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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

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

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006

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

Commission file Number 0-24216 IMAX Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Canada 98-0140269

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

2525 Speakman Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Postal Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (905) 403-6500 Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of exchange on which registered

Common Shares, no par value

The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act Yes o No b

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes o No b

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

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K b

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12B-2 of the Exchange Act

Large Accelerated Filer o Accelerated Filer b Non-Accelerate Filer o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell Company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes o No be The aggregate market value of the common shares of the registrant held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by reference to the last sale price of such shares as of the close of trading on June 30, 2006 was

\$330.23 million (36,051,314 common shares times \$9.16).

As of June 30, 2007, there were 40,288,074, common shares of the registrant outstanding.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE TO ANNUAL REPORT ON FORM 10-K

IMAX Corporation together with its wholly-owned subsidiaries (the Company) previously announced its intention to restate its consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005, and the first nine months of 2006.

The consolidated statements of operations, shareholders equity (deficit) and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2005, including the applicable notes, contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, have been restated. The Company has also included in this report restated unaudited consolidated financial information for each of the first three quarters of 2006 and each of the quarters of 2005. The Company has also included in this report restated summary and selected financial information for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002.

For a description of the restatements, see note 4 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in Item 8, Item 6. Selected Financial Data and Restatement of Previously Issued Financial Statements and Material Weaknesses in Item 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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EXCHANGE RATE DATA

Unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts in this document are expressed in United States (U.S.) dollars. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, certain exchange rates based on the noon buying rate in the City of New York for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (the Noon Buying Rate). Such rates quoted are the number of U.S. dollars per one Canadian dollar and are the inverse of rates quoted by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for Canadian dollars per U.S. \$1.00. The average exchange rate is based on the average of the exchange rates on the last day of each month during such periods. The Noon Buying Rate on December 31, 2006 was U.S. \$0.8582.

	Years ended December 31,				
	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Exchange rate at end of period	\$0.8582	\$0.8579	\$0.8310	\$0.7738	\$0.6329
Average exchange rate during					
period	\$0.8818	\$0.8254	\$0.7682	\$0.7139	\$0.6368
High exchange rate during period	\$0.9100	\$0.8690	\$0.8493	\$0.7738	\$0.6619
Low exchange rate during period	\$0.8528	\$0.7872	\$0.7158	\$0.6349	\$0.6200

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain statements included in this annual report may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, references to future capital expenditures (including the amount and nature thereof), business and technology strategies and measures to implement strategies, competitive strengths, goals, expansion and growth of business, operations and technology, plans and references to the future success of IMAX Corporation together with its wholly-owned subsidiaries (the Company) and expectations regarding the Company s future operating results. These forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by the Company in light of its experience and its perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors it believes are appropriate in the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with the expectations and predictions of the Company is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, general economic, market or business conditions; the opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to and pursued by the Company; competitive actions by other companies; U.S. or Canadian regulatory inquiries; conditions in the in-home and out-of-home entertainment industries; changes in laws or regulations; conditions, changes and developments in the commercial exhibition industry; the acceptance of the Company s new technologies (including in particular its transition to digital projection technology); risks associated with investments and operations in foreign jurisdictions and any future international expansion, including those related to economic, political and regulatory policies of local governments and laws and policies of the United States and Canada; the potential impact of increased competition in the markets the Company operates within; and other factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company. Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this annual report are qualified by these cautionary statements, and actual results or anticipated developments by the Company may not be realized, and even if substantially realized, may not have the expected consequences to, or effects on, the Company. The Company undertakes no obligation to update publicly or otherwise revise any forward-looking information, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

IMAX®, IMAX® Dome, IMAX® 3D, IMAX® 3D Dome, *The* IMAX *Experience*O, *An* IMAX *Experience*®, IMAX DMR®, DMR®, IMAX MPX®, IMAX think big® and think big® are trademarks and trade names of the Company or its subsidiaries that are registered or otherwise protected under laws of various jurisdictions.

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IMAX CORPORATION PART I

Item 1. Business GENERAL

IMAX Corporation, together with its wholly-owned subsidiaries (the Company), is one of the world s leading entertainment technology companies, specializing in digital and film-based motion picture technologies and large-format two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) film presentations. The Company s principal business is the design, manufacture, sale and lease of theater systems based on proprietary and patented technology for large-format, 15-perforation film frame, 70mm format (15/70-format) theaters, including commercial theaters, museums and science centers, and destination entertainment sites. The majority of these theaters are operated by third parties. The Company generally does not own IMAX theaters, but licenses the use of its trademarks along with the sale or lease of its equipment. The Company refers to all theaters using the IMAX theater system as IMAX Theaters .

The Company is also engaged in the production, digital re-mastering, post-production and distribution of 15/70-format films, the operation of IMAX theaters and the provision of services in support of IMAX theaters and the IMAX theater network.

The Company believes the IMAX theater network is the most extensive large-format theater network in the world with 284 theaters operating in 40 countries as of December 31, 2006. Of these 284 theaters, 166 are located in commercial locations, such as multiplex complexes, and 118 of them are currently located in institutional locations, such as museums and science centers. While the Company s roots are in the institutional market, the Company believes that the commercial market is potentially significantly larger. To increase the demand for IMAX theater systems, the Company has positioned the IMAX theater network as a new distribution platform for Hollywood blockbuster films. To this end, the Company has developed a technology that allows conventional 35mm movies to be digitally converted to its 15/70-format, has introduced lower cost theater systems designed for multiplex owners, is continuing to build strong relationships with Hollywood studios and commercial exhibition companies and is developing a new digital projector which it believes will result in even more Hollywood features being released to the IMAX network.

IMAX theater systems combine advanced, high-resolution projectors with film handling equipment and automated theater control systems, sound system components and screen components as large as eight stories high (approximately 80 feet) that extend to the edge of a viewer speripheral vision to create immersive audio-visual experiences. As a result, audiences feel as if they are a part of the on-screen action in a way that is more intense and exciting than in traditional theaters. In addition, the Company s IMAX 3D theater systems combine the same theater systems with 3D images that further increase the audience s feeling of immersion in the film.

In 2002, the Company introduced a technology that can digitally convert live-action 35mm films to its 15/70-format at a modest incremental cost, while meeting the Company s high standards of image and sound quality. The Company believes that this proprietary system, known as IMAX DMR (Digital Re-Mastering), has positioned IMAX theaters as a new release window or distribution platform for Hollywood s biggest event films. As of December 31, 2006, the Company, along with its studio partners, had released 18 IMAX DMR films since 2002. In 2006, the Company released seven films converted through the IMAX DMR process contemporaneous with the releases of the films to conventional 35mm theaters, and released one film co-produced by the Company exclusively for IMAX theaters.

In 2003, the Company introduced IMAX MPX, a new theater system designed specifically for use by commercial multiplex operators. The IMAX MPX system, which is highly automated, was designed to reduce the capital and operating costs required to run an IMAX theater while still offering consumers the image and sound quality of the trademarked experience viewers derive from IMAX theaters known as *The* IMAX *Experience*. During 2006, the Company signed agreements for 22 IMAX MPX theater systems with North American and international commercial theater exhibitors. Four of the 22 signed IMAX MPX theater system agreements were conditional and such rights to the conditions have now lapsed.

The Company is in the process of developing a digitally-based IMAX projector which would operate without the need for analog film prints. The Company anticipates that its digital projector, which will be targeted to a large portion of its commercial multiplex operators as a replacement for the IMAX MPX projector, will be available for production

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The Company s goal is to create a digital product that provides a differentiated experience to moviegoers that is consistent with what they have come to expect from the IMAX brand. The Company believes that transitioning from a film-based platform to a digital platform for a large portion of its customer base is compelling for a number of reasons. The savings to the studios as a result of eliminating film prints are considerable, as the typical cost of an IMAX film print ranges from \$22.5 thousand per 2D print to \$45 thousand per 3D print. Removing those costs will significantly increase the profit of an IMAX release for a studio which, the Company believes, provides more incentive for studios to release their films to IMAX theaters. The Company similarly believes that economics change favorably for its exhibition clients as a result of a digital transition, since lower print costs and the increased programming flexibility that digital delivery provides should allow theaters to program three to four additional IMAX DMR films per year, thereby increasing both customer choice and total box-office revenue. Finally, digital transmission allows for the opportunity to show attractive alternate programming, such as live events like the Super Bowl or World Cup, in the immersive environment of an IMAX theater.

The Company was formed in March 1994 as a result of an amalgamation between WGIM Acquisition Corp. and the former IMAX Corporation (Predecessor IMAX). Predecessor IMAX was incorporated in 1967.

PRODUCT LINES

The Company is the pioneer and leader in the large-format film industry, and believes it is the largest designer and manufacturer of specialty projection and sound system components, and a significant producer and distributor of 15/70-format films, for large-format theaters around the world. The Company s theater systems include a specialized IMAX projector, advanced sound systems and specialty screens. The Company derives its revenues from IMAX theater systems (the sale and lease of, and provision of services related to, its theater systems to large-format theaters, including joint revenue sharing arrangements), films (production and digital re-mastering of films, the distribution of film products to the IMAX theater network, post-production services for large-format films), theater operations (owning, operating, managing or participating in the profits of IMAX theaters) and other activities, which include the sale of after market parts and camera rentals. Segmented information is provided in note 22 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements contained in Item 8.

IMAX Theater Systems

The Company s primary products are its large-format theater systems. IMAX theater systems traditionally include a unique rolling loop 15/70-format projector that offers superior image quality and stability and a digital theater control system; a 6-channel, digital sound system delivering up to 12,000 watts; a screen with a proprietary coating technology; and, if applicable, 3D glasses cleaning equipment. As part of the arrangement to sell or lease its theater systems, the Company provides extensive advice on theater planning and design and supervision of installation services. Theater systems are also leased or sold with a license for the use of the world famous IMAX brand. The Company primarily offers its theater systems in four configurations: the GT projection system for the largest IMAX theaters; the SR system for smaller theaters; the Company s newest introduction, the IMAX MPX system, which is targeted for multiplex complexes; and a fourth category of theater systems featuring heavily curved and tilted screens that are used in dome shaped theaters. The GT, SR and IMAX MPX systems are flat screens that have a minimum of curvature and tilt and can exhibit both 2D and 3D films, while the screen components in dome shaped theaters are generally 2D only and are popular with the Company s institutional clients. The Company is also currently developing a digital projector.

Screens in IMAX theaters are as large as one hundred or more feet wide and eight stories tall and the Company believes they are the largest cinema screens in the world. Unlike standard cinema screens, IMAX screens extend to the edge of a viewer s peripheral vision to create immersive experiences which, when combined with the Company s superior sound system components, make audiences feel as if they are a part of the on-screen action in a way that is more intense and exciting than in traditional theaters, a critical part of *The* IMAX *Experience*. The Company s IMAX 3D theaters further increase the audience s feeling of immersion in the film by bringing images off the screen. All IMAX theaters, with the exception of dome configurations, have a steeply inclined floor to provide each audience

member with a clear view of the screen. IMAX holds patents on the geometrical design of an IMAX theater.

The Company s projectors utilize the largest commercially available film format (15-perforation film frame, 70mm), which is nearly 10 times larger than conventional film (4-perforation film frame, 35mm) and therefore able to project significantly more detail on a larger screen. The Company believes its projectors, which utilize the Company s rolling loop technology, are unsurpassed in their ability to project film with maximum steadiness and clarity with minimal film wear while substantially enhancing the quality of the projected image. As a result, the Company s projectors deliver a higher level of clarity, detail and brightness compared to conventional movies and competing film or digitally-based projectors.

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IMAX Theater Systems (cont d)

To complement the film technology and viewing experience, IMAX provides unique digital sound system components. The sound system components are among the most advanced in the industry and help to heighten the sense of realism of a 15/70-format film. IMAX sound system components are specifically designed for IMAX theaters and are an important competitive advantage. The Company believes it is a world leader in the design and manufacture of digital sound system components for applications including traditional movie theaters, auditoriums and IMAX theaters.

Theater System Sales or Leases. The Company's arrangements for theater system equipment involve either a lease or sale. As part of the arrangement for an IMAX theater system, the Company also advises the customer on theater design, supervises the installation of the theater systems and provides projectionists with training in using the equipment. Theater owners or operators are responsible for providing the theater location, the design and construction of the theater building, the installation of the system components and any other necessary improvements, as well as the marketing and programming at the theater. The supervision of installation requires that the equipment also be put through a complete functional start-up and test procedure to ensure proper operation. The Company's typical arrangement also includes the trademark license rights which commence on execution of the agreement and generally have terms of 10 to 20 years that may be renewed. The theater system equipment, theater design support, supervision of installation, projectionist training and trademark rights are all elements of what the Company considers the System Deliverable. For a separate fee, the Company provides ongoing maintenance and extended warranty services for the theater system.

Leases generally have 10 to 20-year initial terms and are typically renewable by the customer for one or more additional 10-year term. Under the terms of the typical lease agreement, the title to the theater system equipment (including the projector, the sound system and the projection screen) remains with the Company. The Company has the right to remove the equipment for non-payment or other defaults by the customer. The contracts are generally not cancelable by the customer unless the Company fails to perform its obligations. The Company also enters into sale agreements with its customers. Under a sales arrangement, the title to the theater system remains with the customer, however in certain instances, the Company retains title or a security interest in the equipment until the customer has made all payments required under the agreement. Recently the Company has entered into a number of joint revenue sharing arrangements, where the Company receives a portion of a theater s box-office and concession revenue in exchange for placing a theater system at the theater operator s venue. Under these arrangements, the Company receives no up-front fee and the Company retains title to the theater system. The Company has stated that it will increasingly look to enter into such arrangements in the future, although the specific customer and location will be important considerations in whether to do so. The Company believes that its joint revenue sharing arrangements represent an effective way for it to deploy capital, add incremental theater growth and realize the benefits of network economics more quickly. The Company believes that by its contributing the theater system, with the exhibitor responsible for the theater retrofit costs, it significantly lowers the capital cost for exhibitors to deploy an IMAX theater, which, in turn, expands the IMAX network more rapidly and provides the Company with an increasingly significant portion of the IMAX box office from its licensed theaters, as well as a continuing portion of the IMAX DMR film revenue from the film studio. The Company s contracts are generally denominated in U.S. dollars, except in Canada, Japan and parts of Europe, where contracts are sometimes denominated in local currency.

The typical lease or sales arrangement provides for three major sources of cash flows for the Company: (i) initial fees; (ii) ongoing minimum fixed and contingent fees and (iii) ongoing maintenance and extended warranty fees. Initial fees generally are received over the period of time from the date the arrangement is executed to the date the equipment is installed and customer acceptance has been received. However, in certain cases the payments of the initial fee may be scheduled over a period after the equipment is installed and customer acceptance has been received. Ongoing minimum fixed and contingent fees and ongoing maintenance and extended warranty fees are generally received over the life of the arrangement and are usually adjusted annually based on changes in the local consumer

price index. The ongoing minimum fixed and contingent fees generally provide for a fee which is the greater of a fixed amount or a certain percentage of the theater box-office. The terms of each arrangement vary according to the configuration of the theater system provided and the geographic location of the customer.

Sales Backlog. Signed contracts for theater systems are listed as sales backlog prior to the time of revenue recognition. The value of sales backlog represents the total value of all signed theater system sales and sales-type lease agreements that are expected to be recognized as revenue in the future. Sales backlog includes initial fees along with the present value of contractual fixed minimum fees due over the term, but excludes contingent fees in excess of contractual minimums and maintenance and extended warranty fees that might be received in the future. Sales backlog does not include any anticipated revenues from theaters in which the Company has an equity-interest, joint profit or revenue sharing arrangements, agreements covered by letters of intent or conditional sale or lease commitments.

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Item 1. Business (cont d) PRODUCT LINES (cont d)

IMAX Theater Systems (cont d)

The following chart shows the number of the Company s theater systems by configuration, opened theater network base and backlog as of December 31:

2006

	System	2D Theater Network Base	Backlog	System	3D Theater Network Base	Backlog
Flat Screen	IMAX	41		IMAX 3D GT IMAX 3D SR	85 51	12 11
				IMAX MPX	32	49
Dome Screen	IMAX Dome	69	2	IMAX 3D Dome	6	
				Total	284	74
		2005				
		2D Theater Network			3D Theater Network	
Flat Screen	System IMAX	Base 45	Backlog	System IMAX 3D GT	Base 77	Backlog
Fiat Screen	IMAX	43		IMAX 3D GT IMAX 3D SR	48	16 13
				IMAX 3D 3R IMAX MPX	21	42
Dome Screen	IMAX Dome	68	2	IMAX 3D Dome	7	

IMAX and **IMAX** Dome Systems. IMAX and IMAX Dome systems make up approximately 39% of the Company s opened theater base. IMAX theaters, with a flat screen, were introduced in 1970, while IMAX Dome theaters, which are designed for tilted dome screens, were introduced in 1973. There have been several significant proprietary and patented enhancements to these systems since their introduction.

Total

73

266

IMAX 3D GT and IMAX 3D SR Systems. IMAX 3D theaters utilize a flat screen 3D system, which produces realistic three-dimensional images on an IMAX screen. The Company believes that the IMAX 3D theater systems offer consumers one of the most realistic 3D experiences available today. To create the 3D effect, the audience uses either polarized or electronic glasses that separate the left-eye and right-eye images. The IMAX 3D projectors can project both 2D and 3D films, allowing theater owners the flexibility to exhibit either type of film. The Company will provide upgrades to existing theaters which have 2D IMAX theater systems, to IMAX 3D theater systems. Since the introduction of IMAX 3D technology, the Company has upgraded 18 theaters.

In 1997, the Company launched a smaller IMAX 3D system called IMAX 3D SR, a patented theater system configuration that combines a proprietary theater design, a more automated projector and specialized sound system

components to replicate the experience of a larger IMAX 3D theater in a smaller space. Page 8

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IMAX Theater Systems (cont d)

IMAX *MPX*. In 2003, the Company launched its new large-format theater system designed specifically for use in multiplex theaters. Known as IMAX MPX, this system projects 15/70-format film onto screens which are curved and tilted forward to further immerse the audience. An IMAX MPX theater system utilizes the Company s next generation proprietary digital sound system components, capable of multi-channel uncompressed studio quality digital audio. The projector is capable of playing both 2D and 3D films, and installs into a standard 35mm projection booth. The IMAX MPX system can be installed as part of a newly-constructed multiplex, as an add-on to an existing multiplex or as a retrofit of one or two existing stadium seat auditoriums within a multiplex. With lower capital and operating costs, the IMAX MPX is designed to improve a multiplex owner s financial returns and allow for the installation of IMAX theater systems in markets that might previously not have been able to support one. The Company has signed 84 agreements for IMAX MPX theater systems since its introduction, nine of which were installed in 2006. Five of the 84 signed agreements were for conditional deals where the conditions have since lapsed.

IMAX Digital. The Company is in the process of developing a digitally-based IMAX projector designed to deliver 2D and 3D presentations with the high image quality and immersiveness that are consistent with the IMAX brand, without the need for analog prints. The Company holds numerous digital patents and relationships with key manufacturers and suppliers in digital technology. The Company has patents, applications and licenses encompassing, among other things, a method for synchronizing digital data, a method of generating stereoscopic (3D) imaging data from a 2D source, a process for digitally re-mastering 35mm films into 15/70-format, a method for increasing the dynamic range and contrast of projectors, a method for invisibly seaming or superimposing images from multiple projectors and other inventions relating to digital projectors. The Company anticipates that its digital projector, which will be targeted to a large portion of its commercial theater base, will be available for production and sale by early 2009. The Company s goal is to create a digital product that provides a differentiated experience to moviegoers that is consistent with what they have come to expect from the IMAX brand. The Company believes that transitioning from a film-based platform to a digital platform for a large portion of its customer base is compelling for a number of reasons. The savings to the studios as a result of eliminating film prints are considerable, as the typical cost of an IMAX film print ranges from \$22.5 thousand per 2D print to \$45 thousand per 3D print. Removing those costs will significantly increase the profit of an IMAX release for a studio which, the Company believes, provides more incentive for studios to release their films to IMAX theaters. The Company similarly believes that economics change favorably for its exhibition clients as a result of a digital transition, since lower print costs and the increased programming flexibility that digital delivery provides should allow theaters to program three to four additional IMAX DMR films per year, thereby increasing both customer choice and total box-office revenue. Finally, digital transmission allows for the opportunity to show attractive alternate programming, such as live events like the Super Bowl or World Cup, in the immersive environment of an IMAX theater.

Films

Film Production and Digital Re-mastering (IMAX DMR)

Films produced by the Company are typically financed through third parties, whereby the Company will generally receive a film production fee in exchange for producing the film and will be a distributor of the film. The ownership rights to such films may be held by the film sponsors, the film investors and/or the Company. In the past, the Company often internally financed film production, but has moved to a model utilizing third-party funding for the large-format films it produces and distributes.

In 2002, the Company developed technology that makes it possible for 35mm live-action film to be digitally transformed into IMAX s 15/70-format at a cost of roughly \$1.0 \$2.0 million per film. This proprietary system, known as IMAX DMR, has opened the IMAX theater network up to film releases from Hollywood s broad library of films. In a typical IMAX DMR film arrangement, the Company will absorb its costs for the IMAX DMR re-mastering and then recoup this cost from a percentage of the gross box-office receipts of the film, which will generally range from 10-15%. The Company may also have certain distribution rights to the 15/70-format films produced using its IMAX

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Film Production and Digital Re-Mastering (IMAX DMR) (cont d)

The IMAX DMR process involves the following:

scanning, at the highest resolution possible, each individual frame of the 35mm film and converting it into a digital image;

optimizing the image using proprietary image enhancement tools;

analyzing the information contained within a 35mm frame format and enhancing the digital image using techniques such as sharpening, color correction, grain removal and the elimination of unsteadiness and removal of unwanted artifacts; and

recording the enhanced digital image onto 15/70-format film.

The first IMAX DMR film, *Apollo 13: The* IMAX *Experience*, produced in conjunction with Universal Pictures and Imagine Entertainment, was released in September 2002. Since the release of that film, the Company has released an additional 17 IMAX DMR films.

The highly automated IMAX DMR system typically allows the re-mastering process to meet aggressive film production schedules. The Company is continuing to improve the length of time it takes to reformat a film with its IMAX DMR technology. *Apollo 13: The* IMAX *Experience*, released in 2002, was re-mastered in 16 weeks, while *300: The* IMAX *Experience*, released in March 2007, was re-mastered in approximately ten days. The IMAX DMR conversion of simultaneous, or day-and-date, releases are done in parallel with the movie s filming and editing, which is necessary for the simultaneous release of an IMAX DMR film with the domestic release to conventional theaters.

The Company demonstrated its ability to convert computer generated animation to IMAX 3D with the 1999 release of *Cyberworld*, the 2004 release of the full length CGI feature, *The Polar Express: The* IMAX 3D *Experience* and the release of three CGI 3D features in 2005-2006. In addition, the Company has developed a proprietary technology to convert live action 2D 35mm movies to IMAX 3D films, which the Company believes can offer significant potential benefits to the Company, studios and the IMAX theater network, and which was used to convert scenes from 2D to 3D in the film *Superman Returns: An* IMAX 3D *Experience* in 2006, and *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix: An* IMAX 3D *Experience*, released in July 2007.

For IMAX DMR releases, the original soundtrack of the 35mm film is also re-mastered for IMAX s five or six-channel digital sound system components. Unlike conventional theater sound systems, IMAX sound system components are uncompressed, full fidelity and use proprietary loudspeaker systems and surround sound that ensure every theater seat is in a good listening position.

In 2006, the Company released seven films converted through the IMAX DMR process contemporaneously with the releases of the films to conventional 35mm theaters, and released one film, *Deep Sea 3D*, co-produced by the Company and made exclusively for IMAX theaters.

On March 3, 2006, IMAX and Warner Bros. Pictures (WB) released *Deep Sea 3D*. This was shortly followed by the release on March 17, 2006 of *V for Vendetta: The* IMAX *Experience* by the Company and WB. On May 12, 2006, the Company and WB released *Poseidon: The* IMAX *Experience*. On June 28, 2006, the Company and WB released *Superman Returns: An* IMAX *3D Experience*, an IMAX DMR version of one of the year s top grossing Hollywood films, to the IMAX theater network. On July 28, 2006, the Company and WB released *The Ant Bully: An* IMAX *3D Experience*. On September 29, 2006, the Company and Sony Pictures released *Open Season: An* IMAX *3D Experience*. On November 17, 2006, the Company and WB released *Happy Feet: The* IMAX *Experience*. On December 22, 2006, the Company and Twentieth Century Fox released the IMAX DMR version of the hit film *Night at the Museum* to IMAX theaters.

The Company believes that these releases have positioned IMAX theaters as a separate distribution platform for Hollywood films, similar to the type created when Hollywood studios began including the pay TV and home video media as release windows for their films.

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Item 1. Business (cont d)
PRODUCT LINES (cont d)

Films (cont d)

Film Production and Digital Re-Mastering (IMAX DMR) (cont d)

In 2007, the Company has thus far released three IMAX DMR films to IMAX theaters contemporaneously with the releases of the films to conventional 35mm theaters. In March 2007, the Company and WB released 300: The IMAX Experience. In May 2007, the Company and Sony s Columbia Pictures released Spider-Man 3: The IMAX Experience. In July 2007, the Company, in conjunction with WB, released Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix: An IMAX 3D Experience. This will be WB s fifth film release based on the popular Harry Potter book series. In November 2007, the Company in conjunction with Paramount Pictures, Shangri-La Entertainment and WB will release Beowulf: An IMAX 3D Experience. The Company has announced that it will release an IMAX DMR version of The Dark Knight: The IMAX Experience, the next installment of WB s highly-popular Batman franchise, in July 2008, and that, in conjunction with WB, it has commenced production on a third original IMAX 3D co-production for the release to IMAX theaters in 2009 of a sequel to Deep Sea 3D.

Film Distribution

The Company is a significant distributor of 15/70-format films. The Company generally distributes films which it has produced or for which it has acquired distribution rights from independent producers. As a distributor, the Company receives a fixed fee and/or a percentage of the theater box-office receipts.

The library of 15/70-format films includes Hollywood event films converted into 15/70-format through IMAX DMR technology, such as the 2006 (and 2007) hit *Night at the Museum: The* IMAX *Experience*, and the 2004 (and 2005) hit *The Polar Express: The* IMAX *3D Experience*, along with general entertainment and educational films on subjects such as space, wildlife, music, history and natural wonders. The library consisted of 254 films at the end of 2006, of which the Company had distribution rights to 52 such films. 15/70-format films that have been successfully released by the Company include *Deep Sea 3D*, which was released by the Company and WB in March 2006 and has grossed more than \$29.5 million to the end of 2006, *SPACE STATION*, which was released in April 2002 and has grossed over \$93.2 million to the end of 2006, *T-REX: Back to the Cretaceous*, which was released by the Company in 1998 and has grossed over \$95.0 million to the end of 2006 and *Fantasia 2000: The* IMAX *Experience*, which was released by the Company and Buena Vista Pictures Distribution, a unit of The Walt Disney Company, in 2000, and has grossed over \$80.4 million to the end of 2006. 15/70-format films have significantly longer exhibition periods than conventional 35mm films and many of the films in the large-format library have remained popular for many decades including the films *To Fly!* (1976), *Grand Canyon The Hidden Secrets* (1984) and *The Dream Is Alive* (1985).

Film Post-Production

David Keighley Productions 70MM Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, provides film post-production and quality control services for 15/70-format films (whether produced internally or externally), and digital post-production services.

Theater Operations

The Company has seven owned and operated theaters. In addition, the Company has entered into commercial arrangements with two theaters resulting in the sharing of profits and losses. The Company also provides management services to two theaters.

Other

Cameras

The Company rents 2D and 3D 15/70-format analog cameras and provides technical and post-production services to third-party producers for a fee. The Company has developed state-of-the-art patented dual and single filmstrip 3D cameras which are among the most advanced motion picture cameras in the world and are the only 3D cameras of their kind. The IMAX 3D camera simultaneously shoots left-eye and right-eye images and its compact size allows filmmakers access to a variety of locations, such as underwater or aboard aircraft. The Company maintains cameras and other film equipment to support third-party producers and also offers production advice and technical assistance

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Item 1. Business (cont d) MARKETING AND CUSTOMERS

The Company markets its theater systems through a direct sales force and marketing staff located in offices in Canada, the United States, Europe, and Asia. In addition, the Company has agreements with consultants, business brokers and real estate professionals to locate potential customers and theater sites for the Company on a commission basis.

The commercial theater segment of the Company s theater network is now its largest segment, with a total of 166 theaters opened as of December 31, 2006. The Company s institutional customers include science and natural history museums, zoos, aquaria and other educational and cultural centers. The Company also sells or leases its theater systems to theme parks, tourist destination sites, fairs and expositions. At December 31, 2006, approximately 37% of all opened IMAX theaters were in locations outside of North America. The following table outlines the breakdown of the theater network by geographic location as at December 31:

	2006 Theater Network Base	2005 Theater Network Base
United States	139	134
Canada	23	22
Mexico	16	13
Europe	48	47
Japan	13	14
Rest of World	45	36
Total	284	266

For information on revenue breakdown by geographic area, see note 22 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in Item 8. No one customer represents more than 5% of the Company s opened base of theaters. The Company has no dependence upon a single customer, the loss of which would have a material adverse effect on the Company.

INDUSTRY AND COMPETITION

The Company competes with a number of manufacturers of large-format film projectors. Most of these competitors utilize smaller film formats, including 8-perforation film frame 70mm and 10-perforation film frame 70mm formats, which the Company believes deliver an image that is inferior to *The* IMAX *Experience*. The IMAX theater network and the number of 15/70-format films to which the Company has distribution rights are substantially larger than those of its 15/70-format competitors, and IMAX DMR reformatted films are available exclusively to the IMAX theater network. The Company s customers generally consider a number of criteria when selecting a large-format theater including quality, reputation, brand-name recognition, configuration of system components, features, price and service. The Company believes that its competitive strengths include the value of the IMAX brand name, the quality and historic up-time of IMAX theater systems, the return on investment of an IMAX theater, the number and quality of 15/70-format films that it distributes, the quality of the sound system components included with the IMAX theater, the availability of Hollywood event films to IMAX theaters through IMAX DMR technology and the level of the Company s service and maintenance and extended warranty efforts. Virtually all of the best performing large-format theaters in the world are IMAX theaters.

In 2003, the Company introduced the IMAX MPX, a new theater system designed specifically for use in multiplex auditoriums. The IMAX MPX system is designed to reduce the capital and operating costs required to run an IMAX theater while still offering consumers the image and sound quality of *The* IMAX *Experience*.

The motion picture industry is in the early stages of transitioning from film projection to digital projection, and the Company itself is developing a digitally-based projector. In recent years, a number of companies have introduced digital 3D projection technology and a small number of Hollywood features have been exhibited in 3D using these technologies. The Company believes that its many competitive strengths, including the IMAX® brand name, the quality and immersiveness of *The* IMAX *Experience*, its IMAX DMR technology and its patented theater geometry, significantly differentiate the Company s 3D presentations from any other 3D presentations.

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IMAX CORPORATION

Item 1. Business (cont d) **THE IMAX BRAND**

The IMAX brand is world famous and stands for immersive family entertainment that combines stunning images of exceptional quality and clarity on screens up to one hundred feet wide and eight stories tall with the Company s proprietary 6-channel digital sound system components and unique theater designs. The Company s research shows that the IMAX brand is a significant factor in a consumer s decision to go to an IMAX theater, and that movie-goers are willing to travel significantly farther and pay more to see films in IMAX s immersive format. In addition, the Company believes that its significant brand loyalty among consumers provides it with a strong, sustainable position in the exhibition industry. The IMAX brand name cuts across geographic and demographic boundaries.

Historically, the Company s brand identity was grounded in its educational film presentations to families around the world. With an increasing number of IMAX theaters based in multiplexes and with a recent history of commercially successful large-format films such as *The Polar Express: The* IMAX *3D Experience, Harry Potter and The Goblet of Fire: The* IMAX *Experience, Batman Begins: The* IMAX *Experience, Superman Returns: An* IMAX *3D Experience, Happy Feet: The* IMAX *Experience* and *Night at the Museum: The* IMAX *Experience*, the Company is rapidly increasing its presence in commercial settings. The Company believes the strength of the IMAX brand will be an asset as it continues to establish IMAX theaters as a new and desirable release window for Hollywood films.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Company believes that it is one of the world s leading entertainment technology companies with significant in-house proprietary expertise in digital and film based projection and sound system component design, engineering and imaging technology, particularly in 3D. The Company believes that the motion picture industry will be affected by the development of digital technologies, particularly in the areas of content creation (image capture), post-production (editing and special effects), digital re-mastering (such as IMAX DMR), distribution and display. The Company has made significant investments in digital technologies, including the development of a proprietary, patent-pending technology to digitally enhance image resolution and quality of 35mm motion picture films, the conversion of monoscopic (2D) to stereoscopic (3D) images and the creation of an IMAX digital projector prototype, and holds a number of patents, patents pending and other intellectual property rights in these areas. In addition, the Company holds numerous digital patents and relationships with key manufacturers and suppliers in digital technology. The Company is in the process of developing a digitally-based projector which would operate without the need for analog film prints. The Company anticipates that its digital projector, which will be targeted to a large portion of its commercial theater customer base, will be available for production and sale by early 2009.

The IMAX DMR technology converts a conventional 35mm frame into its digital form at a very high resolution. The proprietary system recreates a pristine form of the original photography. The Company believes the proprietary process makes the images sharper than the original and the completed re-mastered film, now nearly 10 times larger than the original, is transferred onto the Company s 15/70 film format. Each film s original soundtrack is also recreated and upgraded to Company standards. Through its research and development program, the Company continues to refine and enhance the capabilities of this technology.

A key to the performance and reliability of the IMAX projector is the Company s unique rolling loop film movement. The rolling loop advances the film horizontally in a smooth, wave-like motion, which enhances the stability of the image and greatly reduces wear of the film.

Several of the underlying technologies and resulting products and system components of the Company are covered by patents or patent applications. Other underlying technologies are available to competitors, in part because of the expiration of certain patents owned by the Company. The Company, however, has successfully obtained patent protection covering several of its significant improvements made to such technologies. The Company plans to continue to fund research and development activity in areas considered important to the Company s continued commercial success.

For 2006, 2005 and 2004, the Company recorded research and development expenses of \$3.6 million, \$3.2 million and \$4.0 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2006, 35 of the Company s employees were connected with research and development projects.

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Item 1. Business (cont d)
MANUFACTURING AND SERVICE
Projector Component Manufacturing

The Company assembles the projector of its large-format theater systems at its Corporate Headquarters and Technology Center in Mississauga, Canada (near Toronto). A majority of the parts and sub-assemblies for this component are purchased from outside vendors. The Company develops and designs all the key elements for the proprietary technology involved in this component. Fabrication of parts and sub-assemblies is subcontracted to a group of carefully pre-qualified suppliers. Manufacture and supply contracts are signed for the delivery of the component on an order-by-order basis. The Company has developed long-term relationships with a number of significant suppliers, and the Company believes its existing suppliers will continue to supply quality products in quantities sufficient to satisfy its needs. The Company inspects all parts and sub-assemblies, completes the final assembly and then subjects the projector to comprehensive testing individually and as a system prior to shipment. In 2006, these projectors had operating availability based on scheduled shows of approximately 99.8%.

Sound System Component Manufacturing

The Company develops, designs and assembles the key elements of its theater sound system component. The standard IMAX theater sound system component comprises parts from a variety of sources with approximately 50% of the materials of each sound system attributable to proprietary parts provided under original equipment manufacturers agreements with outside vendors. These proprietary parts include custom loudspeaker enclosures and horns and specialized amplifiers, signal processing and control equipment. The Company inspects all parts and sub-assemblies, completes the final assembly and then subjects the sound system component to comprehensive testing individually and as a system prior to shipment.

Screen and Other Components

The Company purchases its screen component and glasses cleaning equipment from third parties. The standard screen system component is comprised of a projection screen treated with a proprietary coating and a frame to hang the projection screen. The glasses cleaning machine is a stand-alone unit that is connected to the theater s water and electrical supply to automate the cleaning of 3D glasses.

Maintenance and Extended Warranty Services

The Company also provides ongoing maintenance and extended warranty services to IMAX theater systems. These arrangements are usually for a separate fee; however, the Company often includes free service in the initial year of an arrangement. The maintenance and extended warranty arrangements include service, maintenance and replacement parts for theater systems.

To support the IMAX theater network, the Company has personnel stationed in major markets who provide periodic and emergency maintenance and extended warranty services on existing theater systems throughout the world. The Company provides various levels of maintenance and warranty services which are priced accordingly. Under full service programs, Company personnel typically visit each theater every three months to provide preventative maintenance, cleaning and inspection services and emergency visits to resolve problems and issues with the theater system. Under some arrangements, customers can elect to participate in a service partnership program whereby the Company trains a customer—s technician to carry out certain aspects of maintenance. Under such shared maintenance arrangements, the Company participates in certain of the customer—s maintenance checks each year, provides for a specified number of emergency visits and provides spare parts as necessary.

PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

The Company s inventions cover various aspects of its proprietary technology and many of these inventions are protected by Letters of Patent or applications filed throughout the world, most significantly in the United States, Canada, Belgium, Japan, France, Germany and the United Kingdom. The subject matter covered by these patents, applications and other licenses encompasses theater design and geometry, electronic circuitry and mechanisms employed in film projectors and projection equipment (including 3D projection equipment), a method for synchronizing digital data, a method of generating stereoscopic (3D) imaging data from a 2D source, a process for digitally re-mastering 35mm films into 15/70-format, a method for increasing the dynamic range and contrast of

projectors, a method for visibly seaming or superimposing images from multiple projectors and other inventions relating to digital projectors. The Company has been diligent in the protection of its proprietary interests.

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Item 1. Business (cont d)

PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS (cont d)

The Company currently holds or licenses 46 patents, has 7 patents pending in the United States and has corresponding patents or filed applications in many countries throughout the world. While the Company considers its patents to be important to the overall conduct of its business, it does not consider any particular patent essential to its operations. Certain of the Company s patents in the United States, Canada and Japan for improvements to the IMAX projection system components expire between 2009 and 2024.

The Company owns or otherwise has rights to trademarks and trade names used in conjunction with the sale of its products, systems and services. The following trademarks are considered significant in terms of the current and contemplated operations of the Company: IMAX®, *The* IMAX *Experience*O, *An* IMAX *Experience*®, IMAX DMR®, IMAX® 3D, IMAX® Dome, IMAX MPX®, IMAX think big® and think big®. These trademarks are widely protected by registration or common law throughout the world. The Company also owns the service mark IMAX THEATRE .

EMPLOYEES

As of December 31, 2006, the Company had 345 employees, not including hourly employees at Company owned and operated theaters.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company makes available free of charge its Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K as soon as reasonably practicable after such filings have been made with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC). Reports may be obtained through the Company s website at www.imax.com or by calling the Company s Investor Relations Department at 212-821-0100.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

If any of the risks described below occurs, the Company s business, operating results and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

The risks described below are not the only ones the Company faces. Additional risks not presently known to the Company or that it deems immaterial, may also impair its business or operations.

RISKS RELATED TO THE RESTATEMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS

The Company is subject to ongoing informal inquiries by regulatory authorities in the U.S. and Canada and it cannot predict the timing of developments and outcomes in these matters.

The Company is the subject of informal inquiries by the SEC and the Ontario Securities Commission (the OSC); these inquiries focus on the Company s accounting policies and related matters. The Company cannot predict when these inquiries will be completed, the further timing of any other developments in connection with the inquiries, or the results or outcomes of these inquiries.

Expenses incurred in connection with these informal inquiries (which include substantial fees of lawyers and other professional advisors) and potential obligations to indemnify officers and directors who could, at a future date, be parties to such actions, continue to adversely affect the Company s cash position and profitability.

The informal inquiries may adversely affect the Company s ability to obtain, and/or increase the cost of obtaining, directors and officers liability insurance, which could have a material adverse affect on the Company s business, results of operations and financial condition. It may also adversely affect the course of the pending litigation against the Company. The Company is currently defending a consolidated class-action lawsuit in the U.S. and a class-action lawsuit in Ontario (see Legal Proceedings in Item 3). Negative developments or outcomes in the informal inquiries could have an adverse affect on the Company s defense of lawsuits. Finally, the SEC and/or OSC could impose sanctions and/or fines on the Company in connection with the aforementioned inquiries. The indenture governing the Company s 9.625% Senior Notes due 2010 (the Senior Notes) contains a covenant requiring the timely filing of its financial statements with regulatory agencies. Although upon filing this 10-K and the Company s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2007, the Company will cure its default of this covenant, further changes to the Company s accounting policies and/or additional restatements could result in the failure of the Company to meet these deadlines and cause the holders of its Senior Notes to accelerate payment. In addition, these informal investigations could divert attention of the Company s management and other personnel for significant periods of time.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE RESTATEMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS (cont d)

Resolution of the Company s unresolved SEC and OSC staff comments and informal SEC and OSC enforcement division inquiries may result in a further change in accounting, and in particular, revenue recognition policies.

In 2006 and 2007, the staff of the SEC and OSC sent comment letters to the Company raising questions as to the Company's revenue recognition policies and other areas, including the Company's recognition of theater system components at different points in time. The comments also raised questions regarding the Company's accounting for settlement income, receivable provisions and certain transactions with Digital Projection International. In addition, the Company was asked to enhance its disclosures in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, particularly in the area of revenue recognition policies. As noted in notes 2(n) and 4 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in Item 8, the Company revised its revenue recognition policy for theater systems and has restated its financial statements for prior periods to reflect the correction of revenue recognition and other errors. The Company is continuing to discuss these issues with the SEC and OSC. It is possible that such discussions could result in a further restatement of the Company's financial statements and amendments to this report or prior Annual Reports and Quarterly Reports, filed on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q, respectively.

The Company is subject to lawsuits that could divert its resources and result in the payment of significant damages and other remedies.

The Company s industry is characterized by frequent claims and related litigation regarding breach of contract and related issues. The Company is subject to a number of legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of its business. In addition, the Company is engaged as a defendant in several class action lawsuits filed by certain shareholders of the Company. The Company cannot assure that it will succeed in defending any claims, that judgments will not be entered against it with respect to any litigation or that reserves the Company may set aside will be adequate to cover any such judgments. If any of these actions or proceedings against the Company is successful, it may be subject to significant damages awards. In addition, the Company is the plaintiff in a number of lawsuits in which it seeks the recovery of substantial payments. The Company is incurring significant legal fees in prosecuting and defending its lawsuits, and it may not ultimately prevail in such lawsuits or be able to collect on such judgments if it does.

Although the Company s directors and officers liability insurance is deemed to provide coverage for the class-action lawsuits the Company is defending (see Legal Proceedings in Item 3), the damages in such lawsuits could be significant. Additionally, the defense of these claims (as with the defense or prosecution of all of the Company s litigation) could divert the attention of the Company s management and other personnel for significant periods of time.

The Company has been the subject of anti-trust complaints and investigations in the past and may be sued or investigated on similar grounds in the future.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE RESTATEMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS (cont d)

The Company has identified a number of material weaknesses related to its internal controls over financial reporting. These material weaknesses could continue to impact the Company s ability to report its financial results accurately and in a timely manner.

Over the course of the year-end audit, the Company identified a number of material weaknesses in the Company s internal control over financial reporting. In addition, management assessed the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting as at December 31, 2006 and concluded that its internal control over financial reporting was not effective.

The following material weaknesses have been identified and included in the Company s assessment: the Company did not maintain adequate controls, including period-end controls, over the analysis and review of revenue recognition for sales and lease transactions in accordance with U.S. GAAP;

the Company did not maintain effective controls, including period-end controls, over accounting for film transactions in accordance with U.S. GAAP:

the Company did not maintain effective controls, including period-end controls, over the accounting for contract origination costs in accordance with U.S. GAAP;

the Company did not maintain adequate controls over the complete and accurate recording of postretirement benefits other than pensions in accordance with U.S. GAAP;

the Company did not maintain effective controls over the intraperiod allocation of the provision for income taxes in accordance with U.S. GAAP;

the Company did not maintain adequate controls over the lines of communication between operational departments and the Finance Department related to revenue recognition for sales and lease transactions; and

the Company did not maintain adequate controls over the timely communication between departments of information relating to developing issues that may impact the Company s financial reporting.

After considering these weaknesses, the Company s Co-Chief Executive Officers (Co-CEOs) and Chief Financial Officer (CFO) have also concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures were not effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in the reports the Company submits is recorded, processed, summarized and reported appropriately.

The Company is in the process of implementing remedial measures and compensating procedures to address these material weaknesses. These material weaknesses, if left unaddressed, could result in accounting errors such as those underlying this restatement, which could adversely impact the accuracy and timing of future reports and filings the Company makes with the SEC and OSC. In addition, the Company expects that implementation of remedial measures and full remediation of its material weaknesses, internal control over financial reporting and its disclosure controls and procedures will take time given a need to implement one comprehensive remediation plan with a well defined set of objectives and agreed upon timelines. The Company expects that its management will continue to devote significant time to the remedial measures necessary to improve its process and procedures, which could be time consuming and may disrupt the Company s business.

Continued negative publicity has affected and may continue to adversely affect the Company s business and the market price of its publicly traded common shares.

The Company has been the subject of continuing negative publicity in part as a result of the ongoing informal SEC and OSC inquiries and its delay in filing financial statements, which included a restatement of prior results. This delay additionally caused Company management to be subject to a cease trade order imposed by Canadian provincial

securities regulators, and resulted in the Company receiving delisting notices from the Nasdaq, although the Nasdaq subsequently granted the Company an extension of time to come in compliance with exchange listing requirements and the Company expects both the U.S. and Canadian trading issues to be resolved due to its filing this annual report and its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2007. The negative publicity the Company has received has contributed to declines in the prices of its publicly traded common shares. In addition, this negative publicity has and may continue to have an effect on the terms under which some customers and suppliers are willing to continue to do business with the Company and could adversely affect its financial performance or financial condition. Continuing negative publicity could continue to have an adverse effect on the business and the market price of the Company s publicly traded securities.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OR CONDITION

The Company is highly leveraged, and this impairs its ability to obtain financing and limits cash flow available for its operations.

The Company is highly leveraged. As at December 31, 2006, its total long-term indebtedness was \$160.0 million. At December 31, 2006, the Company s shareholders deficit was \$52.1 million. The Company s high leverage has important possible consequences. It may:

make it more difficult for the Company to satisfy its financial obligations;

limit its ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures (such as joint revenue sharing arrangements), acquisitions or general corporate purposes;

require the Company to dedicate all or a substantial portion of its cash flow from operations to the payment of principal and interest on its indebtedness, resulting in less cash available for its operations and other purposes;

impede the Company s research and development initiatives, including its development of a digitally-based projector;

limit its ability to rapidly adjust to changing market conditions; and

increase its vulnerability to downturns in its business or in general economic conditions.

The Company s ability to satisfy its obligations and to reduce its total debt depends on its future operating performance. The Company s future operating performance is subject to many factors, including economic, financial and competitive factors, which may be beyond its control. As a result, it may not be able to generate sufficient cash flow, and future financings may not be available to provide sufficient net proceeds, to meet these obligations or to execute its business strategy successfully.

The Company may still be able to incur more indebtedness, which could further exacerbate the risks associated with its existing indebtedness.

The Company may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future. Although the agreements governing the indebtedness contain restrictions on the incurrence of additional indebtedness, debt incurred in compliance with these restrictions could be substantial. If additional indebtedness is added to its current indebtedness levels, the related risks that the Company faces would be magnified.

The Company may not generate cash flow sufficient to service all of its obligations.

The Company s ability to make payments on and to refinance its indebtedness and to fund its operations, working capital and capital expenditures, depends on its ability to generate cash in the future. The Company s cash flow is subject to general economic, industry, financial, competitive, technological, operating, regulatory and other factors, many of which are beyond its control. The Company s business may not generate cash flow in an amount sufficient to enable it to repay its indebtedness or to fund its other liquidity needs.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OR CONDITION (cont d) The agreements governing the Company s indebtedness contain significant restrictions that limit its operating and financial flexibility.

The indenture governing the Company s indebtedness including the agreement governing its credit facility contains covenants that, among other things, limit its ability to: incur additional indebtedness:

pay dividends and make distributions;
repurchase stock;
make certain investments;
transfer or sell assets;
create liens;
enter into transactions with affiliates;
issue or sell stock of subsidiaries;

create dividend or other payment restrictions affecting restricted subsidiaries; and

merge, consolidate, amalgamate or sell all or substantially all of its assets to another person.

In addition, the Company s agreement governing its credit facility contains a covenant requiring the Company to maintain a certain level of adjusted earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and other defined adjustments over the prior twelve months for two consecutive quarters. All of these covenants and restrictions may limit the Company s ability to execute its business strategy. Moreover, if operating results fall below current levels, the Company may be unable to comply with these covenants. If that occurs, the Company s credit facility lender could demand re-payment of any outstanding indebtedness. In addition, under the terms of the Credit Facility, the Company has to comply with several reporting requirements including the delivery of audited consolidated financial statements within 120 days of the end of the fiscal year.

In March 2007, the Company delayed the filing of its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006 beyond the filing deadline in order to restate financial statements for certain periods during the fiscal years 2002 2006. On March 27, 2007, the Credit Facility lender waived the requirement for the company to deliver audited consolidated financial statements within 120 days of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, provided such statements and documents were delivered on or before June 30, 2007. On June 27, 2007, the Credit Facility lender agreed that an event of default would not be deemed to have occurred unless the Company s 10-K filing does not occur by July 31, 2007 or upon the occurrence and continuance of an event of default under the Company s Indenture governing its Senior Notes which, has not been cured within the applicable grace period.

The Company s agreements governing its senior note indebtedness contain a covenant requiring the timely filing of its quarterly and annual results with regulatory agencies. Failure to meet these deadlines could result in holders of the Senior Notes demanding payment. The filing delay of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006 resulted in the Company being in default of a financial reporting covenant under the indenture dated as of December 4, 2003, and as thereafter amended and supplemented, governing the Company s Senior Notes due 2010 (the Indenture).

On April 16, 2007 the Company completed a consent solicitation, receiving consents from holders of approximate 60% aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes (the Consenting Holders) to execute a ninth supplemental indenture (the Supplemental Indenture) to the Indenture with the Guarantors named therein and U.S. Bank National Association. The Supplemental Indenture waived any defaults existing at such time arising from a failure by the Company to comply with the Indenture s reporting covenant requiring that annual and quarterly financial statements are filed with the trustee within 15 days of the required public company filing deadlines, and extended until May 31, 2007, or at the Company s election until June 30, 2007 (the Covenant Reversion Date), the date by which the Company s failure to comply with the reporting covenant shall constitute a default, or be the basis for an event of default under the Indenture. The Company paid consent fees of \$1.0 million to the Consenting Holders. On May 30, 2007, the Company provided notice to the holders of the Senior Notes of its election to extend the Covenant Reversion Date to June 30, 2007. The Company paid additional consent fees of \$0.5 million to the Consenting Holders. Because the Company did not file its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006 and its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2007 by June 30, 2007, it was in default of the reporting covenant under the Indenture on July 1, 2007, and received notice of such default on July 2, 2007. The Company will cure such default under the Indenture, which provides for a 30-day cure period for defaults under the reporting covenant, by filing this 10-K and the first quarter 2007 10-Q by the end of the 30-day cure period.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OR CONDITION (cont d) Certain bankruptcy and insolvency laws may impair a creditor s ability to enforce remedies in an insolvency.

The Company is incorporated under the laws of Canada, and substantially all of its assets are located in Canada. Under bankruptcy laws in the United States, courts typically have jurisdiction over a debtor s property, wherever located, including property situated in other countries. There can be no assurance, however, that courts outside the United States would recognize the U.S. bankruptcy court s jurisdiction. Accordingly, difficulties may arise in administering a U.S. bankruptcy case involving a Canadian company like the Company with property located outside the United States, and any orders or judgments of a bankruptcy court in the United States may not be enforceable in Canada against the Company.

The rights of a creditor to enforce remedies may be significantly impaired by the restructuring provisions of applicable Canadian federal bankruptcy, insolvency and other restructuring legislation if the benefit of such legislation is sought with respect to the Company. For example, both the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) and the Companies Creditors Arrangement Act (Canada) contain provisions enabling an insolvent person to obtain a stay of proceeding as against its creditors and others and to prepare and file a proposal for consideration by all or some of its creditors to be voted on by the various classes of its creditors. Moreover, this legislation permits, in certain circumstances, an insolvent debtor to retain possession and administration of its property, even though it may be in default under the applicable debt instrument.

The Company s stock price has historically been volatile and further declines in market price may negatively impact its ability to raise capital, issue debt, and retain employees.

The stock markets have experienced extreme price fluctuations that have affected the market price and trading volumes of many technology companies in particular, with potential consequential negative effects on the trading of securities of those companies. A major decline in the capital markets generally, or an adjustment in the market price or trading volumes of the Company s publicly traded securities, may negatively impact its ability to raise capital, issue debt, secure customer business or retain employees. These factors, as well as general economic and geopolitical conditions, may have a material adverse effect on the market price of the Company s publicly traded securities.

The Company s theater system revenue can vary significantly from its cash flows under theater system sales or lease agreements.

The Company s theater systems revenue can vary significantly from the associated cash flows. The Company generally provides financing to customers for theater systems on a long-term basis through long-term leases or notes receivables. The terms of leases or notes receivable are typically 10 to 20 years. The Company s agreements typically provide for three major sources of cash flow related to theater systems:

initial fees, which are paid in installments generally commencing upon the signing of the agreement until installation of the theater systems;

ongoing fees, which are paid monthly after all theater systems have been installed and are generally equal to the greater of a fixed minimum amount per annum and a percentage of box-office receipts; and

ongoing annual maintenance and extended warranty fees, which are generally payable commencing in the second year of theater operations.

Initial fees generally make up a majority of cash received for a theater arrangement.

For sales and sales-type leases, the revenue recorded is generally equal to the sum of initial fees and the present value of minimum ongoing fees due under the agreement. Cash received from initial fees in advance of meeting the revenue recognition criteria for the theater systems is recorded as deferred revenue. Contingent fees are recognized as they are reported by the theaters after annual minimum fixed fees are exceeded.

Leases that do not transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership to the customer are classified as operating leases. For these leases, initial fees and minimum fixed ongoing fees are recognized as revenue on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent fees are recognized as they are reported by the theaters after annual

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS

There is collection risk associated with sale or lease arrangement payments to be received over the terms of the Company s theater system agreements.

The Company is dependent in part on the viability of its customers for collections under long-term lease or sales financing arrangements. The Company cannot assure that exhibitors or other operators will not experience financial difficulties in the future. The Company may not collect all of its contracted future payments under either lease or sales financing arrangements. The Company s revenue can vary significantly from its cash flows under theater systems sale or lease agreements, and there is collection risk associated with future payments to be received over the terms of its arrangements.

The Company may not convert all of its backlog into revenue and cash flows.

The Company lists signed contracts for theater systems sales or sales-type leases for which revenue has not been recognized as sales backlog prior to the time of revenue recognition. Sales backlog represents the total value of all signed theater system sale or lease agreements that are expected to be recognized as revenue in the future and includes initial fees along with the present value of fixed minimum ongoing fees due over the term, but excludes contingent fees in excess of fixed minimum ongoing fees that might be received in the future and maintenance and extended warranty fees. Notwithstanding the legal obligation to do so, all of the Company s customers with which it has signed contracts may not accept delivery of theater systems that are included in the Company s backlog. This could adversely affect the Company s future revenues and cash flows. In addition, customers with theater system obligations in backlog sometimes request that the Company agree to modify or reduce such obligations. The Company has in the past, under certain circumstances, restructured backlog obligations of certain customers.

The Company depends on commercial movie exhibitors to purchase or lease its IMAX theater systems and to provide additional revenues and venues in which to exhibit its IMAX DMR films.

A number of the Company s commercial exhibition customers emerged from bankruptcy protection in recent years. The Company is unable to predict if or when they or other exhibitors will purchase or lease or continue to purchase or lease IMAX theater systems from the Company or whether other commercial movie exhibitors will experience significant financial difficulties in the future. If exhibitors choose to reduce their levels of expansion or decide not to purchase or lease IMAX theater systems for their existing or new theaters, the Company s revenues would not increase at an anticipated rate and motion picture studios may be less willing to reformat Hollywood 35mm films into the Company s 15/70 film format for exhibition in commercial IMAX theaters. As a result, the Company s future revenues and cash flows could be adversely affected.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS (cont d)

The Company s operating results and cash flow can vary substantially from quarter to quarter and could increase the volatility of its share price.

The Company s operating results and cash flow can fluctuate substantially from quarter to quarter. In particular, fluctuations in theater system installations can materially affect operating results. Factors that have affected the Company s operating results and cash flow in the past, and are likely to affect its operating results and cash flow in the future include, among other things:

the timing of signing and installation of new theater systems;

demand for, and acceptance of, its products and services;

revenue recognition of sales and sales-type leases;

classification of leases as sales-type versus operating leases;

volume of orders received and that can be fulfilled in the quarter;

the level of its sales backlog;

the timing and commercial success of films produced and distributed by the Company and others;

the signing of film distribution agreements;

the financial performance of IMAX theaters operated by the Company s customers and by the Company;

the financial difficulties, including bankruptcies, faced by customers, particularly customers in the commercial exhibition industry;

the magnitude and timing of spending in relation to the Company s research and development efforts; and

the number and timing of joint revenue sharing arrangement installations, related capital expenditures and timing of related cash receipts.

Most of the Company s operating expenses are fixed in the short term. The Company may be unable to rapidly adjust its spending to compensate for any unexpected sales shortfall, which would harm quarterly operating results. The results of any quarterly period are not necessarily indicative of its results for any other quarter or for a full fiscal year.

The Company may not be able to generate profits in the future.

The Company may not be able to generate profits in any future period. If the Company does not generate profits in future periods, it may be unable to finance the operations of its business or meet its debt obligations.

The success of the IMAX theater network is directly related to the availability and success of 15/70-format films, particularly IMAX DMR films.

An important factor affecting the growth and success of the IMAX theater network is the availability of 15/70-format films. The Company produces only a small number of 15/70-format films and, as a result, the Company relies principally on 15/70-format films produced by third party filmmakers and studios, particularly Hollywood features converted from 35mm format using the Company s IMAX DMR technology. There are no guarantees that these filmmakers and studios will continue to release 15/70 or IMAX DMR films, or that the 15/70-format films they produce will be commercially successful.

The Company s revenues from existing customers are derived in part from financial reporting provided by its customers, which may be inaccurate or incomplete, resulting in lost or delayed revenues.

A portion of the Company s payments under lease or sales arrangements and its film license fees are based upon financial reporting provided by its customers. If such reporting is inaccurate, incomplete or withheld, the Company s ability to invoice and receive the proper amount from its customers in a timely fashion will be impaired. The Company s contractual audits of IMAX theaters may not rectify payments lost or delayed as a result of customers not fulfilling their contractual requirements with respect to financial reporting.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS (cont d)

The Company conducts business internationally which exposes it to uncertainties and risks that could negatively affect its operations and sales.

A significant portion of the Company s sales are made to customers located outside the United States and Canada. Approximately 36%, 42% and 41% of its revenues were derived outside of the United States and Canada in 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The Company expects its international operations to continue to account for a significant portion of its revenues in the future and plan to expand into new markets in the future. The Company does not have significant experience in operating in certain foreign countries and are subject to the risks associated with operating in those countries. The Company currently has theater systems arrangements projected in countries where economies have been unstable in recent years. The economies of other foreign countries important to the Company s operations could also suffer slower economic growth or instability in the future. The following are among the risks that could negatively affect the Company s operations and sales in foreign markets:

new restrictions on access to markets;

unusual or burdensome foreign laws or regulatory requirements or unexpected changes to those laws or requirements;

fluctuations in the value of foreign currency versus the U.S. dollar and potential currency devaluations;

new tariffs, trade protection measures, import or export licensing requirements, trade embargoes and other trade barriers;

imposition of foreign exchange controls in such foreign jurisdictions;

dependence on foreign distributors and their sales channels;

difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations;

adverse changes in monetary and/or tax policies;

poor recognition of intellectual property rights;

inflation;

requirements to provide performance bonds and letters of credit to international customers to secure system component deliveries; and

political, economic and social instability in foreign countries.

The Company faces risks in connection with the continued expansion of its business in China and other parts of Asia.

The first IMAX theater system in a theater in China was installed in December 2001 and 17 additional IMAX theater systems are scheduled to be installed in China by 2009. China is now the Company s second largest market. However, the geopolitical instability of the region comprising China, Taiwan, North Korea and South Korea could result in economic embargoes, disruptions in shipping or even military hostilities, which could interfere with both the fulfillment of the Company s existing contracts and its pursuit of additional contracts in China.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS (cont d)

The introduction of new products and technologies and changes in the way the Company s competitors operate could harm the Company s business.

The out-of-home entertainment industry is very competitive, and the Company faces a number of challenges. The Company competes with other large-format film projector manufacturers as well as, less directly, conventional motion picture exhibitors. In addition to existing competitors, the Company may also face competition in the future from companies in the entertainment industry with new technologies and/or substantially greater capital resources. The Company also faces competition from a number of alternative motion picture distribution channels such as home video, pay-per-view, video-on-demand, DVD, and syndicated and broadcast television. The Company also competes for the public s leisure time and disposable income with other forms of entertainment, including sporting events, concerts, live theater and restaurants.

Furthermore, the out-of-home entertainment industry in general is undergoing significant changes. Primarily due to technological developments and changing consumer tastes, numerous companies are developing, and are expected to continue to develop, new entertainment products for the out-of-home entertainment industry, which may compete directly with the Company s products. Competitors may design products which are more attractive to the consumer and/or more cost effective than the Company s and may make its products less competitive. The products that the Company is currently developing may never be attractive to consumers or be competitive. As a result of this competition, the Company could lose market share as demand for its products declines, which could seriously harm its business and operating results.

The motion picture exhibition industry is in the early stages of conversion from film based media to electronic based media. The Company is similarly developing a digital projector that can be utilized in IMAX theaters, and is expected to be available for production and sale by early 2009. There are no guarantees this product will be successful (see below).

There is a technology risk associated with the Company s development of a digitally-based projector.

The Company is in the process of developing a digital projector that will ultimately supplant and replace its film-based projector for a large portion of its commercial theater customer base. There are numerous risks associated with this transition. The Company may fail to develop a digital projector that meets its high standards for image quality, resulting in the need for additional research and development to develop a projector that does. The digital projector developed by the Company may not be attractive to consumers or be competitive. Competitors may design digitally-based projectors which are more attractive to the consumer, available earlier than the Company s and/or more cost effective than the Company s, and may make the Company s film and/or digital projectors less competitive. As a result of this competition, the Company could lose market share as demand for its products declines, which could seriously harm its business and operating results. In addition, the need for additional research and development and/or for capital to finance replacement of certain theater systems and associated conversion costs could require the Company to raise additional capital, which capital may not be available to the Company on attractive terms, or at all. In addition, as the roll-out of the Company s digital projectors approaches, prospective customers may delay their purchase or lease of film-based projectors, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position and results of operations. Finally, the Company s theater system arrangements are increasingly including provisions allowing for customer to upgrade from film-based systems to digital systems, when available. The accounting impact of such provisions may include the deferral of some or all of the revenue (though not the cash) associated with the arrangement beyond the point of the full installation and customer acceptance of the film-based system. Such deferral could result in a significant increase in the Company s deferred revenue accounts and a significant decrease in the Company s reported profits prior to the delivery of the digital upgrade. The Company currently expects that its digital projectors will become available by early 2009.

An economic downturn could materially affect the Company s business by reducing demand for IMAX theater systems and revenue generated from box-office sales.

The Company depends on the sale and lease of IMAX theater systems to commercial movie exhibitors to generate a significant portion of its revenues. Most of the Company's agreements provide for additional revenues based on a percentage of theater box-office receipts when attendance at an IMAX theater exceeds a minimum threshold. The Company's joint revenue sharing arrangements provide it with a portion of the box-office from the customer's IMAX theaters. Commercial movie exhibitors generate revenues from consumer attendance at their theaters, which are subject to general political, social and economic conditions and the willingness of consumers to spend discretionary money at movie theaters. If there is a prolonged economic downturn, commercial movie exhibitors could be less willing to invest capital in new theaters resulting in a decline in demand for new IMAX theater systems. In addition, any decline in attendance at commercial IMAX theaters will reduce the additional revenues the Company generates from a percentage of theater box-office receipts or under its joint revenue sharing arrangements. Institutional exhibitors may also experience a decline in attendance given general political, social and economic conditions, which may result in reduced revenues generated from receipts attributed to IMAX theaters at such institutions and reduced film license fees.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS (cont d)

The Company may experience adverse effects due to exchange rate fluctuations.

A substantial portion of the Company s revenues are denominated in U.S. dollars, while a substantial portion of its expenses are denominated in Canadian dollars. The Company also generates revenues in Euros and Japanese Yen. The Company may enter into forward contracts to hedge its exposure to exchange rate fluctuations. However, the Company s strategy may not be successful in reducing its exposure to these fluctuations. Any material increase in the value of the Canadian dollar in relation to the U.S. dollar compared to historic levels could have a material adverse effect on its operating results.

The Company is subject to impairment losses on its film assets.

The Company amortizes its film assets, including IMAX DMR costs capitalized, using the individual film forecast method, whereby the costs of film assets are amortized and participation costs are accrued for each film in the ratio of revenues earned in the current period to management s estimate of total revenues ultimately expected to be received for that title. Management regularly reviews, and revises when necessary, its estimates of ultimate revenues on a title-by-title basis, which may result in a change in the rate of amortization of the film assets and write-downs or impairments to film assets. Results of operations in future years depend upon the amortization of the Company s film assets and may be significantly affected by periodic adjustments in amortization rates.

If the Company s goodwill or long lived assets become impaired the Company may be required to record a significant charge to earnings.

Under U.S. GAAP, the Company reviews its long lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. Goodwill is required to be tested for impairment annually or when events or changes in circumstances indicate an impairment test is required. Factors that may be considered a change in circumstances include (but are not limited to) a decline in stock price and market capitalization, future cash flows, and slower growth rates in the Company s industry. The Company may be required to record a significant charge to earnings in its financial statements during the period in which any impairment of its goodwill or long lived assets is determined.

Changes in accounting and changes in management s estimates may affect the Company s reported earnings and operating income.

U.S. GAAP and accompanying accounting pronouncements, implementation guidelines and interpretations for many aspects of the Company s business, such as revenue recognition, film accounting, accounting for pensions, accounting for income taxes, and treatment of goodwill or long lived assets, are highly complex and involve many subjective judgments. Changes in these rules, their interpretation, management s estimates, or changes in the Company s products or business could significantly change its reported future earnings and operating income and could add significant volatility to those measures, without a comparable underlying change in cash flow from operations. See Critical Accounting Policies in Item 7.

The Company relies on its key personnel, and the loss of one or more of those personnel could harm its ability to carry out its business strategy.

The Company s operations and prospects depend in large part on the performance and continued service of its senior management team. The Company may not find qualified replacements for any of these individuals if their services are no longer available. The loss of the services of one or more members of the Company s senior management team could adversely affect its ability to effectively pursue its business strategy.

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Item 1A. Risk Factors (cont d)

RISKS RELATED TO THE COMPANY S BUSINESS (cont d)

The Company s ability to adequately protect its intellectual property is limited, and competitors may misappropriate its technology, which could weaken its competitive position.

The Company depends on its proprietary knowledge regarding IMAX theater systems and film technology. The Company relies principally upon a combination of copyright, trademark, patent and trade secret laws, restrictions on disclosures and contractual provisions to protect its proprietary and intellectual property rights. These laws and procedures may not be adequate to prevent unauthorized parties from attempting to copy or otherwise obtain the Company s processes and technology or deter others from developing similar processes or technology, which could weaken the Company s competitive position. The protection provided to the Company s proprietary technology by the laws of foreign jurisdictions may not protect it as fully as the laws of Canada or the United States. Some of the underlying technologies of the Company s products and system components are not covered by patents or patent applications.

The Company has patents issued and patent applications pending, including those covering its digital projector and digital conversion technology. The Company s patents are filed in the United States often with corresponding patents or filed applications in other jurisdictions, such as Canada, Belgium, Japan, France, Germany and the United Kingdom. The patents may not be issued or provide the Company with any competitive advantages. The patent applications may also be challenged by third parties. Several of the Company s issued patents in the United States, Canada and Japan for improvements to IMAX projectors, IMAX 3D Dome and sound system components expire between 2009 and 2024. Any claims or litigation initiated by the Company to protect its proprietary technology could be time consuming, costly and divert the attention of its technical and management resources.

Because the Company is incorporated in Canada, it may be difficult for plaintiffs to enforce against the Company liabilities based solely upon U.S. federal securities laws.

The Company is incorporated under the federal laws of Canada, some of its directors and officers are residents of Canada and a substantial portion of its assets and the assets of such directors and officers are located outside the United States. As a result, it may be difficult for United States—plaintiffs to effect service within the United States upon those directors or officers who are not residents of the United States, or to realize against them or the Company in the United States upon judgments of courts of the United States predicated upon the civil liability under the United States federal securities laws. In addition, it may be difficult for plaintiffs to bring an original action outside of the United States against the Company to enforce liabilities based solely on U.S. federal securities laws.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

The Company received comments from the Staff of the Division of Corporation Finance of the SEC in a letter dated September 20, 2006 with respect to the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2006. The Company responded to these comments in December 2006. In a letter dated February 12, 2007, the SEC sent the Company additional comments, particularly in the area of its revenue recognition policies and disclosures. The Company responded to the majority of these comments in letters dated June 20, 2007 and July 2, 2007. The Company has also received comments from the OSC dated November 20, 2006, to which the Company responded on January 19, 2007. The Company has received further comments from the OSC relating to the Company s revenue recognition policies and disclosures in letters dated February 27, 2007, April 9, 2007 and June 27, 2007. The Company has not yet responded to these comments. The Company has considered the SEC and OSC comments in the preparation of this annual report. As discussed in Risk Factors in Item 1A, the Company continues to discuss these areas with the SEC and OSC. It is possible further comments may arise as a result of these discussions.

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Item 2. Properties

The Company s principal executive offices are located in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, New York, New York and Santa Monica, California. The Company s principal facilities are as follows:

	Operation	Own/Lease	Expiration
Mississauga, Ontario ⁽¹⁾	Headquarters, Administrative, Assembly and Research	Own	N/A
	and Development		
New York, New York	Executive	Lease	2014
Santa Monica, California	Sales, Marketing, Film Production and Post-Production	Lease	2012
Shanghai, China	Sales and Marketing	Lease	2009
Tokyo, Japan	Sales, Marketing, Maintenance and Theater Design	Lease	2008

(1) This facility is subject to a charge in favor of Wachovia Capital Finance Corporation (Canada) in connection with a secured revolving credit facility (see note 14 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in Item 8).

Item 3. Legal Proceedings

In March 2005, the Company, together with Three-Dimensional Media Group, Ltd. (3DMG), filed a complaint in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Western Division, against In-Three, Inc. (In-Three) alleging patent infringement. On March 10, 2006, the Company and In-Three entered into a settlement agreement settling the dispute between the Company and In-Three. On June 12, 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Western Division, entered a stay in the proceedings against In-Three pending the arbitration of disputes between the Company and 3DMG. Arbitration was initiated by the Company against 3DMG on May 15, 2006 before the International Centre for Dispute Resolution in New York, alleging breaches of the license and consulting agreements between the Company and 3DMG. On June 15, 2006, 3DMG filed an answer denying any breaches and asserting counterclaims that the Company breached the parties license agreement. On June 21, 2007, the Arbitration Panel unanimously denied 3DMG s Motion for Summary Judgment filed on April 11, 2007 concerning the Company s claims and 3DMG s counterclaims. An evidentiary hearing on liability issues has been set for September 2007 with further proceedings on damages issues to be scheduled if and when necessary. The Company will continue to pursue its claims vigorously and believes that all allegations made by 3DMG are without merit. The Company further believes that the amount of loss, if any, suffered in connection with the counterclaims would not have a material impact on the financial position or operations of the Company, although no assurance can be given with respect to the ultimate outcome of the arbitration.

In January 2004, the Company and IMAX Theater Services Ltd., a subsidiary of the Company, commenced an arbitration seeking damages of approximately \$3.7 million before the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chambers of Commerce (the ICC) with respect to the breach by Electronic Media Limited (EML) of its December 2000 agreement with the Company. In June 2004, the Company commenced a related arbitration before the ICC against EML is affiliate, E-CITI Entertainment (I) PVT Limited (E-Citi), seeking \$17.8 million in damages as a result of E-Citi is breach of a September 2000 lease agreement. The arbitration hearing on both claims took place in November 2005. On February 1, 2006, the ICC issued an award on liability finding unanimously in the Company is favor on all claims. The ICC hearings to determine the amount of damages to be awarded to the Company took place in July 2006, and a further hearing took place on December 2006. The ICC panel has not yet rendered its decision with respect to damages and no amount has yet been recorded for these damages.

In June 2004, Robots of Mars, Inc. (Robots) initiated an arbitration proceeding against the Company in California with the American Arbitration Association pursuant to an arbitration provision in a 1994 film production agreement between Robots predecessor-in-interest and a subsidiary of the Company, asserting claims for breach of contract, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty and intentional interference with contract. Robots is seeking an accounting of the Company s revenues and an award of all sums alleged to be due to Robots under the production agreement, as well as punitive damages. The Company intends to vigorously defend the arbitration proceeding and believes the amount of the loss, if any, that may be suffered in connection with this proceeding will not have a material impact on the financial position or results of operations of the Company, although no assurance can be given with respect to the ultimate outcome of such arbitration.

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Item 3. Legal Proceedings (cont d)

The Company and certain of its officers and directors were named as defendants in eight purported class action lawsuits filed between August 11, 2006 and September 18, 2006, alleging violations of U.S. federal securities laws. These eight actions were filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The lawsuits, brought on behalf of shareholders who purchased the Company s common stock between October 28, 2004 and August 9, 2006, allege primarily that the defendants engaged in securities fraud by disseminating materially false and misleading statements during the class period regarding the Company s revenue recognition of theater system installations, and failing to disclose material information concerning the Company s revenue recognition practices. These lawsuits seek unspecified compensatory damages, costs, and expenses. On January 18, 2007, the Court consolidated all eight class action lawsuits and appointed Westchester Capital Management, Inc. as the lead plaintiff and Abbey Spanier Rodd Abrams & Paradis LLP as lead plaintiff s counsel. On April 26, 2007, the lead plaintiff and the Company entered into a stipulation extending the time in which the lead plaintiff must file a consolidated amended complaint until sixty days after the Company files this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The lawsuit is at a very early stage and as a result the Company is not able to estimate a potential loss exposure. The Company believes the allegations made against it in the complaints are meritless and will vigorously defend the matter, although no assurances can be given with respect to the outcome of such proceedings. The Company s directors and officers insurance policy provides for reimbursement for costs and expenses incurred in connection with this lawsuit as well as potential damages awarded, if any, subject to certain policy limits.

A class action lawsuit was filed on September 20, 2006 in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice against the Company and certain of its officers and directors, alleging violations of Canadian securities laws. This lawsuit was brought on behalf of shareholders who acquired the Company's securities between February 17, 2006 and August 9, 2006. The lawsuit is in a very early stage and seeks unspecified compensatory and punitive damages, as well as costs and expenses. As a result, the Company is unable to estimate a potential loss exposure. The Company believes the allegations made against it in the statement of claim are meritless and will vigorously defend the matter, although no assurance can be given with respect to the ultimate outcome of such proceedings. The Company's directors and officers insurance policy provides for reimbursement for costs and expenses incurred in connection with this lawsuit as well as potential damages awarded, if any, subject to certain policy limits.

On May 10, 2007, Catalyst Fund Limited Partnership II, a holder of Senior Notes, filed a complaint against the Company in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County alleging common law fraud, challenging the consent solicitation through which the Company requested and obtained a waiver of any and all defaults arising from a failure to comply with the reporting covenant under the indenture governing the Senior Notes, and seeking a declaration that the consent solicitation was legally ineffective due to alleged misstatements made by the Company. The complaint further seeks a declaration that the Company has defaulted on its reporting obligations under the indenture as a result of its failure to timely file its annual and quarterly reports, and the Company s stated expectation that it will restate certain of the financial statements it filed during the 2001 through 2006 time period. The litigation is at a preliminary stage and as a result, the Company is not able to estimate a potential loss exposure. On June 29, 2007, the Company moved to dismiss the complaint in its entirety. The Company believes the complaint is entirely without merit and intends to vigorously defend the case, although no assurances can be given with respect to the outcome of such proceedings.

On June 19, 2007, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice granted the Company s application to call its Annual General Meeting between June 30, 2007 and September 30, 2007.

In addition to the matters described above, the Company is currently involved in other legal proceedings which, in the opinion of the Company s management, will not materially affect the Company s financial position or future operating results, although no assurance can be given with respect to the ultimate outcome of any such proceedings.

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

There were no matters submitted to a vote of the security holders during the quarter ended December 31, 2006.

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IMAX CORPORATION PART II

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

The Company s common shares are listed for trading under the trading symbol IMAX on the NASDAQ Global Market (NASDAQ). The common shares are also listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) under the trading symbol IMX . The following table sets forth the range of high and low sales prices per share for the common shares on NASDAQ and the TSX.

	U.S. I	U.S. Dollars	
	High	Low	
NASDAQ	_		
Year ended December 31, 2006			
Fourth quarter	\$ 5.20	\$3.32	
Third quarter	\$10.92	\$4.43	
Second quarter	\$10.38	\$8.17	
First quarter	\$10.95	\$7.14	
Year ended December 31, 2005			
Fourth quarter	\$10.50	\$6.98	
Third quarter	\$11.10	\$9.00	
Second quarter	\$10.84	\$7.62	
First quarter	\$12.45	\$7.64	
	Canadia	Canadian Dollars	
	High	Low	
TSX			
Year ended December 31, 2006			
Fourth quarter	\$ 5.90	\$ 3.78	
Third quarter	\$12.50	\$ 4.91	
Second quarter	\$12.10	\$ 9.11	
First quarter	\$12.72	\$ 8.27	
Year ended December 31, 2005			
Fourth quarter	\$12.42	\$ 8.02	
Third quarter	\$13.48	\$10.70	
Second quarter	\$13.49	\$ 9.60	
First quarter	\$15.49	\$ 9.39	
As of June 30, 2007, the Company had approximately 340 regi	stared holders of record of the Compo	ny common	

As of June 30, 2007, the Company had approximately 340 registered holders of record of the Company s common shares.

The Company has not paid within the last three fiscal years, and has no current plans to pay, cash dividends on its common shares. The payment of dividends by the Company is subject to certain restrictions under the terms of the Company s indebtedness (see notes 12 and 14 to the accompanying audited financial statements in Item 8 and Liquidity and Capital Resources in Item 7). The payment of any future dividends will be determined by the Board of Directors in light of conditions then existing, including the Company s financial condition and requirements, future prospects, restrictions in financing agreements, business conditions and other factors deemed relevant by the Board of Directors.

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Item 5. Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters, and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities (cont d)

Equity Compensation Plans

The following table sets forth information regarding the Company s Equity Compensation Plan as of December 31, 2006:

	Number of securities	Weighted	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity	
Plan category	to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))	
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	(a) 5,100,995 nil	(b) \$ 7.12 nil	(c) 1,873,662 nil	
Total	5,100,995	\$ 7.12	1,873,662	

Performance Graph

The following graph compares the total cumulative shareholder return for \$100 invested (assumes that all dividends were reinvested) in common shares of the Company against the cumulative total return of the NASDAQ Composite Index, the S&P/TSX Composite Index and the Bloomberg Hollywood Reporter Index on December 31, 2001 to the end of the most recently completed fiscal year.

	31-Dec-01	31-Dec-02	31-Dec-03	31-Dec-04	31-Dec-05	31-Dec-06
IMAX	100	200	391.58	408.42	349.50	186.14
Nasdaq	100	68.81	103.79	112.93	115.49	127.41
S&P/TSX Composite	100	88.26	136.75	168.07	215.39	252.69
Bloomberg Hollywood						
Reporter	100	75.75	103.42	105.02	97.04	103.9

CERTAIN INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

United States Federal Income Tax Considerations

The following discussion is a general summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the ownership and disposition of the common shares by a U.S. Holder (a U.S. Holder). A U.S. Holder generally means a holder of common shares that is an individual resident of the United States or a United States corporation. This discussion does not discuss all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be relevant to investors subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax law (including, for example, owners of 10.0% or more of the voting

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Item 5. Market for Registrant s Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters, and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities (cont d)

CERTAIN INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS (cont d)

United States Federal Income Tax Considerations (cont d)

Distributions on Common Shares

In general, distributions (without reduction for Canadian withholding taxes) paid by the Company with respect to the common shares will be taxed to a U.S. Holder as dividend income to the extent that such distributions do not exceed the current and accumulated earnings and profits of the Company (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes). Subject to certain limitations, dividends paid to non-corporate U.S. Holders may be eligible for a reduced rate of taxation as long as the Company is considered to be a qualified foreign corporation. A qualified foreign corporation includes a foreign corporation that is eligible for the benefits of an income tax treaty with the United States. The amount of a distribution that exceeds the earnings and profits of the Company will be treated first as a non-taxable return of capital to the extent of the U.S. Holder s tax basis in the common shares and thereafter as taxable capital gain. Corporate holders generally will not be allowed a deduction for dividends received in respect of distributions on common shares. Subject to the limitations set forth in the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as modified by the U.S.-Canada Income Tax Treaty, U.S. Holders may elect to claim a foreign tax credit against their U.S. federal income tax liability for Canadian income tax withheld from dividends. Alternatively, U.S. Holders may claim a deduction for such amounts of Canadian tax withheld.

Disposition of Common Shares

Upon the sale or other disposition of common shares, a U.S. Holder generally will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between the amount realized on the sale and such holder s tax basis in the common shares. Gain or loss upon the disposition of the common shares will be long-term if, at the time of the disposition, the common shares have been held for more than one year. The deduction of capital losses is subject to limitations for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations

This summary is applicable to a holder or prospective purchaser of common shares who is not (and is not deemed to be) resident in Canada, does not (and is not deemed to) use or hold the common shares in, or in the course of, carrying on a business in Canada, and is not an insurer that carries on an insurance business in Canada and elsewhere.

This summary is based on the current provisions of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), the regulations thereunder, all specific proposals to amend such Act and regulations publicly announced by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance (Canada) prior to the date hereof and the Company s understanding of the administrative and assessing practices published in writing by the Canada Revenue Agency. This summary does not otherwise take into account any change in law or administrative practice, whether by judicial, governmental, legislative or administrative action, nor does it take into account provincial, territorial or foreign income tax consequences, which may vary from the Canadian federal income tax considerations described herein.

This summary is of a general nature only and it is not intended to be, nor should it be construed to be, legal or tax advice to any holder of the common shares and no representation with respect to Canadian federal income tax consequences to any holder of common shares is made herein. Accordingly, prospective purchasers and holders of the common shares should consult their own tax advisers with respect to their individual circumstances.

Dividends on Common Shares

Canadian withholding tax at a rate of 25.0% (subject to reduction under the provisions of any relevant tax treaty) will be payable on dividends paid or credited to a holder of common shares outside of Canada. Under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention (1980), the withholding tax rate is generally reduced to 15.0% for a holder entitled to the benefits of the treaty (or 5.0% if the holder is a corporation that owns at least 10.0% of the common shares).

Capital Gains and Losses

Subject to the provisions of any relevant tax treaty, capital gains realized by a holder on the disposition or deemed disposition of common shares held as capital property will not be subject to Canadian tax unless the common shares are taxable Canadian property (as defined in the *Income Tax Act* (Canada)), in which case the capital gains will be

subject to Canadian tax at rates which will approximate those payable by a Canadian resident. Common shares will not be taxable Canadian property to a holder provided that, at the time of the disposition or deemed disposition, the common shares are listed on a prescribed stock exchange (which currently includes the TSX) unless such holder, persons with whom such holder did not deal at arm s length or such holder together with all such persons, owned 25.0% or more of the issued shares of any class or series of shares of the Company at any time within the 60 month period immediately preceding such time. Under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Treaty, a holder entitled to the benefits of the treaty and to whom the common shares are taxable Canadian property will not be subject to Canadian tax on the disposition or deemed disposition of the common shares unless at the time of disposition or deemed disposition, the value of the common shares is derived principally from real property situated in Canada.

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data

(In thousands of U.S. dollars, except per share amounts)

The selected financial data set forth below is derived from the consolidated financial information of the Company. The financial information has been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. All financial information referred to herein is expressed in U.S. dollars unless otherwise noted.

As explained in note 4 to the audited consolidated financial statements included in Item 8, the Company has identified certain errors related to: (a) revenue recognition, resulting from the Company s review of its theater system arrangements over the past 5 years in response to comments received from the staff of both the SEC and OSC, which indicated insufficient analysis of various sales and lease transactions and the accounting effect of certain contractual provisions within them; and, misallocations of consideration to elements within certain multiple element arrangements; (b) capitalization of costs into inventory and films assets and amortization of film assets in accordance with Statement of Position 00-2, Accounting by Producers or Distributors of Films (SOP 00-2); (c) income tax liabilities resulting from failure to make certain tax elections on a timely basis and (d) certain other items described under Other Adjustments in this item. In addition, in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements, the Company recorded other adjustments related to prior periods unadjusted differences that had been deemed not to be material and adjustments related to prior periods recorded through 2002 opening retained earnings. The consolidated financial statements for the prior periods presented have been restated to reflect these error corrections under U.S. GAAP. A summary description of the more significant items resulting in the restatement are as follows:

i. The Company s revenue recognition policy has been revised to: a) treat the theater system equipment (including the projector, sound system, screen system and, if applicable, 3D glasses cleaning machine) and certain initial services associated with the theater system equipment as a single deliverable and as a single unit of accounting, b) require specific delivery and performance conditions be met; and c) require specific customer acceptance requirements be met. These revisions impact the timing of when the Company recognizes revenue from theater system sales and leases and resulted in revenue related to 14 transactions being moved to later years (revenue and net earnings impact of \$27.1 million and \$14.0 million, respectively). As a consequence, revenue and net earnings of \$5.1 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, related to three transactions has been deferred to be recognized in years subsequent to 2006. The most significant impact was in 2005, where revenue for 10 installations was moved to later years (revenue and net earnings impact of \$17.5 million and \$9.7 million, respectively). Eight installations were moved to 2006 (with a revenue and net earnings impact of \$14.1 million and \$7.5 million, respectively) and two installations (with a revenue and net earnings impact of \$3.4 million and \$2.2 million, respectively) were moved to 2007.

An additional 16 transactions (revenue and net earnings impact of \$25.4 million and \$14.1 million, respectively) moved between quarters in the year they were originally reported. These adjustments have been included in the restated Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited) presented on page 132.

Other adjustments related to theater systems include the misallocation of consideration to elements within certain multiple element arrangements, reclassification of certain transactions from sales to sales-type leases and from sales-type leases to operating leases given remaining lien rights or non-standard contractual provisions, inappropriate deferral and allocation of revenue to elements, and improperly recognized finance income on certain transactions. These adjustments resulted in a net decrease of income of \$1.9 million for the period 2002 through 2006.

ii. Adjustments for inventory costs, film and income tax accounting and the impact of prior periods unadjusted differences resulted in a net decrease of income of \$4.6 million for periods prior to 2006 including a net decrease of income of \$0.8 million in periods prior to 2002, \$3.1 million of these timing adjustments increased income in 2006 with the remaining \$1.5 million to increase income in 2007 and thereafter.

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For additional discussion regarding the impact of this restatement see note 4 to the accompanying audited consolidated financial statements in Item 8 and additional commentary in this Item. The summary table below presents the impact of the restatement for each of the years in the four year period ended December 31, 2005 (1):

	2005	2004	2003	2002
Net earnings (loss), as previously reported	\$ 16,598	\$ 10,244	\$ 231	\$11,972
Restatement items				
Revenue recognition Theater Systems	(6,802)	(1,562)		(2,107)
Revenue recognition Other	901	(556)	(218)	(2,198)
Inventory costs	295	(227)	(296)	(245)
Film accounting	(2,759)	318	(12)	
Branch level interest taxes	(298)	(276)	(234)	
Other adjustments	(113)	(237)	16	(1,301)
	(8,776)	(2,540)	(744)	(5,851)
Net earnings (loss), as restated	\$ 7,822	\$ 7,704	\$ (513)	\$ 6,121

(1) The impact of

the restatement

adjustments to

Shareholders

Deficit as of

December 31,

2001 resulted in

a decrease to the

deficit of

\$0.9 million.

The net impact of these restatement errors related to the years 2002 to 2005 is the recognition of income of \$10.6 million in 2006 and \$6.4 million expected to be recognized in future periods (the majority of which is expected in 2007).

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Item 6. Selected Financial Data (cont d)

The selected financial data presented below was derived from our audited financial statements and related notes thereto included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K except for summarized balance sheet data as of D