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FORM 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d)
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2004

Commission file number 1-12372

CYTEC INDUSTRIES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

22-3268660

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

Five Garret Mountain Plaza
West Paterson, New Jersey 07424

(Address of principal executive offices)

973-357-3100

(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 .

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

There were 38,881,148 shares of common stock outstanding at March 31, 2004.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

CYTEC INDUSTRIES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)
(Millions of dollars, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2004	2003
Net sales	\$ 415.2	\$ 367.4
Manufacturing cost of sales	312.7	272.4
Selling and technical services	34.9	30.1
Research and process development	9.1	8.2
Administrative and general	13.3	11.8
Amortization of acquisition intangibles	1.4	0.8
	43.8	44.1
Earnings from operations	43.8	44.1
Other income (expense), net	0.9	(1.2)
Equity in earnings of associated companies	0.3	2.5
Interest expense, net	3.8	4.1

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Earnings before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting change	41.2	41.3
Income tax provision	9.9	12.4
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Earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change	31.3	28.9
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of taxes of \$7.3	-	(13.6)
	-----	-----
Net earnings	\$ 31.3	\$ 15.3
	=====	=====

Earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change per common share		
Basic	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.75
Diluted	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.73
Cumulative effect of accounting change per common share		
Basic	\$ -	\$ (0.35)
Diluted	\$ -	\$ (0.34)
Earnings per common share		
Basic	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.39
Diluted	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.38

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CYTEC INDUSTRIES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)
(Millions of dollars, except share and per share amounts)

	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
	-----	-----
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 251.6	\$ 251.1
Trade accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$7.2 and \$7.6 in 2004 and 2003, respectively	242.1	217.1
Other accounts receivable	52.9	50.2
Inventories	183.6	176.0
Deferred income taxes	0.1	8.2

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Other current assets	17.7	8.8
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Total current assets	748.0	711.4
Investment in associated companies	81.5	82.1
Plants, equipment and facilities, at cost	1,542.5	1,538.3
Less: accumulated depreciation	(886.3)	(875.4)
	-----	-----
Net plant investment	656.2	662.9
Acquisition intangibles, net of accumulated amortization	67.9	69.9
Goodwill	339.1	339.7
Deferred income taxes	86.5	85.7
Other assets	73.6	74.2
	-----	-----
Total assets	\$ 2,052.8	\$ 2,025.9
	=====	=====
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Short-term borrowings	\$ 9.2	\$ 9.3
Accounts payable	140.7	93.5
Accrued expenses	137.4	170.5
Income taxes payable	60.4	63.2
	-----	-----
Total current liabilities	347.7	336.5
Long-term debt	418.6	416.2
Pension and other postretirement benefit liabilities	334.6	346.0
Other noncurrent liabilities	183.6	171.8
Stockholders' equity		
Preferred stock, 20,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding 4,000 shares, Series C Cumulative, \$.01 par value at liquidation value of \$25 per share	0.1	0.1
Common stock, \$.01 par value per share, 150,000,000 shares authorized; issued 48,132,640 shares	0.5	0.5
Additional paid-in capital	118.1	122.2
Retained earnings	1,010.1	982.9
Unearned compensation	(3.0)	(5.3)
Minimum pension liability	(96.8)	(96.8)
Unrealized gains on derivative instruments	0.5	0.3
Accumulated translation adjustments	29.8	38.0
Treasury stock, at cost, 9,251,492 shares in 2004, and 9,139,897 shares in 2003	(291.0)	(286.5)
	-----	-----
Total stockholders' equity	768.3	755.4
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Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 2,052.8	\$ 2,025.9
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CYTEC INDUSTRIES INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited)
(Millions of dollars)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 31,	
	2004	2003
Cash flows provided by (used for) operating activities		
Net earnings	\$ 31.3	\$ 15.3
Noncash items included in net earnings:		
Dividends from associated companies greater than earnings	0.8	0.6
Depreciation	21.6	21.6
Amortization	2.7	1.2
Deferred income taxes	7.3	(10.3)
Gain on sale of assets	(0.6)	-
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of tax	-	13.6
Other	(0.3)	-
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Trade accounts receivable	(28.9)	(16.6)
Other receivables	(3.8)	(2.4)
Inventories	(9.0)	(19.5)
Accounts payable	44.0	12.3
Accrued expenses	(24.6)	(9.2)
Income taxes payable	-	17.7
Other assets	(8.0)	(2.7)
Other liabilities	(9.8)	(11.5)
	22.7	10.1
Cash flows provided by (used for) investing activities		
Additions to plants, equipment and facilities	(16.9)	(18.9)
Proceeds received on sale of assets	0.7	0.1
Advance payment received on land lease	9.1	-
	(7.1)	(18.8)
Cash flows provided by (used for) financing activities		
Proceeds from the exercise of stock options	2.9	1.7
Purchase of treasury stock	(13.2)	(11.3)
Change in short-term borrowings	(0.1)	-
Change in long-term debt	-	(100.0)
Proceeds from termination of interest rate swap	2.7	-
Cash dividends	(3.9)	-
	(11.6)	(109.6)
Effect of currency rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(3.5)	1.1
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	0.5	(117.2)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	251.1	210.0

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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	251.6	\$	92.8
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See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

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(1) Basis of Presentation

The unaudited consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission for reporting on Form 10-Q. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. The statements should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year's financial statements in order to conform to the current year's presentation.

(2) Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for its stock based compensation under the recognition and measurement principles of Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," ("APB No. 25") and related Interpretations. No stock-based compensation cost is reflected in net income for stock options, as all stock options granted had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of the grant. Compensation cost for restricted stock is recorded based on the market value on the date of grant, and compensation cost for performance stock is recorded based on the quoted market price of the Company's common stock at the end of each period through the date of vesting. The fair value of restricted and performance stock is charged to unearned compensation in Stockholders' Equity and amortized to expense over the requisite vesting periods.

The Company reduced the amount of stock option grants in 2004 by approximately 40% compared to the 2003 grants. This was effected by reducing the average size of option grants and by replacing option grants to certain employees with stock appreciation rights (SARS). SARS are accounted for as a liability under APB No. 25 and are payable in cash. Compensation cost for SARS is recognized in the income statement over the period of the award based on changes in the current market price of the Company's common stock over the market price at the grant date. At March 31, 2004, the Company has not recorded a liability or any expense associated with the SARS as the market price at March 31, 2004 was less than the price at the grant date.

The following table illustrates the effect on net earnings and earnings per share if the Company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" to all stock-based employee compensation for the three months ended March 31:

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	2004	2003
Net earnings, as reported	\$ 31.3	\$ 15.3
Add :		
Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net earnings, net of related tax effects	0.3	-
Deduct:		
Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	1.8	1.9
Pro forma net earnings	\$ 29.8	\$ 13.4
Net earnings per share:		
Basic, as reported	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.39
Basic, pro forma	0.76	0.35
Diluted, as reported	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.38
Diluted, pro forma	0.74	0.34

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The fair value of each stock option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	2004	2003
Expected life (years)	5.7	5.6
Expected volatility	46.7 %	47.3 %
Expected dividend yield	1.0 %	-
Risk-free interest rate	3.4 %	2.9 %
Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year	\$ 16.19	\$ 12.52

(3) Earnings Per Share (EPS)

Basic earnings per common share excludes dilution and is computed by dividing net earnings less preferred stock dividends by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding (which includes shares outstanding, less performance and restricted shares for which vesting criteria have not been met) plus deferred stock awards, weighted for the period outstanding. Diluted earnings per common share is computed by dividing net earnings less preferred stock dividends by the sum of the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the period adjusted (i.e., increased) for all additional common shares that would have been outstanding if potentially dilutive common shares had been issued and any proceeds of the issuance had been used to repurchase common stock at the average market price during the period. The proceeds are assumed to be the sum of the amount to be paid to the Company upon exercise of options, the amount of compensation cost attributed to future services and not yet recognized and the amount of income taxes that would be credited to or deducted from capital upon exercise.

In calculating basic and diluted earnings per share, there are no adjustments to income (numerator). The following shows the reconciliation of weighted average

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shares (the denominator) used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share:

March 31,	2004	2003
Weighted average shares outstanding:	39,098,953	38,734,611
Effect of dilutive shares:		
Options	914,323	912,603
Performance/Restricted Stock	86,690	116,808
Adjusted average shares outstanding	40,099,966	39,764,022

(4) Recently Issued Statements of Financial Accounting Standards

In December 2003, Congress passed the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (Medicare Act). In January 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Financial Staff Position No. 106-1 (FSP FAS 106-1), "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003" (FSP). The FASB is in the process of amending the FSP by issuing proposed FSP 106-b. The proposed FSP is effective for the first interim or annual period beginning after June 15, 2004. The FSP provides guidance on the accounting for the effects of the Medicare Act for employers that sponsor postretirement health care plans that provide prescription drug benefits. The Company is currently evaluating the effects of the Medicare Act on its existing postretirement health care plans and has not determined the amount of any subsidy that may be available to the Company from the Medicare Act. While the Company is evaluating the effects of the Medicare Act, the Company has elected under the provisions of the FSP to defer the recognition of any potential subsidy from the Medicare Act.

In March 2004, the FASB issued the exposure draft, "Share-Based Payment". The proposed Statement would require all equity-based awards to employees to be recognized in the income statement based on their fair value for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2004. The new standard, if accepted in its present form, would apply to all awards granted, modified or settled after the effective date. The Company is in the process of analyzing the potential impact of this proposed standard on its consolidated results of operations and financial position.

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(5) Inventories

The inventories consisted of the following:

	March 31 2004	December 31 2003
Finished goods	\$ 120.8	\$ 114.9
Work in process	21.8	21.5
Raw materials & supplies	74.6	73.2

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	217.2	209.6
Less reduction to LIFO cost	(33.6)	(33.6)
Total inventories	\$ 183.6	\$ 176.0
LIFO inventories as a % of total inventories	56%	55%

(6) Equity in Earnings of Associated Companies

The Company has one associated company, CYRO Industries ("CYRO"), a 50% owned joint venture. The 2003 associated companies' information below includes the results of the former Mitsui-Cytec ("MCY") joint venture which was dissolved on September 30, 2003. The Company now owns 100% of MCY's coating resins product line and the associated assets and liabilities of the product line. Results are recorded as part of the Performance Products segment.

Summarized financial information for the Company's equity in earnings of associated companies for the three months ended March 31 is as follows:

	2004	2003
Net sales	\$ 72.4	\$ 79.5
Gross profit	9.7	15.6
Earnings before cumulative effect of accounting change	0.6	4.5
Cumulative effect of accounting change, net of tax	-	(0.2)
Net earnings	\$ 0.6	\$ 4.3
The Company's equity in earnings of associated companies	\$ 0.3	\$ 2.5
The Company's equity in cumulative effect of adoption of SFAS 143, net of tax, of associated companies	\$ -	\$ (0.1)

The Company sells certain products to CYRO and has determined that the sales and related profit are not material; therefore, no adjustments have been made to eliminate such profit or loss on sales to CYRO for inventory held at the balance sheet dates.

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(7) Environmental Matters and Other Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

Environmental Matters

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The Company is subject to substantial costs arising out of environmental laws and regulations, which include obligations to remove or limit the effects on the environment of the disposal or release of certain wastes or substances at various sites or to pay compensation to others for doing so.

As of March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, the aggregate environmental related accruals were \$79.5 and \$79.6, respectively. As of March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, \$11.0 of the above amounts was included in accrued expenses, with the remainder included in other noncurrent liabilities. Environmental remediation spending for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$1.1 and \$1.5, respectively.

These accruals can change substantially due to such factors as additional information on the nature or extent of contamination, methods of remediation required, changes in the apportionment of costs among responsible parties and other actions by governmental agencies or private parties.

A further discussion of environmental matters can be found in Note 10 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Other Contingent Liabilities

The Company is the subject of numerous lawsuits and claims incidental to the conduct of its or its predecessors' businesses, including lawsuits and claims relating to product liability, personal injury including asbestos, environmental, contractual, employment and intellectual property matters.

As of March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, the aggregate self-insured and insured contingent liability was \$72.0 and \$72.5, respectively. The asbestos liability included in the above amounts at March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003 was \$53.6 and \$54.0, respectively, and the related insurance receivable was \$28.9 at March 31, 2004 and \$29.1 at December 31, 2003. The Company anticipates receiving a net tax benefit for payment of those claims to which full insurance recovery is not realized.

The following table presents information about the asbestos claims against the Company:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004	Year Ended December 31, 2003
Claims closed in period	156	7,601
Claims filed in period	1,734	7,648
Claims open at end of period	28,533	26,955

It should be noted that the ultimate liability and related insurance recovery for all pending and anticipated future claims cannot be determined with certainty due to the difficulty of forecasting the numerous variables that can affect the amount of the liability and insurance recovery. These variables include but are not limited to: (i) significant changes in the number of future claims; (ii) significant changes in the average cost of resolving claims; (iii) changes in the nature of claims received; (iv) changes in the laws applicable to these claims; and (v) financial viability of co-defendants and insurers.

The Company is among several defendants in approximately 35 cases in which plaintiffs assert claims for personal injury, property damage, and other claims for relief relating to lead pigment that was used as an ingredient decades ago in paint for the use in buildings. The different suits variously seek

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compensatory and punitive damages and/or injunctive relief, including funds for the cost of monitoring, detecting and removing lead based paint from buildings and for medical monitoring; for personal injuries allegedly caused by ingestion of lead based paint; and plaintiffs' attorneys' fees. The Company believes that the suits are without merit and is vigorously defending against all such claims. Accordingly, no loss contingency has been recorded. The Company has access to a substantial amount of primary and excess general liability insurance for property damage, and believes that these policies are available to cover a significant portion of both its defense costs and indemnity costs, if any, for lead pigment-related

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property damage claims. The Company has not recorded an insurance receivable relating to its defense costs although it continues to pursue an agreement with various of its insurers concerning coverage with respect to these matters. In the first quarter of 2004, the Company received a "good-faith" payment of \$1.0 from one of its insurance carriers that it recorded in other income (expense) and expects to recognize additional recoveries in future periods as negotiations with its insurers proceed. However, until a cost-sharing arrangement with one or more of its insurers has been determined, the Company will continue to expense its lead defense costs as incurred without provision for potential insurance recoveries.

While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of all pending environmental matters, lawsuits and claims, it is reasonably possible that there will be a necessity for future provisions for costs for environmental matters and for other contingent liabilities that in management's opinion, will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position of the Company, but could be material to the consolidated results of operations of the Company in any one accounting period. The Company cannot estimate any additional amount of loss or range of loss in excess of the recorded amounts. Moreover, many of these liabilities are paid over an extended period, and the timing of such payments cannot be predicted with any certainty.

A further discussion of contingent liabilities can be found in Note 10 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Commitments

The Company frequently enters into long-term contracts with customers with terms that vary depending on specific industry practices. The Company's business is not substantially dependent on any single contract or any series of related contracts. Descriptions of the Company's significant sales contracts are set forth in Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

(8) Comprehensive Income

The components of comprehensive income, which represents the change in equity from non-owner sources, for the three months ended March 31 is as follows:

	2004	2003

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Net earnings	\$	31.3	\$	15.3
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivative instruments		0.2		(0.2)
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(8.2)		5.5
Comprehensive income	\$	23.3	\$	20.6

(9) Other Financial Information

On January 22, 2004 the Board of Directors approved the initiation of a common stock quarterly cash dividend program and declared a \$0.10 per share cash dividend, paid on February 25, 2004 to shareholders of record as of February 10, 2004. Cash dividends paid in the first quarter of 2004 were \$3.9.

Taxes paid for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 were \$1.3 and \$6.1, respectively. Interest paid for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$4.4 and \$6.6, respectively.

During the first quarter of 2004 and 2003, the Company repurchased 388,300 and 384,100 shares of stock at a cost of \$13.2 and \$11.3, respectively.

During the quarter, the Company received, net of expenses, \$9.1 as a prepayment for a long term lease on a certain property for future development by a third party with an option to purchase later. The net proceeds are being amortized over the life of the lease and the impact of amortization in any one period is not material.

Due to the liquidity provided by the Company's cash balances and the availability of \$100.0 under an unsecured revolving credit agreement that expires April 11, 2005, the \$100.0, 364-day unsecured revolving credit agreement was allowed to expire on its scheduled maturity date of April 9, 2004.

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(10) Segment Information

Summarized segment information for the Company's four segments for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 is as follows:

	2004	2003
Net Sales:		
Water and Industrial Process		
Chemicals	\$ 92.4	\$ 85.8
Performance Products		
Sales to external customers	139.9	119.8
Intersegment sales	1.3	-
Specialty Materials	120.3	108.1
Building Block Chemicals		
Sales to external customers	62.6	53.7
Intersegment sales	19.3	16.4

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Net sales from segments	435.8		383.8	
Elimination of intersegment revenue	(20.6)		(16.4)	
Total consolidated net sales	\$ 415.2		\$ 367.4	
		% of Sales		% of Sales
Earnings (loss) from operations:				
Water and Industrial Process				
Chemicals	\$ 3.6	4 %	\$ 6.9	8 %
Performance Products	13.5	10 %	11.8	10 %
Specialty Materials	23.2	19 %	22.3	21 %
Building Block Chemicals	5.3	6 %	4.3	6 %
Earnings from segments	45.6	10 %	45.3	12 %
Corporate and Unallocated	(1.8)		(1.2)	
Total consolidated earnings from operations	\$ 43.8	11 %	\$ 44.1	12 %

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(11) Goodwill and Other Acquisition Intangibles

The following is the activity in the goodwill balances for each segment:

	Water and Industrial Process Chemicals	Performance Products	Specialty Materials	Cor
Balance, December 31, 2003	\$ 36.3	\$ 55.2	\$ 247.5	\$
Purchase adjustment	-	(0.2)	-	
Currency exchange	(0.7)	0.2	0.1	
Balance, March 31, 2004	\$ 35.6	\$55.2	\$ 247.6	\$

Other acquisition intangibles as of March 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003, consisted of the following major classes:

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	Gross carrying value		Accumulated amortization	
	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003	March 31, 2004	December 31, 2003
Technology-based	\$40.4	\$41.0	\$(9.7)	\$(9.3)
Marketing-related	10.9	11.0	(3.2)	(3.0)
Customer-related	34.3	34.5	(4.8)	(4.3)
Total	\$85.6	\$86.5	\$(17.7)	\$(16.6)

Amortization of acquisition intangibles for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 was \$1.4 and \$0.8, respectively. Assuming no change in the gross carrying amount of acquisition intangibles, the estimated amortization of acquisition intangibles for the fiscal years 2004 and 2005 is \$5.2, for the year 2006 is \$5.1 and for the years 2007 and 2008 is \$5.0. The Company does not have intangibles with indefinite useful lives other than goodwill.

(12) Restructuring of Operations

The following table shows the cumulative activity of the restructuring charge the Company recorded in 2002. A detailed description of the restructuring charge is set forth in Note 3 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K. This restructuring is expected to be completed during the second quarter of 2004.

	Severance	Plant Decommissioning	Asset Write-downs
2002 charges	\$ 7.5	\$ 0.8	\$ 7.7
Cash expenditures	(6.0)	(0.1)	(0.2)
Non-cash write off	-	-	(7.2)
Balance December 31, 2002	\$ 1.5	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.3
Cash payments	(1.3)	(0.2)	-
Balance December 31, 2003	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.3
Cash payments	-	(0.1)	-
Balance March 31, 2004	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.3

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(13) Commodity and Derivative Financial Instruments

As of March 31, 2004, the Fortier facility's 2004 remaining forecasted natural

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gas utility requirements were 54% hedged. At March 31, 2004, the Company had \$8.3 of natural gas forward contracts with April through October 2004 delivery dates outstanding.

At March 31, 2004, the Company had outstanding natural gas swaps with a fair value gain of \$0.5, net of taxes.

During March 2004, the Company terminated its two interest rate swap agreements that had effectively converted the interest cost on a total of \$50.0 of the Company's 4.60% Notes to a floating rate basis for the life of the Notes due July 1, 2013. Upon termination, the Company received approximately \$3.0 in cash of which \$0.3 represented accrued interest through the termination date. The net gain of \$2.7 recorded upon termination is being amortized over the life of the 4.60% Notes as a decrease to interest expense of such Notes. The amount of unamortized swap settlement included in long-term debt was \$2.7 at March 31, 2004.

In April 2004, the Company entered into a \$50.0 interest rate swap to effectively convert \$50.0 of its 4.60% Notes to a floating rate basis for the remaining life of the Notes.

For more information, refer to Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

(14) Employee Benefit Plans

Net periodic cost for the Company's pension and postretirement benefit plans for the three months ended March 31 was as follows:

	Pension Plans		Postretirement Plans	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Service cost	\$ 3.7	\$ 3.2	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.3
Interest cost	8.7	8.0	4.3	4.1
Expected return on plan assets	(9.4)	(8.8)	(1.3)	(1.3)
Net amortization and deferral	1.6	1.1	(2.7)	(2.7)
Net periodic cost	\$ 4.6	\$ 3.5	\$ 0.8	\$ 0.4

The Company previously disclosed in its notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2003, that it expected to contribute \$17.0 to its U.S. pension plans in 2004. As of March 31, 2004, \$13.3 of contributions have been made. While the Company was not obligated to make any contribution in 2004, it currently anticipates contributing an additional \$4.2 to \$12.7 to fund its U.S. pension plans in 2004 for a total range of \$17.5 to \$26.0. The Company makes these voluntary contributions as a part of its normal financial planning.

The net periodic cost above for the postretirement plans does not reflect any amount associated with a potential subsidy under the Medicare Act.

The Company also sponsors various defined contribution retirement plans in the United States and a number of other countries, consisting primarily of savings and profit growth sharing plans. Contributions to the savings plans are based on matching a percentage of employees' contributions. Contributions to the profit growth sharing plans are generally based on the Company's financial performance. Amounts expensed related to these plans for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003 were \$4.0 and \$3.1, respectively.

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

 of Operations

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. Dollars are in millions, except per share amounts. Percentages are approximate.

GENERAL

Cytec Industries Inc. is a global specialty chemicals and materials company and sells its products to diverse major markets for aerospace, water treatment, mining, automotive, industrial coatings, plastics and chemical intermediates. With slightly over half of its sales outside of the U. S., sales volume by region is an important metric to management and is detailed by segment as well as the impact of changes in currency rates. The Company reports its net sales in four segments: Water and Industrial Process Chemicals, Performance Products, Specialty Materials and Building Block Chemicals. The Water and Industrial Process Chemicals and Performance Products segments are collectively referred to as Specialty Chemicals. The Company also reports its net sales in four geographic regions: North America, Latin America, Asia/Pacific and Europe/Middle East/Africa. The destination of the sale determines the region under which it is reported consistent with management's view of the business. North America consists of the United States and Canada. Latin America includes Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean Islands. Asia/Pacific is comprised of Asia, Australia and the islands of the South Pacific Rim.

Raw material cost changes year on year are an important factor in profitability especially in years of high volatility. Key raw materials for the Specialty Chemical and Building Block Chemicals segments are propylene, ammonia, methanol derivatives and natural gas for utilities. Discussion of the year to year impact for raw materials and energy is provided in our segment discussion.

In the course of the Company's ongoing operations, a number of strategic product line acquisitions and dispositions have been made. All acquisitions have been recorded using the purchase method of accounting. Accordingly, the results of operations of the acquired companies have been included in the Company's consolidated results from the dates of the respective acquisitions. A further discussion of acquisitions and dispositions can be found in Note 2 to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Results of Operations

First Quarter of 2004 versus First Quarter of 2003

Net sales for the first quarter of 2004 were \$415.2 compared with \$367.4 for the first quarter of 2003. All segments reported increased sales. In the two Specialty Chemical segments sales increased primarily due to the acquisitions completed in the second half of 2003 and favorable exchange rate changes. The Specialty Materials sales increase was volume related and comes from the military, rotorcraft and high performance automotive sectors. Building Block Chemical sales were up principally due to price increases which were driven by

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higher raw material and energy costs.

Manufacturing cost of sales was \$312.7, or 75.3 % of net sales, in the first quarter of 2004, compared to \$272.4, or 74.1% of sales, for the prior year period. Cost of sales was primarily impacted by higher raw material and energy costs of \$11.0. Absorption of fixed costs was \$1.5 lower than the prior year period principally due to lower production levels in the Building Block Chemicals segment. However, the favorable overall impact of exchange rate changes and higher selling prices offset much of the increase in raw material and energy costs as a percent of sales. Thus, gross margin percent was down only 1.2%.

Selling and technical services increased \$4.8 primarily due to ongoing costs of the acquired businesses in the Specialty Chemical segments completed in the second half of 2003, the impact of exchange rate changes for operations in countries outside of the United States and higher costs in the Specialty Materials segment where the Company has added personnel for its growth initiatives.

Research and process development increased \$0.9 primarily as a result of ongoing costs of the acquired businesses of the Specialty Chemical segments completed in the second half of 2003.

Administrative and general increased \$1.5 with the primary drivers being ongoing costs of the acquired businesses of the Specialty Chemical segments completed in the second half of 2003 of approximately \$0.4, an increase in certain litigation costs of \$0.3 and the impact of exchange rate changes for operations in countries outside of the United States.

Other income (expense), net improved \$2.1 principally due to a gain of \$2.0 related to the sale in 1999 of the Company's share of its methanol joint venture

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where the Company would receive additional proceeds if the market price of methanol stayed above an agreed upon index over a predetermined period of time. This agreement ended in February 2004 and methanol prices remained above the indexed price. Payment was received before the end of the quarter. In the first quarter of 2004, the Company received a "good-faith" payment of \$1.0 from one of its insurance carriers related to lead defense costs that it recorded in other income (expense).

Equity in earnings of associated companies decreased \$2.2 as a result of lower earnings of \$1.7 from CYRO Industries, (CYRO), the Company's 50% owned acrylic plastics joint venture. Raw material costs were significantly higher for CYRO in the quarter. In addition, results for 2003 include earnings of \$0.5 from the Company's former 50% owned Mitsui-Cytec joint venture. See Note 6 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Company's effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2004 is 24% compared to 30% for the first quarter of 2003. This reduction reflects the Company's continued growth of earnings in lower tax jurisdictions and, to a lesser extent, a favorable international tax ruling. In the second quarter of 2003, the Company lowered its effective tax rate to 28%.

Net earnings were \$30.9 or \$0.77 per diluted share compared to \$28.9 million or \$0.73 per diluted share before the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle in the first quarter of 2003.

In the first quarter of 2003 the Company recorded an after-tax, non-cash charge of \$13.6 million (\$0.34 per diluted share) reported as a cumulative effect of

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accounting change. This applies to the adoption of Financial Accounting Standard No. 143 (FAS 143), "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" which became effective January 1, 2003. Net earnings in 2003, after the cumulative effect of accounting change as a result of adopting FAS 143, were \$15.3 or \$0.38 per diluted share.

Segment Results

First quarter 2004 to first quarter 2003 comparisons and analyses of changes in net sales by business segment and region are set forth below.

Water and Industrial Process Chemicals:

	First Quarter 2004	First Quarter 2003	Total % Change	% Change Due to		
				Price	Volume/Mix	Exchange
North America	\$35.2	\$34.8	1%	0%	1%	0%
Latin America	19.8	14.4	38%	-5%	37%	6%
Asia/Pacific Rim	11.0	10.9	1%	-3%	-8%	12%
Europe/Middle East/Africa	26.4	25.7	3%	-2%	-6%	11%
Total	\$92.4	\$85.8	8%	-2%	4%	6%

Overall selling volumes improved 4% although acquisitions added 10%. Excluding acquisitions selling volumes decreased 6% due to reduction in mining chemicals volumes as a result of reduced production at two major mines undergoing repairs in Asia and in water treatment due to the Company's decision to exit certain low profit business. On a regional basis, approximately half of the higher sales volumes in Latin America were due to acquisitions and the remainder due to higher demand from both copper and alumina customers. In Asia-Pacific, acquisitions added 13% to selling volumes but this was more than offset by the impact of the reduced mine production discussed above. In Europe, acquisitions added 4% but base business was down in mining chemicals and in water treatment. Selling prices in Latin America and Asia-Pacific were down offsetting the favorable impact of exchange rate changes as much of the sales in these regions are tied to the U.S. dollar.

Earnings from operations were \$3.6, or 4% of sales, compared to \$6.9, or 8% of sales, in the first quarter of 2003. The decrease was primarily due to higher raw material costs, primarily propylene and ammonia, and energy costs of approximately \$2.7, plus the lower base selling volumes. These more than offset the favorable impact from acquisitions.

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Performance Products:

	First Quarter	First Quarter	Total	% Change Due to		
				Price	Volume/Mix	Exchange

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	2004	2003	% Change	Price	Volume/Mix	Exchange
North America	\$67.7	\$61.6	10%	-2%	11%	1%
Latin America	8.8	7.2	22%	3%	20%	-1%
Asia/Pacific Rim	26.6	20.3	31%	0%	28%	3%
Europe/Middle East/Africa	36.8	30.7	20%	2%	5%	13%
Total	\$139.9	\$119.8	17%	0%	13%	4%

Overall selling volumes improved 13% with acquisitions adding 11%. Excluding acquisitions, selling volumes improved 2% primarily in the coating chemicals product line. On a regional basis, North American selling volumes grew 11% with acquisitions accounting for 7%. Latin American sales volumes were up 20% with acquisitions accounting for 1%. All product lines in the region had higher volumes due to improved demand. Asia-Pacific selling volumes were up 28% with acquisitions accounting for 34% while base volumes were down 6% due to low demand. Selling volumes in Europe were up 5% with acquisitions accounting for 4%.

Earnings from operations were \$13.5, or 10% of sales, compared to \$11.8, or 10% of sales, in the first quarter of 2003. The favorable impact from acquisitions plus higher base sales volumes and net favorable exchange rate changes were only partially offset by increased raw material and energy costs of \$1.6.

Specialty Materials:

	First Quarter 2004	First Quarter 2003	Total % Change	% Change Due to		
				Price	Volume/Mix	Exchange
North America	\$80.8	\$78.3	3%	-1%	4%	0%
Latin America (1)	0.4	0.5	-	-	-	-
Asia/Pacific Rim	4.5	4.0	13%	-1%	14%	0%
Europe/Middle East/Africa	34.6	25.3	37%	-2%	33%	6%
Total	\$120.3	\$108.1	11%	-1%	11%	1%

(1) Due to the level of sales in this geographic region, percentage comparisons are not meaningful.

Overall selling volumes were up 11% with the increases coming from the military, rotorcraft and high performance automotive sectors. Selling volumes in Europe represent increased sales to Airbus plus sales to the high performance automotive sector. Selling volumes in North America reflected higher sales to military applications offset somewhat by reduced sales to the commercial aircraft sectors.

Earnings from operations were \$23.2, or 19% of sales, compared to \$22.3, or 21% of sales, in the first quarter of 2003. The impact of the higher sales volumes was mostly offset by increased manufacturing costs to meet the higher demand levels, unfavorable exchange rate changes and increased selling and technical services of \$1.7 for continued investments for the segment's growth initiatives.

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Building Block Chemicals:

	First	First	Total	% Change Due to		
	Quarter	Quarter		% Change	Price	Volume/Mix
	2004	2003				
North America	\$30.7	\$20.9	47%	24%	23%	0%
Latin America (1)	0.6	1.5	-	-	-	-
Asia/Pacific Rim	18.5	14.1	31%	13%	18%	0%
Europe/Middle East/Africa	12.8	17.2	-26%	-4%	-28%	6%
Total	\$62.6	\$53.7	17%	12%	3%	2%

(1) Due to the level of sales in this geographic region, percentage comparisons are not meaningful.

Overall sales volumes are up 3% principally due to acrylonitrile and its derivative product, hydrocyanic acid. North American selling volumes were up 23% primarily due to acrylonitrile as a result of new business and improved demand. Asia-Pacific selling volumes were up 18% due to higher acrylonitrile demand in the region. In the first quarter of 2003, more acrylonitrile was shipped to Europe where spot pricing was improved over Asia-Pacific. As a result, European selling volumes declined 28%. Selling prices are up overall due to improved demand and recovery of higher raw material costs.

Earnings from operations were \$5.3, or 6% of sales, compared to \$4.3, or 6% of sales, for the comparable period of 2003. Raw material and energy costs, primarily propylene, ammonia and natural gas, increased approximately \$6.9 but this was mostly offset by higher selling prices of \$6.1. The manufacturing facilities ran well although the acrylonitrile plant ran below capacity due to lack of propylene availability, a key raw material for acrylonitrile. In addition, the melamine plant was down for 24 days for its scheduled maintenance turnaround. Much of the melamine produced is used internally so there was little impact on sales. Offsetting much of the impact from reduced production levels was the net favorable impact of exchange rate changes.

Liquidity and Financial Condition

At March 31, 2004 the Company's cash balance was \$251.6 compared to \$251.1 from year end 2003.

Net cash flow provided by operating activities were \$22.7 for the first quarter of 2004 compared to \$10.1 for the same period of 2003.

Trade accounts receivable dollars increased \$28.9 as a result of the higher level of sales but days outstanding decreased approximately three days from year end. Inventories increased \$9.0 due to higher demand levels in certain product lines. However, inventory days decreased by approximately seven days. Accounts payable increased \$44.0 due to increased raw material purchases and timing of payments versus those made at year end. Accrued expenses decreased \$24.6. The Company pays its incentive compensation and profit sharing payouts in the first quarter of the year for prior year performance. These accounted for \$13.8 of the

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decline. In addition, the Company paid down a significant amount of accrued expenses in the quarter. There were higher than normal accrued expenses at year-end as invoices were accrued in December in anticipation of the cutover to new computer systems on January 1; after the cutover, invoices were paid through the new system. Other Assets increased due to payment of insurance premiums which will be amortized over the life of the policy periods. Other Liabilities reflect spending of \$13.3 for funding of U.S. pension plans.

Net cash flows used for investing activities were \$7.1 for the first quarter of 2004 compared to \$18.8 for the same period of 2003.

Capital spending was \$16.9 compared to \$18.9 for the comparable period of 2003. The decline is attributable to lower spending on the Specialty Chemicals research building renovation project and the expansion of the Specialty Materials advanced composites manufacturing facility in Germany. Also during the quarter, the Company received \$9.1, net of expenses, as a prepayment for a long term lease on a certain property for future development by a third party with an option to purchase later. The development of the property is not connected with Company operations. The net proceeds are being amortized to income over the life of the lease.

The Company believes that, based on its expected operating results for the next twelve months, it will be able to fund operating cash requirements and planned capital expenditures and dividends through the next twelve months from its internal cash generation.

Net cash flows used for financing activities totaled \$11.6 in the first quarter of 2004 compared to \$109.6 in the same period of 2003.

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During the quarter, the Company repurchased 388,300 shares of stock at a cost of \$13.2. This compares to the repurchase of 384,100 shares of stock at a cost of \$11.3 for the same period of 2003. In March 2003, the Company repaid \$100.0 of its 6.5% debt then due. The Company also received \$2.7 for the early termination of two interest rate swaps which is being amortized over the life of the debt outstanding and being recorded as a reduction of interest expense. The Company also paid its first quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per share which aggregated \$3.9. This was approved by the Board of Directors and announced in January 2004.

OTHER

2004 Outlook

In its April 22, 2004 press release, which was also filed as an exhibit to a current report on Form 8-K, the Company set forth its assumptions and management's best estimate of the second quarter and full year 2004 earnings at that time based on various assumptions set forth in its press release. The Company's April 22, 2004 updated forecast of diluted earnings per share is a range of \$2.65 to \$2.75 for the year, a 17% to 21% increase over 2003's diluted earnings per share of \$2.27, before the cumulative effect of the accounting change, and second quarter diluted earnings per share is a range of \$0.60 to \$0.65.

The Company's guidance for 2004 outlook will be updated when it reports second quarter 2004 earnings in July 2004. There can be no assurance that sales or earnings will develop in the manner projected. Actual results may differ materially. See "Comments on Forward Looking Statements."

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Significant Accounting Estimates

See "Significant Accounting Estimates" under Item 7 of the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 26, 2004 and incorporated by reference herein.

Comments on Forward-Looking Statements

A number of the statements made by the Company in the Annual Report on Form 10-K, or in other documents, including but not limited to Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer's letter to Stockholders, its press releases and other periodic reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission, may be regarded as "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

Forward-looking statements include, among others, statements concerning the Company's (including its segments) outlook for the future, the accretive effects of acquisitions, the financial effects of divestitures, pricing trends, the effects of changes in currency rates and forces within the industry, the completion dates of and expenditures for capital projects, expected sales growth, operational excellence strategies and their results, long-term goals of the Company and other statements of expectations, beliefs, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts.

All predictions as to future results contain a measure of uncertainty and, accordingly, actual results could differ materially. Among the factors that could cause a difference include, but are not limited to: changes in global and regional economies; the financial well-being of end consumers of the Company's products, particularly the airline industry; changes in demand for the Company's products or in the quality, costs and availability of its raw materials and energy; customer inventory reduction; the actions of competitors; currency rates and interest rate fluctuations; technological change; the Company's ability to renegotiate expiring long-term contracts; changes in employee relations, including possible strikes; government regulations; including those related to taxation and those particular to the purchase, sale and manufacture of chemicals or operation of chemical plants, governmental funding for those military programs that utilize the Company's products; litigation, including its inherent uncertainty and changes in the number or severity of various types of claims brought against the Company; difficulties in plant operations and materials transportation; environmental matters; the results of and recoverability of investments in associated companies; returns on employee benefit plan assets and changes in the discount rates used to estimate employee benefit liabilities; changes in the medical cost trend rate; changes in accounting principles or new accounting standards; war, terrorism or sabotage; epidemics; and other unforeseen circumstances. A number of these factors are discussed in this and other of the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

For a discussion of market risks at year-end, refer to Item 7a of the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 26, 2004 and incorporated by reference herein. During 2004, the Company executed various foreign exchange

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transactions that do not materially alter the market risk assessment performed as of December 31, 2003. Other 2004 financial instrument transactions include:

Commodity Price Risk:

At March 31, 2004, the Company had \$8.3 of natural gas forward contracts with April 2004 through October 2004 delivery dates outstanding and natural gas swaps with a fair value of \$0.8, which will be reclassified into Manufacturing Cost of Sales through October 2004 as these swaps are settled.

Interest Rate Risk:

At March 31, 2004, the outstanding borrowings of the Company consisted of \$9.2 short-term borrowings and fixed rate long-term debt, which had a carrying value of \$418.6, a face value of \$420.0 and a fair value, based on dealer quoted values of approximately \$436.2.

During March 2004, the Company terminated its two interest rate swap agreements that had effectively converted the interest cost on a total of \$50.0 of the Company's 4.60% notes to a floating rate basis for the life of the Notes due July 1, 2013. Upon termination, the Company received approximately \$3.0 in cash of which \$0.3 represented accrued interest through the termination date. The net gain of \$2.7 recorded upon termination is being amortized over the life of the 4.60% Notes as a decrease to interest expense of such Notes. The amount of unamortized swap settlement included in long-term debt was \$2.7 at March 31, 2004.

Assuming other factors are held constant, interest rate changes generally affect the fair value of fixed rate debt. Accordingly, assuming a March 31, 2004 hypothetical increase of 1% in interest rates and all other variables remaining constant, interest expense would not change; however, the fair market value of the fixed rate long-term debt would decrease by approximately \$19.4

In April, the Company entered into a \$50.0 interest rate swap agreement to effectively convert \$50.0 of its 4.60% Notes to a floating rate basis for the remaining life of the Notes.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-14 as of the period ended March 31, 2004. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's current disclosure controls and procedures are reasonably effective. There have been no significant changes in the Company's internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of the evaluation by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

Part II - Other Information

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

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The Company is the subject of numerous lawsuits and claims incidental to the conduct of its or its predecessors' businesses, including lawsuits and claims relating to product liability, personal injury including asbestos, environmental, contractual, employment and intellectual property matters. Many of the matters relate to the use, handling, processing, storage, transport or disposal of hazardous materials. The Company believes that the resolution of such lawsuits and claims, including those described below, will not have a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial position of the Company, but could be material to the consolidated results of operations of the Company in any one accounting period. The Company, in this section, includes predecessor entities being indemnified by Cyttec.

Set forth below are updates to the legal proceedings section found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Company is among several defendants in approximately 35 cases, in which plaintiffs assert claims for personal injury, property damage, and other claims for relief relating to lead pigment that was used as an ingredient decades ago in paint for use in buildings. The different suits were brought by government entities and/or individual plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and others. The suits variously seek compensatory and punitive damages and/or injunctive relief, including funds for the cost of monitoring, detecting and removing lead based paint from buildings and for medical monitoring; for personal injuries allegedly caused by ingestion of lead based paint; and plaintiffs' attorneys' fees. The Company believes that the suits are without merit and is vigorously defending against all such claims. Accordingly, no loss contingency has been recorded. The Company has access to a substantial amount of primary and excess general liability insurance for property damage, and believes that these policies are available to cover a significant portion of both its defense costs and indemnity costs, if any, for lead pigment-related property damage claims. The Company is pursuing an agreement with various of its insurers concerning coverage with respect to these matters. The Company has not recorded an insurance receivable relating to defense costs although it continues to pursue an agreement with various of its insurers concerning coverage with respect to these matters. In the first quarter of 2004, the Company received a "good-faith" payment of \$1.0 from one of its insurance carriers that it recorded in other income (expense) and expects to recognize additional recoveries in future periods as negotiations with its insurers proceed. However, until a cost-sharing arrangement with one or more of its insurers has been determined, the Company will continue to expense its lead defense cost as incurred, without provision for potential insurance carriers.

The Company, like many other industrial companies, has been increasingly named as one of hundreds of defendants in a number of lawsuits filed throughout the United States by persons alleging bodily injury as a result of exposure to asbestos. The claimants allege exposure to asbestos at facilities formerly or currently owned by the Company or in products formerly manufactured by the Company for specialized applications. Most of these cases involve numerous defendants, sometimes as many as several hundred. Historically, most of the closed asbestos claims against the Company have been dismissed without any indemnity payment by the Company, and the Company has no information that this pattern will change.

The following table presents information about the asbestos claims against the Company.

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004	Year Ended December 31, 2003

Claims closed in period	156	7,601

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Claims filed in period	1,734	7,648
Claims open at end of period	28,533	26,955
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See also the "Legal Proceedings" section in Item 3 of Part 1 and the first four paragraphs of "Environmental Matters" under "Business" in Item 1 of Part 1 of the Company's 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K, and Note 6 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, herein.

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Item 2. Changes in Securities and Use of Proceeds

Not applicable.

Item 5. Other Information

Not applicable.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a). Exhibits

See Exhibit Index on page 23 for exhibits filed with this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

(b). Reports on Form 8-K

On January 23, 2004, the Company filed a report on Form 8-K attaching its press release announcing financial results for the quarter and year-ended December 31, 2003.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CYTEC INDUSTRIES INC.

By: /s/ James P. Cronin

James P. Cronin
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial
Officer

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- 31.1 Certification of David Lilley, Chief Executive Officer, Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act
- 31.2 Certification of James P. Cronin, Chief Financial Officer, Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act
- 32.1 Certification of David Lilley, Chief Executive Officer 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 James P. Cronin, Chief Financial Officer Pursuant To 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 906 Of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act Of 2002