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Fellow Stockholder:

You are invited to attend the annual meeting of stockholders of Puma Biotechnology, Inc. (the Company, we, us or our) to be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. local time, at the Company s principal executive offices, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 2150, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

At this year s annual meeting you will be asked to:

- 1. Elect six directors to serve for a one-year term;
- 2. Ratify the selection of our independent registered public accounting firm;
- 3. Vote on an advisory basis to approve the compensation of our named executive officers as described in the proxy statement (say-on-pay vote);
- 4. Vote on an advisory basis regarding the frequency of future say-on-pay votes (frequency vote); and

5. Transact such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting. The accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and proxy statement describe these matters. We urge you to read this information carefully.

The Board of Directors unanimously believes that election of its nominees to serve as our directors, ratification of our independent registered public accounting firm, approval of the say-on-pay vote, and a vote for 1 Year with respect to the frequency vote are in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders and, accordingly, recommends a vote

FOR each of the nominees for director named in the proxy statement, a vote FOR the ratification of our independent registered public accounting firm, a vote FOR the say-on-pay vote, and a vote for 1 Year with respect to the frequency vote.

It is important that your shares be represented and voted whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting in person. You may submit your proxy over the Internet, or if you are receiving a paper copy of the proxy statement, by telephone or by completing and mailing a proxy card. Submitting your proxy over the Internet, by telephone or by written proxy will ensure your shares are represented at the annual meeting.

The Board of Directors appreciates and encourages stockholder participation. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Alan H. Auerbach

Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary

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PUMA BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

10880 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2150

Los Angeles, California 90024

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018

To the Stockholders of Puma Biotechnology, Inc. (the Company, we and our):

We will hold an annual meeting of stockholders of the Company at the Company s principal executive offices, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 2150, Los Angeles, CA 90024, on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. local time. At the annual meeting we will consider and act upon the following matters:

- 1. Election of six directors to serve for a one-year term expiring at the 2019 annual meeting of stockholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified or until their earlier resignation or removal. The nominees are Alan H. Auerbach, Michael P. Miller, Jay M. Moyes, Adrian M. Senderowicz, Troy E. Wilson and Frank E. Zavrl.
- 2 Ratification of the selection of KPMG LLP (KPMG), as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2018.
- 3. Advisory (non-binding) vote to approve the compensation of our named executive officers as described in the proxy statement (say-on-pay vote).
- 4. Advisory (non-binding) vote regarding the frequency of holding future say-on-pay votes (frequency vote).
- 5. Such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournments or postponements of the annual meeting.

The proxy statement accompanying this notice describes each of these items of business in detail. The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR each of the six nominees for director named in the proxy statement, a vote FOR the ratification of the selection of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm, a vote FOR the say-on-pay vote, and a vote for 1 Year for the frequency vote.

Only the Company s stockholders of record at the close of business on April 20, 2018, the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at the annual meeting, or any adjournment or postponement thereof, are entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the annual meeting. On April 20, 2018, we had 37,766,996 shares of common stock outstanding. A list of stockholders eligible to vote at the annual meeting will be available for inspection at the annual meeting and at the Company s principal executive offices at 10880 Wilshire

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Boulevard, Suite 2150, Los Angeles, CA 90024 during regular business hours for a period of no less than ten days prior to the annual meeting.

Your vote is very important. It is important that your shares be represented and voted whether or not you plan to attend the annual meeting in person. If you are viewing the proxy statement on the Internet, you may grant your proxy electronically via the Internet by following the instructions on the Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials previously mailed to you and the instructions listed on the Internet site. If you are receiving a paper copy of the proxy statement, you may grant your proxy by completing and mailing the proxy card enclosed with the proxy statement, or you may grant your proxy electronically via the Internet or by telephone by following the instructions on the proxy card. Submitting a proxy over the Internet, by telephone or by mailing a proxy card will ensure your shares are represented at the annual meeting.

The annual meeting is accessible to those who require special assistance or accommodation. If you require special assistance or accommodation, please contact Investor Relations at (424) 248-6500 or ir@pumabiotechnology.com or write to: Puma Biotechnology, Inc., 10880 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2150, Los Angeles, California 90024, Attention: Investor Relations.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Alan H. Auerbach Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer and Secretary

PROXY STATEMENT

INFORMATION CONCERNING VOTING AND SOLICITATION

General

Your proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors (the Board) of Puma Biotechnology, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company, we, us or our), for use at our 2018 annual meeting of stockholders to be held on Tuesda June 12, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. local time, at the Company s principal executive offices, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 2150, Los Angeles, CA 90024, or at any continuation, postponement or adjournment thereof (the annual meeting), for the purposes discussed in this proxy statement and in the accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting and any business properly brought before the annual meeting. Proxies are solicited to give all stockholders of record an opportunity to vote on matters properly presented at the annual meeting.

In accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission s notice and access model, we have elected to provide access to our proxy materials, including our notice of annual meeting, this proxy statement and our annual report to stockholders, over the Internet. Accordingly, on or about April 30, 2018, we intend to make our proxy materials available on the Internet and to mail a Notice of Internet Availability of Proxy Materials (the Notice) to all stockholders of record. On or about April 30, 2018, we also intend to mail a paper copy of the proxy materials and proxy card to other stockholders of record who have elected to receive such materials in paper form. Brokers and other nominees who hold shares on behalf of beneficial stockholders will be sending their own similar notice. All stockholders will have the ability to access the proxy materials on the website referred to in the Notice or to request to receive a printed set of the proxy materials. Instructions on how to request a printed copy by mail or electronically may be found on the Notice and on the website referred to in the Notice, including an option to request paper copies on an ongoing basis. If you properly request a printed copy of the proxy materials, we intend to mail the proxy materials, together with a proxy card, to you, within three business days of such request.

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held on June 12, 2018

The Notice of Annual Meeting, this proxy statement and our 2017 Annual Report, which consists of a letter to stockholders and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, are available on our website at *http://investor.pumabiotechnology.com/annual-meeting*. This website address contains the following documents: the Notice, the proxy statement and proxy card sample, and the 2017 Annual Report. You are encouraged to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

Who Can Vote

You are entitled to vote at the annual meeting if you were a stockholder of record of our common stock as of the close of business on April 20, 2018. You are entitled to one vote for each share of common stock held on all matters to be voted upon at the annual meeting. Your shares may be voted at the annual meeting only if you are present in person or represented by a valid proxy.

Voting of Shares

You may vote by attending the annual meeting and voting in person or you may submit a proxy to have your shares voted at the annual meeting. The method of submitting your proxy will differ depending on whether you are viewing this proxy statement on the Internet or receiving a paper copy and whether you are a beneficial stockholder or a

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stockholder of record.

Beneficial Stockholders. Beneficial stockholders hold their shares through a broker, bank, trustee or other nominee (that is, in street name) rather than directly in their own name. If you hold your shares in street name,

you are a beneficial stockholder, and the Notice and proxy materials are made available to you by the organization holding your account. That organization is considered the stockholder of record for purposes of voting at the annual meeting. As a beneficial stockholder, you have the right to instruct that organization on how to vote the shares held in your account.

Stockholders of Record. If your shares are registered directly in your name with our transfer agent, EQ Shareowner Services, or if you hold stock certificates in your name, you are considered the stockholder of record with respect to those shares, and the Notice and proxy materials are made available directly to you by the Company. If you requested printed copies of the proxy materials by mail, you will receive a proxy card from us.

Voting/Submitting Proxy. Whether you are a stockholder of record or a beneficial stockholder, you may direct how your shares are voted without attending the annual meeting. If you are a stockholder of record, you may submit a proxy to authorize how your shares are voted at the annual meeting. You can submit a proxy over the Internet by following the instructions on the website referred to in the Notice or, if you requested and received printed copies of the proxy materials, you can also submit a proxy by mail or telephone pursuant to the instructions on the proxy card enclosed with the proxy materials.

If you are a beneficial stockholder, you may also submit your voting instructions over the Internet by following the instructions provided in the Notice, or, if you requested and received printed copies of the proxy materials, you can also submit voting instructions by telephone or mail by following the instructions provided to you by your bank, broker, trustee or other nominee.

Submitting your proxy or voting instructions via the Internet, by telephone or by mail will not affect your right to vote in person should you decide to attend the annual meeting, although beneficial stockholders must obtain a legal proxy from the bank, broker, trustee or other nominee that holds their shares giving them the right to vote the shares at the annual meeting in order to vote in person at the meeting.

The Internet and telephone voting facilities will close at 12:00 noon (CT) on June 11, 2018. If you vote through the Internet, you should be aware that you may incur costs to access the Internet, such as usage charges from telephone companies or Internet service providers and that these costs must be borne by you. If you submit your proxy over the Internet or by telephone, then you do not need to return a written proxy card by mail.

YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT. You should submit your proxy even if you plan to attend the annual meeting. If you properly give your proxy and submit it in time to vote, one of the individuals named as your proxy will vote your shares as you have directed.

All shares entitled to vote and represented by properly submitted proxies (including those submitted electronically, telephonically and in writing) that have not been properly revoked, will be voted at the annual meeting in accordance with the instructions indicated on those proxies. If no direction is indicated on a properly submitted proxy, your shares will be voted **FOR** each of the six nominees for director named in the proxy statement, **FOR** the ratification of the selection of KPMG as our independent registered public accounting firm, **FOR** the say-on-pay vote, and for **1 Year** for the frequency vote. The proxy gives each of Alan H. Auerbach and Charles R. Eyler discretionary authority to vote your shares in accordance with his best judgment with respect to all additional matters that might come before the annual meeting.

Revocation of Proxy

If you are a stockholder of record, you may revoke your proxy at any time before your proxy is voted at the annual meeting by taking any of the following actions:

delivering to our Corporate Secretary a signed written notice of revocation, bearing a date later than the date of the proxy, stating that the proxy is revoked;

signing and delivering a new paper proxy, relating to the same shares and bearing a later date than the original proxy;

submitting another proxy by telephone or over the Internet (the proxy holders will vote your shares in accordance with your latest telephone or Internet voting instructions); or

attending the annual meeting and voting in person, although attendance at the annual meeting will not, by itself, revoke a proxy.

Written notices of revocation and other communications with respect to the revocation of proxies should be addressed to:

Puma Biotechnology, Inc.

10880 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2150

Los Angeles, CA 90024

Attention: Corporate Secretary

If you are a beneficial stockholder and you submit a voting instruction form, you may change your vote by submitting new voting instructions to your bank, broker, trustee or other nominee in accordance with the procedures of such bank, broker, trustee or other nominee.

Voting in Person

If you plan to attend the annual meeting and wish to vote in person, you will be given a ballot at the annual meeting. Beneficial stockholders must obtain a legal proxy from the bank, broker, trustee or other nominee that holds their shares giving them the right to vote the shares at the annual meeting in order to vote in person at the meeting.

Quorum and Votes Required

At the close of business on April 20, 2018, 37,766,996 shares of our common stock were outstanding and entitled to vote at the annual meeting. All votes will be tabulated by the inspector of election appointed for the annual meeting.

Quorum. A majority of the outstanding shares of common stock, present in person or represented by proxy, will constitute a quorum at the annual meeting. Shares of common stock held by persons attending the annual meeting but not voting, shares represented by proxies that reflect abstentions as to a particular proposal and broker non-votes, if any, will be counted as present for purposes of determining a quorum.

Broker Non-Votes. Brokers or other nominees who hold shares of common stock in street name for a beneficial owner of those shares typically have the authority to vote in their discretion on routine proposals when they have not received instructions from beneficial owners. However, brokers are not allowed to exercise their voting discretion with respect to the election of directors or for the approval of certain non-routine matters, without specific instructions from the beneficial owner. These non-voted shares are referred to as broker non-votes. Only Proposal 2 (ratifying the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm) is considered a routine matter. If you are a beneficial stockholder holding shares through a broker or other nominee and you do not submit instructions on how

your shares should be voted, your broker or other nominee will not be able to vote your shares on Proposal 1 (election of directors), Proposal 3 (say-on-pay vote) or Proposal 4 (frequency vote).

Votes Required

Proposal 1 Election of Directors. Directors will be elected by a plurality of the votes of the shares present in person or represented by proxy and entitled to vote. Stockholders will be given the choice to vote for or

withhold votes for each nominee. Thus, the six nominees receiving the greatest number of votes FOR their election will be elected. Broker non-votes are not considered votes entitled to vote and therefore will not affect the outcome of the vote.

Proposal 2 Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the annual meeting is required for the ratification of the selection of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2018. Abstentions are not considered votes cast and therefore will not affect the outcome of the vote. Brokers have authority in the absence of timely instructions from their beneficial owners to vote on this proposal. As a result, there will be no broker non-votes for this proposal.

Proposal 3 Advisory Say-on-Pay Vote. The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares cast at the annual meeting is required for approval, on an advisory basis, of the compensation of our named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast and therefore will not affect the outcome of the vote.

Proposal 4 Advisory Frequency Vote. The affirmative vote of a majority of the shares cast at the annual meeting is required for approval, on an advisory basis, of the frequency of future say-on-pay votes. Abstentions and broker non-votes are not considered votes cast and therefore will not affect the outcome of the vote. With respect to this item, if none of the frequency alternatives (1 year, 2 years or 3 years) receives a majority vote, we will consider the frequency that receives the highest number of votes by stockholders to be the frequency that has been selected by our stockholders. However, because this vote is advisory and not binding on us or our Board in any way, our Board may decide that it is in our and our stockholders best interests to hold a say-on-pay vote more or less frequently than the option approved by our stockholders.

Solicitation of Proxies

Our Board is soliciting proxies for the annual meeting from our stockholders. We will bear the entire cost of soliciting proxies from our stockholders. In addition to the solicitation of proxies by delivery of the Notice or proxy statement by mail, we will request that brokers, banks and other nominees that hold shares of our common stock, which are beneficially owned by our stockholders, send Notices, proxies and proxy materials to those beneficial owners and secure those beneficial owners voting instructions. We will reimburse those record holders for their reasonable expenses. We may use several of our regular employees, who will not be specially compensated, to solicit proxies from our stockholders, either personally or by telephone, Internet, facsimile or special delivery letter.

Assistance

If you need assistance in submitting your proxy over the Internet or completing your proxy card or have questions regarding the annual meeting, please contact Investor Relations at (424) 248-6500 or ir@pumabiotechnology.com or write to: Puma Biotechnology, Inc., 10880 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2150, Los Angeles, CA 90024, Attention: Investor Relations.

Forward-Looking Statements

This proxy statement contains forward-looking statements (as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995). These statements are based on our current expectations and involve risks and uncertainties, which may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in the statements. The forward-looking statements may include statements regarding actions to be taken by us. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Forward-looking statements should be

evaluated together with the many uncertainties that affect our business, particularly those mentioned in the risk factors in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and in our periodic reports on Form 10-Q and our current reports on Form 8-K.

PROPOSAL 1

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Board Structure

Under our second amended and restated bylaws (Bylaws), the number of directors shall be fixed from time to time by resolutions of the directors. Our Board has fixed the current size of the Board at six members.

Directors and Board Nominees

Based upon the recommendation of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, our Board has nominated Alan H. Auerbach, Michael P. Miller, Jay M. Moyes, Adrian M. Senderowicz, Troy E. Wilson and Frank E. Zavrl for re-election as directors to the Board. If elected, each director will serve a one-year term expiring at the close of our next annual meeting in 2019, and until such director s successor is elected and qualified, or until such director s earlier resignation or removal. Each of Messrs. Auerbach, Miller, Moyes and Zavrl, and Drs. Senderowicz and Wilson currently serve on our Board. Each nominee has agreed to serve if elected. If any nominee should become unavailable for election prior to the Annual Meeting (an event that currently is not anticipated by the Board) the proxies will be voted in favor of the election of a substitute nominee or nominees proposed by the Board or, alternatively, the number of directors may be reduced accordingly by the Board.

Set forth below is certain information with respect to the nominees. Proxies cannot be voted for a greater number of nominees than the six nominees set forth below.

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			Audit	Compensation	Governance
Name	Age	Director Since	Committee	Committee	Committee
Alan H. Auerbach	48	2011			
Michael P. Miller	61	2018			
Jay M. Moyes	64	2012	С	С	С
Adrian M. Senderowicz	54	2015		Μ	М
Troy E. Wilson	49	2013	Μ		М
Frank E. Zavrl	52	2015	Μ	М	

C indicates current Chair M indicates current member Director Biographical Information

The following biographical information is furnished with respect to our current directors, each of whom is a nominee.

Alan H. Auerbach. Mr. Auerbach has served as Chairman of our Board and as our President and Chief Executive Officer since October 2011. Prior to October 2011, he served in such capacity at Puma Biotechnology, Inc. (Puma), a privately held Delaware corporation and our predecessor, from its inception in September 2010. Prior to founding Puma, Mr. Auerbach founded Cougar Biotechnology, Inc. (Cougar) in May 2003 and served as its Chief Executive Officer, President and a member of its board of directors until July 2009, when Cougar was acquired by Johnson & Johnson. From July 2009 until January 2010, Mr. Auerbach served as the Co-Chairman of the Integration Steering

Committee at Cougar (as part of Johnson & Johnson) that provided leadership and oversight for the development and global commercialization of Cougar s lead drug candidate, abiraterone acetate, for the treatment of advanced prostate cancer. Prior to founding Cougar, from June 1998 to April 2003, Mr. Auerbach was a Vice President, Senior Research Analyst at Wells Fargo Securities, where he was responsible for research coverage of small- and middle-capitalization biotechnology companies, with a focus on companies in the field of oncology. Mr. Auerbach served as a director of Radius Health, Inc., a public pharmaceutical company focused on acquiring and developing new therapeutics for the treatment of osteoporosis

and other women s health conditions, from May 2011 to December 2017 and its predecessor entity from October 2010 to May 2011. Mr. Auerbach received a B.S. in Biomedical Engineering from Boston University and an M.S. in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Southern California. Mr. Auerbach was nominated to serve as a director because of his position as our President and Chief Executive Officer and his significant experience as an executive and research analyst in the biotechnology industry.

Our employment agreement with Mr. Auerbach dated January 19, 2012, provides that Mr. Auerbach will be nominated for election to our Board if the term of his directorship expires during the term of the employment agreement. His employment agreement expires September 1, 2018, but is subject to successive automatic one-year renewal terms.

Michael P. Miller. Mr. Miller has been a director since February 2018. Mr. Miller has served as the Executive Vice President U.S. Commercial of Jazz Pharmaceuticals plc, a public biopharmaceutical company, since May 2017 and as its Senior Vice President U.S. Commercial from April 2014 until May 2017. From April 2010 to January 2014, Mr. Miller was Senior Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer of Vivus, Inc., a public biopharmaceutical company. From 2006 to 2010, Mr. Miller served as Vice President, Sales and Marketing, leading the HER Family Oncology Franchise, of Genentech, Inc., a biotechnology company and wholly owned subsidiary of Roche Holding Ltd. From 2003 to 2005, Mr. Miller served as the Senior Vice President, Chief Commercial Officer of Connetics Corporation, a specialty pharmaceutical company acquired by Stiefel Laboratories, Inc. Previously, from 1997 to 2001, Mr. Miller served as Vice President of the Urology Business Unit of ALZA Corporation, a pharmaceutical company acquired by Roche Holding Ltd. He currently serves as a member of two non-profit boards, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (Silicon Valley Chapter) and the Zane Beadles Parade Foundation. Mr. Miller received a B.S. in Business Administration and Finance from the University of San Francisco and an M.B.A. in Information and Computer Systems from San Francisco State University. Mr. Miller was nominated as a director because of his significant experience and background in the life sciences industry.

Jay M. Moyes. Mr. Moyes has been a director since April 2012. Mr. Moyes has been a member of the board of directors of Achieve Life Sciences, Inc., a public specialty pharmaceutical company, since August 2017. He has been a member of the board of directors of Biocardia, Inc., a privately held cardiovascular regenerative medicine company, since January 2011, and a member of the board of directors of Integrated Diagnostics, Inc., a privately held molecular diagnostics company, since March 2011. Mr. Moves was a member of the board of directors of Osiris Therapeutics, Inc., a public bio-surgery company, from May 2006 until December 2017 and Amedica Corporation, a public orthopedic implant company, from November 2012 to August 2014. He served as Chief Financial Officer of Amedica from October 2013 to August 2014. From May 2008 through July 2009, Mr. Moyes served as the Chief Financial Officer of XDx, Inc., a privately held molecular diagnostics company. Prior to that, Mr. Moyes served as the Chief Financial Officer of Myriad Genetics, Inc., a publicly held healthcare diagnostics company, from June 1996 until his retirement in November 2007, and as its Vice President of Finance from July 1993 until July 2005. From 1991 to 1993, Mr. Moyes served as Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Genmark, Inc., a privately held genetics company. Mr. Moyes held various positions with the accounting firm of KPMG LLP from 1979 through 1991, most recently as a Senior Manager. He holds an M.B.A. from the University of Utah, a B.A. in economics from Weber State University, and is formerly a Certified Public Accountant. Mr. Moyes also served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Utah Life Science Association from 1999 through 2006. Mr. Moyes was nominated to serve as a director because of his extensive background in finance and accounting and his experience in the context of the life sciences industry enables him to make significant contributions to the Board.

Adrian M. Senderowicz. Dr. Senderowicz has been a director since August 2015. Dr. Senderowicz has been Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of Constellation Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a private clinical-stage

biopharmaceutical company focusing on the development of novel tumor-targeted and immuno-oncology therapies, since July 2017. Dr. Senderowicz served as Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of

Cerulean Pharma Inc., a public clinical-stage company developing nano-particle conjugates, from September 2015 until June 2017. Dr. Senderowicz served as the Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President, Clinical Development and Regulatory Affairs from August 2014 to February 2015, and Clinical and Regulatory Strategy Officer from February 2015 to April 2015 of Ignyta, Inc., a public precision oncology biotechnology company. Prior to joining Ignyta, Dr. Senderowicz was Vice President, Global Regulatory Oncology at Sanofi, a position he held from September 2013 to August 2014. Prior to Sanofi, Dr. Senderowicz was Chief Medical Officer and Vice President, Medical Development at Tokai Pharmaceuticals, Inc. from August 2012 to March 2013. From August 2008 to March 2012, Dr. Senderowicz held positions of increasing responsibility, including Senior Medical Director, Oncology Clinical Development, at AstraZeneca. Before his tenure at AstraZeneca, Dr. Senderowicz spent almost four years in a variety of leadership positions at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration Division of Oncology Drug Products in the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. Prior to his work with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Dr. Senderowicz held a variety of clinical and research positions, including Coordinator of the Prostate Cancer Drug Development Clinic and Investigator and Chief, Molecular Therapeutics Unit, with the National Cancer Institute/National Institutes of Health. Dr. Senderowicz holds both an M.D. and an Instructor of Pharmacology degree from the School of Medicine at the Universidad de Buenos Aires in Argentina. Dr. Senderowicz was nominated as a director because of his extensive clinical and regulatory background and his significant experience in the life sciences industry.

Troy E. Wilson. Dr. Wilson has been a director since October 2013. Dr. Wilson has been the President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors of Kura Oncology, Inc., a public reporting clinical stage biopharmaceutical company discovering and developing personalized therapeutics for the treatment of solid tumors and blood cancers, since August 2014. He has also been the President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of managers of Avidity Biosciences LLC, a private biopharmaceutical company, since November 2012 and the President and Chief Executive Officer of Wellspring Biosciences, Inc., a private biopharmaceutical company, and its parent company Araxes Pharma LLC, a private biopharmaceutical company, since July 2012. He has been a member of the board of directors of Wellspring Biosciences, Inc. and the board of managers of Araxes Pharma LLC since May 2012. He has served as a director of Zosano Pharma Corporation, a public clinical stage specialty pharmaceutical company that has developed a proprietary transdermal microneedle patch system to deliver its proprietary formulations of existing drugs through the skin for the treatment of a variety of indications, since June 2014. Dr. Wilson served as the President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the board of directors of Intellikine, Inc., a private biopharmaceutical company, from April 2007 to January 2012 and from August 2007 to January 2012, respectively. He holds a J.D. from New York University and graduated with a Ph.D. in bioorganic chemistry and a B.A. in biophysics from the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Wilson was nominated to serve as a director because of his background in finance and accounting and his experience in the life sciences industry.

Frank E. Zavrl. Mr. Zavrl has been a director since September 2015. Mr. Zavrl served as a Partner at Adage Capital Management, L.P. from 2002 to 2011, specializing in biotechnology investments. Prior to joining Adage Capital, Mr. Zavrl was a Portfolio Manager from 1999 to 2002 at Merlin Biomed, a healthcare investment group. From 1998 to 1999, Mr. Zavrl was an analyst at Scudder Kemper Investments Inc., focusing on biotechnology investments. Mr. Zavrl received a B.S. in Biochemistry from the University of California, Berkeley and an M.B.A. from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College. Mr. Zavrl was nominated as a director because of his significant experience and background in the biotechnology investments field.

Board Recommendation

OUR BOARD UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS A VOTE FOR THE ELECTION OF EACH OF THE SIX DIRECTOR NOMINEES.

Executive Officers

Set forth below is information regarding each of our executive officers as of the date of this proxy statement.

Name	Age	Position
Alan H. Auerbach	48	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board
Charles R. Eyler	70	Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Treasurer
Richard P. Bryce, MBChB,	60	
MRCGP, MFPM		Chief Medical and Scientific Officer
Steven Lo	51	Chief Commercial Officer
Douglas Hunt, B.Sc. (Hons)	53	Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Medical Writing and Project
-		Management

Robert Charnas, our former Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Project Management, resigned effective as of May 15, 2017.

Alan H. Auerbach. See Director Biographical Information above.

Charles R. Eyler. Mr. Eyler has served as our Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Treasurer since October 2011. Prior to October 2011, he served in such capacity at Puma beginning in September 2011. Prior to joining Puma, Mr. Eyler served as Senior Vice President of Finance at Cougar until July 2009, when Cougar was acquired by Johnson & Johnson. He also served as Treasurer of Cougar from April 2006 to July 2009. From July 2009 until March 2010, Mr. Eyler served on the Integration Steering Committee at Cougar (as part of Johnson & Johnson) and oversaw the integration of Cougar s finance and IT functions with those of Johnson & Johnson. From April 2010 until September 2011, Mr. Eyler explored various entrepreneurial and other opportunities. Prior to joining Cougar, Mr. Eyler served as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer of Hayes Medical Inc. from March 1999 to January 2004. Mr. Eyler received his B.S. from Drexel University and his M.B.A. from Saint Francis College.

Richard P. Bryce, MBChB, MRCGP and MFPM. Dr. Bryce has served as our Chief Medical and Scientific Officer since August 2017. From June 2012 until August 2017, Dr. Bryce served as our Senior Vice President, Clinical Research and Development. Dr. Bryce previously served as Senior Medical Director for Onyx Pharmaceuticals, a biopharmaceutical company, from September 2008 to June 2012, where he oversaw the Phase III clinical trial program of carfilzomib for the treatment of multiple myeloma and the Phase II clinical trial program of sorafenib for the treatment of breast and colorectal cancers. From August 2007 to August 2008, Dr. Bryce served as Senior Medical Director for ICON Clinical Research, a clinical research organization, where he was responsible for developing and evaluating oncology protocols, medical monitoring, and overseeing drug safety management activities in connection with the clinical trials of oncology drugs. From May 2005 until July 2007, he served as Executive Vice President of Medical Affairs at Ergomed Clinical Research, a clinical research organization, where he worked to establish the company s U.S. operations, had overall responsibility for the global Phase I unit activities, drug safety, medical writing and regulatory affairs, and oversaw the company s provision of consulting services to various oncology-focused biotechnology companies. From April 2003 to May 2005, Dr. Bryce served as International Medical Leader at Roche, where he oversaw the global Phase IV clinical trial program of Xeloda® (capecitabine) for the treatment of breast cancer. Dr. Bryce holds a BSc in Medical Sciences and his primary medical degree (MBChB) from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He also holds post-graduate diplomas in Obstetrics and Gynaecology from the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of London and in Child Health and Pharmaceutical Medicine from the Royal College of Physicians of the United Kingdom. He is a member of the Royal College of General Practitioners and the Royal College of Physicians (Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine) of the United Kingdom. He is also a member of

the American Society of Clinical Oncology, the American Society of Hematology and the European Society of Medical Oncology.

Steven Lo. Mr. Lo has served as our Chief Commercial Officer since September 2015. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Lo held a number of positions at Corcept Therapeutics Incorporated from September 2010 to September 2015, including Senior Vice President & Head of Oncology, Senior Vice President & Chief Commercial Officer and Vice President & Head of Commercial Operations. Prior to Corcept, Mr. Lo was with Genentech, Inc. from December 1997 to September 2010. At Genentech, Mr. Lo held a number of positions, including Senior Director, Oncology Marketing, where he prepared and led the first U.S. launch of Herceptin[®] in adjuvant HER2-positive breast cancer and also worked with Genentech s then ex-U.S. marketing partner, Roche, to develop the global adjuvant launch strategy for Herceptin[®] in adjuvant HER2-positive breast cancer. Mr. Lo received a B.S. in Microbiology from the University of California, Davis and a Master of Health Administration from the University of Southern California.

Douglas Hunt. Mr. Hunt has served as our Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Medical Writing and Project Management since January 2018. Mr. Hunt has over 25 years of regulatory affairs experience and has been a regulatory affairs consultant to the Company from February 2017 to January 2018. Mr. Hunt previously served as Vice President Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance at ArmaGen, Inc., a private biotechnology company, from March 2015 until December 2017 and Vice President, Global Regulatory Affairs (Bioscience) at Baxter International Inc., a public healthcare company, from March 2008 until March 2015 where he was responsible for global regulatory affairs for several franchises including oncology. Prior to that, Mr. Hunt worked for Amgen Inc., a public biotechnology company, from June 2000 to March 2008 in various positions, including as Executive Director, Therapeutic Area Head (Oncology) and Executive Director, Therapeutic Area Head (Bone/Oncology), Global Regulatory Affairs and Safety. Mr. Hunt received a B.Sc. from Portsmouth University.

None of our directors, nominees or executive officers is related by blood, marriage or adoption to any other director, nominee or executive officer. In addition, except as indicated herein, no arrangements or understandings exist between any director or person nominated for election as a director and any other person pursuant to whom such person is to be selected as a director or nominee for election as a director.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Board Leadership Structure and Role in Risk Oversight

Alan H. Auerbach currently serves as our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. We have no policy requiring the combination or separation of the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman roles and our governing documents do not mandate a particular structure. At present, we have determined that this leadership structure of having a combined Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer is appropriate due to the size and operations and resources of our Company. Our Board believes that having these roles combined helps promote efficient and centralized decision-making, focuses the Board s discussions and facilitates the presentation of the Company s strategy with a unified voice.

Our Board acknowledges that no single leadership model is right for all companies at all times. As such, our Board periodically reviews its leadership structure and may, depending on the circumstances, including our size, resources and operations, choose a different leadership structure in the future.

Our Board is involved in the general oversight of risks that could affect our business. Our Board satisfies this responsibility through reports by each committee chair regarding the committee s considerations and actions, as well as through regular reports directly from officers responsible for oversight of particular risks within the Company. Further, our Board oversees risks through the establishment of policies and procedures that are designed to guide daily operations in a manner consistent with applicable laws, regulations and risks acceptable to our Company.

Board Independence

Under the listing requirements and rules of The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC (NASDAQ), independent directors must comprise a majority of a listed company s board of directors. In addition, NASDAQ rules require that, subject to specified exceptions, each member of a listed company s audit, compensation and nominating, and corporate governance committees be independent. Audit committee members must also satisfy the independence criteria set forth in Rule 10A-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), and compensation committee members must satisfy heightened independence criteria set forth in NASDAQ rules. Under NASDAQ rules, a company s board of directors must affirmatively determine whether or not each director qualifies as an independent director.

On an annual basis, our Board undertakes a review of its composition, the composition of its committees and the independence of each director. The NASDAQ independence definition includes a series of objective tests, including that the director is not, and has not been for at least three years, one of our employees and that neither the director nor any of his family members has engaged in various types of business dealings with us. In addition, as required by NASDAQ rules, our Board has made a subjective determination as to each independent director that no relationships exist, which, in the opinion of our Board, would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director. Based upon information requested from and provided by each of our directors concerning his background, employment and affiliations, including family relationships, and on such other due consideration and diligence as it deems appropriate, our Board has determined that Messrs. Miller, Moyes and Zavrl, and Drs. Senderowicz and Wilson, or five of our six directors, are independent under the applicable rules and standards established by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) and NASDAQ. In making this determination, our Board considered the current and prior relationships that each non-employee director has with us and all other facts and circumstances our Board deemed relevant in determining their independence, including the beneficial ownership of our capital stock by each non-employee director. Our Board has determined that Mr. Auerbach is not independent due to his role as our President and Chief Executive Officer.

Board Meetings

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, our Board held five meetings. All directors attended at least 75% or more of the aggregate number of meetings of the Board and board committees on which they served. We do not have a formal policy relating to director attendance at annual meetings. One director, Mr. Auerbach, attended our 2017 annual meeting of stockholders held on June 12, 2017.

Executive Sessions

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, the non-executive directors met in executive session of the Board on four occasions, the members of the Audit Committee met i:times;"> 210,000

	Owned
Nashville, TN	
Clopay Plastic Products	
Manufacturing	
150,000	
	Leased
	2014
Jundiai, Brazil	
Clopay Plastic Products	
Manufacturing	
88,000	
	Owned

Troy, OH	
Clopay Building Products	
Manufacturing	
867,000	
	Leased
	2021
Russia, OH	
Clopay Building Products	
Manufacturing	
339,000	
	Owned
Baldwin, WI	
Clopay Building Products	
Manufacturing	
155,000	
	Leased

2014

Auburn, WA

Clopay Building Products

Manufacturing

123,000

Leased

2011

The Company also leases approximately 1,500,000 square feet of space for the Building Products distribution centers in numerous facilities throughout the United States and in Canada.

In June 2009, the Company announced plans to consolidate facilities in its Building Products segment, which are expected to be completed in early 2011 and will result in the closure of the Baldwin, WI facilities.

All facilities are generally well maintained and suitable for the operations conducted.

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

See the Commitments and Contingencies footnote in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for discussion on Legal Proceedings.

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

No matters were submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter.

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

The Company's Common Stock is listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "GFF". The following table shows for the periods indicated the quarterly range in the high and low sales prices for the Company's Common Stock:

		Fiscal 2009				8		
		Market Prices				ces		
	High Low]	High	Low		
Fiscal First Quarter ended December 31,	\$	9.35	\$	5.34	\$	15.82	\$	11.97
Fiscal Second Quarter ended March 31,		10.55		5.85		12.70		7.39
Fiscal Third Quarter ended June 30,		10.33		7.30		11.40		8.38
Fiscal Fourth Quarter ended September 30,		11.93		7.27		12.70		8.36
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No cash dividends on Common Stock were declared or paid during the five years ended September 30, 2009.

Holders

As of October 30, 2009, there were approximately 13,600 record holders of the Company's Common Stock.

Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

Information regarding securities authorized for issuance under the Company's equity compensation plans is contained in Part III, Item 12 of this Form 10-K.

Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

None.

Issuer Purchase of Equity Securities

The table below presents shares of the Company Stock which were acquired by the Company during the fourth quarter of 2009:

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased(1)	erage Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part Publicly Announced Plans or Programs(2)	Maximum Number of Shares That May yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1 - 31, 2009	26,483	\$ 9.43		1,366,295
August 1 - 31, 2009				1,366,295
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^{26,483,} zero and zero shares were acquired by the Company in July, August and September, respectively, from the holders of options using the net proceeds from the exercise of options.

(2) The Company's stock buyback program has been in effect since 1993, under which a total of approximately 17.2 million shares have been purchased for approximately \$234 million. There is no

time limit on the repurchases to be made under the plan. Shares purchased apart from publicly announced programs were in connection with the cashless exercise of stock options.

Performance Graph

The performance graph does not constitute soliciting material, is not deemed filed with the SEC and is not incorporated by reference in any of the Company's filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act of 1934, whether made before or after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K and irrespective of any general incorporation language in any such filings, except to the extent the Company specifically incorporates this performance graph by reference therein.

The following graph sets forth the cumulative total return to Griffon's stockholders during the five years ended September 30, 2009, as well as an overall stock market (S&P SmallCap 600 Index) and Griffon's peer group index (Dow Jones U.S. Diversified Industrials Index). Assumes \$100 was invested on September 30, 2004, including the reinvestment of dividends, in each category.

COMPARISON OF 5 YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN*

Among Griffon Corporation, The S&P Smallcap 600 Index And The Dow Jones US Diversified Industrials Index

* \$100 invested on 9/30/04 in stock or index, including reinvestment of dividends.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data

(- 4) d d	For the Years Ended September 30,									
(in thousands, except per share figures)		2009		2008		2007		2006		2005
Revenue	\$	1,194,050	\$	1,269,305	\$	1,365,729	\$	1,327,735	\$	1,132,382
Income before taxes, minority										
interest and discontinued										
operations		26,006		4,382		41,436		69,145		70,924
Provision for income taxes		4,005		4,294		13,271		23,289		23,529
.										
Income from continuing										
operations before minority		22 001		0.0		29.165		45.056		17 205
interest		22,001		88		28,165		45,856		47,395
Minority interest										(4,415)
Income from continuing										
operations		22,001		88		28,165		45,856		42,980
Income (loss) from discontinued										
operations		790		(40,591)		(6,086)		5,930		5,833
Net Income (loss)	\$	22,791	\$	(40,503)	\$	22,079	\$	51,786	\$	48,813
Basic earnings (loss) per share:										
Continuing operations	\$	0.37	\$	0.00	\$	0.87	\$	1.42	\$	1.33
Discontinued operations		0.01		(1.24)		(0.19)		0.18		0.18
Net Income (loss)		0.39		(1.24)		0.68		1.60		1.51
Weighted average shares										
outstanding		58,699		32,667		32,405		32,388		32,263
Diluted earnings (loss) per										
share:										
Continuing operations	\$	0.37	\$	0.00	\$	0.84	\$	1.36	\$	1.27
Discontinued operations		0.01		(1.24)		(0.19)		0.17		0.17
Net Income (loss)		0.39		(1.24)		0.65		1.53		1.44
Weighted average shares								ac = · ·		
outstanding		59,002		32,836		33,357		33,746		33,827
Capital expenditures	\$	32,697	\$	53,116	\$	29,737	\$	41,653	\$	39,448
Depreciation and amortization		42,346		42,923		39,458		33,974		31,397
Total assets		1,145,407		1,166,857		959,858		928,214		851,427
Total debt		179,804		233,188		232,830		217,320		213,165

Notes: 2008 includes a \$12,913 goodwill impairment charge that is not deductible for income taxes. Due to rounding, the sum of earnings per share of Continuing operations and Discontinued operations may not equal earnings per share of Net Income.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

(Unless otherwise indicated, all references to years or year-end refer to the Company's fiscal period ending September 30)

OVERVIEW

The Company

Griffon Corporation (the "Company" or "Griffon"), is a diversified management and holding company that conducts business through wholly-owned subsidiaries. The Company oversees the operations of its subsidiaries, allocates resources among them and manages their capital structures. The Company provides direction and assistance to its subsidiaries in connection with acquisition and growth opportunities as well as in connection with divestitures. Griffon also seeks out, evaluates and, when appropriate, will acquire additional businesses that offer potentially attractive returns on capital to further diversify itself.

Headquartered in New York, N.Y., the Company was incorporated in New York in 1959, and was reincorporated in Delaware in 1970. It changed its name to Griffon Corporation in 1995.

Griffon currently conducts its operations through Telephonics Corporation, Clopay Building Products Company and Clopay Plastic Products Company.

Telephonics Corporation ("Telephonics") high-technology engineering and manufacturing capabilities provide integrated information, communication and sensor system solutions to military and commercial markets worldwide. Telephonics' revenue was 32% of the Company's consolidated revenue in 2009, 29% in 2008 and 34% in 2007.

Clopay Building Products Company ("Building Products") is a leading manufacturer and marketer of residential, commercial and industrial garage doors to professional installing dealers and major home center retail chains. Building Products' revenue was 33% of the Company's consolidated revenue in 2009, 34% in 2008 and 36% in 2007.

Clopay Plastic Products Company ("Plastics") is an international leader in the development and production of embossed, laminated and printed specialty plastic films used in a variety of hygienic, health-care and industrial applications. Plastics' revenue was 35% of the Company's consolidated revenue in 2009, 37% in 2008 and 30% in 2007.

Telephonics revenue increased \$21.6 million, or 6%, compared to the prior year. In 2008, Telephonics was awarded contracts of more than \$400 million for the MH-60R program, a multi-mode radar and identification friend or foe interrogator system; \$109 million was recognized in 2009 with the balance expected to be incrementally funded over the next several years, generating annual revenue approximating \$100 million. Telephonics backlog at September 30, 2009 was \$393 million, approximately 75% of which is expected to be fulfilled in 2010.

Building Products results continued to be impacted by the sustained downturn in the residential housing and credit markets, with revenue and operating profits decreasing from the prior year. The segment remains committed to retaining its customer base and, where possible, growing market share. Additionally, Building Products' ongoing review of, and changes to, its cost structure resulted in a Segment profit for 2009.

As part of it cost structure review, in June 2009, the Company announced plans to consolidate its **Building Products** facilities. On completion, the consolidation is expected to produce annual cost savings of \$10 million; the plan is scheduled to be completed in early calendar 2011. The Company estimates that it will incur pre-tax exit and restructuring costs of \$12 million, substantially all of which will be cash charges, including \$2 million for one-time termination benefits and other personnel costs, \$1 million for excess facilities and related costs, and \$9 million in other exit costs primarily in connection with production realignment. In addition, the Company expects to invest approximately \$11 million in capital expenditures in order to effectuate the restructuring plan. Building Products

recorded \$1.2 million in charges in 2009 and \$2.0 million in related capital expenditures, and expects to record the balance of the charges and expenditures in 2010 and 2011.

Plastics' revenue decreased \$54.9 million, or 12%, from the prior year due to lower volume in Europe, translation of European results into a stronger U.S dollar and the effect of the pass through of lower resin costs on customer selling prices; however, Segment operating profit increased 17% and profit margin increased 140 basis points to 5.8% primarily as a result of cost-savings initiatives, which more than offset the impact of lower volume. Over the past several years, the segment has successfully diversified its customer portfolio. The segment remains optimistic that progress on cost reduction programs and product mix should result in continued financial performance improvement.

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

2009 Compared to 2008

Revenue for the year ended September 30, 2009 was \$1.19 billion, compared to \$1.27 billion in the prior year; the decline was due to lower revenue at both Building Products and Plastics, partially offset by increased revenue at Telephonics. 2009 gross profit was \$257.1 million compared to \$273.0 million in the prior year with gross margin of 21.5% remaining flat with 2008.

Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") expenses decreased \$14.7 million to \$230.7 million in 2009 from \$245.4 million in 2008 as a result of cost saving measures undertaken across all of the segments, particularly in Building Products and Plastics, to offset the impact of lower revenue. SG&A expenses as a percent of revenue for 2009 remained flat to 2008 at 19.3%.

Interest expense in 2009 decreased by \$2.8 million compared to the prior year, principally due to lower levels of outstanding borrowings and lower average borrowing rates.

During 2009, the Company recorded a non-cash pre-tax gain from extinguishment of debt of \$7.4 million, net of a proportionate write-off of deferred financing costs, which resulted from the purchase of \$50.6 million of its outstanding convertible notes at a discount.

Other income of \$1.5 million in 2009 and \$2.7 million in 2008 consists primarily of currency exchange transaction gains and losses from receivables and payables held in non functional currencies.

The Company's effective tax rate for continuing operations for 2009 was a provision of 15.4% compared to 98.0% in the prior year. The 2009 tax rate benefitted from tax planning with respect to U.S. foreign tax credits and discrete tax benefits related to the reversal of previously recorded tax liabilities principally due to the closing of certain statutes for prior year returns. The 2008 rate was impacted by a non-deductible goodwill impairment charge, an increase in the valuation allowance regarding deferred tax assets and taxes on a non-U.S. dividend partially offset by discrete tax benefits related to the reversal of previously recorded tax liabilities principally due to the closing of certain statutes for prior year returns.

Income from continuing operations was \$22.0 million, or \$0.37 per diluted share, for 2009 compared to \$0.1 million or zero cents per diluted share in the prior year. The 2008 results were impacted by a \$12.9 million impairment charge related to the write-off of all of Building Products' goodwill. Excluding the impairment charge, income from continuing operations would have been \$13.0 million, or \$0.40 per diluted share, in 2008. Income from discontinued operations for 2009 was \$0.8 million, or \$0.01 per diluted share, compared to a loss of \$40.6 million, or \$1.24 per diluted share in the prior year. Net income for 2009 was \$22.8 million, or \$0.39 per diluted share, compared to a loss of \$40.5 million, or \$1.24 per diluted share, in 2008. The 2009 diluted shares used for the earnings per share calculations were 59,002,000 shares in 2009 compared to 32,836,000 shares in 2008 primarily due to the 2008 rights offering.

2008 Compared to 2007

Total revenue in 2008 was \$1.27 billion, compared to \$1.37 billion in the prior year; the decline was due to lower revenue at both Telephonics and Building Products, partially offset by revenue growth

in Plastics. Gross profit in 2008 was \$273.0 million compared to \$294.6 million in the prior year, with gross margin decreasing 10 basis points from the prior year; the decline in gross profit was mainly attributable to the decline in revenue.

Selling, General and Administrative ("SG&A") expenses in 2008 increased to \$245.4 million from \$242.5 million in 2007 primarily due to increased research and development expenditures at Telephonics, and an increase in unallocated corporate expenses, partially offset by a \$5.0 million decrease from cost savings initiatives at Building Products. SG&A expenses as a percent of revenue increased 150 basis point to 19.3% in 2008 compared to 17.8% in 2007; this increase was mainly due to the sales decline as reductions in SG&A expenses were not sufficient to offset the decline in revenue.

Other income (expense) of \$2.7 million in 2008, compared to \$2.9 million in 2008, consists primarily of currency exchange transaction gains and losses from receivables and payables held in non functional currencies.

The Company's effective tax rate for continuing operations for 2008 was a provision of 98.0% compared to 32.0% in the prior year. The 2008 rate was impacted by a non-deductible goodwill impairment charge, an increase in the valuation allowance relating to deferred tax assets and taxes on a non-U.S. dividend partially offset by discrete tax benefits related to the reversal of previously recorded tax liabilities principally due to the closing of certain statutes for prior year returns. The 2007 rate benefitted from discrete tax benefits related to the reversal of previously recorded tax liabilities principally due to the closing of certain statutes for prior year returns.

Income from continuing operations was \$0.1 million, or zero per diluted share, for 2008 compared to \$28.2 million, or \$0.84 per diluted share in the prior year. The 2008 results were impacted by a \$12.9 million impairment charge related to the write-off of all of Building Product's goodwill. Excluding the impairment charge, income would have been \$13.0 million or \$0.40 per diluted share in 2008. The loss from discontinued operations for 2008 was \$40.6 million, or \$1.24 per diluted share, compared to a loss of \$6.1 million, or \$0.19 per diluted share in the prior year. The 2008 net loss was \$40.5 million, or \$1.24 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$22.1 million, or \$0.68 per diluted share in 2007.

BUSINESS SEGMENTS

Telephonics

	Years Ended September 30,						
(in thousands)		2009		2008		2007	
Revenue	\$	387,881	\$	366,288	\$	472,549	
Segment operating profit		34,883	9.0%	32,862	9.0%	45,888	9.7%
Depreciation and amortization		6,657		6,753		5,800	
Segment profit before depreciation and amortization	\$	41,540	10.7% \$	39,615	10.8% \$	51,688	10.9%

2009 Compared to 2008

In 2009, Telephonics' revenue increased \$21.6 million, or 6%, compared to the prior year, mainly due to higher sales in the Radar Systems division.

Segment operating profit increased \$2 million to \$34.9 million in 2008; segment operating profit margin remained at 9.0%, due to the strong sales performance and favorable program mix being offset by higher SG&A expenses. The increase in SG&A expenses was resulted from higher research and development expenditures and additional administrative expenses to support revenue growth.

2008 Compared to 2007

Telephonics 2008 revenue decreased \$106.3 million, or 22%, compared to the prior year. The decrease was due to the scheduled completion of the SRC contract, for which related revenue

decreased \$173 million; the SRC contract effect was partially offset by core business revenue growth of \$66.4 million, or 24%, related to new and expanded programs.

Segment operating profit of \$32.9 million decreased \$13.0 million, or 28%, due to the completion of the SRC contract, partially offset by increased core business growth. The Segment operating profit margin decreased 70 basis points due to higher SG&A expenses from research and development, and increased sales and marketing efforts, partially offset by improved gross margin due to product mix, principally from the decline in lower margin SRC sales.

Building Products

		Yea	rs Ended Septem	ber 30,		
(in thousands)	2009		2008		2007	
Net Sales	\$ 393,414	\$	435,321	\$	486,606	
Segment operating profit (loss)	(11,326)		(17,444)(a)		7,117	1.5%
Depreciation and amortization	13,223		12,071		11,041	
Goodwill impairment			12,913			
Restructuring charges	1,240		2,610			
Segment profit before depreciation, amortization, restructuring and impairment	\$ 3.137	0.8% \$	10.150	2.3% \$	18.158	3.7%

(a) 2008 includes a \$12.9 million goodwill impairment charge.

2009 Compared to 2008

In 2009, Building Products revenue decreased \$41.9 million, or 10%, compared to the prior year, primarily due to the continuing effects of the weak housing market. The revenue decline was principally due to reduced unit volume, partially offset by a favorable shift in mix to higher priced products.

Segment operating loss for 2009 was \$11.3 million, an improvement of \$6.1 million compared to the prior year. The 2008 result included the goodwill impairment charge of \$12.9 million; excluding this charge, the 2008 operating results would have been a \$4.5 million loss. Excluding the goodwill impairment charge from the 2008 comparative, the increased loss in 2009 was mainly due to the sharp decline in volume, and the resultant unfavorable impact on absorption of fixed operating expenses. Notwithstanding the total loss for 2009, Building Products segment operating profit improved sequentially during 2009, reaching \$0.6 million and \$4.3 million in the third and fourth quarters, respectively, a significant improvement over the segment operating losses incurred in the first two quarters of 2009.

2008 Compared to 2007

Building Products revenue in 2008 decreased by \$51.3 million, or 10.5%, compared to the prior year, primarily due to the effects of the weak residential housing market. The decline in unit sales was partially offset by higher selling prices to pass through rising material and freight costs, and favorable product mix.

Segment operating loss of \$17.4 million decreased \$24.6 million compared to the prior year operating income of \$7.1 million due to lower sales volume and the associated plant absorption impact of the weaker sales, and a goodwill impairment charge of \$12.9 million, partially offset by a \$5 million reduction in SG&A expenses due to operating efficiencies derived from the closure of the Tempe, AZ facility, and other headcount and cost reductions.

Plastics

	Years Ended September 30,						
(in thousands)		2009		2008		2007	
Net Sales	\$	412,755	\$	467,696	\$	406,574	
Segment operating profit		24,072	5.8%	20,620	4.4%	17,263	4.2%
Depreciation and amortization		21,930		22,638		20,986	
Segment profit before depreciation and amortization	\$	46,002	11.1% \$	43,258	9.2% \$	38,249	9.4%

2009 Compared to 2008

In 2009, Plastics' revenue decreased \$54.9 million, or 12%, compared to the prior year. The decrease was principally due to lower volume in Plastics' European business, translation of the European results into a stronger U.S. dollar and the pass through of lower resin costs in customer selling prices.

Segment operating profit increased \$3.5 million, or 17%, primarily due to the Company's cost-cutting initiatives and favorable product mix, partially offset by lower unit volume. Segment operating profit margin increased 140 basis points.

2008 Compared to 2007

Plastics' 2008 revenue increased \$61.1 million, or 15%, compared to the prior year. The increase was principally due to favorable product mix in North America, the benefit of increased selling prices due to the pass through of higher resin costs in customer selling prices and the favorable currency impact on translation of European results into a weaker U.S. dollar, partially offset by lower selling prices to a major customer associated with a multi-year contract and lower overall volumes in Europe.

Segment operating profit increased \$3.4 million, or 19%, compared to the prior year due to the factors affecting the revenue increase. Segment operating profit margin of 4.4% increased 20 basis points over the prior year due to SG&A expenses remaining flat and favorable product mix, partially offset by the effect of higher resin costs, and lower unit volumes and the related impact on plant absorption.

Discontinued operations Installation Services

As a result of the downturn in the residential housing market, in 2008, the Company exited substantially all of the operating activities of its Installation Services segment; this segment sold, installed and serviced garage doors, garage door openers, fireplaces, floor coverings, cabinetry and a range of related building products primarily for the new residential housing market. Operating results of substantially all of the segment has been reported as discontinued operations in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for all periods presented herein; the Installation Services segment is excluded from segment reporting.

In May 2008, the Company's Board of Directors approved a plan to exit substantially all operating activities of the Installation Services segment in 2008. In the third quarter of 2008, the Company sold nine units to one buyer, closed one unit and merged two units into Building Products. In the fourth quarter of 2008, the Company sold its two remaining units in Phoenix and Las Vegas. The Company recorded aggregate disposal costs of \$43.7 million in 2008.

The Company substantially concluded its remaining disposal activities in the second quarter of 2009. There was no reported revenue in 2009. Revenue in 2008 was \$109.4 million compared to \$250.9 million in 2007; the sharp decline resulted from the overall weakness in the residential construction market and closure or sale of operating units during 2008. Installation Services Operating loss was \$62.4 million and \$9.8 million for 2008 and 2007, respectively.

The Company does not expect to incur significant expenses in the future. Future net cash outflows to satisfy liabilities related to disposal activities that were accrued as of September 30, 2009 are estimated to be \$4.9 million. Substantially all of such liabilities are expected to be paid during 2010. Certain of the Company's subsidiaries are also contingently liable for approximately \$3.3 million related to certain facilities leases with varying terms through 2011 that were assigned to the respective purchasers of certain of the Installation Services businesses. The Company does not believe it has a material exposure related to these contingencies.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Management assesses the Company's liquidity in terms of its ability to generate cash to fund its operating, investing and financing activities. Significant factors affecting liquidity are: cash flows from operating activities, capital expenditures, acquisitions, dispositions, bank lines of credit and the ability to attract long-term capital with satisfactory terms. The Company remains in a strong financial position with sufficient liquidity available for reinvestment in existing businesses and strategic acquisitions while managing its capital structure on both a short-term and long-term basis.

The following table is derived from the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows:

Cash Flows from Continuing					
Operations	Years Ended September 30,				
(in thousands)		2009	_	2008	
Net Cash Flows Provided by					
(Used In):					
Operating activities	\$	84,100	\$	86,049	
Investing activities		(32,833)		(49,352)	
Financing activities		(43,202)		231,406	

Cash flows generated by operating activities for 2009 decreased \$1.9 million to \$84.1 million compared to \$86.0 million in the prior year. Current assets net of current liabilities excluding short-term debt and cash decreased \$23.4 million to \$229.1 million at September 30, 2009 compared to \$252.5 million at the prior year end, primarily due to lower inventory on hand at Building Products due to the restructuring and lower sales volumes.

During 2009, the Company used cash from investing activities of \$32.8 million compared to \$49.4 million in the prior year. The Company had capital expenditures of \$32.7 million; \$20.4 million lower than the prior year.

During 2009, cash used in financing activities was \$43.2 million. The principal financing usage was for the repurchase of \$50.6 million face value of convertible notes for \$42.7 million and the purchase of common stock by the Company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") of \$4.4 million; these uses were partially offset by \$7.3 million of rights offering proceeds (see below). Approximately 1.4 million shares of common stock are available for purchase pursuant to the Company's stock buyback program and additional purchases, including those pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan, may be made, depending upon market conditions and other factors, at prices deemed appropriate by management.

Payments from revenue derived from the Telephonics segment are received in accordance with the terms of development and production subcontracts to which the Company is a party. Certain of the payments received in this segment are progress payments. Customers in the Plastics segment are generally substantial industrial companies whose payments have been steady, reliable and made in accordance with the terms governing such sales; sales in this segment are made to satisfy orders that are received in advance of production, where payment terms are established in advance of such production and sale. With respect to the Building Products segment, there have been no material adverse impacts on payment for sales.

A small number of customers have accounted for a substantial portion of historical revenue, and the Company expects that a limited number of customers will continue to represent a substantial portion of revenue for the foreseeable future. Approximately 19% and 21% of total revenue for 2009

and 2008, and 54% and 56% of Plastics' revenue for 2009 and 2008, is from Procter & Gamble, which is Plastics largest customer. Home Depot and Menards are significant customers of Building Products and Lockheed Martin Corporation and the Boeing Company are significant customers of Telephonics. Future operating results will continue to substantially depend on the success of large customers and the Company's relationships with them. Orders from these customers are subject to fluctuation and may be reduced materially. The loss of all or a portion of the sales volume from any one of these customers would likely have an adverse affect on the Company's liquidity and operations.

At September 30, 2009, the Company had cash and equivalents, net of debt, as follows:

Cash, Cash Equivalents				
and Debt		At Septe	mbe	r 30,
(in thousands)		2009		2008
Cash and equivalents	\$	320,833	\$	311,921
Notes payables and				
current portion of				
long-term debt		81,410		2,258
Long-term debt, net of				
current maturities		98,394		230,930
Total debt		179,804		233,188
Total debt		179,001		235,100
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Cash and equivalents,	¢	141.020	¢	70 700
net of debt	\$	141,029	\$	78,733

In August 2008, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a 20 million share common stock rights offering to its shareholders in order to raise equity capital for general corporate purposes and to fund future growth. The rights had an exercise price of \$8.50 per share. In conjunction with the offering, GS Direct agreed to back stop the rights offering by purchasing, on the same terms, any and all shares not subscribed through the exercise of rights. GS Direct also agreed to purchase additional shares of common stock at the rights offering price if it did not acquire a minimum of 10 million shares of common stock as a result of its back stop commitment. The Company received \$248.6 million in gross proceeds from the rights offering as follows: (i) in September 2008, the Company received \$241.3 million of gross proceeds from the first closing of its rights offering and related investments by GS Direct and by the Company's Chief Executive Officer; (ii) in October 2008, an additional \$5.3 million of proceeds were received in connection with the second closing of the rights offering; (iii) and in April 2009, \$2.0 million of rights offering proceeds were received.

In March 2008, Telephonics entered into a credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, pursuant to which the lenders agreed to provide a five-year, revolving credit facility of \$100 million (the "Telephonics Credit Agreement"). At September 30, 2009, \$38.0 million was outstanding under the Telephonics Credit Agreement and approximately \$57.0 million was available for borrowing.

In June 2008, Building Products and Plastics entered into a credit agreement for their domestic operations with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, pursuant to which the lenders agreed to provide a five-year, senior secured revolving credit facility of \$100 million (the "Clopay Credit Agreement"). At September 30, 2009, \$35.9 million was outstanding under the Clopay Credit Agreement and approximately \$32.4 million was available for borrowing.

The Telephonics Credit Agreement and the Clopay Credit Agreement include various sublimits for standby letters of credit. At September 30, 2009, there were approximately \$16.7 million of aggregate standby letters of credit outstanding under these credit facilities. These credit agreements limit dividends and advances that these subsidiaries may pay to the parent. The agreements permit the payment of income taxes, overhead and expenses, with dividends or advances in excess of these amounts being limited based on (a) with respect to the Clopay Credit Agreement, maintaining certain minimum availability under the loan agreement or (b) with respect to the Telephonics Credit Agreement, compliance with certain conditions and limited to an annual maximum. At September 30, 2009, the Company was not, nor was it reasonably likely to be, in breach of covenants under its respective credit facilities. The Clopay Credit Agreement provides for credit availability primarily based on working capital assets and imposes only one ratio compliance requirement, which becomes operative

only in the event that utilization of that facility were to reach a defined level significantly beyond the September 30, 2009 level. The Telephonics Credit Agreement is a "cash flow based" facility and compliance with required ratios at September 30, 2009 was well within the parameters set forth in that agreement. Further, the covenants within such credit facilities do not materially affect the Company's ability to undertake additional debt or equity financing for Griffon, the parent company, as such credit facilities are at the subsidiary level and are not guaranteed by Griffon.

The Company had \$79.4 million outstanding of 4% convertible subordinated notes due 2023 (the "Notes") as of September 30, 2009. Holders of the Notes may require the Company to repurchase all or a portion of their Notes on July 18, 2010, 2013 and 2018, as well as upon a change in control. If Griffon's common stock price is below the conversion price of the Notes on the earliest of these dates, management anticipates that noteholders will require Griffon to repurchase their outstanding Notes. As such, these notes are classified under Notes payable and current portion of long-term debt in the fourth quarter of 2009. The fair value is approximately \$79 million, which is based on quoted market price (level 1 inputs).

During 2009, the Company purchased \$50.6 million face value of the Notes from certain noteholders for \$42.7 million. The Company recorded a pre-tax gain from debt extinguishment of approximately \$7.8 million, offset by a \$0.5 million proportionate reduction in the related deferred financing costs for a net gain of \$7.3 million.

At September 30, 2008, the Company had \$130 million outstanding of Notes.

The Company's ESOP has a loan agreement, guaranteed by the Company, which requires payments of principal and interest through the expiration date of September 2012 at which time the \$3.9 million balance of the loan, and any outstanding interest, will be payable. The primary purpose of this loan, and it predecessor loans which were refinanced by this loan in October 2008, was to purchase 547,605 shares of the Company's stock in October 2008. The loan bears interest at rates based upon the prime rate or LIBOR. The loan balance was \$5.6 million as of September 30, 2009, and the outstanding balance approximates fair value.

During the year ended September 30, 2009, the Company used cash for discontinued operations of \$1.3 million related to settling remaining Installation Services liabilities.

Contractual Obligations

At September 30, 2009, payments to be made pursuant to significant contractual obligations are as follows:

	Payments Due by Period											
			L	ess Than					Μ	ore than		
(in thousands)		Total		1 Year	1-	3 Years	4	-5 Years	5	5 Years	C	ther
Long-term debt(a)	\$	179,803	\$	81,409	\$	7,074	\$	77,686	\$	13,634	\$	
Interest expense		17,246		6,485		7,757		2,807		197		
Rental												
commitments		56,000		20,000		23,000		10,000		3,000		
Purchase												
obligations(b)		122,758		118,939		3,819						
Capital leases		17,526		1,588		2,874		2,868		10,196		
Capital												
expenditures		5,681		5,681								
Supplemental &												
post-retirement												
benefits(c)		40,339		7,698		7,796		7,796		17,049		
Uncertain tax												
positions(d)		7,951										7,951
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Total obligations	\$	447,304	\$	241,800	\$	52,320	\$	101,157	\$	44,076	\$	7,951

(a)

At September 30, 2009, the Company had outstanding \$79.4 million of the Notes due 2023. Holders of the Notes may require the Company to repurchase all or a portion of their Notes on

July 18, 2010, 2013 and 2018, and upon a change in control. The Company is presenting the \$79.4 million outstanding on the Notes in the "Less than 1 Year" category above because the Noteholders can require the Company to repurchase the Notes in July 2010.

(b)

The purchase obligations are generally for the purchase of goods and services in the ordinary course of business. The Company uses blanket purchase orders to communicate expected requirements to certain of its vendors. Purchase obligations reflect those purchase orders where the commitment is considered to be firm. Purchase obligations that extend beyond 2009 are principally related to long-term contracts received from customers of Telephonics.

(c)

The Company expects to contribute \$3.8 million to the qualified defined benefit plan in 2010, which is included in the "Less Than 1 Year" column above. There are no amounts related to the qualified defined benefit plan for subsequent periods. The Company funds required payouts under the non-qualified supplemental defined benefit plan from its general assets and the expected payments are included in each period, as applicable.

(d)

Due to the uncertainty of the potential settlement of future uncertain tax positions, management is unable to estimate the timing of related payments, if any, that will be made subsequent to 2009. These amounts do not include any potential indirect benefits resulting from deductions or credits for payments made to other jurisdictions.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

Except for operating leases and purchase obligations as disclosed herein, the Company is not a party to any off-balance sheet arrangements.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND PRONOUNCEMENTS

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of Griffon's consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires the use of estimates, assumptions, judgments and subjective interpretations of accounting principles that have an impact on assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. These estimates can also affect supplemental information contained in public disclosures of the Company, including information regarding contingencies, risk and its financial condition. These estimates, assumptions and judgments are evaluated on an ongoing basis and based on historical experience, current conditions and various other assumptions, and form the basis for estimating the carrying values of assets and liabilities, as well as identifying and assessing the accounting treatment for commitments and contingencies. Actual results may materially differ from these estimates.

An estimate is considered to be critical if it is subjective and if changes in the estimate using different assumptions would result in a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations. The following have been identified as the most critical accounting policies and estimates:

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized when the following circumstances are satisfied: a) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, b) delivery has occurred or services are rendered, c) price is fixed and determinable and d) collectability is reasonably assured. Goods are sold on terms which transfer title and risk of loss at a specified location, typically shipping point. Revenue recognition from product sales occurs when all factors are met, including transfer of title and risk of loss, which occurs either upon shipment or upon receipt by customers at the location specified in the terms of sale. Other than standard product warranty provisions, sales arrangements provide for no other significant post-shipment obligations. From time to time and for certain customers rebates and other sales incentives, promotional allowances or discounts are offered, typically related to customer purchase volumes, all of which are fixed or

determinable and are classified as a reduction of revenue and recorded at the time of sale. Griffon provides for sales returns allowances based upon historical returns experience.

Telephonics earns a substantial portion of its revenue as either a prime or subcontractor from contract awards with the U.S. Government, as well as non-U.S. governments and other commercial customers. These formal contracts are typically long-term in nature, usually greater than one year. Revenue and profits from these long-term fixed price contracts are recognized under the percentage-of-completion method of accounting. Revenue and profits on fixed-price contracts that contain engineering as well as production requirements are recorded based on the ratio of total actual incurred costs to date to the total estimated costs for each contract (cost-to-cost method). Using the cost-to-cost method, revenue is recorded at amounts equal to the ratio of actual cumulative costs incurred divided by total estimated costs at completion, multiplied by the total estimated contract revenue, less the cumulative revenue recognized in prior periods. The profit recorded on a contract using this method is equal to the current estimated total profit margin multiplied by the cumulative revenue recognized, less the amount of cumulative profit previously recorded for the contract in prior periods. As this method relies on the substantial use of estimates, these projections may be revised throughout the life of a contract. Components of this formula and ratio that may be estimated include gross profit margin and total costs at completion. The cost performance and estimates to complete on long-term contracts are reviewed, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis, as well as when information becomes available that would necessitate a review of the current estimate. Adjustments to estimates for a contract's estimated costs at completion and estimated profit or loss often are required as experience is gained, and as more information is obtained, even though the scope of work required under the contract may or may not change, or if contract modifications occur. The impact of such adjustments or changes to estimates is made on a cumulative basis in the period when such information has become known. Gross profit is affected by a variety of factors, including the mix of products, systems and services, production efficiencies, price competition and general economic conditions.

Revenue and profits on cost-reimbursable type contracts are recognized as allowable costs are incurred on the contract, at an amount equal to the allowable costs plus the estimated profit on those costs. The estimated profit on a cost-reimbursable contract may be fixed or variable based on the contractual fee arrangement. Incentive and award fees on these contracts are recorded as revenue when the criteria under which they are earned are reasonably assured of being met and can be estimated.

For contracts whose anticipated total costs exceed the total expected revenue, an estimated loss is recognized in the period when identifiable. A provision for the entire amount of the estimated loss is recorded on a cumulative basis.

Amounts representing contract change orders or claims are included in revenue only when they can be reliably estimated and their realization is probable, and are determined on a percentage-of-completion basis measured by the cost-to-cost method.

Warranty Accruals

Direct customer and end-user warranties are provided on certain products. These warranties cover manufacturing defects that would prevent the product from performing in line with its intended and marketed use. The terms of these warranties vary by product line and generally provide for the repair or replacement of the defective product. Warranty claims data is collected and analyzed with a focus on the historical amount of claims, the products involved, the amount of time between the warranty claims and the products' respective sales and the amount of current sales. Based on these analyses, warranty accruals are recorded as an increase to cost of sales and regularly reviewed for adequacy.

Stock-based Compensation

Griffon has issued stock-based compensation to certain employees, officers and directors in the form of stock options and non-vested restricted stock. For stock option grants made on or after October 1, 2005, expense is recognized over the awards' expected vesting period based on their fair value as calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The Black-Scholes pricing model uses estimated assumptions for a forfeiture rate, the expected life of the options and a volatility rate using historical data.

Compensation expense for non-vested restricted stock is recognized ratably over the service period based on the fair value of the grant calculated as the number of shares granted multiplied by the stock price on the date of grant.

Allowances for Discount, Doubtful Account and Returns

Trade receivables are recorded at the stated amount, less allowances for discounts, doubtful accounts and returns. The allowances represent estimated uncollectible receivables associated with potential customer defaults on contractual obligations (usually due to customers' potential insolvency), discounts related to early payment of accounts receivables by customers and estimates for returns. The allowance for doubtful accounts includes amounts for certain customers where a risk of default has been specifically identified, as well as an amount for customer defaults based on a general formula when it is determined the risk of some default is probable and estimable, but cannot yet be associated with specific customers. Allowance for discounts and returns are recorded as a reduction of revenue and the provision related to the allowance for doubtful accounts is recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses.

Goodwill, Long-Lived Intangible and Tangible Assets, and Impairment

Griffon has significant intangible and tangible long lived assets on its balance sheet which includes goodwill and other intangible assets related to acquisitions. Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of net assets acquired in business combinations over the fair value of the identifiable tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination. As required under GAAP, goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles are reviewed for impairment annually, for Griffon in September, or more frequently whenever events or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. The testing of goodwill and indefinite lived intangibles for impairment involves the significant use of judgment and assumptions in the determination of a reporting unit's fair market value.

Long-lived amortizable intangible assets, such as customer relationships and software, and tangible assets, which is primarily made up of Property, Plant and Equipment, are amortized over their expected useful lives, which involves significant assumptions and estimates. Long-lived intangible and tangible assets are tested for impairment by comparing estimated future undiscounted cash flows to the carrying value of the asset when an impairment indicator, such as change in business, customer loss or obsolete technology, exists.

Fair value estimates are based on assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time, but such assumptions are subject to inherent uncertainty. Actual results may differ materially from those estimates. Any changes in key assumptions or management judgment with respect to a reporting unit or its prospects, which may result from a decline in Griffon's stock price, a change in market conditions, market trends, interest rates or other factors outside of Griffon's control, or significant underperformance relative to historical or projected future operating results, could result in a significantly different estimate of the fair value of Griffon's reporting units, which could result in an impairment charge in the future.

Restructuring reserves

From time to time, the Company will establish restructuring reserves at an operation. These reserves for both termination and other exit costs require the use of estimates. Though Griffon believes the estimates made are reasonable, they could differ materially from the actual costs.

Income Taxes

Griffon's effective tax rate is based on income, statutory tax rates and tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates. For interim financial reporting, the annual tax rate is estimated based on projected taxable income for the full year and a quarterly income tax provision is recorded in accordance with the anticipated annual rate. As the year progresses, the estimates are refined based on the year's taxable income as new information becomes available, including year-to-date financial results. This continual estimation process often results in a change to the effective tax rate throughout the year. Significant judgment is required in determining the effective tax rate and in evaluating tax positions.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized based on the differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets represent items to be used as a tax deduction or credit in future tax returns for which a tax benefit has been recorded in the income statement. The likelihood that the deferred tax asset balance will be recovered from future taxable income is assessed at least quarterly, and the valuation allowance, if any, is adjusted accordingly.

Tax benefits are recognized for an uncertain tax position when, in management's judgment, it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained upon examination by a taxing authority. For a tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, the tax benefit is measured as the largest amount that is judged to have a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement with a taxing authority. The liability associated with unrecognized tax benefits is adjusted periodically due to changing circumstances, such as the progress of tax audits, case law developments and new or emerging legislation. Such adjustments are recognized entirely in the period in which they are identified. The effective tax rate includes the net impact of changes in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits and subsequent adjustments as considered appropriate by management. A number of years may elapse before a particular matter for which Griffon has recorded a liability related to an unrecognized tax benefit is audited and finally resolved. The number of years with open tax audits varies by jurisdiction. While it is often difficult to predict the final outcome or the timing of resolution of any particular tax matter, Griffon believes its liability for unrecognized tax benefits is adequate. Favorable resolution of an unrecognized tax benefit could be recognized as a reduction in Griffon's tax provision and effective tax rate in the period of resolution. Unfavorable settlement of an unrecognized tax benefit is generally presented as noncurrent. However, if it is anticipated that a cash settlement will occur within one year, that portion of the liability is presented as current. Interest and penalties recognized on the liability for unrecognized tax benefits is recorded as income tax expense.

Pension Benefits

Griffon sponsors two defined benefit pension plans for certain employees and retired employees. Annual amounts relating to these plans are recorded based on actuarial projections, which include various actuarial assumptions, including discount rates, assumed rates of return, compensation increases and turnover rates. The actuarial assumptions used to determine pension liabilities and assets, as well as pension expense, are reviewed on an annual basis when modifications to assumptions are made based on current economic conditions and trends. The expected return on plan assets is determined based on the nature of the plans' investments and expectations for long-term rates of return. The discount rate used to measure obligations is based on a corporate bond spot-rate yield curve that

matches projected future benefit payments with the appropriate spot rate applicable to the timing of the projected future benefit payments. The assumptions utilized in recording the Company's obligations under the defined benefit pension plans are believed to be reasonable based on experience and advice from independent actuaries; however, differences in actual experience or changes in the assumptions may materially affect Griffon's financial position or results of operations.

The qualified defined benefit plan has been frozen to new entrants since December 2000. Certain employees who were part of the plan prior to December 2000 continue to accrue a service benefit for an additional 10 years, at which time all plan participants will stop accruing service benefits.

Newly issued but not yet effective accounting pronouncements

In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued new accounting guidance related to the accounting for business combinations. The purpose of the new guidance is to better represent the economic value of a business combination transaction. The new guidance retains the fundamental requirement of the old guidance where the acquisition method of accounting is to be used for all business combinations and for an acquirer to be identified for each business combination. In general the new guidance 1) broadens the existing guidance by extending its applicability to all events where one entity obtains control over one or more businesses, 2) broadens the use of the fair value measurements used to recognize the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, 3) changes the accounting for acquisition related fees and restructuring costs incurred in connection with an acquisition and 4) increases required disclosure. The Company anticipates that the adoption of the new guidance, effective for Griffon for any business combinations that occur after October 1, 2009, will have an impact on the way in which business combinations are accounted for; however, the impact can only be assessed as each acquisition is consummated.

In December 2007, the FASB issued new accounting guidance related to the accounting for noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements. The new guidance was issued to improve the relevance, comparability, and transparency of financial information provided to investors by requiring all entities to report noncontrolling (minority) interests in subsidiaries in the same way, that is, as equity in the consolidated financial statements. Moreover, the new guidance eliminates the diversity that currently exists in accounting for transactions between an entity and noncontrolling interests by requiring they be treated as equity transactions. This new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued new guidance which enhances required disclosures regarding derivatives and hedging activities, including enhanced disclosures regarding how: 1) an entity uses derivative instruments, 2) derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted and 3) derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows. Although early adoption is encouraged, the new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In April 2008, the FASB issued new guidance which amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions that are used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset and requires enhanced related disclosures. The new guidance must be applied prospectively to all intangible assets acquired as of and subsequent to years beginning after December 15, 2008, which is the Company's 2010. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2008, the FASB issued new guidance to clarify that the liability and equity components of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion (including partial cash settlement) must be separately accounted for in a manner that will reflect the entity's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest cost is recognized in subsequent periods. The new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company has convertible debt instruments that

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will be affected by this guidance and is evaluating the impact of the adoption of the guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on accounting for multiple-deliverable arrangements to enable vendors to account for products and services separately rather than as a combined unit. The guidance addresses how to separate deliverables and how to measure and allocate arrangement consideration to one or more units of accounting. The new guidance will be effective as of the beginning of the annual reporting period commencing after June 15, 2010, and will be adopted by the Company as of October 1, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

Recently issued effective accounting pronouncements

In April 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which requires disclosure about fair value of financial instruments for interim periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements. This statement was effective for the Company starting with the interim period ending June 30, 2009, and was applied prospectively as required. The Company has included the required disclosure in this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which establishes principles and requirements for subsequent events regarding: 1) the period after the balance sheet date during which management shall evaluate events and transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements; 2) the circumstances under which an entity shall recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements; and 3) the disclosure that an entity shall make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. This statement was effective for the Company starting with the interim period ending June 30, 2009, and was applied prospectively as required. The Company has included the required disclosure in this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which established the FASB Accounting Codification as the source of authoritative accounting principles recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities in the preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP. The new guidance became effective for financial statements issued for interim periods ended after September 15, 2009, and were adopted by the Company for this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries and the report thereon of Grant Thornton LLP are included herein:

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

Consolidated Balance Sheets at September 30, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Operations for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Schedule I Condensed Financial Information of Registrant.

Schedule II Valuation and Qualifying Accounts.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Shareholders

Griffon Corporation

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Griffon Corporation (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss), and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 2009. Our audits of the basic financial statements included the financial statement schedules listed in the index appearing under Item 15(a)(2). These financial statements and financial statement schedules are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial statement schedules based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Griffon Corporation and subsidiaries as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 2009 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also in our opinion, the related financial statement schedules, when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole, present fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Note 1 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements, effective October 1, 2007, the Company adopted new accounting guidance related to the accounting for uncertainty in income tax reporting.

As discussed in Note 11 of the notes to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted accounting amendments on September 30, 2007 related to the recognition of the funded status of defined benefit postretirement plans in the consolidated balance sheets.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Griffon Corporation and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2009 based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and our report dated November 24, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

New York, New York November 24, 2009

GRIFFON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in thousands, except per share data)

	At September 30, 2009	At September 30, 2008
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 320,833	\$ 311,921
Accounts receivable, net of		
allowances of \$4,457 and \$5,609	164,619	163,586
Contract costs and recognized		
income not yet billed, net of progress		
payments of \$14,592 and \$8,863	75,536	69,001
Inventories, net	139,170	167,158
Prepaid and other current assets	39,261	52,430
Assets of discontinued operations	1,576	9,495
Total Current Assets	740,995	773,591
PROPERTY, PLANT AND		
EQUIPMENT, net	236,019	239,003
GOODWILL	97,657	93,782
INTANGIBLE ASSETS, net	34,211	34,777
OTHER ASSETS	30,648	22,067
ASSETS OF DISCONTINUED		
OPERATIONS	5,877	8,346
Total Assets	\$ 1,145,407	\$ 1,171,566
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Notes payable and current portion of		
long-term debt	\$ 81,410	\$ 2,258
Accounts payable	125,027	129,823
Accrued liabilities	61,120	64,450
Liabilities of discontinued operations	4,932	14,917
Total Current Liabilities	272,489	211,448
LONG-TERM DEBT	98,394	230,930
OTHER LIABILITIES	78,837	59,460
LIABILITIES OF DISCONTINUED		
OPERATIONS	8,784	10,048
Total Liabilities	458,504	511,886
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred stock, par value \$0.25 per share, authorized 3,000 shares, no shares issued Common stock, par value \$0.25 per		
share, authorized 85,000 shares, issued 72,040 shares and 71,095	10.010	19 77 4
shares	18,010	17,774
Capital in excess of par value	420,749	415,505
Retained earnings	438,782	415,991

Treasury shares, at cost, 12,466 common shares and 12,440 common shares	(213,560)	(213,310)
Accumulated other comprehensive		
Deferred compensation	28,170 (5,248)	25,469 (1,749)
Total Shareholders' Equity	686,903	659,680
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$ 1,145,407 \$	1,171,566

The accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

GRIFFON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(in thousands, except per share data)

		Years Ended September 30,					
		2009 2008			2007		
Revenue	\$	1,194,050	\$	1,269,305	\$	1,365,729	
Cost of goods and services	Ψ	936,927	Ψ	996,308	Ψ	1,071,173	
Cost of goods and services		,50,521		<i>))</i> 0,500		1,071,175	
Gross profit		257,123		272,997		294,556	
Selling and administrative expenses		230,736		245,430		242,502	
Impairment of goodwill		200,700		12,913		212,302	
Restructuring and other related charges		1,240		2,610		2,501	
Restructuring and other related charges		1,240		2,010		2,301	
Total operating expenses		231,976		260,953		245,003	
Income from operations		25,147		12,044		49,553	
Other income (expense)							
Interest expense		(9,562)		(12,345)		(13,406)	
Interest income		1,539		1,970		2,397	
Gain from debt extinguishment, net		7,360		1,770		2,371	
Other, net		1,522		2,713		2,892	
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Total other income (expense)		859		(7,662)		(8,117)	
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Income before taxes and discontinued							
operations		26,006		4,382		41,436	
Provision for income taxes		4,005		4,294		13,271	
Income from continuing operations		22,001		88		28,165	
Discontinued operations:							
Income (loss) from operations of the							
discontinued Installation Services							
business		1,230		(62,447)		(9,804)	
Provision (benefit) for income taxes		440		(21,856)		(3,718)	
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Income (loss) from discontinued							
operations		790		(40,591)		(6,086)	
Net income (loss)	\$	22,791	\$	(40,503)	\$	22,079	
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Basic earnings (loss) per common							
share:							
Income (loss) from continuing							
operations	\$	0.37	\$	0.00	\$	0.87	
Income (loss) from discontinued							
operations		0.01		(1.24)		(0.19)	
Net income (loss)		0.39		(1.24)		0.68	
Weighted-average shares outstanding		58,699		32,667		32,405	
Diluted earnings (loss) per common							
share:							
Income (loss) from continuing							
operations	\$	0.37	\$	0.00	\$	0.84	

Income (loss) from discontinued			
operations	0.01	(1.24)	(0.19)
Net income (loss)	0.39	(1.24)	0.65
Weighted-average shares outstanding	59,002	32,836	33,357

The accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

GRIFFON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in thousands)

	Years Ended September 30,			
	2009	2008	2007	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2005	2000	2001	
Net income (loss)	\$ 22,791	\$ (40,503)	\$ 22,079	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided			. ,	
by operating activities:				
Loss (income) from discontinued operations	(790)	40,591	6,086	
Depreciation and amortization	42,346	42,923	39,458	
Impairment of goodwill		12,913		
Stock-based compensation	4,145	3,327	2,412	
Provision for losses on account receivable	628	1,089	649	
Amortization/write-off of deferred financing costs	1,680	1,402		
Gain from debt extinguishment, net	(7,360)			
Deferred income taxes	(826)	212	(10,004)	
Change in assets and liabilities:				
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable and contract costs				
and recognized income not yet billed	(6,690)	13,585	20,174	
(Increase) decrease in inventories	28,498	(23,500)	3,651	
(Increase) decrease in prepaid and other assets	11,130	(12,524)	(141)	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, accrued liabilities and				
income taxes payable	(8,627)	53,095	(27,560)	
Other changes, net	(2,825)	(6,561)	2,894	
Net cash provided by operating activities	84,100	86,049	59,698	
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(32,697)	(53,116)	(29,737)	
Acquired businesses	(32,077)	(1,829)	(818)	
Proceeds from sale of assets	200	1,000	(010)	
(Increase) decrease in equipment lease deposits	(336)	4,593	(6,092)	
Funds restricted for capital projects	(550)	1,375	(4,521)	
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Not each used in investing activities	(22, 822)	(49,352)	(11 169)	
Net cash used in investing activities	(32,833)	(49,552)	(41,168)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	5 3 5	041.044		
Proceeds from issuance of shares from rights offering	7,257	241,344	(4.255)	
Purchase of shares for treasury	11 401	(579)	(4,355)	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	11,431	89,235	47,891	
Payments of long-term debt	(56,676)	(87,785)	(27,650)	
Decrease in short-term borrowings	(866)	(924)	(5,834)	
Financing costs	(597)	(10,027)		
Purchase of ESOP shares	(4,370)		0.500	
Exercise of stock options	017	2	2,588	
Tax benefit from vesting of restricted stock	217	120	1,346	
Other, net	402	139	271	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(43,202)	231,406	14,257	
CASH FLOWS FROM DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS:				
Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations	(1,305)	(5,410)	5,963	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		5,496	(17,184)	

Net cash provided by (used in) discontinued operations	(1,305)	86	(11,221)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and equivalents	2,152	(1,015)	792
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	8,912	267,174	22,358
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	311,921	44,747	22,389
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 320,833	\$ 311,921	\$ 44,747
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:			
Cash paid for interest	\$ 7,065	\$ 8,303	\$ 9,230
Cash paid for taxes	7,602	6,207	22,943
Stock subscriptions receivable pursuant to rights offering		5,274	
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GRIFFON CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) (in thousands)

		COMMON STOCK CAPITAL IN EXCESS		SHARES			CUMULATED OTHER			
		PAR	OF	RETAINED		COM	APREHENSI NE	FERRED ESOP		PREHENSIVE NCOME
	SHARES			EARNINGSS		COST	(LOSS)COMI			(LOSS)
Balance at 9/30/2006	41,628	\$ 10,407	\$ 167,246	\$ 439,084 22,079	11,780	\$ (201,844)	\$ (406) \$	(2,042) \$	\$412,445	22,079
Net income Common stock issued for options				22,079					22,079 \$	22,079
exercised	628	157	8,731		411	(6,532)			2,356	
Tax benefit from the exercise of			,						,	
stock options			1,346						1,346	
Amortization of deferred								5.40	5.40	
compensation Common stock acquired					208	(4,355)		543	543 (4,355)	
Restricted stock vesting	73	18	(18)	208	(4,333)			(4,333)	
ESOP distribution of common	15	10	(10)						
stock			307						307	
Stock-based compensation			2,410					(120)	2,290	
Translation of foreign financial							20.177		20 (77	20 177
statements							28,477		28,477	28,477
Adoption of pension guidance Pension OCI amortization, net of							(1,521)		(1,521)	
tax							2,972		2,972	2,972
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Balance at 9/30/2007	42,329	10,582	180,022	461,163	12,399	(212,731)	29,522	(1,619)	466,939 \$	53,528
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Net loss				(40,503)					(40,503)	(40,503)
Tax benefit from the exercise of				(10,505)					(10,505)	(10,505)
stock options			3						3	
Amortization of deferred										
compensation						(550)		(221)	(221)	
Common stock acquired	373	94	(0.4	`	41	(579)			(579)	
Restricted stock vesting ESOP distribution of common	3/3	94	(94)						
stock			(71)					(71)	
Stock-based compensation			3,236	,				91	3,327	
Issuance of common stock										
pursuant to rights offering, net of										
financing costs	28,393	7,098	232,409						239,507	
Translation of foreign financial statements							(6,061)		(6,061)	(6,061)
Adoption of uncertain tax position							(0,001)		(0,001)	(0,001)
guidance				(4,669)					(4,669)	
Pension OCI amortization, net of										
tax							2,008		2,008	2,008
Balance at 9/30/2008	71,095	17,774	415,505	415,991	12,440	(213,310)	25,469	(1,749)	659,680 \$	(44,556)
Net income				22,791					22,791 \$	22,791
Common stock issued for options		_								
exercised Tax benefit from the exercise of	33	7	(7)						
stock options			217						217	
Amortization of deferred			217						217	
compensation								818	818	
Common stock acquired					26	(250)			(250)	
Restricted stock vesting	58	15	(747)				/	(732)	
ESOP purchase of common stock								(4,370)	(4,370)	
ESOP distribution of common stock			(22						(22)	
Stock-based compensation			4,092	,				53	4,145	
Stock based compensation			т,092					55	7,173	

Issuance of common stock							
pursuant to rights offering, net of							
financing costs	854	214	1,711			1,925	
Translation of foreign financial							
statements					11,836	11,836	11,836
Pension OCI amortization, net of							
tax					(9,135)	(9,135)	(9,135)
Balance at 9/30/2009	72,040 \$	18,010 \$	420,749 \$ 438,782	12,466 \$ (213,560) \$	28,170 \$	(5,248) \$686,903 \$	25,492

The accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

GRIFFON CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

(Unless otherwise indicated, all references to years or year-end refer to the Company's fiscal period ending September 30)

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Business

Griffon Corporation (the "Company" or "Griffon"), is a diversified management and holding company that conducts business through wholly-owned subsidiaries. The Company oversees the operations of its subsidiaries, allocates resources among them and manages their capital structures. The Company provides direction and assistance to its subsidiaries in connection with acquisition and growth opportunities as well as in connection with divestitures. Griffon also seeks out, evaluates and, when appropriate, will acquire additional businesses that offer potentially attractive returns on capital to further diversify itself.

Headquartered in New York, N.Y., the Company was incorporated in New York in 1959, and was reincorporated in Delaware in 1970. It changed its name to Griffon Corporation in 1995.

Griffon currently conducts its operations through Telephonics Corporation, Clopay Building Products Company and Clopay Plastic Products Company.

Telephonics Corporation ("Telephonics") high-technology engineering and manufacturing capabilities provide integrated information, communication and sensor system solutions to military and commercial markets worldwide.

Clopay Building Products Company ("Building Products") is a leading manufacturer and marketer of residential, commercial and industrial garage doors to professional installing dealers and major home center retail chains.

Clopay Plastic Products Company ("Plastics") is an international leader in the development and production of embossed, laminated and printed specialty plastic films used in a variety of hygienic, health-care and industrial applications.

Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Griffon Corporation and all subsidiaries (the "Company" or "Griffon"). Intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Earnings Per Share

Due to rounding, the sum of earnings per share of Continuing operations and Discontinued operations may not equal earnings per share of Net income.

Discontinued Operations Installation Services

As a result of the downturn in the residential housing market, in 2008, the Company exited substantially all of the operating activities of its Installation Services segment; this segment sold, installed and serviced garage doors, garage door openers, fireplaces, floor coverings, cabinetry and a range of related building products primarily for the new residential housing market. Operating results of substantially the entire Installation Services segment have been reported as discontinued operations

GRIFFON CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

in the Consolidated Statements of Operations for all periods presented herein, and the segment is excluded from segment reporting.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts in prior years have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting periods. These estimates may be adjusted due to changes in economic, industry or customer financial conditions, as well as, changes in technology or demand. Significant estimates include allowances for doubtful accounts receivable and returns, net realizable value of inventories, restructuring reserves, valuation of goodwill and intangible assets, pension assumptions, useful lives associated with depreciation and amortization of intangible and fixed assets, warranty reserves, sales incentive accruals, stock based compensation assumptions, income taxes and tax valuation reserves, environmental reserves, legal reserves, insurance reserves and the valuation of discontinued assets and liabilities, and the accompanying disclosures. These estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions Griffon may undertake in the future. Actual results may ultimately differ from these estimates.

Cash and equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents primarily consist of overnight commercial paper, highly-rated liquid money market funds backed by U.S. Treasury securities and U.S. Agency securities, as well as insured bank deposits. The Company had cash in non-U.S. bank accounts of approximately \$39,007 and \$22,850 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. The majority of these amounts are covered by government insurance or backed by government securities. The Company evaluates all institutions and funds that hold its cash and equivalents.

Fair value of financial instruments

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued new guidance, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in accordance with GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. For financial assets and liabilities, this statement, which was effective for the Company on October 1, 2008, did not require any new fair value measurements. The adoption of this new guidance did not have a material impact on Griffon's consolidated financial statements. In February 2008, the FASB delayed the effective date of the new guidance for the Company to October 1, 2009, for non-financial assets and liabilities, except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis (at least annually).

GRIFFON CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

In February 2007, the FASB issued new guidance to provide companies the option to report selected financial assets and liabilities at fair value. Upon adoption of this new guidance on October 1, 2008, the Company did not elect the fair value option to report its financial assets and liabilities at fair value. Accordingly, the adoption of this new guidance did not have an impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

The carrying values of cash and equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts and notes payable and revolving credit debt approximate fair value due to either the short-term nature of such instruments or the fact that the interest rate of the revolving credit debt is based upon current market rates.

The Company's 4% convertible notes' fair value was approximately \$79 million on September 30, 2009, which was based upon quoted market price (level 1 inputs).

Items Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Insurance contracts with a value of \$4,803 at September 30, 2009, are measured and recorded at fair value based upon quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (level 1 inputs).

Non-U.S. currency translation

Assets and liabilities of non-U.S. subsidiaries, where the functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, have been translated at year-end exchange rates and profit and loss accounts have been translated using weighted average exchange rates. Adjustments resulting from currency translation have been recorded in the equity section of the balance sheet as cumulative translation adjustments. Assets and liabilities of an entity that are denominated in currencies other than an entity's functional currency are remeasured into the functional currency using end of period exchange rates, or historical rates where applicable to certain balances. Gains and losses related to these remeasurements are recorded within the Statement of Operations as a component of Other income (expense).

Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized when the following circumstances are satisfied: a) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, b) delivery has occurred or services are rendered, c) price is fixed and determinable and d) collectability is reasonably assured. Goods are sold on terms which transfer title and risk of loss at a specified location, typically shipping point. Revenue recognition from product sales occurs when all factors are met, including transfer of title and risk of loss, which occurs either upon shipment or upon receipt by customers at the location specified in the terms of sale. Other than standard product warranty provisions, sales arrangements provide for no other significant post-shipment obligations. From time to time and for certain customers rebates and other sales incentives, promotional allowances or discounts are offered, typically related to customer purchase volume, all of which are fixed or determinable and are classified as a reduction of revenue and recorded at the time of sale. Griffon provides for sales returns allowances based upon historical returns experience.

Telephonics earns a substantial portion of its revenue as either a prime or subcontractor from contract awards with the U.S. Government, as well as non-U.S. governments and other commercial customers. These formal contracts are typically long-term in nature, usually greater than one year. Revenue and profits from these long-term fixed price contracts are recognized under the percentage-of-completion method of accounting. Revenue and profits on fixed-price contracts that

GRIFFON CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

contain engineering as well as production requirements are recorded based on the ratio of total actual incurred costs to date to the total estimated costs for each contract (cost-to-cost method). Using the cost-to-cost method, revenue is recorded at amounts equal to the ratio of actual cumulative costs incurred divided by total estimated costs at completion, multiplied by the total estimated contract revenue, less the cumulative revenue recognized in prior periods. The profit recorded on a contract using this method is equal to the current estimated total profit margin multiplied by the cumulative revenue recognized, less the amount of cumulative profit previously recorded for the contract in prior periods. As this method relies on the substantial use of estimates, these projections may be revised throughout the life of a contract. Components of this formula and ratio that may be estimated include gross profit margin and total costs at completion. The cost performance and estimates to complete on long-term contracts are reviewed, at a minimum, on a quarterly basis, as well as when information becomes available that would necessitate a review of the current estimate. Adjustments to estimates for a contract's estimated costs at completion and estimated profit or loss often are required as experience is gained, and as more information is obtained, even though the scope of work required under the contract may or may not change, or if contract modifications occur. The impact of such adjustments or changes to estimates is made on a cumulative basis in the period when such information has become known. Gross profit is affected by a variety of factors, including the mix of products, systems and services, production efficiencies, price competition and general economic conditions.

Revenue and profits on cost-reimbursable type contracts are recognized as allowable costs are incurred on the contract, at an amount equal to the allowable costs plus the estimated profit on those costs. The estimated profit on a cost-reimbursable contract may be fixed or variable based on the contractual fee arrangement. Incentive and award fees on these contracts are recorded as revenue when the criteria under which they are earned are reasonably assured of being met and can be estimated.

For contracts whose anticipated total costs exceed the total expected revenue, an estimated loss is recognized in the period when identifiable. A provision for the entire amount of the estimated loss is recorded on a cumulative basis.

Amounts representing contract change orders or claims are included in revenue only when they can be reliably estimated and their realization is probable, and are determined on a percentage-of-completion basis measured by the cost-to-cost method.

Accounts receivable, allowance for doubtful accounts and concentrations of credit risk

Accounts receivable is composed principally of trade accounts receivable that arise primarily from the sale of goods or services on account and is stated at historical cost. A substantial portion of the Company's trade receivables are from customers of Building Products whose financial condition is dependent on the construction and related retail sectors of the economy. In addition, a significant portion of the Company's trade receivables are from one Plastics customer, P&G, whose financial condition is dependent on the consumer products and related sectors of the economy. Telephonics sells its products to domestic and international government agencies, as well as commercial customers. The Company performs continuing evaluations of the financial condition of its customers, and although the Company generally does not require collateral, letters of credit may be required from customers in certain circumstances.

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Trade receivables are recorded at the stated amount, less allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance represents estimated uncollectible receivables associated with potential customer defaults on contractual obligations (usually due to customers' potential insolvency). The allowance for doubtful accounts includes amounts for certain customers where a risk of default has been specifically identified, as well as an amount for customer defaults based on a formula when it is determined the risk of some default is probable and estimable, but cannot yet be associated with specific customers. The provision related to the allowance for doubtful accounts was recorded in selling, general and administrative expenses.

Contract costs and recognized income not yet billed

Contract costs and recognized income not yet billed consists of amounts accounted for under the percentage of completion method of accounting, recoverable costs and accrued profit that cannot yet be invoiced under the terms of certain long-term contracts. Amounts will be invoiced when applicable contract terms such as the achievement of specified milestones or product delivery, are met.

Inventories

Inventories, stated at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out or average) or market, include material, labor and manufacturing overhead costs.

Griffon's businesses typically do not require inventory that is susceptible to becoming obsolete or dated. In general, Telephonics sells products in connection with programs authorized and approved under contracts awarded by the U.S. Government or agencies thereof, either as prime or subcontractor, and in accordance with customer specifications. Plastics primarily produces fabricated materials used by customers in the production of their products and these materials are produced against orders by those customers. Building Products produces garage doors in response to orders from customers of retailers and dealers.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment includes the historic cost of land, buildings, equipment and significant improvements to existing plant and equipment. Expenditures for maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred. When property or equipment is sold or otherwise disposed of, the related cost and accumulated depreciation is removed from the respective accounts and the gain or loss is realized in income.

Depreciation expense, which includes amortization of assets under capital leases, was \$40,919, \$42,061 and \$39,333 for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and was calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Estimated useful lives for property, plant and equipment are as follows: buildings and building improvements, 25 to 40 years; machinery and equipment, 2 to 15 years and leasehold improvements, over the term of the lease or life of the improvement, whichever is shorter.

Capitalized interest costs included in property, plant and equipment were \$331, \$511 and \$454 for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The original cost of fully-depreciated property, plant and equipment remaining in use at September 30, 2009 was approximately \$182,000.

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Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangibles

Goodwill is the excess of the acquisition cost of business over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired. Goodwill is not amortized, but is subject to an annual impairment test unless during an interim period, impairment indicators, such as a significant change in the business climate, exist.

The Company performs its annual impairment testing of goodwill in September. The performance of the test involves a two-step process. The first step involves comparing the fair value of the Company's reporting units with the reporting unit's carrying amount, including goodwill. The Company generally determines the fair value of its reporting units using the income approach methodology of valuation that includes the present value of expected future cash flows. This method uses the Company's own market assumptions. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds the reporting unit's fair value, the Company performs the second step of the goodwill impairment test to determine the amount of impairment loss. The second step compares the implied fair value of the reporting unit's goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. In 2009, all reporting units passed step one, and therefore step two was not performed.

The Company defines its reporting units as its three segments.

The Company used five year projections and a 3% terminal value to which discount rates between 11.75% and 12.50% were applied to calculate each unit's fair value. To substantiate the fair values derived from the income approach methodology of valuation, the implied fair value was reconciled to the Company's market capitalization, the results of which supported the implied fair values. Any changes in key assumptions or management judgment with respect to a reporting unit or its prospects, which may result from a decline in Griffon's stock price, a change in market conditions, market trends, interest rates or other factors outside Griffon's control, or significant underperformance relative to historical or project future operating results, could result in a significantly different estimate of the fair value of the reporting units, which could result in a future impairment charge.

In 2008, based on the results of the annual goodwill impairment testing, all of the goodwill of Building Products was written down due to impairment resulting in a charge of \$12.9 million.

Similar to Goodwill, the Company tests indefinite-lived intangible assets at least annually unless indicators of impairment exist. The Company uses a discounted cash flow method to calculate and compare the fair value of the intangible to its book value. This method uses the Company's own market assumptions which are reasonable and supportable. If the fair value is less than the book value of the indefinite-lived intangibles, an impairment charge would be recognized. There was no impairment related to any indefinite-lived intangible assets in 2009 or 2008.

Definite-lived long-lived assets

Amortizable intangible assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortization. For financial reporting purposes, definite lived intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over their useful lives, generally eight to twenty-five years. Long-lived assets and certain identifiable intangible assets to be held and used are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Determination of

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recoverability is based on an estimate of undiscounted future cash flows resulting from the use of the asset and its eventual disposition.

The goodwill impairment in 2008 was deemed an indicator of potential impairment of the definite-lived long-lived assets of Building Products. As a result, these assets were tested as a group for impairment in 2008, and again in 2009. For both periods, the future undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated from the use of these assets were substantially greater than the carrying value of the assets, and as such, there was no impairment.

Income taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the liability method. Deferred taxes reflect the tax consequences on future years of differences between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their financial reporting amounts. The carrying value of the company's deferred tax assets is dependent upon the Company's ability to generate sufficient future taxable income in certain tax jurisdictions. Should the Company determine that it is more likely than not that some portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets would be established in the period such determination was made.

Effective October 1, 2007, the Company adopted FASB guidance which prescribes the way companies are to account for uncertainty in income tax reporting, and prescribes methodology for recognizing, reversing and measuring the tax benefits of a tax position expected to be taken, in a tax return. The Company provides for uncertain tax positions and any related interest and penalties based upon Management's assessment of whether a tax benefit is more likely than not of being sustained upon examination by tax authorities. At September 30, 2009 the Company believes that it has appropriately accounted for all unrecognized tax benefits. As a result of adopting this new guidance effective October 1, 2007, the Company recorded a \$4,669 increase to reserves as a "cumulative effect" decrease to opening retained earnings. As of September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, the Company has recorded unrecognized tax benefits in the amount of \$8,138, \$11,634 and \$21,646, respectively. Accrued interest and penalties related to income tax matters are recorded in the provision for income taxes.

Research and development costs, shipping and handling costs and advertising costs

Research and development costs not recoverable under contractual arrangements are charged to selling, general and administrative expense as incurred and amounted to \$17,800, \$17,500 and \$16,400 in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Selling, general and administrative expenses include shipping and handling costs of \$30,500 in 2009, \$37,700 in 2008 and \$38,900 in 2007 and advertising costs, which are expensed as incurred, of \$15,200 in 2009, \$17,800 in 2008 and \$17,500 in 2007.

Risk, Retention and Insurance

The Company's property and casualty insurance programs contain various deductibles that, based on the Company's experience, are typical and customary for a company of its size and risk profile. The Company generally maintains deductibles for claims and liabilities related primarily to workers' compensation, health and welfare claims, general commercial, product and automobile liability and property damage, and business interruption resulting from certain events. The Company does not

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consider any of the deductibles to represent a material risk to the Company. The Company accrues for claim exposures that are probable of occurrence and can be reasonably estimated. Insurance is maintained to transfer risk beyond the level of self-retention and provides protection on both an individual claim and annual aggregate basis.

In the U.S., the Company currently self-assumes its product and commercial general liability claims up to \$500 per occurrence, its workers' compensation claims up to \$350 per occurrence, and automobile liability claims up to \$250 per occurrence. Third-party insurance provides primary level coverage in excess of these deductible amounts up to certain specified limits. In addition, the Company has excess liability insurance from third-party insurers on both an aggregate and an individual occurrence basis substantially in excess of the limits of the primary coverage.

The Company has local insurance coverage in Germany and Brazil which is subject to reasonable deductibles. The Company has worldwide excess coverage above these local programs.

Pension Benefits

Griffon sponsors two defined benefit pension plans for certain employees and retired employees. Annual amounts relating to these plans are recorded based on actuarial projections, which include various actuarial assumptions, including discount rates, assumed rates of return, compensation increases and turnover rates. The actuarial assumptions used to determine pension liabilities and assets, as well as pension expense, are reviewed on an annual basis when modifications to assumptions are made based on current economic conditions and trends. The expected return on plan assets is determined based on the nature of the plans' investments and expectations for long-term rates of return. The discount rate used to measure obligations is based on a corporate bond spot-rate yield curve that matches projected future benefit payments with the appropriate spot rate applicable to the timing of the projected future benefit payments. The assumptions utilized in recording Griffon's obligations under the defined benefit pension plans are believed to be reasonable based on experience and advice from independent actuaries; however, differences in actual experience or changes in the assumptions may materially affect Griffon's financial position or results of operations.

The qualified defined benefit plan has been frozen to new entrants since December 2000. Certain employees who were part of the plan prior to December 2000 continue to accrue a service benefit for an additional 10 years, at which time all plan participants will stop accruing service benefits.

Newly issued but not yet effective accounting pronouncements

In December 2007, the FASB issued new accounting guidance related to the accounting for business combinations. The purpose of the new guidance is to better represent the economic value of a business combination transaction. The new guidance retains the fundamental requirement of the old guidance where the acquisition method of accounting is to be used for all business combinations and for an acquirer to be identified for each business combination. In general the new guidance 1) broadens the old guidance by extending its applicability to all events where one entity obtains control over one or more businesses, 2) broadens the use of the fair value measurements used to recognize the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, 3) changes the accounting for acquisition related fees and restructuring costs incurred in connection with an acquisition and 4) increases required disclosure. The Company anticipates that the adoption of the new guidance, effective for Griffon for

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any business combinations that occur after October 1, 2009, will have an impact on the way in which business combinations are accounted for, however, the impact can only be assessed as each acquisition is consummated.

In December 2007, the FASB issued new accounting guidance related to the accounting for noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements. The new guidance was issued to improve the relevance, comparability, and transparency of financial information provided to investors by requiring all entities to report noncontrolling (minority) interests in subsidiaries in the same way, that is, as equity in the consolidated financial statements. Moreover, the new guidance eliminates the diversity that currently exists in accounting for transactions between an entity and noncontrolling interests by requiring they be treated as equity transactions. This new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued new guidance which enhances required disclosures regarding derivatives and hedging activities, including enhanced disclosures regarding how: 1) an entity uses derivative instruments, 2) derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted and 3) derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows. Although early adoption is encouraged, the new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In April 2008, the FASB issued new guidance which amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions that are used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset and requires enhanced related disclosures. The new guidance must be applied prospectively to all intangible assets acquired as of and subsequent to years beginning after December 15, 2008, which is the Company's year 2010. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In May 2008, the FASB issued new guidance to clarify that the liability and equity components of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion (including partial cash settlement) must be separately accounted for in a manner that will reflect the entity's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest cost is recognized in subsequent periods. The new guidance is effective for the Company as of October 1, 2009. The Company has convertible debt instruments that will be affected by this guidance and is evaluating the impact of the adoption of the guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on accounting for multiple-deliverable arrangements to enable vendors to accounts for products and services separately rather than as a combined unit. The guidance addresses how to separate deliverables and how to measure and allocate arrangement consideration to one or more units of accounting. The new guidance will be effective as of the beginning of the annual reporting period commencing after June 15, 2010, and will be adopted by the Company as of October 1, 2010. Early adoption is permitted. The Company is evaluating the potential impact, if any, of the adoption of the new guidance on its consolidated financial statements.

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NOTE 2 ADOPTION OF NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In April 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which requires disclosure about fair value of financial instruments for interim periods of publicly traded companies as well as in annual financial statements. This statement was effective for the Company starting with the interim period ending June 30, 2009, and was applied prospectively as required. The Company has included the required disclosure in this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which establishes principles and requirements for subsequent events regarding: 1) the period after the balance sheet date during which management shall evaluate events and transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements; 2) the circumstances under which an entity shall recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements; and 3) the disclosure that an entity shall make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. This statement was effective for the Company starting with the interim period ending June 30, 2009, and was applied prospectively as required. The Company has included the required disclosure in this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance which established the FASB Accounting Codification as the source of authoritative accounting principles recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities in the preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP. The new guidance became effective for financial statements issued for interim periods ended after September 15, 2009, and were adopted by the Company for this Form 10-K. The adoption of this guidance did not have a material effect on Griffon's consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 3 INVENTORIES

The following table details the components of inventory:

(in thousands)	-	mber 30, 09	At Se	At September 30, 2008			
Raw materials and supplies	\$	38,943	\$	45,583			
Work in process		66,741		70,716			
Finished goods		33,486		50,859			
Total	\$	139,170	\$	167,158			

NOTE 4 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The following table details the components of property, plant and equipment, net:

(in thousands)	Ats	September 30, 2009	At September 30, 2008			
Land, building and building improvements	\$	110,617	\$	108,344		
Machinery and equipment		423,742		390,282		
Leasehold improvements		23,390		21,832		
		557,749		520,458		
Accumulated depreciation and amortization		(321,730)		(281,455)		
Total	\$	236,019	\$	239,003		
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NOTE 5 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLES

The following table provides changes in carrying value of goodwill by segment through the year ended September 30, 2009:

(in thousands)	Sep	At otember 30, 2007	Goodwill Ipaired in 2008	Other adjustments including currency translations		At September 30, 2008		Other adjustments including currency translations		Sep	At otember 30, 2009
Telephonics	\$	18,545	\$	\$		\$	18,545	\$		\$	18,545
Clopay Building											
Products		12,913	(12,913)	1							
Clopay Plastic											
Products		76,959			(1,722)		75,237		3,875		79,112
Total	\$	108,417	\$ (12,913)	\$	(1,722)	\$	93,782	\$	3,875	\$	97,657

The following table provides the gross carrying value and accumulated amortization for each major class of intangible asset:

	At Septen 200	30,	At September 30, 2008				
(dollar amounts in thousands)	Gross Carrying Amount	 cumulated ortization	Average Life (Years)		Gross Carrying Amount		cumulated ortization
Customer relationships	\$ 30,650	\$ 5,628	25	\$	29,507	\$	4,162
Unpatented technology	2,990	349	15		2,990		150
Total amortizable							
intangible assets	33,640	5,977	24		32,497		4,312
Trademark	590				590		
Unpatented technology	5,958				6,002		
Total intangible assets	\$ 40,188	\$ 5,977		\$	39,089	\$	4,312

In December 2007, Telephonics acquired certain assets and assumed certain liabilities of a video surveillance systems integration business. The purchase price was \$1,750 in cash plus performance-based cash payments over a three-year period up to \$1,750. On the date of acquisition, a total of \$2,990, which included the purchase price and an estimate for contingent performance-based cash payments, was recorded to Unpatented Technology. Since the acquisition, performance-based cash payments of \$18 and zero were paid in 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization was \$1,427, \$1,574 and \$1,764 for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Amortization expense for each of the next five years, based on current intangible balances and classifications, is estimated as follows: 2010 \$1,480; 2011 \$1,448; 2012 \$1,413; 2013 \$1,406 and 2014 \$1,399.

NOTE 6 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

As a result of the downturn in the residential housing market and the impact on the Installation Services segment, the Company's management originally initiated a plan during 2008 to exit certain markets within the Installation Services segment through the sale or disposition of business units. As part of the decision to exit certain markets, the Company closed three units of the Installation Services segment in 2008.

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NOTE 6 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (Continued)

Subsequently, the Company's Board of Directors approved a plan to exit all other operating activities of the Installation Services segment in 2008, with the exception of two units which were merged into Building Products. As part of this plan, the Company closed one additional unit during the third quarter of 2008, sold nine units to one buyer in the third quarter of 2008 and sold its two remaining units in Phoenix and Las Vegas in the fourth quarter of 2008. The plan met the criteria for discontinued operations classification in accordance with GAAP. Operating results of substantially all of the Installation Services segment have been reported as discontinued operations in the consolidated statements of operations for all periods presented and the Installation Services segment is excluded from segment reporting.

The following amounts related to the Installation Services segment have been segregated from the Company's continuing operations and are reported as assets and liabilities of discontinued operations in the consolidated balance sheets:

		At Septer 20		30,	At September 30, 2008			
(in thousands)	Cu	urrent	Long-term		Current		Long-term	
Assets of discontinued operations:								
Accounts receivable	\$		\$		\$	3,414	\$	
Prepaid and other current assets		1,576				6,081		
Other long-term assets				5,877				8,346
Total assets of discontinued operations	\$	1,576	\$	5,877	\$	9,495	\$	8,346
Liabilities of discontinued operations:								
Accounts payable	\$	13	\$		\$	340	\$	
Accrued liabilities		4,919				14,577		
Other long-term liabilities				8,784				10,048
Total liabilities of discontinued operations	\$	4,932	\$	8,784	\$	14,917	\$	10,048

Installation Services' revenue was \$109,400 and \$250,900 for 2008 and 2007, respectively. There was no reported revenue in 2009. Disposal costs related to the Installation Services segment of \$43,100 were included in discontinued operations in 2008.

NOTE 7 ACCRUED LIABILITIES

The following table details the components of accrued liabilities:

(in thousands)	At Sej	ptember 30, 2009	At September 30, 2008				
Compensation	\$	31,088	\$	29,638			
Warranties and rebates		7,040		6,894			
Insurance		5,024		5,232			
Non income taxes		5,738		4,996			
Other		12,230		17,690			
Total	\$	61,120	\$	64,450			
				52			

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NOTE 8 RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER RELATED CHARGES

In 2009, the Company announced plans to consolidate facilities in its Building Products segment, actions for which are scheduled to be completed in early calendar 2011. The consolidation is expected to produce annual savings of \$10 million. The Company estimates that it will incur pre-tax exit and restructuring costs of approximately \$12 million, substantially all of which will be cash charges, including approximately \$2 million for one-time termination benefits and other personnel costs, \$1 million for excess facilities and related costs, and \$9 million in other exit costs primarily in connection with production realignment. These charges are expected to be incurred primarily in 2010 and 2011.

In the latter part of 2007, as a result of the downturn in the residential housing market and the impact on the Building Products segment, a plan, which was substantially completed in 2008, was initiated to restructure operations. This plan included charges for workforce reductions, closure or consolidation of excess facilities and other costs for the closure and relocation of its Tempe, AZ manufacturing facility to Troy, OH.

A summary of the restructuring and other related charges included in the line item "Restructuring and other related charges" in the Consolidated Statements of Operations recognized for 2007, 2008 and 2009 were as follows:

(in thousands)	 kforce uction	 ilities & it Costs	Ot	ther related Costs	,	Fotal
Amounts incurred in:						
Year ended September 30, 2007	\$ 677	\$ 922	\$	902	\$	2,501
Year ended September 30, 2008	\$ 647	\$ (11)	\$	1,974	\$	2,610
Year ended September 30, 2009	\$ 207	\$ 672	\$	361	\$	1,240

The activity in the restructuring accrual recorded in Accrued liabilities consisted of the following:

(in thousands)	Workforce Reduction		 acilities & Exit Costs	0	ther related Costs	Total		
Accrued liability at								
September 30,								
2007	\$	639	\$ 727	\$	177	\$	1,543	
Charges		647	(11)		1,974		2,610	
Payments		(1,286)	(485)		(2,151)		(3,922)	
Accrued liability at								
September 30,								
2008			231				231	
Charges		207	672		361		1,240	
Payments			(903)		(361)		(1, 264)	
-								
Accrued liability at								
September 30,								
2009	\$	207	\$	\$		\$	207	

NOTE 9 WARRANTY LIABILITY

The Company offers warranties against product defects for periods ranging from six months to three years, with certain products having a limited lifetime warranty, depending on the specific product and terms of the customer purchase agreement. Typical warranties require the Company to repair or replace the defective products during the warranty period at no cost to the customer. At the time revenue is recognized, Building Products records a liability for warranty costs, estimated based on historical experience. Building Products periodically assesses its warranty obligations and adjusts the liability as necessary. While the Company believes that its liability for product warranties is adequate, the ultimate liability for product warranties could differ materially from estimated warranty costs.

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NOTE 9 WARRANTY LIABILITY (Continued)

Changes in the Company's warranty liability, included in Accrued liabilities, were as follows:

(in thousands)	Fis	cal 2009	Fis	cal 2008
Balance, beginning of fiscal year	\$	5,328	\$	7,868
Warranties issued and charges in estimated pre-existing warranties		5,968		898
Actual warranty costs incurred		(5,589)		(3,438)
Balance, end of fiscal period	\$	5,707	\$	5,328

NOTE 10 NOTES PAYABLE, CAPITALIZED LEASES AND LONG-TERM DEBT

The present value of the net minimum payments on capitalized leases as of September 30, 2009 is as follows:

(in thousands)	ptember 30, 2009
Total minimum lease payments	\$ 17,526
Less amount representing interest	(4,398)
Present value of net minimum lease payments	13,128
Current Portion	(946)
Capitalized lease obligation, less current portion	\$ 12,182

Minimum payments under current capital leases for the next five years are as follows: \$1,588 in 2010, \$1,436 in 2011, \$1,438 in 2012, \$1,432 in 2013 and \$1,436 in 2014.

Included in the consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2009 under property, plant and equipment are cost and accumulated depreciation subject to capitalized leases of \$10,450 and \$1,268, respectively, and included in other assets are restricted cash and deferred interest charges of \$4,629 and \$308, respectively. At September 30, 2008, the amounts subject to capitalized leases were \$10,450 and \$979, respectively, and included in other assets were restricted cash and deferred interest charges of \$4,521 and \$333, respectively. The capitalized leases carry interest rates from 5.04% to 5.85% and mature from 2010 through 2022.

In October 2006, a subsidiary of the Company entered into a capital lease totaling \$14,290 for real estate it occupies in Troy, Ohio. Approximately \$10,000 was used to acquire the building and the remaining amount is restricted for improvements. The lease matures in 2021, bears interest at a fixed rate of 5.1%, is secured by a mortgage on the real estate and is guaranteed by the Company.

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Debt at September 30 2009 and 2008 consisted of the following:

	At September 30,		
(in thousands)	2009		2008
4% convertible subordinated debt	\$ 79,380	\$	130,000
Note payable to banks revolving credit	73,925		79,143
Capital lease real estate	12,978		13,698
Real estate mortgages	7,746		8,175
ESOP loan	5,625		1,880
Capital lease equipment	150		292
Total debt	179,804		233,188
less: Current portion	(81,410)		(2,258)
Long-term debt	\$ 98,394	\$	230,930

Minimum payments under debt agreements for the next five years are as follows: \$81,409 in 2010, \$1,955 in 2011, \$5,119 in 2012, \$75,770 in 2013 and \$1,916 in 2014.

In June 2008, Building Products and Plastics entered into a credit agreement for their domestic operations with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, pursuant to which the lenders agreed to provide a five-year, senior secured revolving credit facility of \$100,000 (the "Clopay Credit Agreement"). Borrowings under the Clopay Credit Agreement bear interest (3.3% at September 30, 2009) at rates based upon LIBOR or the prime rate and are collateralized by the U.S. stock and assets of Building Products and Plastics. At September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, \$35,925 and \$33,900, respectively, were outstanding under the Clopay Credit Agreement and approximately \$32,448 was available for borrowing at September 30, 2009. The Company has been in compliance with all financial covenants under the Clopay Credit Agreement since its inception. The balance of the debt approximates its fair value.

In March 2008, Telephonics entered into a credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the lenders party thereto, pursuant to which the lenders agreed to provide a five-year, revolving credit facility of \$100,000 (the "Telephonics Credit Agreement"). Borrowings under the Telephonics Credit Agreement bear interest (1.9% at September 30, 2009) at rates based upon LIBOR or the prime rate and are collateralized by the stock and assets of Telephonics. At September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, \$38,000 and \$44,500, respectively, were outstanding under the Telephonics Credit Agreement and approximately \$56,973 was available for borrowing at September 30, 2009. The Company has been in compliance with all financial covenants under the Telephonics Credit Agreement since its inception. The balance of the debt approximates its fair value.

The Telephonics Credit Agreement and the Clopay Credit Agreement include various sublimits for standby letters of credit. At September 30, 2009, there was approximately \$16,722 of aggregate standby letters of credit outstanding under these credit facilities. Additionally, these agreements limit dividends and advances that these subsidiaries may pay to the parent.

The Company had outstanding \$79,380 of 4% convertible subordinated notes due 2023 (the "Notes") at September 30, 2009. Holders may convert the Notes at a conversion price of \$22.41 per share, as adjusted pursuant to the rights offering and subject to possible further adjustment, as defined, which is equal to a conversion rate of approximately 44.6229 shares per \$1 principal amount of Notes. The Company has irrevocably elected to pay noteholders at least \$1 in cash for each \$1 principal

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amount of Notes presented for conversion. The excess of the value of the Company's Common Stock that would have been issuable upon conversion over the cash delivered will be paid to Noteholders in shares of the Company's Common Stock. The fair value is approximately \$79 million, which is based upon quoted market price (level 1 inputs). If the stock price remains below the conversion price, it is likely that these notes will be put to the Company in July of 2010, as such they have been classified as a component of Notes payable and current portion of long-term debt.

During 2009, the Company purchased \$50,620 face value of the Notes from certain noteholders for \$42,741. The Company recorded a pre-tax gain from debt extinguishment of approximately \$7,879, offset by a \$519 proportionate reduction in the related deferred financing costs for a net gain of \$7,360.

The Company had outstanding \$130,000 of Notes at September 30, 2008.

The Company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") has a loan agreement, guaranteed by the Company, which requires payments of principal and interest through the expiration date of September 2012 at which time the balance of the loan and any outstanding interest, will be payable. The primary purpose of this loan, and it predecessor loans was to purchase 547,605 shares of the Company's stock in October 2008. The loan bears interest (1.54% at September 30, 2009) at rates based upon the prime rate or LIBOR. The balance of the loan was \$5,625 as of September 30, 2009, and the outstanding balance approximates fair value.

Real estate mortgages bear interest at rates from 6.3% to 6.6% with maturities extending through 2016 and are collateralized by real property whose carrying value at September 30, 2009 aggregated approximately \$11,200. These mortgages approximate fair value.

NOTE 11 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Company offers defined contribution plans to most of its U.S. employees. In addition to employee contributions to the plans, the Company makes contributions based upon various percentages of compensation and/or employee contributions, which were \$5,800 in 2009, \$9,800 in 2008 and \$10,300 in 2007.

The Company also has a qualified and a non-qualified defined benefit plan covering certain employees with benefits based on years of service and employee compensation. Griffon adopted the FASB amendments on September 30, 2007, which required the Company to recognize the funded status of its defined benefit plans in the Consolidated Balance Sheets with a corresponding adjustment to Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax. Over time, these amounts will be recognized as part of net periodic pension costs in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Griffon is responsible for overseeing the management of the investments of the qualified defined benefit plan and uses the service of an investment manager to manage these assets based on agreed upon risk profiles set by Griffon management. The primary objective of the qualified defined benefit plan is to secure participant retirement benefits. As such, the key objective in this plan's financial management is to promote stability and, to the extent appropriate, growth in the funded status. Financial objectives are established in conjunction with a review of current and projected plan financial requirements. The fair value of a majority of the plan assets were determined by the plans' trustee using quoted market prices identical instruments (level 1 inputs) as of September 30, 2009. The fair value of various other investments were determined by the plan's trustee using direct observable market corroborated inputs, including quoted market prices for similar assets (level 2 inputs).

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NOTE 11 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

The qualified defined benefit plan has been frozen to new entrants since December 2000. Certain employees who were part of the plan prior to December 2000 continue to accrue a service benefit for an additional 10 years, at which time all plan participants will stop accruing service benefits. A 10% change in the discount rate, average wage increase or return on assets would not have a material effect on the financial statements of the Company.

The non-qualified supplemental executive retirement plan is supported by the general assets of Griffon.

Griffon uses judgment to estimate the assumptions used in determining the future liability of the plan, as well as the investment returns on the assets invested for the plan. The expected return on assets assumption used for pension expense was developed through analysis of historical market returns, current market conditions and the past experience of plan asset investments. The discount rate assumption is determined by developing a yield curve based on high quality bonds with maturities matching the plans' expected benefit payment stream. The plans' expected cash flows are then discounted by the resulting year-by-year spot rates.

Net periodic costs were as follows:

			efits for tl September	 		nental Benefits for the Years Ended September 30,			
(in thousands)	2009 2008 2007			2009 2008			2007		
Net periodic benefit									
costs									
Service cost	\$ 425	\$	520	\$ 626	\$ 22	\$	137	\$	621
Interest cost	1,638		1,571	1,528	2,586		2,432		2,200
Expected return on									
plan assets	(1,723)		(2,081)	(1,794)					
Amortization of:									
Prior service costs	9		9	9	328		328		313
Actuarial (gain) loss	325		135	522	596		821		1,988
Transition obligation	(1)		(1)	(1)					
oongation	(1)		(1)	(1)					
Total net periodic									
benefit costs	\$ 673	\$	153	\$ 890	\$ 3,532	\$	3,718	\$	5,122

The tax benefits in 2009, 2008 and 2007 for the amortization of pension costs in other comprehensive income were \$117, \$50 and \$186, respectively.

The estimated net actuarial loss and prior service cost that will be amortized from Accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic pension cost during 2010 are \$2,050 and \$337, respectively.

The weighted-average assumptions used in determining the net periodic benefit costs were as follows:

		nefits for the September 3		Supplemental Benefits for the Years Ended September 30,					
	2009	2008	2007	2009	2008	2007			
Discount rate	7.50%	6.30%	5.85%	7.50%	6.30%	5.85%			
Average wage									
increase	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%			
Expected return on									
assets	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%						

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NOTE 11 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

Plan assets and benefit obligation of the defined benefit plans were as follows:

(in thousands)		Defined B Septem 2009					ntal Benefits at ember 30, 2008	
. ,		2009		2008		2009		2008
Change in benefit obligation								
Benefit obligation at beginning of	¢	22.262	¢	25 292	ሰ	26 420	¢	10.269
fiscal year	\$	22,263	\$	25,283	\$	36,429	\$	40,368
Benefits earned during the year		425		520		22		137
Interest cost		1,638		1,571		2,586		2,432
Benefits paid		(1,251)		(1,041)		(3,899)		(2,849)
Actuarial (gain) loss		6,728		(4,070)		6,494		(3,659)
Benefit obligation at end of fiscal								
year		29,803		22,263		41,632		36,429
Change in Plan Assets								
Fair value of plan assets at beginning								
of fiscal year		20,442		24,325				
Actual return on plan assets		(365)		(3,851)				
Company contributions		1,051		1,009		3,899		2,849
Benefits paid						(3,899)		(2,849)
Benefits paid		(1,251)		(1,041)		(3,899)		(2,849)
Fair value of plan assets at end of		10.077		20.442				
fiscal year		19,877		20,442				
Projected benefit obligation in excess of plan assets	\$	(9,926)	\$	(1,821)	\$	(41,632)	\$	(36,429)
Amounts recognized in the statement								
of financial position consist of:								
Accrued liabilities	\$	(876)	\$	(853)	\$	(3,898)	\$	(3,904)
Other liabilities (long-term)		(9,050)		(968)	Ċ	(37,734)		(32,525)
Total Liabilites		(9,926)		(1,821)		(41,632)		(36,429)
Net actuarial losses		14,189		5,698		18,833		12,935
Prior service cost		33		43		939		1,266
Net asset at transition, other		55		(1)		759		1,200
Deferred taxes		(4,978)		(2,009)		(6,920)		(4,970)
Total Accumulated other comprehensive (earnings) loss, net of tax		9,244		3,731		12,852		9,231
Net amount recognized at September 30,	\$	(682)	\$	1,910	\$	(28,780)	\$	(27,198)
Accumulated benefit obligations	\$	29,674	\$	22,153	\$	41,317	\$	36,113

Information for plans with					
accumulated benefit obligations in					
excess of plan assets:					
ABO	\$ 29,674	\$ 22,153	\$	41,317	\$ 36,113
PBO	29,803	22,263		41,632	36,429
Fair value of plan assets	19,877	20,442			
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NOTE 11 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS (Continued)

The weighted-average assumptions used in determining the benefit obligations were as follows:

	Defined Ben Septembe		Supplemental Benefits at September 30,				
	2009	2008	2009	2008			
Discount rate	5.60%	7.50%	5.00%	7.50%			
Average wage increase	3.50%	3.50%	5.00%	5.00%			
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The actual and weighted-average assets allocation for qualified benefit plans were as follows:

	At September 30,						
	2009	2008	Target				
Equity securities	0.0%	58.0%	54.0%				
Fixed income	91.7%	33.0%	44.0%				
Other	8.3%	9.0%	2.0%				
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%				

Estimated future benefit payments to retirees, which reflect expected future service, are as follows:

(in thousands) For the fiscal years ending September	Defined Benefits	Supplemental Benefits
2010	\$ 876	\$ 3,898
2011	940	3,898
2012	1,115	3,898
2013	1,262	3,898
2014	1,378	3,898
2015 through 2019	8,422	17,049

The Company expects to contribute \$3,800 to the Defined Benefit plan in 2010, in addition to the \$3,898 in payments related to the Supplemental Benefits that will be funded from the general assets of Griffon.

The Company has an ESOP that covers substantially all domestic employees. Shares of the ESOP which have been allocated to employee accounts are charged to expense based on the fair value of the shares transferred and are treated as outstanding in earnings per share. Compensation expense under the ESOP was \$796 in 2009, \$338 in 2008 and \$740 in 2007. The cost of the shares held by the ESOP and not yet allocated to employees is reported as a reduction of Shareholders' Equity. In connection with the rights offering in September 2008, the ESOP purchased 74,100 shares underlying rights associated with the unallocated shares of the ESOP. The ESOP shares were as follows:

	At September 30,			
	2009	2008		
Allocated shares	2,126,058	2,169,523		
Unallocated shares	780,697	190,832		
	2,906,755	2,360,355		

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NOTE 12 INCOME TAXES

Income taxes have been based on the following components of Income before taxes and discontinued operations:

	For the Years Ended September 30,							
(in thousands)	2009		2008		2007			
Domestic	\$ 16,661	\$	(14,019)	\$	26,004			
Non-U.S.	9,345		18,401		15,432			
	\$ 26,006	\$	4,382	\$	41,436			

Provision (benefit) for income taxes on income from continuing operations was comprised of the following:

	For the Years Ended September 30,								
(in thousands)		2009		2008		2007			
Current	\$	4,831	\$	4,082	\$	23,275			
Deferred		(826)		212		(10,004)			
Total	\$	4,005	\$	4,294	\$	13,271			
U.S. Federal	\$	3,302	\$	7,170	\$	9,070			
State and local		1,543		1,105		2,465			
Non-U.S.		(840)		(3,981)		1,736			
Total provision	\$	4,005	\$	4,294	\$	13,271			

The Company's income tax provision (benefit) included benefits of \$1,387 in 2009, \$11,422 in 2008 and \$1,426 in 2007 reflecting the reversal of previously recorded tax liabilities primarily due to the resolution of various tax audits and due to the closing of certain statutes for prior years' tax returns.

Included in Prepaids and other current assets are tax receivable amounts of \$6,074 and \$18,035 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Differences between the effective income tax rate applied to income from continuing operations and U.S. Federal income statutory rate were as follows:

	For the Years Ended September 30,				
(in thousands)	2009	2008	2007		
U.S. Federal income tax rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%		
State and local taxes, net of Federal benefit	3.6	(8.7)	2.7		
Non-U.S. taxes	(15.8)	21.3	(4.7)		
German income tax rate adjustment			(2.4)		
Settlement of tax contingencies	(0.8)	(208.5)	(2.7)		
Non-deductible goodwill		103.1			
Non-U.S. dividends	3.2	42.7	4.8		
Valuation allowance	(11.2)	95.8			
Meals and entertainment	0.8	5.9	0.7		
Non-U.S. purchase price adjustment		9.7			
Other	0.6	1.7	(1.4)		
Effective tax rate from continuing operations	15.4%	98.0%	32.0%		

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NOTE 12 INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The tax effect of temporary differences that give rise to future deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

(in thousands)	At Septer 2009	nbe	r 30, 2008
Deferred tax assets:			
Bad debt reserves	\$ 1,323		2,704
Inventory reserves	5,469		5,532
Deferred compensation	23,361		17,690
Compensation benefits	281		2,690
Insurance reserve	3,263		4,122
Interest carryforward			2,154
Restructuring reserve	578		2,532
Warranty reserve	2,665		2,646
Net operating loss and foreign tax credit	12,154		13,284
Other reserves and accruals	1,197		1,589
Valuation allowance	50,291 (4,726)		54,943 (8,040)
Total deferred tax assets	45,565		46,903
Deferred tax liabilities:			
Deferred income	(3,350)		(513)
Goodwill	(6,770)		(5,942)
Depreciation and amortization	(14,841)		(16,651)
Interest	(10,431)		(13,380)
Other	(1,424)		(1,302)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(36,816)		(37,788)
Net deferred tax assets	\$ 8,749	\$	9,115

During 2009 the valuation allowance decreased \$3,314 due to the use and expected future benefit of foreign tax credits.

The components of the net deferred tax asset (liability), by balance sheet account, were as follows:

	At September 30,					
(in thousands)		2009		2008		
Prepaid and other current assets	\$	10,024	\$	6,139		
Other assets		8,590		3,095		
Other liabilities		(11,475)		(7,424)		
Assets of discontinued operations		1,610		7,305		
Net deferred tax assets	\$	8,749	\$	9,115		

The Company has not recorded deferred income taxes on the undistributed earnings of its non-U.S. subsidiaries because of management's ability and intent to indefinitely reinvest such earnings

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NOTE 12 INCOME TAXES (Continued)

outside the U.S. At September 30, 2009, the Company's share of the undistributed earnings of the non-U.S. subsidiaries amounted to approximately \$43,000.

At September 30, 2009 and 2008, the Company had no loss carryforwards for federal tax purposes and had loss carryforwards for non-U.S. tax purposes of \$17,141 and \$15,303, respectively. The non-U.S. loss carryforwards of \$17,141 are available for carryforward indefinitely.

The Company had State and local loss carryforwards at September 30, 2009 and 2008 of \$2,900 and \$1,800, respectively, which expire in varying amounts through 2029.

The Company had foreign tax credit carryforwards of \$6,326 and \$8,040 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, which are available for use through 2018.

The Company files U.S. Federal, state and local tax returns, as well as Germany, Canada, Brazil and Sweden non-U.S. jurisdiction tax returns. The Company's U.S. federal income tax returns are no longer subject to income tax examination for years before 2006, the Company's German income tax returns are no longer subject to income tax examination for years before 2006 and the Company's major U.S. state and other non-U.S. jurisdictions are no longer subject to income tax examinations for years before 2000. Various U.S. state and non-U.S. statutory tax audits are currently underway. The Company does not believe that its unrecognized tax benefits will materially change within the next twelve months.

The following is a roll forward of the unrecognized tax benefits activity:

(in thousands)	
Balance at October 1, 2007	\$ 21,646
Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	1,244
Reductions based on tax positions related to prior years	(10,086)
Lapse of statutes	(1,066)
Settlements	(104)
Balance at September 30, 2008	11,634
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Additions based on tax positions related to the current year	1,395
Reductions based on tax positions related to prior years	(358)
Lapse of statutes	(895)
Settlements	(3,638)
Balance at September 30, 2009	\$ 8,138

If recognized, the amount of potential tax benefits net of federal benefit that would impact the Company's effective tax rate is \$6,580. The Company recognizes potential accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. At September 30, 2009 and 2008, the combined amount of accrued interest and penalties related to tax positions taken or to be taken on Griffon's tax returns and recorded as part of the reserves for uncertain tax positions was \$1,407 and \$1,982, respectively.

NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION

In August 2008, the Company's Board of Directors authorized a 20 million share common stock rights offering to its shareholders in order to raise equity capital for general corporate purposes and to

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NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION (Continued)

fund future growth. The rights had an exercise price of \$8.50 per share. In conjunction with the rights offering, GS Direct, L.L.C. ("GS Direct"), an affiliate of Goldman Sachs, agreed to back stop the rights offering by purchasing, on the same terms, any and all shares not subscribed through the exercise of rights. GS Direct also agreed to purchase additional shares of common stock at the rights offering price if it did not acquire a minimum of 10 million shares of common stock as a result of its back stop commitment. The Company received a total of \$248.6 million in gross proceeds from the rights offering and issued 29.2 million shares as follows: In September 2008, the Company received \$241.3 million of gross proceeds, and issued 28.4 million shares, from the first closing of its rights offering and the closing of the related investments by GS Direct and by the Company's Chief Executive Officer; in October 2008, an additional \$5.3 million of rights offering proceeds were received, and 620,486 shares were issued, in connection with the second closing of the rights offering; and in April 2009, \$2.0 million of rights offering.

The Company expenses the fair value of equity compensation grants over the related vesting period. Compensation cost related to stock-based awards with graded vesting are amortized using the straight-line attribution method. Options for an aggregate of 1,375,000 shares of Common Stock were previously authorized for grant under the Company's 2001 Stock Option Plan at September 30, 2009. As of September 30, 2009, options for 89,774 shares remain available for future grants under this plan. The plan provides for the granting of options at an exercise price of not less than 100% of the fair market value at the date of grant. Options generally expire ten years after date of grant and become exercisable in equal installments over two to four years.

During 2006, shareholders approved the Griffon Corporation 2006 Equity Incentive Plan ("Incentive Plan") under which awards of performance shares, performance units, stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares and deferred shares may be granted. Options under the Incentive Plan generally expire ten years after the date of grant and are granted at an exercise price of not less than 100% of the fair market value at the date of grant. The shareholders approved an amendment to the Incentive Plan in 2009. The maximum number of shares of common stock available for award under the Incentive Plan is 7,750,000. The number of shares available under the Incentive Plan is reduced by a factor of two-to-one for awards other than stock options. If the remaining shares available under the Incentive Plan at September 30, 2009 were awarded through stock options, 3,720,440 shares would be issued or if the remaining shares were awarded as restricted stock, 1,860,220 shares would be issued.

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NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION (Continued)

A summary of stock option activity for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

	Options					
(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	Shares	A Ex	Weighted Average Aggregated Exercise Intrinsic Price Value		Weighted Average Contractual	
		\$	13.74		Value	Term (Years)
Outstanding at October 1, 2006	2,845,586	ф				
Granted	34,000		15.92	¢	2 ((5	
Exercised	(628,307)		14.15	\$	2,665	
Forfeited/expired	(42,506)		22.48			
Outstanding at September 30, 2007	2,208,773		13.49		7,483	4.0
Exercisable at September 30, 2007	2,050,460		12.76		7,483	3.6
					7,465	5.0
Outstanding at October 1, 2007 Granted	2,208,773		13.49			
	25,000		14.19			
Exercised	(922,992)		11.00			
Forfeited/expired	(832,882)		11.08			
Outstanding at September 30, 2008	1,400,891		13.87		670	4.5
outstanding at september 50, 2000	1,100,071		15.07		010	1.5
Exercisable at September 30, 2008	1,329,066		13.40		670	4.3
Outstanding at October 1, 2008	1,400,891		13.87			
Granted	350,000		20.00			
Exercised	(33,000)		6.12		109	
Forfeited/expired	(27,552)		20.55			
Outstanding at September 30, 2009	1,690,339		15.18		980	4.6
Exercisable at September 30, 2009						
through:						
September 30, 2010	550					
September 30, 2011	386,650					
September 30, 2012	232,500					
September 30, 2013	202,726					
September 30, 2014	163,000					
September 30, 2015	225,038					
September 30, 2016	78,500					
September 30, 2017	14,750					
September 30, 2017	116,667					
Total Exercisable	1,420,381	\$	14.21	\$	980	3.9
	<u>(\$ in</u>	thou	isands, ex	cept	per share da	<u>ita)</u>
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Average Intrinsic Average

Exercises

Average Intrinsic Average

Prices		Exercise Price	v	alue	Contractual Term (Years)		Exercise Price	V	alue	Contractual Term (Years)
\$6.17 to \$6.33	57,200	6.33	\$	214	1.1	57,200	6.33	\$	214	1.1
\$7.75 to \$11.14	505,000	8.92		766	1.8	505,000	8.92		766	1.8
\$12.39 to \$17.23	475,764	14.73			4.5	464,014	14.73			4.4
\$19.49 to \$26.06	652,375	21.13			7.3	394,167	21.51			6.4
Totals	1,690,339		\$	980		1,420,381		\$	980	

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NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION (Continued)

Unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested options was \$506 at September 30, 2009 and will be recognized over a weighted average vesting period of 1.1 years. The fair value of options vested during the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$631, \$775 and \$801, respectively.

A summary of restricted stock activity for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

(\$ in thousands, except per share data)	Shares	Restric Weighted Average Grant Price	cted Stock Aggregated Intrinsic Value*	Weighted Average Contractual Term (Years)
Outstanding at October 1, 2006	309,326	\$ 23.96	\$ 58	4.5
Granted	15,704	15.92	250	
Fully Vested	(67,775)	23.84	1,180	
Forfeited				
Outstanding at September 30, 2007	257,255	23.51	97	3.4
Granted	300,000	8.98	2,694	
Fully Vested	(98,255)	22.38	3,252	
Forfeited				
Outstanding at September 30, 2008	459,000	14.25	11	2.8
Granted	1,202,500	8.38	10,077	
Fully Vested	(53,000)	24.20	511	
Forfeited	(6,000)	9.30	56	
Outstanding at September 30, 2009	1,602,500	9.53	\$ 2,414	3.1

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Aggregated intrinsic value at the date the shares were outstanding, granted, vested or forfeited, as applicable.

Unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested shares of restricted stock was \$12,211 at September 30, 2009 and will be recognized over a weighted average vesting period of 3.0 years.

In connection with the September 2008 rights offering, the Company was obligated under certain anti-dilution provisions within its stock option plans to reduce the exercise price of the then-outstanding options and recorded stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$354. Also in September 2008, in connection with an investment in conjunction with the rights offering, the Company's Chief Executive Officer purchased 578,151 shares of Common Stock at \$8.50 per share, representing a discount to the fair value of such shares at closing. The Company recorded stock-based compensation expense related to this transaction of approximately \$104.

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NOTE 13 STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY AND EQUITY COMPENSATION (Continued)

The Company has an Outside Director Stock Award Plan (the "Outside Director Plan"), which was approved by the shareholders in 1994, under which 330,000 shares may be issued to non-employee directors. Annually, each eligible director is awarded shares of the Company's Common Stock having a value of \$10, which vests over a three-year period. For shares issued under the Outside Director Plan, the fair market value of the shares at the date of issuance is recognized as compensation expense over the vesting period. In 2009, 2008 and 2007, 12,732, 12,155 and 4,680 shares, respectively, were issued under the Outside Director Plan.

At September 30, 2009, a total of approximately 7,282 shares of the Company's authorized Common Stock were reserved for issuance in connection with stock compensation plans.

In accordance with the terms of an employment agreement, in October 2008, the Company's Chief Executive Officer received a restricted stock grant of 75,000 shares of Common Stock, which vests in April 2011. The fair value of the restricted stock on the date of grant was \$675. In addition, the Company's Chief Executive Officer received a ten-year option to purchase 350,000 shares of Common Stock at an exercise price of \$20 per share. The closing stock price on date of grant was \$9.00 and the grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning April 2009. The fair value of the options on the date of grant was \$721 or \$2.06 per share.

In March 2009, the Company's Chief Executive Officer received a restricted stock grant of 675,000 shares of Common Stock, which vests in March 2013. The fair value of the restricted stock on the date of grant was \$5,063 or \$7.50 per share.

In addition to the above 2009 grants, the Company granted to employees 446,500 shares of restricted stock during 2009, each with 4 year cliff vesting, with a total fair value of \$4,282, or a weighted average fair value of \$9.59 per share.

On November 18, 2009, the Company granted to employees 237,500 shares of restricted stock each with 4 year cliff vesting, with a total fair value of \$2,249 or a fair value of \$9.47 per share.

The fair value of restricted stock and option grants is amortized over the respective vesting periods.

Using historical data as of the grant dates, the fair value of the 2009, 2008 and 2007 option grants was estimated as of the grant dates using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

2009 Grant	2008 Grant	2007 Grant
3.04%	4.09%	4.59%
0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
7.0	7.0	7.0
38.98%	40.00%	40.00%
\$ 20.00	\$ 14.19	\$ 15.92
\$ 2.06	\$ 6.89	\$ 7.95
	Grant 3.04% 0.00% 7.0 38.98% \$ 20.00	Grant Grant 3.04% 4.09% 0.00% 0.00% 7.0 7.0 38.98% 40.00% \$ 20.00 \$ 14.19

For the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, stock based compensation expense totaled \$4,145, \$3,327 and \$2,412, respectively.



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NOTE 14 ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The components of Accumulated other comprehensive income were:

	At September 30,						
(in thousands)	2009		2008		2007		
Foreign currency translation adjustment	\$ 50,266	\$	38,431	\$	45,089		
Minimum pension liability	(22,096)		(12,962)		(15,567)		
Accumulative other comprehensive income	\$ 28,170	\$	25,469	\$	29,522		

NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Operating leases

The Company rents real property and equipment under operating leases expiring at various dates. Most of the real property leases have escalation clauses related to increases in real property taxes. Rent expense for all operating leases totaled approximately \$24,700, \$32,400 and \$31,600 in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The Company has engaged in sale-leaseback transactions for various manufacturing equipment used at selected U.S. locations. Net proceeds received from these transactions, classified as operating leases, for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were zero, \$4,791, and \$1,751, respectively. Aggregate future minimum lease payments for operating leases at September 30, 2009 are \$20,000 in 2010, \$13,000 in 2011, \$10,000 in 2012, \$7,000 in 2013, \$3,000 in 2014 and \$3,000 thereafter.

Legal and environmental

Department of Environmental Conservation of New York State ("DEC"), with ISC Properties, Inc. Lightron Corporation ("Lightron"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, once conducted operations at a location in Peekskill in the Town of Cortlandt, New York (the "Peekskill Site") owned by ISC Properties, Inc. ("ISC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. ISC sold the Peekskill Site in November 1982.

Subsequently, the Company was advised by the DEC that random sampling at the Peekskill Site and in a creek near the Peekskill Site indicated concentrations of solvents and other chemicals common to Lightron's prior plating operations. ISC then entered into a consent order with the DEC in 1996 (the "Consent Order") to perform a remedial investigation and prepare a feasibility study. After completing the initial remedial investigation pursuant to the Consent Order, ISC was required by the DEC, and did conduct accordingly over the next several years, supplemental remedial investigations, including soil vapor investigations, under the Consent Order.

In April 2009, the DEC advised ISC's representatives that both the DEC and the New York State Department of Health had reviewed and accepted an August 2007 Remedial Investigation Report and an Additional Data Collection Summary Report dated January 30, 2009. With the acceptance of these reports, ISC completed the Remedial Investigation required under the Consent Order and was authorized, accordingly, by the DEC to conduct the Feasibility Study required by the Consent Order. Pursuant to the requirements of the Consent Order and its obligations thereunder, ISC, without acknowledging any responsibility to perform any remediation at the Site, submitted to the DEC in August 2009, a draft Feasibility Study which recommended for the soil, groundwater and sediment medias, remediation alternatives having a current net capital cost value, in the aggregate, of

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NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (Continued)

approximately \$5 million. ISC will be resubmitting a revised draft to respond to comments received from the DEC on October 20, 2009.

U.S. Government investigations and claims

Defense contracts and subcontracts, including the Company's contracts and subcontracts, are subject to audit and review by various agencies and instrumentalities of the United States government, including among others, the Defense Contract Audit Agency ("DCAA"), the Defense Contract Investigative Service ("DCIS"), and the Department of Justice which has responsibility for asserting claims on behalf of the US government. In addition to ongoing audits, pursuant to an administrative subpoena the Company is currently providing information to the U.S. Department of Defense Office of the Inspector General. No claim has been asserted against the Company, and the Company is unaware of any material financial exposure in connection with the Inspector General's inquiry.

In general, departments and agencies of the U.S. Government have the authority to investigate various transactions and operations of the Company, and the results of such investigations may lead to administrative, civil or criminal proceedings, the ultimate outcome of which could be fines, penalties, repayments or compensatory or treble damages. U.S. Government regulations provide that certain findings against a contractor may lead to suspension or debarment from future U.S. Government contracts or the loss of export privileges for a company or an operating division or subdivision. Suspension or debarment could have material adverse effect on Telephonics because of its reliance on government contracts.

Contingent acquisition purchase price liabilities

In connection with certain acquisitions, the Company has recorded contingent consideration of \$2,861 and \$3,461 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, included in other liabilities.

General legal

The Company is subject to various laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment and is a party to legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. Management believes, based on facts presently known to it, that the resolution of the matter above and such other matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

NOTE 16 EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per share (EPS)

The rights offering discussed in the Stockholders' Equity and Equity Compensation footnote contained a bonus element to existing shareholders that required the Company to adjust the shares used in the computation of basic and fully-diluted weighted-average shares outstanding for all periods

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NOTE 16 EARNINGS PER SHARE (Continued)

presented prior to the offering. Basic and diluted EPS from continuing operations for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were determined using the following information:

	For the Years Ended September 30,				
(Shares in thousands)	2009	2008	2007		
Weighted average shares outstanding basic	58,699	32,667	32,405		
Incremental shares from 4% convertible notes			22		
Incremental shares from stock based compensation	303	169	930		
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted	59,002	32,836	33,357		
Anti-dilutive options excluded from diluted EPS computation	1,305	980	633		
NOTE 17 H	RELATED PART	IES			

Simultaneously with the closing of the September 2008 rights offering and related investment by GS Direct, two employees of GS Direct joined the Company's Board of Directors. Prior to the rights offering, the Company had retained an affiliated entity of GS Direct, for financial advisory services, and paid or incurred expenses of approximately \$2,432 and \$250 during the years ended September 30, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

NOTE 18 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

Quarterly results of operations for the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 were as follows:

					Continuing Operations			Net I	nco	ome (loss	;)			
(in thousands, excep	housands, except per share data)		nousands, except per share data)		Income	5	Per Share	ę	Per Share	Income	5	Per Share		Per hare
Quarter ended	ŀ	Revenue	Gı	ross Profit	(loss)		Basic		Diluted	(loss)		Basic]	Diluted
2009														
December 31,														
2008	\$	302,334	\$	58,957	\$ 4,271	\$	0.07	\$	0.07	\$ 4,274	\$	0.07	\$	0.07
March 31, 2009		276,087		53,975	(1,503)		(0.03)		(0.03)	(854)		(0.02)		(0.02)
June 30, 2009		287,385		66,286	6,892		0.12		0.12	6,941		0.12		0.12
September 30,														
2009		328,244		77,905	12,341		0.21		0.21	12,430		0.22		0.22
	\$ 1	1,194,050	\$	257,123	\$ 22,001	\$	0.37	\$	0.37	\$ 22,791	\$	0.39	\$	0.39
2008														
December 31,														
2007	\$	294,802	\$	64,758	\$ 1,539	\$	0.05	\$	0.05	\$ (1,355)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.04)
March 31, 2008		298,571		57,450	(4,146)		(0.13)		(0.13)	(21,369)		(0.66)		(0.66)
June 30, 2008		322,267		73,380	9,356		0.29		0.29	(9,800)		(0.30)		(0.30)
September 30, 2008		353,665		77,409	(6,661)		(0.21)		(0.21)	(7,979)		(0.24)		(0.24)
	\$ 1	1,269,305	\$	272,997	\$ 88	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$ (40,503)	\$	(1.24)	\$	(1.24)

Notes to Quarterly Financial Information (unaudited):

Earnings (loss) per share are computed independently for each quarter and year presented; as such the sum of the quarters may not be equal to the full year amounts.

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NOTE 18 QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) (Continued)

Income (loss) from continuing operations and Net income (loss), and the related per share earnings, for the three months and year ended September 30, 2008, included a \$12,913 Building Products goodwill write-off.

Income (loss) from continuing operations and Net income (loss), and the related per share earnings, included restructuring and other related charges related to Building Products of \$1,691, \$701, \$38 and \$1,202 for the three-month periods ended December 31, 2007, March 31, 2008, June 30, 2009 and September 30, 2009, respectively and \$2,610 and \$1,240 for the years ended September 30, 2008 and 2009, respectively.

NOTE 19 BUSINESS SEGMENTS

The Company's reportable business segments are as follows:

Telephonics high-technology engineering and manufacturing capabilities provide integrated information, communication and sensor system solutions to military and commercial markets worldwide.

Building Products is a leading manufacturer and marketer of residential, commercial and industrial garage doors to professional installing dealers and major home center retail chains.

Plastics is an international leader in the development and production of embossed, laminated and printed specialty plastic films used in a variety of hygienic, health-care and industrial applications.

The Company evaluates performance and allocates resources based on operating results before interest income or expense, income taxes and certain nonrecurring items of income or expense.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

NOTE 19 BUSINESS SEGMENTS (Continued)

Information on the Company's business segments is as follows:

GRIFFON CORPORATION REVENUE, INCOME & OTHER DATA BY SEGMENT

(in thousands)	For the Years Ended September 30,						
REVENUE	2009 2008				2007		
Telephonics	\$	387,881	\$	366,288	\$	472,549	
Clopay Building Products		393,414		435,321		486,606	
Clopay Plastic Products		412,755		467,696		406,574	
Total consolidated net sales	\$	1,194,050	\$	1,269,305	\$	1,365,729	

INCOME BEFORE TAXES AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Segment operating profit (loss):			
Telephonics	\$ 34,883 \$	32,862 \$	45,888
Clopay Building Products	(11,326)	(17,444)	7,117
Clopay Plastic Products	24,072	20,620	17,263
Total segment operating profit	47,629	36,038	70,268
Unallocated amounts	(20,960)	(21,281)	(17,823)
Gain from debt extinguishment, net	7,360		
Net interest expense	(8,023)	(10,375)	(11,009)
Income before taxes and discontinued operations	\$ 26,006 \$	4,382 \$	41,436

Unallocated amounts typically include general corporate expenses not attributable to reportable segment.

DEPRECIATION and AMORTIZATION Segment: Telephonics \$ 6,657 \$ 6,753 \$ 5,800 **Clopay Building Products** 13,223 12,071 11,041 **Clopay Plastic Products** 21,930 22,638 20,986 Total segment 41,810 41,462 37,827 Corporate 536 1,461 1,631 Total consolidated depreciation and amortization \$ 42,346 \$ 42,923 \$ 39,458

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
Segment:			
Telephonics	\$ 7,564	\$ 5,862 \$	5,428

Clopay Building Products	7,560	8,227	15,596
Clopay Plastic Products	16,801	38,718	8,634
Total segment	31,925	52,807	29,658
Corporate	772	309	79
Total consolidated capital			
expenditures	\$ 32,697	\$ 53,116 \$	29,737
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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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NOTE 19 BUSINESS SEGMENTS (Continued)

ASSETS	At September 30, 2009		Se	At ptember 30, 2008	Se	At eptember 30, 2007
Segment assets:						
Telephonics	\$	271,809	\$	251,016	\$	241,639
Clopay Building Products		169,251		197,740		217,744
Clopay Plastic Products		364,626		356,635		351,314
Total segment assets		805,686		805,391		810,697
Corporate (principally cash and equivalents)		339,190		348,334		72,666
Total continuing assets		1,144,876		1,153,725		883,363
Assets from discontinued operations		531		17,841		76,495
Consolidated total	\$	1,145,407	\$	1,171,566	\$	959,858

Segment information by geographic region was as follows:

	For the Years Ended September 30,						
REVENUE BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA		2009		2008		2007	
United States	\$	827,009	\$	853,692	\$	978,220	
Germany		97,879		110,900		83,446	
Canada		69,198		64,378		57,759	
Brazil		41,566		44,019		34,526	
United Kingdom		17,594		23,276		33,893	
All other countries		140,804		173,040		177,885	
Consolidated revenue	\$	1,194,050	\$	1,269,305	\$	1,365,729	

PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT BY GEOGRAPHIC AREA	Sep	At tember 30, 2009	Sep	At otember 30, 2008	Sep	At otember 30, 2007
United States	\$	150,132	\$	151,733	\$	128,595
Germany		64,503		67,800		79,132
All other countries		21,384		19,470		22,505
Consolidated property, plant and equipment	\$	236,019	\$	239,003	\$	230,232

Plastics sales to P&G were approximately \$224,000 in 2009, \$262,000 in 2008 and \$218,000 in 2007. Telephonics' sales to the United States Government and its agencies, either as a prime contractor or subcontractor, aggregated approximately \$276,000 in 2009, \$257,000 in 2008 and \$375,000 in 2007.

NOTE 20 OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)

Other income (expense) included \$(392), \$(5) and \$1,570 for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, of currency exchange gains (losses) in connection with the translation of receivables and payables denominated in currencies other than the functional currencies of the Company and its subsidiaries.

NOTE 21 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company evaluated events occurring subsequent to September 30, 2009 through November 24, 2009 for potential recognition and disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

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SCHEDULE I CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF REGISTRANT

BALANCE SHEETS

	At September 30,					
(in thousands)		2009		2008		
Current Assets:						
Cash and equivalents	\$	223,511	\$	247,554		
Prepaid and other current assets		2,050		8,171		
Income taxes receivable				16,629		
Total current assets		225,561		272,354		
Property, plant and equipment, net		837		745		
Investment in subsidiaries		590,993		569,469		
Other assets		37,605		14,192		
Total Assets	\$	854,996	\$	856,760		
Current Liabilities:						
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	80,005	\$	188		
Accounts payable and accrued		,				
liabilities		15,191		16,666		
Total current liabilities		95,196		16,854		
Convertible subordinated notes		,		130,000		
Other		72,897		50,226		
Total Liabilities		168,093		197,080		
Commitments and contingencies						
C C						
Shareholders' equity		686,903		659,680		
Total Liabilities and Shareholders'						
Equity	\$	854,996	\$	856,760		
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SCHEDULE I CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF REGISTRANT (Continued)

STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,

(in thousands)	2009	2008	2007
Costs and Expenses:			
General and administrative expenses	\$ (20,643)	\$ (21,155)	\$ (16,094)
Gain from debt extinguishment, net	7,360		
Interest expense and other, net	(2,399)	(4,994)	(6,543)
Loss before credit for federal income taxes and equity	(15,682)	(26,149)	(22,637)
Credit for federal income taxes resulting from tax sharing arrangement with subsidiaries	(6,656)	(5,963)	(7,300)
Loss before equity in net income of subsidiaries	(9,026)	(20,186)	(15,337)
Equity in income of subsidiaries	31,027	20,274	43,502
Income from continuing operations	22,001	88	28,165
Equity in income (loss) of discontinued operations	790	(40,591)	(6,086)
Net income (loss)	\$ 22,791	\$ (40,503)	\$ 22,079
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SCHEDULE I CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION OF REGISTRANT (Continued)

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30,

(in thousands)	2009	2008	2007
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES			
Net income (loss)	\$ 22,791	\$ (40,503)	\$ 22,079
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net			
cash provided by operating activities:			
Stock-based compensation	4,145	3,327	2,412
Amortization/write-off of deferred financing			
costs	1,057	495	
Gain from debt extinguishment, net	(7,360)		
Deferred income taxes	(7,856)	4,483	(5,708)
Equity in income of subsidiaries	(31,027)	(20,274)	(43,502)
Equity in (income) loss of discontinued			
operations	(790)	40,591	6,086
Change in assets and liabilities:			
(Increase) decrease in prepaid and other assets	199	(120)	204
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, accrued			
liabilities and income taxes payable,	17,640	4,060	(9,178)
Other changes, net	4,757	(4,036)	7,725
Net cash provided by (used in) operating			
activities	3,556	(11,977)	(19,882)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING	,		
ACTIVITIES:			
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(372)	(46)	(67)
Advances (to) from subsidiaries		42,000	(6,500)
Distribution from subsidiaries	10,000	60,000	22,000
Net cash provided by investing activities	9,628	101,954	15,433
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING	,,020	101,951	10,100
ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from issuance of shares from rights			
offering	7,257	241,344	
Purchase of shares for treasury	.,	(579)	(4,355)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	4,370	630	33,601
Payments of long-term debt	(43,885)	(76,417)	(27,186)
Financing costs	(541)	(7,111)	
Purchase of ESOP shares	(4,370)		
Exercise of stock options			2,588
Tax benefit from vesting of restricted stock	217	3	1,346
Capital contribution	(676)	(4,067)	
Other, net	401	139	653
Net cash provided by financing activities	(37,227)	153,942	6,647
The cash provided by infahening activities	(37,227)	155,772	0,047
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND	(24.042)	242.010	2 100
EQUIVALENTS	(24,043)	243,919	2,198
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING	217 551	2 (25	1 407
OF PERIOD	247,554	3,635	1,437
	\$ 223,511	\$ 247,554	\$ 3,635

CASH AND EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD

GRIFFON CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

SCHEDULE II VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009, 2008 AND 2007

(in thousands)

Description	Be	lance at ginning f Year	C	corded to ost and Expense	Accounts Written Off, net		0			llance at d of Year
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009										
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts										
Bad debts	\$	3,675	\$	628	\$	(1,210)	\$	45	\$	3,138
Sales returns and allowances		1,934		(247)		(385)		17		1,319
	\$	5,609	\$	381	\$	(1,595)	\$	62	\$	4,457
Inventory valuation	\$	8,883	\$	1,783	\$	(1,827)	\$	39	\$	8,878
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008										
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts										
Bad debts	\$	3,834	\$	1,257	\$	(1,407)	\$	(9)	\$	3,675
Sales returns and allowances		2,503		(157)		(415)		3		1,934
	\$	6,337	\$	1,100	\$	(1,822)	\$	(6)	\$	5,609
Inventory valuation	\$	9,489	\$	652	\$	(1,314)	\$	56	\$	8,883
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2007										
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts										
Bad debts	\$	3,683	\$	649	\$	(591)	\$	93	\$	3,834
Sales returns and allowances		2,624		3,478		(3,742)		143		2,503
	\$	6,307	\$	4,127	\$	(4,333)	\$	236	\$	6,337
Inventory valuation	\$	8,149	\$	1,901	\$	(801)	\$	240	\$	9,489

Note: This Schedule II is for continuing operations only.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

Not applicable.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

Evaluation and Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The Company's management, with the participation of its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, conducted an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures, as defined by Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e). Based on that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act are recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC's rules and forms and such information is accumulated and communicated to management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed under the supervision of its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the Company's financial statements for external reporting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Management evaluates the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting using the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in Internal Control Integrated Framework. Management, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2009 and concluded that it is effective.

The Company's independent registered public accounting firm, Grant Thornton LLP, has audited the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2009, and has expressed an unqualified opinion in their report which appears in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Changes in Internal Controls

There were no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation referred to above that occurred during the fourth quarter of the year ended September 30, 2009 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Inherent Limitations on the Effectiveness Controls

The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

(i)

pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the Company's assets;

(ii)

provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting

principles, and that the Company's receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of the Company's management and directors; and

(iii)

provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Management, including the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, does not expect that the Company's internal controls will prevent or detect all errors and all fraud. A control system, no matter how well designed and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Further, the design of a control system must reflect the fact that there are resource constraints, and the benefits of controls must be considered relative to their costs. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of internal controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. Also, any evaluation of the effectiveness of controls in future periods is subject to the risk that those internal controls may become inadequate because of changes in business conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Shareholders Griffon Corporation

We have audited Griffon Corporation (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries' (the "Company") internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2009, based on criteria established in *Internal Control Integrated Framework* issued by COSO.

We have also audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheets of Griffon Corporation and subsidiaries as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss) and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended September 30, 2009 and our report dated November 24, 2009 expressed an unqualified opinion thereon.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

New York, New York November 24, 2009

Item 9B. Other Information

None

PART III

The information required by **Part III: Item 10**, *Directors, and Executive Officers and Corporate Governance*; **Item 11**, *Executive Compensation*; **Item 13**, *Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence*; **and Item 14**, *Principal Accountant Fees and Services* is included in and incorporated by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement in connection with its Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled to be held in February, 2010, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days following the end of the Company's year ended September 30, 2009. Information relating to the executive officers of the Registrant appears under Item 1 of this report.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

The information regarding security ownership of certain beneficial owners and management that is required to be included pursuant to this Item 12 is included in and incorporated by reference to the Company's definitive proxy statement in connection with its Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled to be held in February, 2010.

The following sets forth information relating to the Company's equity compensation plans as of September 30, 2009:

	(a) Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding	(b) Weighted-averagy exercise price of outstanding	equity compensation plans (Excluding
Plan Category	options, warrants and rights	options, warrants and rights	I (B
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders(1)	1,302,913	\$ 15.1	8 3,937,151
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders(2)	387,426	15.1	9

(1)

Excludes restricted shares issued in connection with the Company's equity compensation plans. The total reflected in Column (c) includes 3,670,440 shares available for grant as stock options under the Incentive Plan; however, because the number of shares available under the Incentive Plan is reduced by a factor of two-to-one for awards other than stock options, this number would be reduced to 1,835,220 if all available shares under the Incentive Plan were issued as restricted stock. Accordingly, if all grants under the Incentive Plan were made as restricted stock, the total in Column (c) would be reduced to 2,103,711. As of September 30, 2009, 1,623,389 unvested shares of restricted stock have been awarded under the Company's equity compensation plans and remain subject to certain forfeiture conditions.

(2)

The Company's 1998 Employee and Director Stock Option Plan is the only option plan which was not approved by the Company's stockholders. The Employee and Director Stock Option Plan expired in February 2008.

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	State of
Name of Subsidiary	Incorporation
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Telephonics Corporation	Delaware

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Filed herewith. All other exhibits are incorporated herein by reference to the exhibit indicated in the parenthetical references.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized on the 24th day of November 2009.

GRIFFON CORPORATION

By: /s/ RONALD J. KRAMER

Ronald J. Kramer,

Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below on November 24, 2009 by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities indicated:

/s/ HARVEY R. BLAU					
Harvey R. Blau	Chairman of the Board				
/s/ RONALD J. KRAMER	Chief Economics Officer (Drivering) Economics Officer)				
Ronald J. Kramer	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)				
/s/ DOUGLAS J. WETMORE	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer				
Douglas J. Wetmore	(Principal Financial Officer)				
/s/ BRIAN G. HARRIS	Chief Accounting Officer (Drivering) Accounting Officer)				
Brian G. Harris	Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)				
/s/ HENRY A. ALPERT	Director				
Henry A. Alpert	Director				
/s/ BERTRAND M. BELL	Director				
Bertrand M. Bell	Director				
/s/ GERALD J. CARDINALE	Director				
Gerald J. Cardinale	Director				
/s/ BLAINE V. FOGG	Director				
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/s/ BRADLEY J. GROSS

Bradley J. Gross

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Director

/s/ ROBERT G. HARRISON	Distant
Robert G. Harrison	Director
/s/ CLARENCE A. HILL, JR.	Distant
Clarence A. Hill, Jr.	Director
/s/ DONALD J. KUTYNA	Director
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