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## SCOTT S LIQUID GOLD-INC.

4880 Havana Street

Denver, CO 80239

Colorado State of Incorporation<br>84-0920811<br>I.R.S. Employer Identification No.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or $15(\mathrm{~d})$ 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 x No *

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No ..

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer .. Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer $\quad{ }^{*}$ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes " No x

As of May 14, 2012, the Registrant had 10,937,000 of its common stock, $\$ 0.10$ par value per share, outstanding.

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## CAUTIONARY NOTE ON FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

This Report may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of U.S. federal securities laws. These statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements and our performance inherently involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements. Factors that would cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, continued acceptance of each of our significant products in the marketplace; the degree of success of any new product or product line introduction by us; competitive factors; any decrease in distribution of (i.e., retail stores carrying) our significant products; continuation of our distributorship agreements for Montagne Jeunesse skin care products and Batiste dry shampoos; the need for effective advertising of our products; limited resources available for such advertising; new competitive products and/or technological changes; dependence upon third party vendors and upon sales to major customers; changes in the regulation of our products, including applicable environmental regulations; continuing losses which could affect our liquidity; the loss of any executive officer; and other matters discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011 and this Report. We undertake no obligation to revise any forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this Report.

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## PART I

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

## Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. \& Subsidiaries

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 |  |  | 2011 |
| Net sales | \$ | 4,038,400 |  | 3,868,400 |
| Operating costs and expenses: |  |  |  |  |
| Cost of sales |  | 2,189,400 |  | 1,991,000 |
| Advertising |  | 87,700 |  | 80,200 |
| Selling |  | 1,090,600 |  | 1,033,300 |
| General and administrative |  | 687,300 |  | 607,800 |
|  |  | 4,055,000 |  | 3,712,300 |
| (Loss) income from operations |  | $(16,600)$ |  | 156,100 |
| Rental and other income |  | 32,300 |  | 39,600 |
| Interest expense |  | $(61,800)$ |  | $(69,900)$ |
| (Loss) income before income taxes |  | $(46,100)$ |  | 125,800 |
| Income tax expense |  | 0 |  | 0 |
| Net (loss) income | \$ | $(46,100)$ |  | 125,800 |
| Net (loss) income per common share (Note 2): |  |  |  |  |
| Basic \& Diluted | \$ | 0.00 | \$ | 0.01 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding: |  |  |  |  |
| Basic |  | 10,928,758 |  | 10,898,500 |
| Diluted |  | 10,928,758 |  | 12,136,750 |

See accompanying notes to these Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited).

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## Consolidated Balance Sheets

## Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. \& Subsidiaries

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { March 31, } \\ & 2012 \\ & \text { (Unaudited) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2011 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets |  |  |
| Current assets: |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 436,900 | \$ 575,900 |
| Trade receivables, net | 1,251,700 | 447,900 |
| Inventories, net | 2,127,900 | 2,019,200 |
| Prepaid expenses | 119,400 | 133,400 |
| Total current assets | 3,935,900 | 3,176,400 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 10,512,900 | 10,632,100 |
| Other assets | 63,200 | 68,400 |
| Total assets | \$ 14,512,000 | \$ 13,876,900 |
| Liabilities and Shareholders Equity |  |  |
| Current liabilities: |  |  |
| Obligations collateralized by receivables | \$ 967,500 | \$ 277,100 |
| Accounts payable | 1,630,200 | 1,442,700 |
| Accrued payroll and benefits | 669,000 | 579,200 |
| Accrued property taxes | 68,200 | 230,600 |
| Other accrued expenses | 168,300 | 227,300 |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | 343,900 | 340,800 |
| Total current liabilities | 3,847,100 | 3,097,700 |
| Long-term debt, net of current maturities | 3,276,000 | 3,363,400 |
| Total liabilities | 7,123,100 | 6,461,100 |
| Shareholders equity: |  |  |
| Common stock; $\$ .10$ par value, authorized $50,000,000$ shares; issued and outstanding 10,937,000 shares (2012) and $10,907,000$ shares (2011) | 1,093,700 | 1,090,700 |
| Capital in excess of par | 5,463,100 | 5,446,900 |
| Retained earnings | 832,100 | 878,200 |
| Total shareholders equity | 7,388,900 | 7,415,800 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders equity | \$ 14,512,000 | \$ 13,876,900 |

See accompanying notes to these Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited).

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## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. \& Subsidiaries

$\left.\begin{array}{l|cc} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Three Months Ended } \\ \text { March 31, }\end{array} \\ \text { Cash flows from operating activities: } & \mathbf{2 0 1 2}\end{array}\right)$

See accompanying notes to these Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited).

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# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) 

Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. \& Subsidiaries

## Note 1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies.

## (a) Company Background

Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. (a Colorado corporation) was incorporated on February 15, 1954. Scott s Liquid Gold-Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiaries (collectively, the Company , we , our , or us ) develop, manufacture, market and sell quality household and skin and hair care produc We are also an exclusive distributor in the United States of Montagne Jeunesse skin sachets and Batiste dry shampoo manufactured by two other companies. Our business is comprised of two segments, household products and skin and hair care products.

## (b) Principles of Consolidation

Our consolidated financial statements include our accounts and those of our wholly-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

## (c) Basis of Presentation

The consolidated statements of operations, consolidated balance sheets, and the consolidated statements of cash flows included in this report have been prepared by the Company. In our opinion, all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) necessary to present fairly the financial position at March 31, 2012 and results of operations and cash flow for all periods have been made.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States have been condensed or omitted pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. These consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and notes thereto included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011. The results of operations for the period ended March 31, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the full year.

## (d) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in our financial statements of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant estimates include, but are not limited to, the realization of deferred tax assets, reserves for slow moving and obsolete inventory, customer returns and allowances, coupon redemptions, and stock-based compensation. Actual results could differ from our estimates.

## (e) Cash Equivalents

We consider all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the date of acquisition to be cash equivalents.

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## (f) Sale of Accounts Receivable

On November 3, 2008, effective as of October 31, 2008, we entered into a financing agreement with Summit Financial Resources, L.P. ( Summit ) for the purpose of improving working capital. The financing agreement with Summit was amended on March 12, 2009 and then again on March 16, 2011 (effective March 1, 2011). The agreement has a term that expires on September 1, 2012, but it may be renewed for additional 12 month periods unless either party elects to cancel in writing at least 60 days prior to September 1,2012 and thereafter on the anniversary date of each 12 month period.

The agreement provides for a factoring line up to $\$ 1.5$ million and is secured primarily by accounts receivable, inventory, any lease in which we are a lessor and all investment property and guarantees by our active subsidiaries. Under the agreement, Summit will make loans at our request and in its discretion based on: (i) its purchases of our receivables, with recourse against us, at an advance rate of $85 \%$ (or such other percentage determined by Summit in its discretion) and (ii) our inventory not to exceed certain amounts, including an aggregate maximum of $\$ 500,000$. Advances under the agreement bear interest at a rate of $1.5 \%$ over the prime rate (as published in The Wall Street Journal) for the accounts receivable portion of the advances and $4.0 \%$ over the prime rate for the inventory portion of the borrowings. Consequently, our interest cost adjusts with changes in the prime rate. At March 31, 2012, the prime rate was $3.25 \%$.

In addition there are administrative fees of $1.0 \%$ per month on the average monthly outstanding loan on the receivable portion of any advance and $1.35 \%$ per month on the average monthly outstanding loan on the inventory portion of any advance. The agreement provides that neither we nor our active subsidiaries may engage in a change in control transaction without the prior written consent of Summit. Events of default include, but are not limited to, our failure to make a payment when due or a default occurring on any of our other indebtedness.

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, we sold approximately $\$ 2,873,400$ of our accounts receivables to Summit for approximately $\$ 2,442,400$. As the advance rate on these accounts receivables was $85 \%$, we retained an interest equal to $15 \%$ of those accounts receivables. At March 31, 2012, approximately $\$ 532,500$ of this credit line was available for future factoring of accounts receivable invoices.

We report these transactions, using the Financial Accounting Standards Board s ( FASB ) authoritative guidance, as a secured borrowing rather than as a sale. As a result, affected accounts receivable are reported under Current Assets within our balance sheet as Trade receivables, net. Similarly, the net liability owing to Summit appears as Obligations collateralized by receivables within the Current Liabilities section of our balance sheet. Net proceeds received on obligations collateralized by receivables appear as cash provided by operating activities within our Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

On March 16, 2011, under a consent agreement from Summit, we entered into a financing agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ( Wells Fargo ) for the purpose of further lowering the cost of borrowing associated with the financing of our accounts receivable. Pursuant to this agreement, we may sell accounts receivables from our largest customer at a discount to Wells Fargo; provided, however, that Wells Fargo may reject offers to purchase such receivables in its discretion. These receivables may be purchased by Wells Fargo at a cost to us equal to LIBOR plus $1.15 \%$ per annum. The LIBOR rate used depends on the days to maturity of the receivable sold, typically ranging from 102 to 105 days. At March 31, 2012, Wells Fargo used the 104-day LIBOR rate of $0.57 \%$.

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The agreement has no fixed termination date, but continues unless terminated by either party giving 30 days prior written notice to the other party. During the three months ended March 31, 2012, we sold approximately $\$ 402,900$ of our relevant accounts receivable to Wells Fargo for approximately $\$ 397,100$. The difference between the invoiced amount of the receivable and the cash that we received from Wells Fargo is a cost to us. This cost is in lieu of any cash discount our customer would have been allowed and, thus, is treated in a manner consistent with standard trade discounts granted to our customers.

The reporting of the sale of accounts receivables to Wells Fargo is treated as a sale rather than as a secured borrowing. As a result, affected accounts receivables are relieved from our financial statements upon receipt of the cash proceeds.

## (g) Inventories

Inventories consist of raw materials and finished goods and are stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or market. We record a reserve for slow moving and obsolete products and raw materials. We estimate this reserve based upon historical and anticipated sales.

Inventories were comprised of the following at:

|  | March 31, 2012 | December 31, 2011 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Finished goods | $\$ 1,095,300$ | $\$$ | $1,191,000$ |  |
| Raw materials | $1,271,600$ | $1,067,200$ |  |  |
| Inventory reserve for obsolescence | $(239,000)$ | $(239,000)$ |  |  |
|  | $\$$ |  |  |  |
|  | $\$ 2,127,900$ | $\$$ | $2,019,200$ |  |

## (h) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at historical cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from three to 45 years. Building structures and building improvements are estimated to have useful lives of 35 to 45 years and three to 20 years, respectively. Production equipment and production support equipment are estimated to have useful lives of 15 to 20 years and three to 10 years, respectively. Office furniture and office machines are estimated to have useful lives of 10 to 20 and three to five years, respectively. Carpets, drapes and company vehicles are estimated to have useful lives of five to 10 years. Maintenance and repairs are expensed as incurred. Improvements that extend the useful lives of the asset or provide improved efficiency are capitalized.

## (i) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments which potentially subject us to concentrations of credit risk include cash and cash equivalents and trade receivables. We maintain our cash balances in the form of bank demand deposits with financial institutions that we believe are creditworthy. Periodically throughout the year, we have maintained balances in various operating accounts in excess of federally insured limits. We establish an allowance for doubtful accounts based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific customers, historical trends and other information. We have no significant financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk of accounting loss, such as foreign exchange contracts, option contracts or other foreign currency hedging arrangements.

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The recorded amounts for cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments. Our long-term debt bears interest at a fixed rate that adjusts annually on the anniversary date to the then prime rate. The carrying value of our long-term debt approximates fair value as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011.

## (j) Long-Lived Assets

We follow FASB authoritative guidance as it relates to the proper accounting treatment for the impairment or disposal of long-lived assets. This guidance requires that long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangibles be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount 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 by the amount by which the carrying amount 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.

As of December 31, 2011, due to changes in the real estate market in Denver, Colorado, we conducted an evaluation into the fair value impairment of our property, plant and equipment with particular attention to our land and office, warehouse and manufacturing buildings (the Facilities ). The Facilities have an original cost of $\$ 17,485,800$ and a depreciated book value at December 31, 2011 of approximately $\$ 10,068,900$. We evaluated the value of the Facilities using both an income capitalization approach and a market value approach. This evaluation returned a range of fair value estimates between approximately $\$ 10.1$ million to $\$ 10.6$ million. Based upon this evaluation, we found there to be no impairment in the carrying values of our long-lived assets at December 31, 2011. Moreover, there have been no events or changes in circumstances that would indicate that the fair value has declined as of March 31, 2012. The valuation of our Facilities, however, can be affected by future events, including changes in the economy and the commercial real estate market in which our Facilities are located.

## (k) Income Taxes

We follow FASB authoritative guidance for the accounting for income taxes which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of assets and liabilities and their respective income tax bases. A valuation allowance is provided when it is more likely than not that some portion or all of a deferred tax asset will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the period in which related temporary differences become deductible. 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.

Taxes are reported based on tax positions that meet a more-likely-than-not standard and that are measured at the amount that is more-likely-than-not to be realized. Differences between financial and tax reporting which do not meet this threshold are required to be recorded as unrecognized tax benefits. We classify penalty and interest expense related to income tax liabilities as an income tax expense. There are no significant interest and penalties recognized in the statement of operations or accrued on the balance sheet.

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## (1) Revenue Recognition

Our revenue recognition policy is significant because the amount and timing of revenue is a key component of our results of operations. We follow guidance issued by FASB, which requires that certain criteria be met in order to recognize revenue. If this criteria is not met, then the associated revenue is deferred until it is met. In our case, the criteria generally is met when we have an arrangement to sell a product, we have delivered the product in accordance with that arrangement, the sales price of the product is determinable and we believe that we will be paid for the sale.

We establish reserves for customer returns of our products and customer allowances. We estimate these reserves based upon, among other things, an assessment of historical trends, information from customers and anticipated returns related to current sales activity. These reserves are established in the period of sale and reduce our revenue in that period.

Our reserve for customer allowances includes primarily reserves for trade promotions to support price features, displays and other merchandising of our products to our customers. The actual level of returns and customer allowances are influenced by several factors, including the promotional efforts of our customers, changes in mix of our customers, changes in the mix of the products we sell and the maturity of the product. We may change our estimates based on actual results and consideration of other factors that cause returns and allowances. In the event that actual results differ from our estimates, the results of future periods may be impacted.

We also establish reserves for coupons, rebates and certain other promotional programs for consumers. We estimate these reserves based upon, among other things, an assessment of historical trends and current sales activity. These reserves are recorded as a reduction of revenue at the later of the date at which the revenue is recognized or the date at which the sale incentive is offered.

At March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 approximately $\$ 281,800$ and $\$ 497,000$, respectively, had been reserved for as a reduction of accounts receivable, and approximately $\$ 10,000$ and $\$ 85,000$, respectively, had been reserved as current liabilities. Trade promotions to our customers and incentives such as coupons to the consumer are deducted from gross sales and totaled $\$ 354,400$ and $\$ 267,600$ for the quarters ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

We have also established an allowance for doubtful accounts. We estimate this allowance based upon, among other things, an assessment of the credit risk of specific customers and historical trends. We believe our allowance for doubtful accounts is adequate to absorb any losses which may arise. In the event that actual losses differ from our estimates, the results of future periods may be impacted.
(m) Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

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## (n) Stock-based Compensation

During the three months ended March 31, 2012, we granted 100,000 options for shares of our common stock to an executive officer at a price of $\$ 0.24$ per share. The options which vest ratably over forty-eight months, or upon a change in control, and which expire after five years, were granted at $120 \%$ of the market value as of the date of grant. No stock options were granted during the first quarter of 2011. Please see Note 2 to our Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) for information regarding the 433,800 fewer stock options outstanding at March 31, 2012 than at March 31, 2011.

The weighted average fair market value of the options granted in the first quarter of 2012 was estimated on the date of grant, using a Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions:

|  | March 31, 2011 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Expected life of options (using the simplified | method) |
| Average risk-free interest rate | 4.5 years |
| Average expected volatility of stock | $0.9 \%$ |
| Expected dividend rate | $144 \%$ |

Compensation cost related to stock options recognized in operating results (included in general and administrative expenses) under authoritative guidance issued by the FASB was $\$ 14,100$ and $\$ 24,800$ in the three months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Approximately $\$ 114,900$ of total unrecognized compensation costs related to non-vested stock options is expected to be recognized over the next 48 months. In accordance with this same authoritative guidance, there was no tax benefit from recording the non-cash expense as it relates to the options granted to employees, as these were qualified stock options which are not normally tax deductible. With respect to the non-cash expense associated with the options granted to the non-employee directors, no tax benefit was recognized due to the existence of as yet unutilized net operating losses. At such time as these operating losses have been utilized and a tax benefit is realized from the issuance of non-qualified stock options, a corresponding tax benefit may be recognized.

## (o) Operating Costs and Expenses Classification

Cost of sales includes costs associated with manufacturing and distribution including labor, materials, freight-in, purchasing and receiving, quality control, internal transfer costs, repairs, maintenance and other indirect costs, as well as warehousing and distribution costs. We classify shipping and handling costs comprised primarily of freight-out and nominal outside warehousing costs as selling expenses. Other selling expenses consist primarily of wages and benefits for sales and sales support personnel, travel, brokerage commissions and promotional costs, as well as certain other indirect costs. Shipping and handling costs totaled $\$ 346,200$ and $\$ 358,400$ for the quarters ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

General and administrative expenses consist primarily of wages and benefits associated with management and administrative support departments, business insurance costs, professional fees, office facility related expenses, and other general support costs.

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## Note 2. Earnings per Share.

We present basic and diluted earnings or loss per share in accordance with authoritative guidance which establishes standards for computing and presenting basic and diluted earnings per share. Per share data is determined by using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Common equivalent shares are considered only for diluted earnings per share, unless considered anti-dilutive. Common equivalent shares, determined using the treasury stock method, result from stock options with exercise prices that are below the average market price of the common stock.

The potentially dilutive securities are comprised of outstanding stock options of 1,499,750 and 1,933,550 at March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, a decrease of 433,800 or $22.4 \%$. This decrease is due to stock options being exercised and expiring. At March 31, 2012, potentially dilutive securities were excluded from the computation of weighted average shares outstanding due to their anti-dilutive effect. At March 31, 2011, those securities for which the average market price for the three months ended March 31, 2011 exceeded the exercise price total approximately $1,238,250$ shares.

The following is a reconciliation of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the three months ended March 31:

|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Common shares outstanding, beginning of the year | $10,907,000$ | $10,898,500$ |
| Weighted average common shares issued | 21,758 | 0 |
|  |  | $10,928,758$ |
| Weighted average number of common shares outstanding | 0 | $10,898,500$ |
| Dilutive effect of common share equivalents | $10,928,758$ | $12,136,750$ |

We have authorized $20,000,000$ shares of preferred stock issuable in one or more series, none of which are issued or outstanding as of March 31 , 2012.

## Note 3. Segment Information.

We operate in two different segments: household products and skin and hair care products. Our products are sold nationally and internationally (primarily Canada), directly through our sales force and indirectly through independent brokers, to mass merchandisers, drugstores, supermarkets, hardware stores and other retail outlets and to wholesale distributors. We have chosen to organize our business around these segments based on differences in the products sold.

Accounting policies for our segments are the same as those described in Note 1. We evaluate segment performance based on segment income or loss before profit sharing, bonuses, income taxes and nonrecurring gains and losses.

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The following provides information on our segments for the three months ended March 31:

|  | Household <br> Products | 2012 <br> Skin and Hair Care <br> Products | Household <br> Products | 2011 <br> Skin and Hair Care <br> Products |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales to external customers | $\$ 1,322,300$ | $\$$ | $2,716,100$ | $\$ 1,560,100$ | $\$$ | $2,308,300$ |

The following is a reconciliation of segment information to consolidated information for the three months ended March 31:

|  | 2012 |  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales to external customers | $\$ 4,038,400$ | $\$ 3,868,400$ |  |
| (Loss) income before profit sharing, bonuses and income taxes | $\$$ | $(46,100)$ | $\$$ |
|  |  |  | 125,800 |
| Consolidated (loss) income before income taxes | $\$$ | $(46,100)$ | $\$$ |
|  | $\$ 6,731,300$ | $\$ 7,071,800$ |  |
| Identifiable assets | $7,780,700$ | $8,140,200$ |  |
| Corporate assets | $\$ 14,512,000$ | $\$ 15,212,000$ |  |

Corporate assets noted above are comprised primarily of our cash and investments, and property and equipment not directly associated with the manufacturing, warehousing, shipping and receiving activities.

## ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS. Results of Operations

Our consolidated net sales for the first quarter of 2012 were $\$ 4,038,400$ versus $\$ 3,868,400$ for the first quarter of 2011, an increase of $\$ 170,000$ or $4.4 \%$. We saw a $17.3 \%$ increase in net sales of the skin and hair care products that we distribute for other companies and an $18.2 \%$ increase in net sales of our own line of skin care products. These latter increases were offset in part by a $15.2 \%$ decrease in sales of our household products.

Our net loss for the first quarter of 2012 was $\$ 46,100$ versus net income of $\$ 125,800$ in the first quarter of 2011. The loss for 2012 compared to the net income for 2011 resulted primarily from: (1) increases in trade promotions to our customers; (2) increases in costs of sales as detailed below; and (3) increases in operating expenses as detailed below.

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## Summary of Results as a Percentage of Net Sales

|  | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Year Ended } \\ \text { December 31, } \\ \mathbf{2 0 1 1}\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Three Months Ended } \\ \text { March 31, }\end{array}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| 2012 |  |  |  |$]$| $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $40.3 \%$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Net sales | $38.0 \%$ | $32.7 \%$ | $59.7 \%$ |
| Household products | $62.0 \%$ | $67.3 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Skin and hair care products | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ | $51.5 \%$ |
| Total Net Sales | $54.8 \%$ | $54.2 \%$ | $48.5 \%$ |
| Cost of Sales | $45.2 \%$ | $45.8 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ |
| Gross profit | $1.0 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |  |
| Other revenue | $46.2 \%$ | $46.6 \%$ | $49.6 \%$ |
|  | $48.8 \%$ | $46.2 \%$ | $44.5 \%$ |
| Operating expenses | $1.5 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| Interest expense | $50.3 \%$ | $47.7 \%$ | $46.3 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | $(4.1 \%)$ | $(1.1 \%)$ | $3.3 \%$ |

Our gross margins may not be comparable to those of other companies because some companies include all of the costs related to their distribution network in cost of sales. In contrast, other companies, like us, exclude a portion of these costs (i.e., freight out to customers and nominal outside warehouse costs) from gross margin. Instead, we include them as part of selling expenses. See Note 1(o), Operating Costs and Expenses Classification , to our Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) in Item 1.

## Comparative Net Sales

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  | Percentage Increase |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2012 | 2011 | (Decrease) |
| Scott s Liquid Gold and other household products | \$ 1,228,400 | \$ 1,450,400 | (15.3\%) |
| Touch of Scent ${ }^{\circledR}$ | 93,900 | 109,700 | (14.4\%) |
| Total household products | 1,322,300 | 1,560,100 | (15.2\%) |
| Alpha Hydrox ${ }^{\circledR}$, Diabetic cream and shampoo and other skin care products | 1,130,100 | 956,000 | 18.2\% |
| Montagne Jeunesse and Batiste dry shampoo | 1,586,000 | 1,352,300 | 17.3\% |
| Total skin and hair care products | 2,716,100 | 2,308,300 | 17.7\% |
| Total net sales | \$ 4,038,400 | \$ 3,868,400 | 4.4\% |

During the first quarter of 2012, net sales of skin and hair care products accounted for $67.3 \%$ of consolidated net sales compared to $59.7 \%$ for 2011. The net sales of these products for that period were $\$ 2,716,100$ in 2012 compared to $\$ 2,308,300$ in 2011, an increase of $\$ 407,800$ or about $17.7 \%$. The net sales of our Alpha Hydrox ${ }^{\circledR}$ and other manufactured skin care products were $\$ 1,130,100$ in the first quarter of 2012 versus $\$ 956,000$ in 2011 , an increase of $\$ 174,100$ or about $18.2 \%$. This increase is primarily attributable to increased distribution at new and existing customers.

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The net sales of Montagne Jeunesse and Batiste dry shampoo were $\$ 1,586,000$ in the first quarter of 2012 versus $\$ 1,352,300$ in 2011, an increase of $\$ 233,700$ or about $17.3 \%$. This increase is primarily attributable to increased distribution at new and existing customers and the improved placement of our products at existing customers.

Sales of household products for the first quarter of 2012 accounted for $32.7 \%$ of consolidated net sales compared to $40.3 \%$ for the same period in 2011. During the first three months of 2012, the sales of our household products were $\$ 1,322,300$ as compared to $\$ 1,560,100$ for the same period in 2011, a decrease of $\$ 237,800$ or about $15.2 \%$. This decrease reflects primarily decreased distribution in our Clean Screen and Little Clean Screen products. The decline in sales of Clean Screen appears to be the result of new competitors in the segment including competitors with significant name brand recognition. Sales of our Touch of Scent ${ }^{\circledR}$ air fresheners were down by $\$ 15,800$ or about $14.4 \%$.

Due to the decline in sales and distribution of Mold Control 500, this product will be discontinued after 2012. We attribute this decline to the following three primary factors: (1) generally lower actual consumer demand than anticipated; (2) the product is effective, but expensive; and (3) the product involves a delivery system considered by many not to be consumer friendly.

We paid our customers a total of $\$ 354,400$ in the first quarter of 2012 versus $\$ 267,700$ in 2011 , an increase of $\$ 86,700$ or about $32.4 \%$ for trade promotions to support price features, displays and other merchandising of our products.

From time to time, our customers return products to us. For our household products, we permit returns only for a limited time. With regard to our skin and hair care products, returns are more frequent under an unwritten industry standard that permits returns for a variety of reasons. In the event a skin and hair care customer requests a return of a product, we will consider the request, and may grant such request in order to maintain or enhance our relationship with the customer, even in the absence of an enforceable right of the customer to do so. Typically, customers that return products to us take a credit on our invoice equal to the original sale price plus a handling charge ranging from $8-10 \%$ of the original sales price.

From January 1, 2009 through March 31, 2012, our product returns (as a percentage of gross revenue) have averaged as follows: (1) $0.7 \%$ for household products; (2) $1.0 \%$ for Montagne Jeunesse products; and (3) $1.0 \%$ for our Alpha Hydrox ${ }^{\circledR}$ and other skin care products. The level of returns as a percentage of gross revenue for the household products and Montagne Jeunesse products have remained fairly constant since January 1, 2009 while our Alpha Hydrox ${ }^{\circledR}$ and other skin care products have fluctuated. More recently, as the sales of our skin care products and the number of retailers carrying our products have increased, we have seen a decrease in returns as a percentage of gross revenues. Our product returns (indicated as a percentage of gross revenues) for the three months ended March 31, 2012 were nominal.

On a consolidated basis, cost of sales was $\$ 2,189,400$ during the first three months of 2012 compared to $\$ 1,991,000$ for the same period in 2011, an increase of $\$ 198,400$ or about $10.0 \%$, on a sales increase of $4.4 \%$. As a percentage of consolidated net sales, cost of sales was $54.2 \%$ in 2012 versus $51.5 \%$ in 2011. With respect to our skin and hair care products, the cost of sales declined to $50.2 \%$ in first quarter of 2012 as compared to $50.4 \%$ in the first quarter of 2011 . Household products, however, experienced a rise in cost of sales from $53.1 \%$ in the first three months of 2011 compared to $62.5 \%$ for the same period in 2012. The change in cost of sales percentage reflects primarily increases in petroleum-based raw materials and certain other raw materials for our household products.

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## Operating Expenses, Interest Expense and Other Income

|  | Three Months Ended March 31, |  |  |  | Percentage Increase (Decrease) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2012 |  | 2011 |  |
| Operating Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Advertising | \$ | 87,700 |  | \$ 80,200 | 9.4\% |
| Selling |  | 1,090,600 |  | 1,033,300 | 5.5\% |
| General \& Administrative |  | 687,300 |  | 607,800 | 13.1\% |
| Total operating expenses |  | 1,865,600 |  | 1,721,300 | 8.4\% |
| Rental and Other Income | \$ | 32,300 |  | \$ 39,600 | 18.4\% |
| Interest Expense | \$ | 61,800 |  | \$ 69,900 | 11.6\% |

Our operating expenses increased by $\$ 144,300$ or $8.4 \%$ in the first three months of 2012 when compared to the same period in 2011. These expenses consist primarily of advertising, selling and general and administrative expenses and are discussed below.

Advertising expenses for the first three months of 2012 were $\$ 87,700$ compared to $\$ 80,200$ for the comparable quarter of 2011, an increase of $\$ 7,500$ or $9.4 \%$, none of which by itself is significant.

Selling expenses for the first quarter of 2012 were $\$ 1,090,600$ compared to $\$ 1,033,300$ for the comparable three months of 2011, an increase of $\$ 57,300$ or $5.5 \%$. The increase was comprised primarily of an increase of $\$ 83,600$ in rebates for our household and skin and hair care products offset by a decrease of $\$ 27,900$ related to display and other promotional expenses.

General and administrative expenses for the first three months of 2012 were $\$ 687,300$ compared to $\$ 607,800$ for the same period of 2011, an increase of $\$ 79,500$, or $13.1 \%$. This increase is attributable to the following two primary factors: (1) recent changes in personnel within our finance and accounting group; and (2) an increase in expenses for audit fees and legal fees.

Rental and other income for the first three months of 2012 of $\$ 32,300$ included $\$ 31,600$ of net rental receipts and $\$ 700$ in interest earned on our cash reserves. This compares to total rental and other income in 2011 of $\$ 39,600$ which included $\$ 38,300$ of net rental receipts and $\$ 1,300$ in interest earned on our cash reserves. The decrease in rental income is due to a tenant leasing one-half floor of our office building stopping payments at the end of December 2011 when the tenant vacated the space due to financial difficulties.

Interest expense for the first quarter of 2012 was $\$ 61,800$ and included $\$ 21,100$ in administrative fees incurred relative to the sale of accounts receivable invoices to Summit. Interest expense for the first quarter of 2011 was $\$ 69,900$ and included $\$ 22,200$ in collateral management fees paid to Summit. The overall decrease in interest expense is the combined result of lower rates with Summit and a new financing arrangement with Wells Fargo, both of which came into effect in March 2011.

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## Liquidity and Capital Resources

## Citywide Loan

On June 28, 2006, we entered into a loan with a fifteen year amortization with Citywide Banks (the Bank ) for $\$ 5,156,600$ secured by the land, building and fixtures at our Denver, Colorado facilities. Interest on the bank loan is at the prime rate as published in The Wall Street Journal, adjusted annually each June. At March 31, 2012, this rate was $3.25 \%$. The loan requires 180 monthly payments of approximately $\$ 38,200$ each. The loan agreement contains a number of covenants, including the requirement for us to maintain a current ratio of at least 1:1 and a ratio of consolidated long-term debt to consolidated net worth of not more than 1:1. These ratios are to be calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. We may not declare any dividends that would result in a violation of either of these covenants.

Affirmative covenants in the loan agreement include, among other things, compliance in all material respects with applicable laws and regulations and compliance with our agreements with other parties which materially affect our financial condition. Negative covenants in the loan agreement include, among other things, that without the consent of the Bank, we do not: (1) sell, lease or grant a security interest in our assets; (2) engage in any business activity substantially different than those in which we are presently engaged; (3) sell assets out of the ordinary course of business; or (4) purchase another entity or an interest in another entity. We met the foregoing requirements for the quarter ending March 31, 2012.

## Financing Agreements

Please see Note 1(f) to our Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited) for information on our financing agreements with Summit and Wells Fargo.

## Liquidity

At March 31, 2012, we had $\$ 436,900$ in cash and approximately $\$ 532,500$ of our credit line with Summit was available for future borrowing. Our net cash used by operating activities in the first quarter of 2012 increased by $\$ 237,600$ to $\$ 59,800$ as compared to the first quarter of 2011. For the quarter ended March 31, 2012, the primary components of working capital that significantly affected operating cash flows are the following: (1) trade receivables net of proceeds on obligations collateralized by those receivables were $\$ 113,400$ more at March 31, 2012 than at December 31, 2011 due primarily to higher sales during March 2012 than December 2011; (2) inventory at March 31, 2012 was $\$ 108,700$ more than at December 31, 2011 due primarily to the increased sales activity; and (3) an operating loss for the first quarter of 2012 of $\$ 46,100$.

We anticipate that our existing cash and our cash flow from operations, together with our current borrowing arrangements with Summit and Wells Fargo, will be sufficient to meet our cash requirements for the next 12 months. We do not have any significant capital expenditures planned for 2012.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLSOURES ABOUT MARKET RISKS.
Not Applicable.

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## ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

## Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of March 31, 2012, we conducted an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of March 31, 2012.

## Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2012 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

In addition to the other information set forth in this Report, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Item 1A, Risk Factors in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2011, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results.

## ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

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## SIGNATURES

In accordance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SCOTT S LIQUID GOLD-INC.
By: /s/ Mark E. Goldstein
Mark E. Goldstein
President, Chief Executive Officer and

Chairman of the Board

By: /s/ Barry J. Levine
Barry J. Levine
Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

Date: May 21, 2012

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