excluding unamortized discount of \$422,000) of fixed rate debt with a weighted average interest rate of 11.9% and \$5,857,000 of variable rate debt with a weighted average interest rate of 5.7%. The variable rate debt consists of six seller-financed notes with an interest rate of prime plus 200 basis points with a minimum rate of 7.0% and maximum rate of 9.0% and \$2,829,000 of borrowings of revolving line of credit debt. If interest rates on variable rate debt were to increase by 57 basis points (one-tenth of the rate at September 30, 2003), the net impact to the Company's results of operations and cash flows for the nine month period ended September 30, 2003 would be a decrease of approximately \$25,000. Maximum borrowings of revolving line of credit debt during the nine months ended September 30, 2003 were \$3,518,000.

Item 4 - Controls and Procedures

- (a) Disclosure controls and procedures. As of the end of the Company's most recently completed fiscal quarter (the Company's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) covered by this report, the Company carried out an evaluation, with the participation of the Company's management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-15. Based upon that evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms.
- (b) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting. There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company's last fiscal quarter to which this report relates that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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Part II - OTHER INFORMATION

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Item 6 - Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits

- 31.1 Certification of Albert W. Van Ness, Jr. Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15e and 15d-15e, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Russell J. Reardon Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15e and 15d-15e, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of Albert W. Van Ness, Jr. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.2 Certification of Russell J. Reardon Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

The following current reports on Form 8-K were filed during the third quarter of 2003.

- o Report on Form 8-K filed on August 19, 2003 concerning the August 19, 2003 press release announcing second quarter earnings for the 2003 fiscal year.

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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.

Dated: November 14, 2003

CD&L, INC.

By: \s\ Russell J. Reardon

Russell J. Reardon
Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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