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Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lingafelter David B. 520 LAKE COOK ROAD DEERFIELD, IL 60015			President, Moen Incorporated	
Signatures				
/s/ Angela M. Pla, Attorney-in- Lingafelter	Fact for I	David B.	09/10/2013	

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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(1) Includes a total of 87,332 restricted stock units that have not yet vested.

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The price reported is the weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$39.70 to \$39.79, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the SEC, the issuer and any security holder full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the shares were sold.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number. other property that such holder would have received if such holder had converted such notes immediately prior to the transaction. If the transaction also constitutes a change in control, such holder can require us to repurchase all or a portion of its notes as described under " Right to Require Purchase of Notes upon a Change in Control."

Conversion Rate Adjustments

We will adjust the conversion price if (without duplication):

(1) we issue shares of common stock to all holders of shares of our common stock as a dividend or distribution on our common stock;

(2) we subdivide, combine or reclassify our common stock;

(3) we issue to all holders of our common stock rights, warrants or options entitling them to subscribe for or purchase shares of our common stock at less than the then current market price;

(4) we distribute to all holders of shares of our common stock evidences of our indebtedness, shares of capital stock (other than shares of our common stock), securities, property, rights, warrants or options, excluding: (a) those rights, warrants or options referred to in clause (3) above; (b) any dividend or distribution paid in cash referred to in clause (5) below; and (c) any dividend or distribution referred to in clause (1) above;

(5) we declare a cash dividend or distribution to all or substantially all of the holders of our common stock. If we declare such a cash dividend or distribution, the conversion price shall be

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decreased to equal the number determined by multiplying the conversion price in effect immediately prior to the record date for such dividend or distribution by the following fraction:

(Pre-Dividend Sale Price - Dividend Adjustment Amount) (Pre-Dividend Sale Price)

provided that no adjustment to the conversion price or the ability of a holder of a note to convert will be made if we provide that holders of notes will participate in the cash dividend or distribution without conversion, *provided further* that if the numerator of the foregoing fraction is less than \$1.00 (including a negative amount) then in lieu of any adjustment under this clause (5), we shall make adequate provision so that each holder of notes shall have the right to receive upon conversion, in addition to the shares of common stock issuable upon such conversion, the amount of cash such holder would have received had such holder converted such notes on the record date for such cash dividend or distribution;

"Pre-Dividend Sale Price" means the average common stock price for the three consecutive trading days ending on the trading day immediately preceding the ex-dividend date for such dividend or distribution. "Dividend Adjustment Amount" means the full amount of the dividend or distribution to the extent payable in cash applicable to one share of common stock.

(6) we or one of our subsidiaries makes a payment in respect of a tender offer or exchange offer for our common stock to the extent that the cash and value of any other consideration included in the payment per share of common stock exceeds the current market price per share of common stock on the trading day next succeeding the last date on which tenders or exchanges may be made pursuant to such tender or exchange offer; or

(7) someone other than Griffon or one of our subsidiaries makes a payment in respect of a tender offer or exchange offer in which, as of the closing date of the offer, our board of directors is not recommending rejection of the offer. The adjustment referred to in this clause will only be made if: (a) the tender offer or exchange offer is for an amount that increases the offeror's ownership of common stock to more than 25% of the total shares of our common stock outstanding, and (b) the cash and value of any other consideration included in the payment per share of common stock exceeds the current market price per share of common stock on the business day next succeeding the last date on which tenders or exchanges may be made pursuant to the tender or exchange offer. However, the adjustment referred to in this clause will not be made if as of the closing of the offer, the offering documents disclose a plan or an intention to cause us to engage in a consolidation or merger or a sale of all or substantially all of our assets.

If the rights provided for in our shareholder rights agreement, dated as of May 9, 1996, and any subsequent similar rights plan, have separated from our common stock in accordance with the provisions of the rights agreement so that the holders of the notes would not be entitled to receive any rights in respect of shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes, the conversion price will be adjusted as provided in clause (4) above, subject to readjustment in the event of expiration, termination or redemption of the rights. In lieu of any such adjustment, we may amend our rights agreement to provide that upon conversion of the notes, the holder will receive, in addition to shares of our common stock issuable upon such conversion, the rights that would have attached to such shares of our common stock if the rights had not become separated from our common stock under our rights agreement. To the extent that we adopt any future rights plan, upon conversion of notes into our common stock, you will receive, in addition to our common stock, the rights under the future rights plan whether or not the rights have separated from our common stock at the time of conversion and no adjustment to the conversion price will be made.

Our existing shareholders rights plan expires on May 9, 2006. If we adopt another similar plan in the future, no adjustment will be made in connection with a distribution of rights thereunder.

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No adjustment in the conversion price will be required unless the adjustment would require an increase or decrease of at least 1% in the conversion price as last adjusted; provided, however, that any adjustments which by reason of the foregoing are not required to be made will be carried forward and taken into account in any subsequent adjustment.

We will not issue fractional shares of common stock to a holder who converts a note. In lieu of issuing fractional shares, we will pay cash based upon our common stock price on the date of conversion.

Except as described in this paragraph, no holder of notes will be entitled, upon conversion of the notes, to any actual payment or adjustment on account of accrued but unpaid interest, including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any, or on account of dividends on shares issued in connection with the conversion. If any holder surrenders a note for conversion between the close of business on any record date for the payment of an installment of interest and the opening of business on the related interest payment date, when the holder surrenders the note for conversion, the holder must deliver payment to us of an amount equal to the interest payable on the interest payment date (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) on the principal amount to be converted. The foregoing sentence shall not apply to notes called for redemption on a redemption date within the period between and including the record date and the interest payment date.

If we make a distribution of property to our stockholders that would be taxable to them as a dividend for United States federal income tax purposes and the conversion price of the notes is decreased, this decrease will generally be deemed to be the receipt of taxable income by holders of the notes and would generally result in withholding taxes for Non-U.S. Holders (as defined in "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences"). See "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences."

We may from time to time reduce the conversion price if our board of directors determines that this reduction would be in the best interests of Griffon. Any such determination by our board of directors will be conclusive. Any such reduction in the conversion price must remain in effect for at least 20 trading days. In addition, we may from time to time reduce the conversion price if our board of directors deems it advisable to avoid or diminish any income tax to holders of our common stock resulting from any stock or rights distribution on our common stock.

Subordination

The payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) on the notes is subordinated in right of payment to the prior payment in full, in cash or other payment satisfactory to the holders of senior indebtedness, of all existing and future senior indebtedness. If we dissolve, wind up, liquidate or reorganize, or if we are the subject of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceedings, we will pay the holders of senior indebtedness in full in cash or other payment satisfactory to the holders of senior indebtedness before we pay the holders of the notes. If the notes are accelerated because of an event of default, we must pay the holders of senior indebtedness in full all amounts due and owing thereunder before we pay the holders of the notes. The indenture requires us to promptly notify holders of senior indebtedness if payment of the notes is accelerated because of an event of default under the indenture.

We may not make any payment on the notes or purchase or otherwise acquire the notes if:

a default in the payment of any designated senior indebtedness occurs and is continuing beyond any applicable period of grace, or

any other default in respect of designated senior indebtedness occurs and is continuing that permits holders of the designated senior indebtedness to accelerate its maturity and the trustee

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receives a payment blockage notice from a person permitted to give such notice under the indenture.

We are required to resume payments on the notes:

in case of a payment default, upon the date on which such default is cured or waived or ceases to exist, and

in case of a nonpayment default, upon the earlier of the date on which such nonpayment default is cured or waived or ceases to exist or 179 days after the date on which the payment blockage notice is received.

No new period of payment blockage based on a nonpayment default may be commenced for a default unless:

365 consecutive days have elapsed since the effectiveness of the immediately prior payment blockage notice, and

all scheduled payments on the notes that have come due have been paid in full in cash.

No nonpayment default that existed or was continuing on the date of delivery of any payment blockage notice shall be the basis for a subsequent payment blockage notice, unless such nonpayment default shall have ceased to exist for a period of at least 60 consecutive days prior to the date of such subsequent payment blockage notice.

As a result of these subordination provisions, in the event of our bankruptcy, dissolution or reorganization, holders of senior indebtedness may receive more, ratably, and holders of the notes may receive less, ratably, than our other creditors. These subordination provisions will not prevent the occurrence of any event of default under the indenture. If either the trustee or any holder of notes receives any payment or distribution of our assets in contravention of these subordination provisions before all senior indebtedness is paid in full, then such payment or distribution will be held by the recipient in trust for the benefit of holders of senior indebtedness to the extent necessary to make payment in full of all senior indebtedness remaining unpaid.

We operate our business through our subsidiaries. Accordingly, we are dependent upon the cash flows of, and receipt of dividends and advances from, or repayments of advances by, our subsidiaries in order to meet our debt obligations, including our obligations under the notes. The notes are not guaranteed by our subsidiaries and, consequently, our subsidiaries are not obligated or required to pay any amounts pursuant to the notes or to make funds available in the form of dividends or advances. In the future, we may change some portion of our business that we operate through our subsidiaries. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to an Investment in the Notes and our Common Stock."

Our subsidiaries are separate and distinct legal entities. Our subsidiaries have no obligation to pay any amounts due on the notes or to provide us with funds for our payment obligations, whether by dividends, distributions, loans or other payments. In addition, any payment of dividends, distributions, loans or advances by our subsidiaries will also be contingent upon our subsidiaries' earnings and are subject to contractual or statutory restrictions.

Our right to receive any assets of any of our subsidiaries upon their liquidation or reorganization, and therefore the right of the holders of the notes to participate in those assets, will be structurally subordinated to the claims of that subsidiary's creditors, including trade creditors. In addition, even if we were a creditor of any of our subsidiaries, our rights as a creditor would be subject to the rights of the holders of any security interest in the assets of our subsidiaries and subordinate to any indebtedness of our subsidiaries senior to that held by us.

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As of June 30, 2003, we had approximately \$100 million of senior indebtedness outstanding and our subsidiaries had approximately \$191 million of liabilities, to which the notes are structurally subordinated.

Neither we nor our subsidiaries are limited from incurring senior indebtedness or additional debt under the indenture. If we or our subsidiaries incur additional debt, our ability to pay our obligations on the notes could be affected. We expect from time to time that we and/or our subsidiaries may incur additional indebtedness and other liabilities.

We are obligated to pay reasonable compensation to the trustee. We have agreed to indemnify the trustee against any losses, liabilities or expenses incurred by it in connection with its duties. The trustee's claims for such payments will be senior to the claims of the note holders.

"Credit Agreement" means the Loan Agreement, dated as of October 25, 2001, among Griffon, Telephonics Corporation, the Lenders Party Thereto and Fleet National Bank, as Administrative Agent and The Chase Manhattan Bank, as Documentation Agent, as such agreement may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time. The Credit Agreement includes any agreement extending the maturity of, refinancing, replacing or otherwise restructuring, whether immediately after the termination of the existing Credit Agreement or later (including increasing the amount of available borrowings or adding our subsidiaries as additional borrowers or guarantors thereunder) all or any portion of the indebtedness under any such agreement or any successor or replacement agreement whether by the same or any other agent, lender or group of lenders.

"designated senior indebtedness" means (i) any indebtedness under or in respect of the Credit Agreement and (ii) any senior indebtedness in which the instrument creating or evidencing the indebtedness, or any related agreements or documents to which we are a party, expressly provides that such indebtedness is "designated senior indebtedness" for purposes of the indenture (provided that the instrument, agreement or other document may place limitations and conditions on the right of the senior indebtedness to exercise the rights of designated senior indebtedness).

"indebtedness" means:

(1) all of our indebtedness, obligations and other liabilities, contingent or otherwise, (a) for borrowed money, including overdrafts and any loans or advances from banks, whether or not evidenced by notes or similar instruments, or (b) evidenced by credit or loan, agreements, bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, whether or not the recourse of the lender is to the whole of our assets or to only a portion thereof, other than any account payable or other accrued current liability or obligation incurred in the ordinary course of business in connection with the obtaining of materials or services;

(2) all of our reimbursement obligations and other liabilities, contingent or otherwise, with respect to letters of credit, bank guarantees or bankers' acceptances;

(3) all of our obligations and liabilities, contingent or otherwise, in respect of leases required, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, to be accounted for as capitalized lease obligations on our balance sheet;

(4) all of our obligations and other liabilities, contingent or otherwise, under any lease or related document, including a purchase agreement, conditional sale or other title retention agreement, in connection with the lease of real property or improvements thereon (or any personal property included as part of any such lease) which provides that we are contractually obligated to purchase or cause a third party to purchase the leased property or pay an agreed upon residual value of the leased property, including our obligations under such lease or related document to purchase or cause a third party to purchase such leased property or pay an agreed upon residual

value of the leased property to the lessor (whether or not such lease transaction is characterized as an operating lease or a capitalized lease in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles);

(5) all of our obligations, contingent or otherwise, with respect to an interest rate or other swap, cap, floor or collar agreement or hedge agreement, forward contract or other similar instrument or agreement or foreign currency hedge, exchange, purchase or similar

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instrument or agreement;

(6) all of our direct or indirect guaranties or similar agreement by us in respect of, and all of our obligations or liabilities to purchase or otherwise acquire or otherwise assure a creditor against loss in respect of, indebtedness, obligations or liabilities of another person of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (5); and

(7) any and all deferrals, renewals, extensions, refinancings and refundings of, or amendments, modifications or supplements to, any indebtedness, obligation or liability of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (6).

Indebtedness shall not include obligations of any person (i) arising from the honoring by a bank or other financial institution of a check, draft or similar instrument inadvertently drawn against insufficient funds in the ordinary course of business, provided that such obligations are extinguished within two business days of their incurrence, (ii) resulting from the endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past business practices or (iii) stand-by letters of credit to the extent collateralized by cash or cash equivalents.

"senior indebtedness" means the principal of, premium, if any, interest, including any interest accruing after the commencement of any bankruptcy or similar proceeding, whether or not a claim for post-petition interest is allowed as a claim in the proceeding, and rent payable on or in connection with, and all fees, costs, expenses and other amounts accrued or due on or in connection with, our indebtedness whether secured or unsecured, absolute or contingent, due or to become due, outstanding on the date of the indenture or thereafter created, incurred, assumed, guaranteed or in effect guaranteed by us, including all deferrals, renewals, extensions or refundings of, or amendments, modifications or supplements to, the foregoing. Senior indebtedness does not include (i) any indebtedness or obligation whose terms expressly provide that such indebtedness or obligation shall not be senior in right of payment to the notes or expressly provides that such indebtedness is equal or *pari passu* in right of payment with or junior in right of payment to the notes; (ii) any indebtedness we owe to any of our subsidiaries and (iii) the notes.

Optional Redemption of the Notes

Beginning on July 26, 2010, we may redeem the notes, in whole at any time, or in part from time to time, for cash at a price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes plus accrued but unpaid interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) up to but not including the date of redemption. We will give not less than 30 days' nor more than 60 days' notice of redemption by mail to holders of the notes. If we opt to redeem less than all of the notes at any time, the trustee will select or cause to be selected the notes to be redeemed by any method that it deems fair and appropriate. In the event of a partial redemption, the trustee may provide for selection for redemption of portions of the principal amount of any note of a denomination larger than \$1,000.

Repurchase of Notes at the Option of the Holder

A holder has the right to require us to repurchase all or a portion of the notes on July 18, 2010, 2013 and 2018. We will repurchase the notes for an amount of cash equal to 100% of the principal

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amount of the notes on the date of purchase, plus accrued but unpaid interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) up to but not including the date of repurchase.

We are required to give notice on a date not less than 30 business days prior to each purchase date to all holders at their addresses shown in the register of the registrar, and to beneficial owners as required by applicable law, stating among other things, the procedures that holders must follow to require us to purchase their notes.

The purchase notice given by each holder electing to require us to purchase notes shall state:

the certificate numbers of the holder's notes to be delivered for purchase; and

the portion of the principal amount notes to be purchased, which must be \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000.

For a discussion of the tax treatment of a holder exercising the right to require us to purchase notes, see "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences U.S. Holders Sale, Exchange, Conversion, Repurchase or Redemption."

Any purchase notice may be withdrawn by the holder by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the paying agent prior to the close of business on the purchase date. The notice of withdrawal shall state:

the principal amount being withdrawn;

the certificate numbers of the notes being withdrawn; and

the principal amount of the notes that remain subject to the purchase notice, if any.

Payment of the purchase price for a note for which a purchase notice has been delivered and not validly withdrawn is conditioned upon delivery of the note, together with necessary endorsements, to the paying agent at any time after delivery of the purchase notice. Payment of the purchase price for the notes will be made promptly following the later of the purchase date or the time of delivery of the notes.

If the paying agent holds money sufficient to pay the purchase price of the note on the business day following the purchase date in accordance with the terms of the indenture, then, immediately after the purchase date, the note will cease to be outstanding, whether or not the note is delivered to the paying agent. Thereafter, all other rights of the holder shall terminate, other than the right to receive the purchase price upon delivery of the note.

Our ability to purchase notes may be limited by the terms of our then existing indebtedness or financing agreements and by the subordination provisions of the notes.

No notes may be purchased at the option of holders if there has occurred and is continuing an event of default with respect to the notes, other than a default in the payment of the purchase price with respect to such notes.

Mandatory Redemption

Except as described in this prospectus under "Right to Require Purchase of Notes upon a Change in Control" and "Repurchase of Notes at the Option of the Holder," we are not required to make mandatory redemption of, or sinking fund payments with respect to, the notes.

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Right to Require Purchase of Notes upon a Change in Control

If a change in control (as defined below) occurs, each holder of notes may require that we repurchase the holder's notes on the date fixed by us that is not less than 30 days nor more than 45 days after we give notice of the change in control. We will repurchase the notes for an amount of cash equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) to the date of repurchase.

"Change in control" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events:

any sale, lease, exchange or other transfer (in one transaction or a series of related transactions) of all or substantially all of our assets, to any person or group of related persons, as defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act (a "Group");

the approval by the holders of our capital stock of any plan or proposal for our liquidation or dissolution, whether or not otherwise in compliance with the provisions of the indenture;

any person or group becomes the owner, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, of shares of our voting stock representing more than 30% of the aggregate ordinary voting power of all shares represented by our issued and outstanding

voting stock; or

the first day on which a majority of the members of our board of directors are not continuing directors.

The definition of "change in control" includes a phrase relating to the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of "all or substantially all" of our assets. Although there is a developing body of case law interpreting the phrase "substantially all," there is no precise established definition of the phrase under applicable law. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of notes to require us to repurchase such notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of our assets to another person or Group may be uncertain.

"Continuing directors" means, as of any date of determination, any member of our board of directors who:

was a member of such board of directors on the date of the original issuance of the notes, or

was nominated for election or elected to such board of directors with the approval of a majority of the continuing directors who were members of such board at the time of such nomination or election.

On or prior to the date of repurchase, we will deposit with a paying agent an amount of money sufficient to pay the aggregate repurchase price of the notes that is to be paid on the date of repurchase.

On or before the 30th day after the change in control, we must mail to the trustee and all holders of the notes a notice of the occurrence of the change in control offer, stating the procedures that a holder of notes must follow in order to exercise the repurchase right.

To exercise the repurchase right, holders of notes must deliver, on or before the repurchase date specified in our notice of a change in control, the notes to be repurchased, duly endorsed for transfer, together with a written repurchase notice and the form entitled "Option to Elect Repurchase Upon a Change in Control" on the reverse side of the note duly completed, to the paying agent. The repurchase notice given by each holder electing to require us to repurchase notes shall state:

the certificate numbers of the holder's notes to be delivered for repurchase;

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the portion of the principal amount of notes to be repurchased, which must be \$1,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000;

For a discussion of the tax treatment of a holder exercising the right to require us to purchase notes, see "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Consequences U.S. Holders Sale, Exchange, Conversion, Repurchase or Redemption."

Any repurchase notice may be withdrawn by the holder by a written notice of withdrawal delivered to the paying agent prior to the close of business on the repurchase date. The notice of withdrawal shall state:

the principal amount being withdrawn; and

the certificate numbers of the notes being withdrawn.

In connection with any change in control purchase offer, we expect to comply with any tender offer rules under the Exchange Act that may then be applicable.

We will within 30 days following any change in control:

obtain the consents under all senior indebtedness required to permit the repurchase of the notes pursuant to a change in control offer; or

repay in full all indebtedness and terminate all commitments under all senior indebtedness, the terms of which would prohibit the purchase of the notes under a change in control offer.

If we are obligated to make a change in control offer, there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain all required consents under senior indebtedness or have available funds sufficient to repay senior indebtedness and to pay the change in control purchase price for all the notes tendered under a change in control offer. We would need to seek third party financing to the extent we do not have available funds to meet our purchase obligations. However, there can be no assurance that we would be able to obtain any such financing.

The effect of these provisions granting the holders the right to require us to repurchase the notes upon the occurrence of a change in control may make it more difficult for any person or group to acquire control of us or to effect a business combination with us. Our ability to pay cash to holders of notes following the occurrence of a change in control may be limited by our then existing financial resources. We cannot assure you that sufficient funds will be available when necessary to make any required repurchases. See "Risk Factors Risks Relating to an Investment in the Notes and our Common Stock."

Our obligation to make a change in control offer will be satisfied if a third party makes the change in control offer in the manner and at the times and otherwise in compliance in all material respects with the requirements applicable to a change in control offer made by us and purchases all notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under the change in control offer.

The term "beneficial owner" will be determined in accordance with Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 promulgated by the SEC under the Exchange Act or any successor provision, except that a person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all shares of our common stock that the person has the right to acquire, whether exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time.

No notes may be purchased at the option of holders if there has occurred and is continuing an event of default with respect to the notes, other than a default in the payment of the purchase price with respect to such notes.

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Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets

We may, without the consent of the holders of any of the notes, consolidate with, or merge into any other person or convey, transfer or lease our properties and assets substantially as an entirety to, any other person, if:

we are the resulting or surviving corporation or the successor, transferee or lessee, if other than us, is a corporation or limited liability company organized under the laws of any U.S. jurisdiction and expressly assumes our obligations under the indenture and the notes by means of a supplemental indenture entered into with the trustee; and

after giving effect to the transaction, no event of default and no event that, with notice or lapse of time, or both, would constitute an event of default, shall have occurred and be continuing.

Under any consolidation, merger or any conveyance, transfer or lease of our properties and assets as described in the preceding paragraph, the successor company will be our successor and shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, Griffon under the indenture. If the predecessor is still in existence after the transaction, it will be released from its obligations and covenants under the indenture and the notes, except in the case of a lease of all or substantially all of our properties and assets.

Modification and Waiver

We and the trustee may enter into one or more supplemental indentures that add, change or eliminate provisions of the indenture or modify the rights of the holders of the notes with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the notes then outstanding. However, without the consent of each holder of an outstanding note, no supplemental indenture may, among other things:

change the stated maturity of the principal of, or payment date of any installment of interest (including contingent interest, if any) on, any note;

reduce the principal amount or redemption price of, or the rate of interest (including contingent interest, if any) on, any note;

change the currency in which the principal of any note or interest is payable or adversely affect the price or ratio at which common stock may be substituted for currency in connection with any payments made;

impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on or with respect to any note when due;

adversely affect the right provided in the indenture to convert any note;

modify the provisions of the indenture relating to our requirement to repurchase notes:

upon a change in control after the occurrence thereof; or

on July 18, 2010, 2013 and 2018;

reduce the percentage in principal amount of the outstanding notes necessary to modify or amend the indenture or to consent to any waiver provided for in the indenture; or

waive a default in the payment of any amount or shares of common stock due in connection with any note.

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The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes may, on behalf of the holders of all notes:

waive compliance by us with restrictive provisions of the indenture other than as provided in the preceding paragraph; and

waive any past default under the indenture and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of, or redemption or purchase price of, or any interest (including contingent interest, if any) on, any note or in respect of a provision that under the indenture cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of each outstanding note affected.

Without the consent of any holders of notes, we and the trustee may enter into one or more supplemental indentures for any of the following purposes:

to cure any ambiguity, omission, defect or inconsistency in the indenture;

to evidence a successor to us and the assumption by the successor of our obligations under the indenture and the notes;

to make any change that does not adversely affect the rights of any holder of the notes;

to comply with any requirement in connection with the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act; or

to complete or make provision for certain other matters contemplated by the indenture.

Events of Default

Each of the following is an event of default under the indenture:

(1) if we fail to pay interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) on any note when it becomes due and payable and the default continues for a period of 30 days, whether or not such failure shall be due to the subordination provisions of the indenture or agreements with respect to any other indebtedness or any other reason;

(2) if we fail to pay the principal on any note, when it becomes due and payable, at maturity, upon acceleration, upon redemption or otherwise (including the failure to make a change in control offer or make a payment to purchase notes tendered pursuant to a change in control offer or the failure to repurchase notes at your option on July 18, 2010, 2013 or 2018), whether or not such failure shall be due to the subordination provisions of the indenture or agreements with respect to any other Indebtedness or any other reason;

(3) if we fail to provide notice of the occurrence of a change in control event on a timely basis;

(4) if we fail to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the indenture that continues for a period of 30 days after we received written notice specifying the default (and demanding that such default be remedied) from the trustee or the holders of at least 25% of the outstanding principal amount of the notes (except in the case of our default with respect to the "Merger, Consolidation and Sale of Assets" covenant, which will constitute an event of default with such notice requirement but without such passage of time requirement);

(5) if we fail to pay at final maturity (giving effect to any applicable grace periods and any extensions thereof) the principal amount of any of our or our subsidiaries' recourse indebtedness, or the acceleration of the final stated maturity of any such recourse indebtedness if the aggregate principal amount of such indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such

recourse indebtedness in default for failure to pay principal at final maturity or that has been accelerated, aggregates \$25.0 million or more at any time;

(6) one or more judgments in an aggregate amount in excess of \$25.0 million shall have been rendered against us or any of our subsidiaries and remain undischarged, unpaid or unstayed for a period of 60 days after such judgment or judgments become final and nonappealable; and

(7) certain events of bankruptcy affecting us or any of our significant subsidiaries.

The events of default described in clauses (5), (6) and (7) above with respect to a subsidiary shall not apply if that person was not a subsidiary at the time such event or condition occurred unless, in the case of clause (5) or (6) above, we or another of our subsidiaries assumes or otherwise becomes liable for the liability referred to therein or the liabilities generally of such person.

If an event of default (other than an event of default specified in clause (7) above) shall occur and be continuing, the trustee may, and at the request of the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of outstanding notes shall, declare the principal of and accrued interest on all the notes to be due and payable by written notice to us and, if it is given at the request of the holders, the trustee must specify the respective event of default and that it is a "notice of acceleration". Upon delivery of a notice of acceleration, the principal of and accrued interest (including contingent interest and liquidated damages, if any) on all the notes:

shall become immediately due and payable; or

if there are any amounts outstanding under the Credit Agreement, shall become immediately due and payable upon the first to occur of an acceleration under the Credit Agreement or five business days after receipt by us and the representative under

the Credit Agreement of such notice of acceleration but only if such event of default is then continuing.

If an event of default specified in clause (7) above occurs and is continuing with respect to us, then all unpaid principal of, and premium, if any, and accrued but unpaid interest on all of the outstanding notes shall become and be immediately due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the trustee or any holder.

At any time after a declaration of acceleration with respect to the notes, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the notes may rescind and cancel such declaration and its consequences:

if the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree;

if all existing events of default have been cured or waived except nonpayment of principal or interest that has become due solely because of such acceleration;

if interest on overdue installments of interest (to the extent the payment of such interest is lawful) and on overdue principal, which has become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration, has been paid;

if we have paid the trustee its reasonable compensation and reimbursed the trustee for its expenses, disbursements and advances; and

in the event of the cure or waiver of an event of default of the type described in clause (4) of the description above of events of default, the trustee has received an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel that such event of default has been cured or waived.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or impair any rights arising from a subsequent default.

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The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the notes may waive any existing default or event of default under the indenture, and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of or interest on any notes. The holders of the notes may not enforce the indenture or the notes except as provided in the indenture and under the Trust Indenture Act. Subject to the provisions of the indenture relating to the duties of the trustee, the trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the holders, unless such holders have offered to the trustee reasonable indemnity. Subject to all provisions of the indenture and applicable law, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding notes have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee.

We are required to provide an officers' certificate to the trustee promptly upon our obtaining knowledge of any default or event of default that has occurred and, if applicable, describe such default or event of default and the status thereof. In addition, we must provide an annual certification as to the existence of defaults and events of default.

Book-Entry System

The notes are issued in the form of global securities held in book-entry form. DTC or its nominee is the sole registered holder of the notes for all purposes under the indenture. Owners of beneficial interests in the notes represented by the global securities hold their interests pursuant to the procedures and practices of DTC. As a result, beneficial interests in any such securities are shown on, and transfers are effected only through, records maintained by DTC and its direct and indirect participants. Any such interests may not be exchanged for certificated securities, except in limited circumstances. Owners of beneficial interests must exercise any rights in respect of their interests, including any right to convert or require repurchase of their interests in the notes, in accordance with the procedures and practices of DTC. Beneficial owners are not holders and are not entitled to any rights under the global securities or the indenture. We and the trustee, and any of our respective agents, may treat DTC as the sole holder and registered owner of the global securities.

Explanation of Responses:

Exchange of Global Securities

The notes, represented by one or more global securities, will be exchangeable for certificated securities in fully registered form with the same terms only if:

DTC is unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or if DTC ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act and we do not appoint a successor depositary within 90 days;

we decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry transfer through DTC or any successor depositary, or

a default under the indenture occurs and is continuing.

DTC has advised us as follows: DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" for registered participants, and it facilitates the settlement of transactions among its participants in those securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in participants' accounts, eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. DTC's participants include securities brokers and dealers, including the agent, banks, trust companies, clearing corporation and other organizations, some of whom and/or their representatives own DTC. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

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Registration Rights

On July 18, 2003, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the notes for the benefit of the holders of the notes and the shares of our common stock issuable on conversion of the notes. Under this agreement, we agreed that we will at our cost:

on or prior to the 90th day after July 18, 2003, the first date of original issuance of the notes, file a shelf registration statement, of which this prospectus is a part, with the Commission covering resales of the notes and the shares of our common stock issuable on conversion of the notes;

use all reasonable efforts to cause the shelf registration statement to be declared effective under the Securities Act no later than 180 days after July 18, 2003, the first date of original issuance of the notes; and

use all reasonable efforts to keep the shelf registration statement effective after its effective date until the earlier of: (1) the sale pursuant to the shelf registration statement of all of the notes and any shares of our common stock issued upon conversion of the notes; and (2) the expiration of the holding period applicable to the notes and the shares of our common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes held by non-affiliates of Griffon under Rule 144(k) under the Securities Act, or any successor provision; and (3) the date on which all of the notes and any shares of our common stock issued upon conversion of the notes (i) cease to be outstanding or (ii) have been resold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

This prospectus is part of the shelf registration statement we agreed to file. We have the right to suspend use of the shelf registration statement during specified periods of time for any bona fide reason, including pending corporate developments and public filings with the SEC and similar events. The registration rights agreement provides that if we fail to file the shelf registration on or prior to the 90th day after July 18, 2003, the date of original issuance of the notes, the shelf registration statement is not declared effective on or prior to the 180th day after July 18, 2003, the date of original issuance of the notes or, after the shelf registration statement has been declared effective, we fail to keep the shelf registration statement effective or usable in accordance with and during the periods specified in the registration rights agreement, other than the periods during which we are permitted to suspend registration, then, in each case, we will pay liquidated damages to all holders of notes and all holders of our common stock issued on conversion of notes equal to (i) in respect of each \$1,000 principal amount of notes, at a rate per annum equal to 0.50% of such principal amount and (ii) in respect of any shares of common stock issued upon conversion of notes, at a rate per annum equal to 0.50% of the principal amount of notes that would then be convertible into such number of shares. So long as the failure to file or become effective or such unavailability continues, we will pay liquidated damages in cash on January 18 and July 18 of each year to the person

Explanation of Responses:

who is the holder of record of the notes or common stock issued in respect of the notes on the immediately preceding January 1 or July 1. When such registration default is cured, accrued but unpaid liquidated damages will be paid in cash on the subsequent interest payment date to the record holder as of the date of such cure. The right to receive liquidated damages is the sole and exclusive remedy to the noteholders for breach by the company of its registration obligations.

We filed the shelf registration statement of which this prospectus is a part prior to the date specified in the registration rights agreement and the registration statement was timely declared effective. Accordingly, no liquidated damages were or will be payable as a result of any failure to make that filing on a timely basis or from the failure of the shelf registration statement to be timely declared effective. If the applicable registration default results from the failure to keep the shelf registration statement effective or usable in accordance with and during the periods specified in the registration rights agreement, other than the periods during which we are permitted to suspend registration, then such registration default will be deemed to have occurred on the first day on which the shelf

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registration statement fails to remain effective or usable, and liquidated damages will accrue from and including the first day on which the shelf registration statement fails to remain effective or usable to, but excluding, the date on which the shelf registration statement becomes effective or usable again.

Only holders of registrable securities who have been named in this prospectus and have satisfied certain other conditions will be entitled to receive any liquidated damages which may be payable because the shelf registration statement is not effective or usable in accordance with and during the periods specified in the registration rights agreement, other than the periods during which we are permitted to suspend registration. Upon any sale or other transfer of any notes or shares of common stock issued upon conversion of notes pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, such notes or shares of common stock, as the case may be, will cease to be registrable securities, and our obligation to pay liquidated damages, if any, in respect of those notes or shares of common stock will terminate.

Concerning the Trustee

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, the trustee under the indenture pursuant to which the notes were issued, also acts as the transfer agent for our common stock and as the rights agent in connection with our shareholders rights plan. See "Description of Capital Stock."

Governing Law

The indenture and the notes are governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to principles of conflict of laws.

DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

Our authorized capital stock consists of 85,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.25 per share, and 3,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.25 per share. The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company. At September 30, 2003, approximately 29,459,758 shares of common stock and no shares of preferred stock were outstanding. In addition to the summary of our capital stock that follows, we encourage you to review our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, which we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Common Stock

Holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held of record on all matters on which shareholders are generally entitled to vote. The vote of the holders of a majority of the stock represented at a meeting at which a quorum is present is generally required to take shareholder action, unless a greater vote is required by law. Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes cast at any election and there is no cumulative voting of shares.

Holders of shares of our common stock have no preemptive rights. Subject to the applicable laws and the rights of the holders of preferred stock, holders of shares of common stock are entitled to such dividends as may be declared by our board of directors. The common stock is not entitled to any sinking fund, redemption or conversion provisions. Upon our dissolution, liquidation or winding up, the holders of shares of our common stock are entitled to share ratably in our net assets remaining after the payment of all creditors and liquidation preferences of preferred stock. The outstanding shares of common stock are duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

Preferred Stock

We are authorized to issue 3,000,000 shares of preferred stock, of which 37,000 shares consist of Series A preferred stock, and 1,950,000 shares consist of Second Preferred Stock. The 1,950,000 shares

of such Second Preferred Stock have been designated Second Preferred Stock Series I. Of the authorized preferred stock, 575,000 shares have been designated as the \$12.50 Cumulative Redeemable Exchangeable Preferred Stock, and 60,000 shares have been designated as the Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock. Presently, we have no shares of preferred stock outstanding.

Subject to the provisions of our charter, our board of directors, without further stockholder authorization, is authorized to establish, from time to time, one or more series of preferred stock and to fix the designations, powers, preferences and rights of the shares of each of these series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including dividend rights and preferences over dividends on our common stock, conversion rights, voting rights, redemption rights, the terms of any sinking fund therefor and rights upon liquidation. The ability of the board of directors to issue preferred stock, while providing flexibility in connection with financing, acquisitions and other corporate purposes, could have the effect of discouraging, deferring or preventing a change in control or an unsolicited acquisition proposal, since the issuance of preferred stock could be used to dilute the share ownership of a person or entity seeking to obtain control of us. In addition, because the board of directors has the power to establish the preferences, powers and rights of the shares of any of these series of preferred stock, which could adversely affect the rights of holders of common stock.

Shareholders Rights Plan

On May 9, 1996, our board of directors declared a dividend of one preferred share purchase right for each outstanding share of our common stock. The dividend was paid on June 3, 1996, the record date, to the stockholders of record on that date. Each right entitles the registered holder to purchase from us eleven ten-thousandths of a share of our Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, par value \$0.25 per share, at a purchase price of \$34.00 per eleven-ten-thousandth of a preferred share, subject to adjustment. The description and terms of the rights are set forth in a rights agreement between us and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, as rights agent.

Until the earlier to occur of (i) 10 days following a public announcement that a person or group of affiliated or associated persons, referred to as an acquiring person, have acquired beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the outstanding shares of common stock or (ii) 10 business days (or such later date as may be determined by action of the board of directors prior to such time as any person or group of affiliated persons becomes an acquiring person) following the commencement of, or announcement of an intention to make, a tender offer or exchange offer the consummation of which would result in the beneficial ownership by a person or group of 10% or more of the outstanding shares of common stock (the earlier of such dates being called the distribution date), the rights will be evidenced, with respect to any of the common stock certificates outstanding as of the record date, by such common stock certificate with a copy of the summary of rights attached thereto.

Until the distribution date (or earlier redemption or expiration of the rights), the rights will be transferred with and only with the shares of common stock. The rights are not exercisable until the distribution date. The rights will expire on May 9, 2006, unless otherwise extended or the rights are earlier redeemed or exchanged by us, in each case, as described below.

The purchase price payable, and the number of preferred shares or other securities or property issuable, upon exercise of the rights are subject to adjustment from time to time to prevent dilution (i) in the event of a stock dividend on, or a subdivision, combination or reclassification of, the preferred shares, (ii) upon the grant to holders of the preferred shares of certain rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase preferred shares at a price, or securities convertible into preferred shares with a conversion price, less than the then current market price of the preferred shares or (iii) upon the distribution to holders of the preferred shares of evidences of indebtedness or assets (excluding

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regular periodic cash dividends paid out of earnings or retained earnings or dividends payable in preferred shares) or of subscription rights or warrants (other than those referred to above).

The number of outstanding rights and the number of one one-thousandths of a preferred share issuable upon exercise of each right are also subject to adjustment in the event of a stock split of the common stock or a stock dividend on the common stock payable in shares of common stock or subdivisions, consolidations or combinations of the common stock occurring, in any such case, prior to the distribution date.

Preferred shares purchasable upon exercise of the rights will not be redeemable. Each preferred share will be entitled to a minimum preferential quarterly dividend payment of the greater of \$1 per share or 11,000 times the aggregate per share amount of all dividends, other than a stock dividend, payable to holders of shares of common stock. In the event of liquidation, the holders of the preferred shares will be entitled to a aggregate payment of 11,000 times the payment of \$11,000 per share, plus accrued and unpaid dividends, but will be entitled to an aggregate payment of 11,000 times the payment made per share of common stock. Each preferred share will have 11,000 votes, voting together with the common stock. Finally, in the event of any merger, consolidation or other transaction in which the common stock are exchanged, each preferred share will be entitled to receive 11,000 times the amount received per share of common stock. These rights are protected by customary antidilution provisions.

Because of the nature of the preferred shares' dividend, liquidation and voting rights, the value of the eleven ten-thousandth interest in a preferred share purchasable upon exercise of each right should approximate the value of one share of common stock.

In the event that we are acquired in a merger or other business combination transaction or 50% or more of its consolidated assets or earning power are sold after a person or group has become an acquiring person, proper provision will be made so that each holder of a right will thereafter have the right to receive, upon the exercise thereof at the then current exercise price of the right, that number of shares of common stock of the acquiring company which at the time of such transaction will have a market value of two times the exercise price of the right. In the event that any person or group of affiliated or associated persons becomes an acquiring person, proper provision shall be made so that each holder of a right, other than rights beneficially owned by the acquiring person (which will thereafter be void), will thereafter have the right to receive upon exercise that number of shares of common stock having a market value of two times the exercise price of the right.

At any time after any person or group becomes an acquiring person and prior to the acquisition by such person or group of 50% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock, our board of directors may exchange the rights (other than rights owned by such person or group which will have become void), in whole or in part, at an exchange ratio of one share of common stock, or one one-thousandth of a preferred share (or of a share of a class or series of our preferred stock having equivalent rights, preferences and privileges), per right (subject to adjustment).

With certain exceptions, no adjustment in the purchase price will be required until cumulative adjustments require an adjustment of at least 1% in such purchase price. No fractional preferred shares will be issued (other than fractions which are integral multiples of one one-thousandth of a preferred share, which may, at our election, be evidenced by depositary receipts) and in lieu thereof, an adjustment in cash will be made based on the market price of the preferred shares on the last trading day prior to the date of exercise.

At any time prior to the acquisition by a person or group of affiliated or associated persons of beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the outstanding shares of our common stock, our board of directors may redeem the rights in whole, but not in part, at a redemption price of \$.01 per right. The redemption of the rights may be made effective at such time on such basis with such conditions as the board of directors in its sole discretion may establish. Immediately upon any redemption of the rights,

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the right to exercise the rights will terminate and the only right of the holders of rights will be to receive the Redemption Price.

The terms of the rights may be amended by our board of directors without the consent of the holders of the rights, except that from and after such time as any person or group of affiliated or associated persons becomes an acquiring person no such amendment may adversely affect the interests of the holders of the rights.

Until a right is exercised, the holder thereof, as such, will have no rights as a stockholder of ours, including, without limitation, the right to vote or to receive dividends.

The rights have certain anti-takeover effects. The rights will cause substantial dilution to a person or group that attempts to acquire us on terms not approved by our board of directors, except pursuant to an offer conditioned on a substantial number of rights being acquired. The rights should not interfere with any merger or other business combination approved by the board of directors since the rights may be redeemed by us at the Redemption Price prior to the time that a person or group has acquired beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the shares of common stock.

Explanation of Responses:

Anti-Takeover Considerations

Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws contain a number of provisions that may have the effect of making it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or of discouraging a third party from acquiring us.

Classified Board of Directors

Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws divide our board of directors into three classes, as nearly equal in size as possible, with staggered three year terms, and provide that:

directors may be removed only for cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote; and

any vacancy on our board of directors may only be filled by vote of a majority of the directors then in office. *Stockholder Action, Special Meeting of Stockholders*

Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws eliminate the ability of our stockholders to act by written consent. Our certificate of incorporation and by-laws further provide that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only at the written request of stockholders owning at least 66?% of the entire voting power of our capital stock.

Advance Notice Requirements for Stockholder Proposals and Directors Nominations

Our by-laws provide that stockholders seeking to bring business before an annual meeting of stockholders, or to nominate candidates for election as directors at an annual meeting of stockholders, must provide timely notice in writing. To be timely, a stockholder's notice must be delivered to or mailed and received at our principal executive offices not less than 90 days nor more than 120 days prior to the anniversary date of the immediately preceding annual meeting. However, in the event that the annual meeting is called for a date that is not within 25 days before or after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder in order to be timely must be received not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the date on which notice of the date of the annual meeting was mailed to stockholders or made public, whichever first occurs. Our by-laws also specify requirements as to the form and content of a stockholder's notice. These provisions may preclude stockholders from bringing matters before an annual meeting of stockholders or from making nominations for directors at an annual meeting of stockholders.

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Business Combinations and Limitations in our Certificate of Incorporation

Our certificate of incorporation provides that in the event that it is proposed that we enter into a merger or consolidation with any other corporation and such other corporation or its affiliates singly or in the aggregate own or control, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of the outstanding voting power of our capital stock, or that we sell substantially all of our assets or business to such other corporation, the affirmative vote of the holders of not less than 66²/₃% of the total voting power of all outstanding shares of our capital stock shall be required for the approval of any such proposal. However, such requirements shall not apply to any such merger, consolidation or sale of assets or business that was approved by resolutions of our board of directors prior to the acquisition of the ownership or control of 5% of our outstanding shares of capital stock by such other corporation or its affiliates, nor shall it apply to any such merger, consolidation or sale of assets or business between us and another corporation, 50% or more of the total voting power of which is owned by us. An "affiliate" is any person (including a corporation, partnership, trust, estate or individual) who directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the person specified; "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

Amendments; Supermajority Vote Requirements

Our certificate of incorporation requires the affirmative vote of $66^{2}/3\%$ of our voting stock to amend certain provisions of our certificate of incorporation, including those provisions relating to the business combinations limitations, classified board of directors, action by written consent and the ability of stockholders to call special meetings.

Delaware Anti-Takeover Law

Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law prohibits certain "business combination" transactions between a Delaware corporation and any "interested stockholder" owning 15% or more of the corporation's outstanding voting stock for a period of three years after the date on which the stockholder became an interested stockholder, unless:

the board of directors approves, prior to the date, either the proposed business combination or the proposed acquisition of stock which resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder;

upon consummation of the transaction in which the stockholder becomes an interested stockholder, the interested stockholder owned at least 85% of those shares of the voting stock of the corporation which are not held by the directors, officers or certain employee stock plans; or

on or subsequent to the date on which the stockholder became an interested stockholder, the business combination with the interested stockholder is approved by the board of directors and also approved at a stockholder's meeting by the affirmative vote of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of the corporation's voting stock other than shares held by the interested stockholder.

Under Delaware law, a "business combination" includes a merger, asset sale or other transaction resulting in a financial benefit to the interested stockholder.

Although a corporation may elect not to be governed by Section 203, we have made no such election.

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CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following is a general summary of certain United States federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, conversion, and other disposition of the notes and of the common stock received upon a conversion of the notes. This summary is based upon existing United States federal income tax law, which is subject to change or differing interpretations, possibly with retroactive effect. This summary does not discuss all aspects of United States federal income taxation which may be important to particular investors in light of their individual circumstances, some of which may be subject to special tax rules that differ significantly from those summarized below such as:

financial institutions,

insurance companies,

broker-dealers,

tax-exempt organizations,

persons that will hold the notes as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion, constructive sale, or other integrated transaction for United States federal income tax purposes, or

U.S. Holders (as defined below) that have a functional currency other than the United States dollar.

In addition, this summary does not discuss any foreign, state, or local tax considerations. This summary assumes that investors will hold their notes as "capital assets" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Each prospective investor is urged to consult its tax advisor regarding the United States federal, state, local, and foreign income and other tax consequences of the purchase, ownership, conversion, and other disposition of the notes and common stock received upon a conversion of the notes.

For purposes of this summary, a "U.S. Holder" is a beneficial owner of a note that is, for United States federal income tax purposes:

an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States,

a corporation, partnership, or other entity created in, or organized under the law of, the United States or any state or political subdivision thereof,

an estate the income of which is includible in gross income for United States federal income tax purposes regardless of its source, or

a trust (A) the administration of which is subject to the primary supervision of a United States court and which has one or more United States persons who have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (B) that was in existence on August 20, 1996, was treated as a United States person on the previous day, and elected to continue to be so treated.

A beneficial owner of a note that is not a U.S. Holder is referred to herein as a "Non-U.S. Holder." If a partnership (including any entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes) is a beneficial owner of notes or shares of common stock, the treatment of a partner in the partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. A holder of notes or shares of common stock that is a partnership and partners in such partnership should consult their tax advisors about the United States federal income tax consequences of holding and disposing of notes or shares of common stock, as the case may be.

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Classification of the Notes

Pursuant to the terms of the indenture, each holder of notes agrees to treat the notes, for United States federal income tax purposes, as debt instruments that are subject to the CPDI regulations, which are the Treasury regulations that govern contingent payment debt instruments and to be bound by our application of the CPDI regulations to the notes, including our determination of the rate at which interest will be deemed to accrue on the notes and the related "projected payment schedule." The remainder of this discussion assumes that the notes will be treated in accordance with that agreement and our determinations.

No authority directly addresses the treatment of all aspects of the notes for United States federal income tax purposes. The Internal Revenue Service has issued Revenue Ruling 2002-31 and Notice 2002-36, in which the IRS addressed the United States federal income tax classification and treatment of a debt instrument similar, although not identical, to the notes, and the IRS concluded that the debt instrument addressed in that published guidance was subject to the CPDI regulations. In addition, the IRS clarified various aspects of the applicability of certain other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code to the debt instrument addressed in that published guidance. The applicability of Revenue Ruling 2002-31 and Notice 2002-36 to any particular debt instrument, however, such as the notes, is uncertain. In addition, no rulings are expected to be sought from the IRS with respect to any of the United States federal income tax consequences discussed below, and no assurance can be given that the IRS will not take contrary positions. As a result, no assurance can be given that the IRS will agree with the tax characterizations and the tax consequences described below. A different treatment of the notes for United States federal income tax purposes could significantly alter the amount, timing, character, and treatment of income, gain or loss recognized in respect of the notes from that which is described below and could require a U.S. Holder to accrue interest income at rate different from the "comparable yield" rate described below.

U.S. Holders

Interest Income

Under the CPDI regulations, a U.S. Holder will generally be required to accrue interest income on the notes on a constant yield to maturity basis based on the adjusted issue price (as defined below) of the notes and the comparable yield (as defined below), regardless of whether the U.S. Holder uses the cash or accrual method of tax accounting. Accordingly, a U.S. Holder will be required to include interest in taxable income in each year significantly in excess of the amount of interest payments, including contingent interest payments, actually received by it in that year.

The "issue price" of a note is the first price at which a substantial amount of the notes is sold to investors, excluding bond houses, brokers or similar persons or organizations acting in the capacity of underwriters, placement agents or wholesalers. The "adjusted issue price" of a note is its issue price increased by any interest income previously accrued, determined without regard to any adjustments to interest accruals described below and decreased by the amount of any projected payments scheduled to be made with respect to the notes.

Under the CPDI regulations, we are required to establish the "comparable yield" for the notes. The comparable yield for the notes is the annual yield we would incur, as of the initial issue date, on a fixed rate nonconvertible debt instrument with no contingent payments, but with terms and conditions otherwise comparable to those of the notes. Accordingly, we have determined the comparable yield to be 8.5% compounded semi-annually.

We are required to provide to U.S. Holders, solely for United States federal income tax purposes, a schedule of the projected amounts of payments on the notes. This schedule must produce the comparable yield. Our determination of the projected payment schedule for the notes includes

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estimates for payments of contingent interest and an estimate for a payment at maturity that takes into account the conversion feature. U.S. Holders may obtain the projected payment schedule by submitting a written request for it to us at the address set forth under "Where You Can Find More Information."

The comparable yield and the projected payment schedule are not determined for any purpose other than for the determination of a U.S. Holder's interest accruals and adjustments thereof in respect of the notes for United States federal income tax purposes and do not constitute a projection or representation regarding the actual amounts payable to U.S. holders of the notes.

Adjustments to Interest Accruals on the Notes

If a U.S. Holder receives actual payments with respect to the notes in a tax year that in the aggregate exceed the total amount of projected payments for that tax year, the U.S. Holder will have a "net positive adjustment" equal to the amount of such excess. The U.S. Holder will be required to treat the "net positive adjustment" as additional interest income for the tax year. For this purpose, the payments in a tax year include the fair market value of any property received in that year.

If a U.S. Holder receives actual payments with respect to the notes in a tax year that in the aggregate are less than the amount of the projected payments for that tax year, the U.S. Holder will have a "net negative adjustment" equal to the amount of such deficit. This adjustment will (a) reduce the U.S. Holder's interest income on the notes for that tax year, and (b) to the extent of any excess after the application of (a), give rise to an ordinary loss to the extent of the U.S. Holder's interest income on the notes during prior tax years, reduced to the extent such interest income was offset by prior net negative adjustments. Any negative adjustment in excess of the amounts described in (a) and (b) will be carried forward to offset future interest income in respect of the notes or to reduce the amount realized upon a sale, exchange, repurchase or redemption of the notes.

If subsequent purchasers of the notes have a basis in the notes which differs from the adjusted issue price of the notes, such a holder must reasonably allocate such difference to the interest on the notes or the projected payments. If the holder's basis is less than the adjusted issue price (e.g., discount), the amounts allocated are treated as a positive adjustment. If the holder's basis exceeds the adjusted issue price (e.g., premium), the adjustment is a negative adjustment. Holders should consult their tax advisors regarding such potential adjustments.

Sale, Exchange, Conversion, Repurchase or Redemption

Generally, the sale, exchange, repurchase, or redemption of a note will result in gain or loss to a U.S. Holder, which will be subject to tax. As described above, our calculation of the comparable yield and the schedule of projected payments for the notes includes the receipt of shares of our common stock upon conversion as a contingent payment with respect to the notes. Accordingly, we intend to treat the payment of shares of our common stock to a U.S. Holder upon the conversion of a note as a contingent payment under the CPDI regulations. As described above, U.S. Holders are generally bound by our determination of the comparable yield and the schedule of projected payments. Under this treatment, a

conversion will also result in taxable gain or loss to a U.S. Holder. The amount of gain or loss on a taxable sale, exchange, conversion, repurchase or redemption will be equal to the difference between (a) the amount of cash plus the fair market value of any other property received by the U.S. Holder, including the fair market value of any shares of our common stock received, reduced by any negative adjustment carryforward as described above, and (b) the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the note. A U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in a note on any date will generally be equal to the U.S. Holder's original purchase price for the note, increased by any interest income previously accrued by the U.S. Holder under the CPDI regulations as described above (determined without regard to any adjustments to interest accruals described above), and decreased by the amount of any projected

payments, as described above, scheduled to be made on the notes to the U.S. Holder through such date (without regard to the actual amount paid).

Gain recognized upon a sale, exchange, conversion, repurchase or redemption of a note will generally be treated as ordinary interest income. Any loss recognized upon a sale, exchange, conversion, repurchase or redemption of a note will be treated as an ordinary loss to the extent of the excess of previous interest inclusions over the total negative adjustment previously taken into account as ordinary loss, and thereafter, as capital loss (which will be long-term if the note is held for more than one year). The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Under recently finalized Treasury regulations intended to address so-called tax shelters and other tax-motivated transactions, a U.S. Holder that recognizes a loss that meets certain thresholds upon the sale, exchange, conversion, repurchase or redemption of a note may have to comply with certain disclosure requirements and should consult its tax advisor.

A U.S. Holder's tax basis in shares of our common stock received upon a conversion of a note will equal the fair market value of such common stock at the time of conversion. The U.S. Holder's holding period for the shares of our common stock received will commence on the day immediately following the date of conversion.

Constructive Dividends

If at any time we make a distribution of property to our stockholders that would be taxable to the stockholders as a dividend for United States federal income tax purposes and, in accordance with the anti-dilution provisions of the notes, the conversion rate of the notes is increased, such increase may be deemed to be the payment of a taxable dividend to U.S. Holders of the notes. For example, a Pre-Dividend Adjustment, or an increase in the conversion rate in the event of our distribution of our debt instruments or our assets will generally result in deemed dividend treatment to U.S. Holders of the notes, but an increase in the event of stock dividends or the distribution of rights to subscribe for our common stock will generally not.

Dividends on Common Stock

If we make cash distributions on our common stock, the distributions will generally be treated as dividends to a U.S. Holder of our common stock to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits as determined under United States federal income tax principles at the end of the tax year of the distribution, then as a tax-free return of capital to the extent of the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in the common stock, and thereafter as gain from the sale or exchange of that stock. Under recently enacted tax legislation, eligible dividends received in tax years ending on or before December 31, 2008, will be subject to tax to a non-corporate U.S. Holder at the special reduced rate generally applicable to long-term capital gains. A U.S. Holder will be eligible for this reduced rate only if the U.S. Holder has held our common stock for more than 60 days during the 120-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date.

Disposition of Common Stock

Upon the sale or other disposition of our common stock received on conversion of a note, a U.S. Holder will generally recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the amount of cash and the fair market value of any property received upon the sale or exchange and (ii) the U.S. Holder's adjusted tax basis in our common stock. That capital gain or loss will be long-term if the U.S. Holder's holding period in respect of such note is more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Under recently finalized Treasury regulations intended to address so-called tax shelters and other tax-motivated transactions, a U.S. Holder that recognizes a loss that

meets certain thresholds upon the sale or exchange of our common stock may have to comply with certain disclosure requirements and should consult its tax advisor.

Non-U.S. Holders

Notes

All payments on the notes made to a Non-U.S. Holder, including a payment in our common stock pursuant to a conversion, and any gain realized on a sale or exchange of the notes, will be exempt from United States income and withholding tax, provided that: (i) such Non-U.S. Holder does not own, actually or constructively, 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote, (ii) such Non-U.S. Holder is not a controlled foreign corporation related, directly or indirectly, to us through stock ownership, (iii) such Non-U.S. Holder is not a bank receiving certain types of interest, (iv) the beneficial owner of the notes certifies, under penalties of perjury, to us or our paying agent on IRS Form W-8BEN that it is a United States person and provides its name, address and certain other required information or certain other certification requirements are satisfied, (v) such payments and gain are not effectively connected with the conduct by such Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States, and (v) with respect only to gain realized on a sale, exchange or conversion of the notes, our common stock continues to be actively traded within the meaning of section 871(h)(4)(C)(v)(I) of the Code and we have not been a U.S. real property holding corporation, as defined in the Code, at any time within the five-year period preceding the disposition or the Non-U.S. Holder's holding period, whichever is shorter. We believe that we have not been during the past five years, are not, and do not anticipate becoming, a U.S. real property holding corporation.

If a Non-U.S. Holder of a note were deemed to have received a constructive dividend (see "U.S. Holders Constructive Dividends" above), however, the Non-U.S. Holder would generally be subject to United States withholding tax at a 30% rate on the amount of such dividend, thereby potentially reducing the amount of interest payable to it, subject to reduction (i) by an applicable treaty if the Non-U.S. Holder provides an IRS Form W-8BEN certifying that it is entitled to such treaty benefits or (ii) upon the receipt of an IRS Form W-8ECI from a Non-U.S. Holder claiming that the constructive dividend on the notes is effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business.

Common Stock

Dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder of common stock will generally be subject to withholding tax at a 30% rate subject to reduction (a) by an applicable treaty if the Non-U.S. Holder provides an IRS Form W-8BEN certifying that it is entitled to such treaty benefits or (b) upon the receipt of an IRS Form W-8ECI from a Non-U.S. Holder claiming that the payments are effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business.

A Non-U.S. Holder will generally not be subject to United States federal income tax on gain realized on the sale or exchange of the common stock received upon a conversion of notes unless (a) the gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business of the Non-U.S. Holder or (b) in the case of a Non-U.S. Holder who is a nonresident alien individual, the individual is present in the United States for 183 or more days in the taxable year of the disposition and certain other conditions are met, or (c) we will have been a U.S. real property holding corporation at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding such sale or exchange and the Non-U.S. Holder's holding period in the common stock. We believe that we have not been during the past five years, are not and do not anticipate becoming, a U.S. real property holding corporation.

Income Effectively Connected with a United States Trade or Business

If a Non-U.S. Holder of notes or our common stock is engaged in a trade or business in the United States, and if interest on the notes, dividends on our common stock, or gain realized on the

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sale, exchange, conversion or other disposition of the notes and gain realized on the sale or exchange of our common stock is effectively connected with the conduct of such trade or business, the Non-U.S. Holder, although exempt from the withholding tax discussed in the preceding paragraphs, will generally be subject to regular United States federal income tax on such interest, dividends or gain in the same manner as if it were a U.S. Holder. In addition, if such a Non-U.S. Holder is a foreign corporation, such holder may be subject to a branch profits tax equal to 30% (or such lower rate provided by an applicable treaty) of its effectively connected earnings and profits for the taxable year, subject to certain adjustments.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Payments of interest or dividends made by us on, or the proceeds of the sale or other disposition of, the notes or shares of common stock may be subject to information reporting and United States federal backup withholding tax at the rate then in effect if the recipient of such payment fails to supply an accurate taxpayer identification number or otherwise fails to comply with applicable United States information reporting or certification requirements. Any amount withheld under the backup withholding rules is allowable as a credit against the holder's

United States federal income tax, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS.

SELLING SECURITYHOLDERS

The notes offered hereby were originally issued by us in a private offering in July 2003. Pursuant to a purchase agreement that we and the initial purchasers entered into in connection with that offering, the initial purchasers agreed to offer and sell the notes only to persons they reasonably believed to be "qualified institutional buyers" within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act. The selling securityholders, which term includes their transferees, pledgees, donees and successors, may from time to time offer and sell pursuant to this prospectus any or all of the notes and common stock issued upon conversion of the notes.

The following table sets forth information regarding the respective principal amounts of notes and numbers of shares of common stock beneficially owned by the selling securityholders prior to this offering and the respective principal amounts of notes and numbers of shares of common stock offered by the selling securityholders pursuant to this prospectus. This information has been obtained from the selling securityholders has, or within the past three years has had, any position, office or other material relationship with us or, insofar as we are aware, any of our predecessors or affiliates. Because the selling securityholders may offer all or some portion of the notes or the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes pursuant to this prospectus, no estimate can be given as to the amount of the notes or common stock that will be held by the selling securityholders upon termination of this offering. In addition, the selling securityholders identified below may have sold,

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transferred or otherwise disposed of all or a portion of their notes or common stock since the date on which they provided the information to us for inclusion in the following table.

Ň		Principal Amount of Notes Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering	Principal Amount of Notes Offered by This Prospectus		Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering(2)	Number of Shares of Common Stock Offered by This Prospectus(2)	
Alpine Associates	\$	3,100,000	\$	3,100,000	128,470	128,470	
Alpine Partners, L.P.	\$	400,000	\$	400,000	16,576	16,576	
Durango Investments L.P.	\$	5,000,000	\$	5,000,000	207,210	207,210	
Grace Convertible Arbitrage							
Fund, Ltd.	\$	3,000,000	\$	3,000,000	124,326	124,326	
Polaris Vega Fund L.P.	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	41,442	41,442	
DBAG London	\$	66,900,000	\$	66,900,000	2,772,482	2,772,482	
Deutsche Bank Securities	\$	50,000	\$	50,000	2,072	2,072	
Royal Bank of Canada	\$	2,000,000	\$	2,000,000	82,884	82,884	
CooperNeff Convertible							
Strategies (Cayman) Master							
Fund LP	\$	6,075,000	\$	6,075,000	251,761	251,761	
BNP Paribas Equity							
Strategies, SNC	\$	5,771,000	\$	5,771,000	239,162	239,162	
Singlehedge U.S. Convertible							
Arbitrage Fund	\$	1,435,000	\$	1,435,000	59,469	59,469	
Lyxor/Convertible Arbitrage							
Fund	\$	392,000	\$	392,000	16,245	16,245	
Sturgeon Limited	\$	827,000	\$	827,000	34,272	34,272	
Silvercreek II Limited	\$	1,150,000	\$	1,150,000	47,658	47,658	
OIP Limited	\$	530,000	\$	530,000	21,964	21,964	
Silvercreek Limited							
Partnership	\$	2,420,000	\$	2,420,000	100,290	100,290	
Newport Alternative Income							
Fund	\$	400,000	\$	400,000	16,576	16,576	
Man Convertible Bond Master							
Fund, Ltd.	\$	5,170,000		5,170,000	214,256	214,256	
St. Thomas Trading, Ltd	\$	9,830,000		9,830,000	407,376	407,376	
	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	41,442	41,442	

Name of Selling Securityholder(1)	5		Principal Amount		Number of Shares of Common Stock Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering(2)	Number of Shares of Common Stock Offered by This Prospectus(2)	
CNH CA Master Account, L.P.							
National Bank of Canada	\$	2,000,000	\$	2,000,000	82,884	82,884	
All other holders of notes or shares of common stock issued on conversion of notes and future transferees, pledgees, donees and successors							
thereof(3)	\$	11,550,000	\$	11,550,000	478,667	478,667	
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Total	\$	130,000,000	\$	130,000,000	5,387,484(4) 5,387,484	

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Information concerning the selling securityholders may change from time to time. Any such changed information will be set forth in amendments or supplements to this prospectus, if and when required.

(2)

Unless otherwise indicated, includes all shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes and assumes a conversion price of \$24.13 per share and a cash payment in lieu of any fractional share. However, this conversion price will be subject to adjustment as described under "Description of the Notes Conversion Rights Conversion Rate Adjustments." As a result, the number of shares of common stock beneficially owned prior to this offering and the number of shares of common stock offered hereby may increase or decrease in the future. Also assumes that the notes are convertible immediately. As described above under "Description of the Notes Conversion Rights," the notes are convertible only in specified circumstances.

(3)

Information concerning other selling securityholders will be set forth in post-effective amendments to this prospectus.

(4)

Assumes that any other holders of notes or shares of common stock issuable on conversion of notes and their respective transferees, pledgees, donees and successors do not beneficially own any common stock other than the common stock issued or issuable upon conversion of the notes.

None of the selling securityholders is an NASD member, except for Alpine Associates, Alpine Partners, L.P. and Deutsche Bank Securities. None of the selling securityholders is an affiliate of an NASD member except for DBAG London, Royal Bank of Canada, BNP Paribas Equities Strategies, SNC and National Bank of Canada, each of whom (1) purchased the securities owned by it in the ordinary course of its business and (2) was not a party to any agreements, plans or understandings, directly or indirectly, with any person to distribute such securities.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling securityholders (including their transferees, pledgees, donees and successors) may sell the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes from time to time directly to purchasers or through broker-dealers or agents who may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling securityholders or the purchasers. If the notes or the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of notes are sold through broker-dealers or agents, the selling securityholders will be responsible for any discounts, concessions or commissions payable to those broker-dealers or agents.

The notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may be sold in one or more transactions at:

fixed prices;

prevailing market prices at the time of sale;

varying prices determined at the time of sale; or

negotiated prices.

These sales may be effected in transactions, which may involve crosses or block transactions:

on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the notes or the common stock may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;

in the over-the-counter market;

otherwise than on such exchanges or services or in the over-the-counter market; or

through the writing of options.

Crosses are transactions in which the same broker acts as an agent on both sides of the trade.

In connection with the sale of the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes or otherwise, the selling securityholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the notes or common stock in the course of hedging their positions. The selling securityholders also may deliver the notes and shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of notes to close out short positions, or loan or pledge the notes or the common stock issuable upon conversion of such notes to broker-dealers or other financial institutions that in turn may sell those securities. The selling securityholders also may transfer, donate and pledge notes and shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of notes, in which case the transferees, donees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be deemed selling securityholders for purposes of this prospectus.

The aggregate proceeds to the selling securityholders from the sale of the notes or the common stock issuable upon the conversion of the notes offered by them will be the purchase price of such notes or common stock less discounts and commissions, if any, payable by them. Each of the selling securityholders reserves the right to accept and, together with their broker-dealers or agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase of the notes or the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes to be made directly or through broker-dealers or agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the offering of the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes.

There is no public market for the notes and we do not intend to apply for listing of the notes on any securities exchange or for quotation of the notes through any automated quotation system. The notes are currently designated for trading on the PORTAL Market. However, once notes are sold by

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means of this prospectus, those notes will no longer trade on the PORTAL Market. Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "GFF".

In order to comply with the securities laws of some states, if applicable, the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may be sold in those jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may not be sold unless they have been registered or qualified for sale or an exemption from registration or qualification requirements is available and is complied with.

The selling securityholders may not sell any, or may sell less than all, of the notes and shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes offered by them pursuant to this prospectus. In addition, any selling securityholder may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, sell, transfer, devise or gift the notes or shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of notes by means not described in this prospectus. In that regard, any notes or shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of notes that qualify for sale pursuant to Rule 144A or Rule 144 under the Securities Act may be sold under that rule, if applicable, rather than pursuant to this prospectus.

The selling securityholders and any broker-dealers or agents that participate in the distribution of the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Each of Alpine Associates, Alpine Partners, L.P., Deutsche Bank Securities is an "underwriter" within the meaning of such Section 2(11). As a result, any profits on the sale of the notes or the shares of common stock issued on conversion of notes received by selling securityholders and any discounts, commissions or concessions received by any such broker-dealers or agents might be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Selling securityholders that are underwriters would be subject to certain statutory liabilities under the federal securities laws, including under Sections 11, 12 and 17 of the Securities Act and Rule 10b-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The selling securityholders and any other persons participating in the distribution of the notes and the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes will be subject to the Securities Exchange Act. The Securities Exchange Act rules include, without limitation, Regulation M, which may limit the timing of or prohibit the purchase and sale of notes and shares of common stock by the selling securityholders and any such other person. In addition, under Regulation M, any selling securityholder or other person engaged in the "distribution," within the meaning of Regulation M, of the notes or the shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes may not engage in market-making activities with respect to the notes or the common stock for certain periods prior to the commencement of that distribution, unless, in the case of persons other than selling securityholders, an applicable exemption is available under Regulation M. The foregoing may affect the marketability of the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes and the ability of any person or entity to engage in market-making activities with respect to those securities.

In that regard, the selling securityholders are required to acknowledge that they understand their obligations to comply with the provisions of the Securities Exchange Act and the rules thereunder relating to stock manipulation, particularly Regulation M thereunder (or any successor rules or regulations), in connection with the offering made by this prospectus. Each selling securityholder is required to agree that neither it nor any person acting on its behalf will engage in any transaction in violation of such provisions.

To the extent required, the specific notes or common stock to be sold, the names of the selling securityholders, the respective purchase prices and public offering prices, the names of any agent or broker-dealer, and any applicable commissions or discounts with respect to a particular sale or other disposition of notes or shares of common stock issued on conversion of notes pursuant to this prospectus will be set forth in a supplement to this prospectus or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the shelf registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

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Pursuant to the registration rights agreement described above under "Description of the Notes Registration Rights," we and the selling securityholders have agreed, subject to exceptions, to indemnify each other against specified liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and may be entitled to contribution from each other in respect of those liabilities.

We will pay substantially all of the expenses incident to the offering and sale of the notes and the common stock issuable upon conversion of the notes pursuant to this prospectus, other than commissions, fees and discounts payable to brokers-dealers or agents, fees and disbursements of any counsel or other advisors or experts retained by the selling securityholders and any documentary, stamp or similar issue or transfer tax.

Under the registration rights agreement, we may be required from time to time to require holders of notes and shares of common stock issued on conversion of notes to discontinue the sale or other disposition of those notes and shares of common stock under specified circumstances. See "Description of the Notes Registration Rights" above.

LEGAL MATTERS

Kramer, Coleman, Wactlar & Lieberman, P.C., Jericho, New York and Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, New York, New York have acted as counsel to Griffon Corporation in connection with this registration statement.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements as of and for the years ended September 30, 2003 and 2002 incorporated in this prospectus by reference to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2003 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

Our financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2001, included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, incorporated by reference into this prospectus, were audited by Arthur Andersen LLP ("Andersen"), as stated in their report dated November 6, 2001, which is also incorporated by reference herein. The report of Andersen was not reissued by Andersen and they did not give permission to use such report in this prospectus. The ability of Andersen to satisfy any claims (including claims arising from Andersen's provision of auditing and other services to us) may be limited as a practical matter due to events regarding Andersen.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file reports, proxy statements, and other information with the SEC. Such reports, proxy statements, and other information concerning us can be read and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the Public Reference Room. The SEC maintains an internet site at *http://www.sec.gov* that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC, including us. Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "GFF." These reports, proxy statements, and other information are also available for inspection at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005. For further information on obtaining copies of our public filings at the New York Stock Exchange, you should call 212-656-5060.

Any information in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus is considered part of this prospectus, and any information filed with the SEC subsequent to this prospectus and prior to the sale of all the notes and common stock to which this prospectus relates will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below which have been filed with the SEC:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003;

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2003;

Report on Form 8-K dated July 18, 2003, Report on Form 8-K/A dated November 5, 2003 and Report on Form 8-K dated February 6, 2004;

Proxy Statement, dated December 30, 2003, relating to our Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on February 5, 2004;

Registration Statement on Form 8-A dated January 19, 1993, as amended by a Form 8-A/A filed with the SEC on November 29, 1994; and

Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the SEC on May 16, 1996.

All documents that are filed by us pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of the initial registration statement and before the effectiveness of the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or considered to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be considered to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any subsequently filed document that is or is considered to be incorporated by reference modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement that is modified or superseded shall not, except as so modified or superseded, constitute a part of this prospectus.

We will provide without charge, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus, other than exhibits to such documents, unless the exhibits are incorporated by reference into such documents. Requests should be directed to our Secretary, Griffon Corporation, 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Jericho, New York 11753.

You should rely only on the information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or the prospectus supplement, if any. We have not authorized anyone else to provide you with different information. These securities are being offered only in states where the offer is permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover hereof. Information on our web site is not a part of this prospectus.

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PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following table sets forth the fees and expenses, other than discounts, commissions and concessions payable to broker-dealers and agents, in connection with the offering and distribution of the securities being offered hereunder. All amounts other than the filing fee for the registration statement are estimates. All of these fees and expenses will be borne by the Registrant.

Securities and Exchange	\$	10,517				
Commission Filing Fee Printing Fees and		15,000)			
Expenses		10,000				
Trustees' Fees and		3,500)			
Expenses						
Legal Fees		25,000	1			
Accounting and Auditor		30,000	1			
Fees						
Miscellaneous		5,983				
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Total	\$	90,000)			
	Accumulated other comprehensive inco	me		3,169		3,169
	Shareholders' equity		41,206		61,535	
	Total		\$ 916,142		\$ 776,973	
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UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

	H	listorical	Pro forma Adjustments for the 9 ¹ /2% Notes Offering	Pro forma for the 9 ¹ /2% Notes Offering	Pro forma Adjustments for this Offering	Pro forma for the 9 ¹ /2% Notes Offering and this Offering
			(in th	ousands, except per shar	re amounts)	
Product sales	\$	995,120		\$ 995,120		\$ 995,120
Handling and freight income		164,313		164,313		164,313
Net sales		1,159,433		1,159,433		1,159,433
Costs of sales		235,785		235,785		235,785
Royalty overrides		415,351		415,351		415,351
Marketing, distribution, and		,		,		,
administrative expenses		401,261		401,261	394 (5)	401,655
ľ						
Operating income		107,036		107,036		106,642
Interest expense, net		41,468	18,094(6)	59,562	(30,731)(7)	28,831
Income before income taxes		65,568		47,474		77,811
Income taxes	_	28,721	1,152(8)	29,873	7,194 (9)	37,067
Net income	\$	36,847		\$ 17,601		\$ 40,744
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Earnings per share:						
Basic						
Diluted	\$	0.34				
Pro forma earnings per share,						
(unaudited)						
Basic	\$					\$
Diluted	ф \$					\$
Dilucu	ψ					φ
Pro forma weighted average						
shares (unaudited):						
Basic						
Diluted						
			34			

For the Year Ended December 31, 2003

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004

	I	Historical	Pro forma Adjustments for the 9 ¹ /2% Notes Offering	Pro forma for the 9 ¹ /2% Notes Offering	Pro forma Adjustments for this Offering	Pro forma for the 9 ^{1/} 2% Notes Offering and this Offering
			(in thous	ands, except per share	amounts)	
Product sales	\$	831,329		831,329		831,329
Handling and freight income		136,692	_	136,692		136,692
Net sales		968,021	_	968,021		968,021
Cost of sales		198,824		198,824		198,824
Royalty overrides		342,366		342,366		342,366
Marketing, distribution, and		0.12,000		0.2,000		0.12,000
administrative expenses		315,811		315,811	(198)(5)	315,613
			-		-	
Operating income		111,020		111,020		111,218
Interest expense, net		55,233	(11,862)(6)	43,371	(20,745)(7)	22,626
	-		-		-	
Income before income taxes		55,787		67,649		88,592
Income taxes		32,693	186 (8)	32,879	4,747 (9)	37,626
Net income	\$	23,094	\$	34,770	\$	50,966
The meone	φ	23,071	4	5 1,770	Ψ	50,700
Earnings per share:						
Basic	\$	0.22				
Diluted	\$	0.21				
Pro forma earnings per common						
share (unaudited)						
Basic	\$				\$	
Diluted	\$				\$	
Pro forma weighted average shares						
(unaudited):						
Basic						
Diluted			25			
			35			

NOTES TO UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(1) Cash and Cash Equivalents: Reflects the net effect of the Transactions on the cash balance as follows (in thousands):

Gross proceeds from this offering	\$ 300,000
Borrowings from the new senior credit facility	204,049
Redemption of 9 ¹ /2% Notes	(110,000)
Tender offer for 11 ³ /4% Notes	(160,000)
Replacement of existing senior credit facility	(66,707)
Accrued interest on notes and term loan under the existing senior credit facility	(9,811)
Shareholders' dividend	(200,000)
Redemption premium on $9^{1/2}$ % Notes, tender offer premium on $11^{3}/4$ % Notes and transaction fees and expenses	(72,200)
Change in cash	\$ (114,669)

The Company maintains a minimum of \$50 million of cash for operating purposes. In the past this has been a sufficient level of cash to meet day to day operating cash requirements.

(2) Deferred Financing Costs: Reflects the following (in thousands):

Fees and expenses related to the borrowings from the new senior credit facility Write-off of the unamortized portion of the deferred financing costs relating to the repayment of existing debt	\$ 3,000 (27,500)
whe-off of the unanomized portion of the deterred financing costs relating to the repayment of existing debt	 (27,300)
	\$ (24,500)

(3) Long-term Debt: Reflects the transaction items related to debt as follows:

				Current Portion		
			(in thousands)			
Redemption of 9 ¹ / ₂ % Notes		\$	(110,000)	\$		
Tender offer for 11 ³ /4% Notes			(160,000)			
Replacement of existing senior credit facility			(49,305)		(17,402)	
Write-off unamortized discount			4,552			
New senior credit facility			200,000		4,049	
		-		-		
Adjustment to long-term debt		\$	(114,753)	\$	(13,353)	
		_				
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(4) Shareholders' Equity: Reflects the adjustments to shareholders' equity as follows:

	Common shares	Paid	l in capital	Ret	ained earnings	
		(in	(in thousands)			
Adjustments to historical shareholders' equity:						
Issuance of common shares	\$	\$	278,400	\$		
Shareholders' dividend					(200,000)	
Redemption premium on 9 ¹ /2% Notes, tender offer premium for						
113/4% Notes, write-off of deferred financing costs and discount						
and transaction fees and expenses					(79,652)	
Tax effect of redemption premium on 9 ¹ /2% Notes, tender offer						
premium for 11 ³ /4% Notes, write-off of deferred financing costs						
and discount					21,581	
Total adjustments to historical shareholders' equity	\$	\$	278,400	\$	(258,071)	

As the adjustments to historical shareholders' equity are considered to be non-recurring amounts resulting directly from the Transactions, they have not been included as pro forma adjustments in the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed consolidated statements of income.

(5) Marketing, distribution and administrative expenses: Represents an adjustment to reflect the ongoing effect on compensation expense of the acceleration of certain outstanding stock options triggered by the Transactions and an adjustment to reflect compensation expense for options granted in August and September 2004 based on the expected offering price of \$, the mid-point of the filing range.

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004
(in thousan	ds)
\$ 394 \$	(198)
\$ 394 \$	(198)
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(6) Interest expense, net: Represents adjustments to interest expense to reflect the effects of the $9^{1/2}$ % Notes offering on March 8, 2004, including elimination of interest income related to cash used by the Company to effect these transactions:

		Year ended December 31, 2003		nths Ended er 30, 2004				
		(in thousands)						
Elimination of historical interest:								
Interest expense on 15.5% senior notes	\$	(6,031)	\$	(12,501)(a)				
Interest expense on existing senior credit facility		(2,127)		(385)				
Amortization of related discount and deferred financing costs		(1,539)		(4,461)				
Interest income on the Company cash used for repayment of								
debt		613		405				
	\$	(9,084)	\$	(16,942)				
Interest on the new borrowings:								
Interest expense on the $9^{1/2}\%$ Notes		26,125		4,867				
Amortization of related discount and deferred financing costs		1,053		213				
	_							
Net interest expense adjustment	\$	18,094	\$	(11,862)				

(a)

Includes write-offs of deferred financing costs and discounts, as well as premiums associated with the repayment of debt as part of the March 8, 2004, Notes offering.

(7) Interest Expense, Net: Represents adjustments to interest expense related to the Transactions in connection with this offering:

	De	Year ended ecember 31, 2003	Nine Montl September	
		(in thou	isands)	
Elimination of historical interest:				
Interest on 9 ¹ /2% Notes subject to the proposed redemption	\$	(10,450)	\$	(7,839)
Interest expense on $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes subject to the proposed				
tender offer		(20,477)		(14,208)
Interest on the portion of the term loans to be repaid		(5,009)		(2,335)
Amortization of related deferred financing costs and discounts		(5,907)		(4,529)
Interest income on the Company cash used for repayment of				
debt		1,820		1,197
	\$	(40,023)	\$	(27,714)
Interest on the new senior credit facility:				
Interest expense on the new senior credit facility		8,692		6,519
Amortization of related deferred financing costs and discounts		600		450
			-	
Net interest expense adjustment	\$	(30,731)	\$	(20,745)
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For computing interest expense on the new senior credit facilities, the Company assumed an interest rate of 4.25% based on initial commitments received from its lenders, for the term loan facility and 4.75% for the revolving credit facility. The interest rates are based on market rates such as prime rate and LIBOR plus a spread. If the actual interest rate varies by ¹/₈%, the effect on pretax income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and for the year ended December 31, 2003 would be \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

(8) *Income Taxes:* The following represents the tax effect, using the Company's incremental tax rate, of the adjustments related to the $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes offering. The Company believes that it will not be able to obtain a tax benefit for the interest expense on the $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes. The unaudited proforma condensed consolidated financial statements do not reflect a tax benefit for such interest expense.

		ended r 31, 2003	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004
		(in thousands	3)
	\$	1,152 \$	186
(9) Income Taxes: The fo	llowing represents the tax effect, using the Company's	incremental tax rate, of	he adjustments related to the
Transactions. The Company bel	ieves that it will not be able to obtain a tax benefit for t	he interest expense on th	e $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes or the new senior
credit facility. The unaudited	pro forma condensed consolidated financial statements	s do not reflect a tax ben	efit for such interest expense.

Year ended December 31, 2003		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004	
	(in thousands)		
\$ 38	7,194 \$	4,747	7

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED HISTORICAL FINANCIAL DATA

The following table sets forth certain of our historical financial data. We have derived the selected historical consolidated financial data as of December 31, 2002 and 2003 and for the year ended December 31, 2001, the seven month period ended July 31, 2002, the five month period ended December 31, 2002 and the year ended December 31, 2003 from our audited financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected historical consolidated financial data as of December 31, 1999, 2000 and 2001 and for the years ended December 31, 1999 and 2000 have been derived from our audited financial statements for such years, which are not included in this prospectus. We have derived the selected historical consolidated financial data for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 from our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected consolidated historical financial data set forth below are not necessarily indicative of the results of future operations and should be read in conjunction with the discussion under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," and the historical consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Predecessor							Company							
			Year Ended December 31,			J	anuary 1 to July 31,		August 1 to December 31,		Year Ended December 31,		Nine Months Ended September 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,
		1999	2000		2001		2002		2002	-	2003		2003		2004
						(in thousands,	exc	cept per share a	am	nounts)				
Income															
Statement Data:															
Net sales	\$	1,098,885	\$ 1,085,484	¢	1,020,130	¢	644,188	¢	449,524	¢	1,159,433	¢	859,308	¢	968,021
Cost of sales	¢	264,909	268,992	¢	241,522	¢	140,553	¢	95,001	φ	235,785	¢	174,349	ф	198,824
Gross profit		833,976	816,492		778,608		503,635		354,523		923,648		684,959		769,197
Royalty		035,770	010,192		110,000		505,055		551,525		725,010		001,959		705,157
overrides		397,143	382,322		355,225		227,233		159,915		415,351		307,962		342,366
Marketing, distribution and		577,145	362,322		555,225		221,235		157,715		410,001		301,902		342,500
administrative expenses ⁽¹⁾		344,260	363,731		354,608		207,390		135,536		401,261		282,190		315,811
Acquisition															
transaction expenses ⁽²⁾			9,498				54,708		6,183						
	-			-		-		-				-		-	
Operating income ⁽¹⁾		92,573	60,941		68,775		14,304		52,889		107,036		94,807		111,020
Interest income															
(expense), net	_	1,750	2,354	_	3,413		1,364		(23,898))	(41,468)		(31,606)		(55,233)
Income before										_					
income taxes and															
minority interest		94,323	63,295		72,188		15,668		28,991		65,568		63,201		55,787
Income taxes		36,314	25,318		28,875		6,267		14,986		28,721		27,418		32,693
Income before						-				-					
minority interest		58,009	37,977		43,313		9,401		14,005		36,847		35,783		23,094
		1,086	1,058		43,313		9,401		14,005		30,647		55,765		25,094
Minority interest		1,080	1,038		123		189			-					
Net income	\$	56,923	\$ 36,919	\$	42,588	\$	9,212	\$	14,005	\$	36,847	\$	35,783	\$	23,094
Earnings per															
share															
Basic	\$	1.99	\$ 1.28	\$	1.40	\$	0.28	\$		\$	5	\$		\$	0.22
Diluted	\$	1.86			1.36		0.20		0.14				0.34		0.21
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		Predece	ssor			Company		
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic	28,603	28,827	30,422	32,387				104,242
Diluted	30,579	30,353	31,250	33,800	102,041	106,891	106,265	110,492
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		/ear Ended ecember 31,		January 1 to July 31,		gust 1 to mber 31,		ar Ended cember 31,	Nine Mor Ended Septembe	l		
_	1999	2000	2001	2002	1	2002		2003	2003	2004		
_				(in	thousan	ds)						
Other Financial Data:												
Retail sales												
(unaudited) ⁽³⁾ \$	1,793,508 \$	1,764,851 \$	1,656,168	\$ 1,047,690	\$	731,505	\$	1,894,384 \$	1,400,821 \$	1,584,011		
Net cash provided by												
(used in):												
Operating activities	95,414	46,141	95,465	37,901		28,039		94,648	73,055	80,981		
Investing activities	(43,517)	(49,968)	(16,366)	18,995		(456,046)		2,854	6,054	(13,029		
Financing activities	(16,041)	(14,079)	(3,456)	(35,292	.)	491,519		(18,831)	(12,184)	(50,424		
Depreciation and												
amortization	14,001	15,693	18,056	11,722		11,424		55,605	43,953	34,287		
Capital expenditures ⁽⁴⁾	32,607	25,383	14,751 Predece	6,799		3,599		20,435 Compan	15,385	20,681		
			As o Decemb			D	As o ecemb		As o Septembe			
		1999	200	0 20	01	2002		2003	2004			
					(in	thousands)						
Balance Sheet Data:												
Cash and cash equivalents ⁽⁵⁾)	\$ 139,44	3 \$ 14	40,250 \$ 2	201,181	\$ 76	024	\$ 156,380	\$	164,669		
		30,32		24,600	27,609		026	31,977	Ŷ	33,408		
Receivables, net		101,55		99,332	72,208	56	868	59,397		77,751		
,			_	15 011	177 012	7	107	1 501		35,602		
nventories		133,13	7 14	45,211 1	177,813	1.	186	1,521		55,002		
nventories Fotal working capital		133,13 415,81			470,335	855		903,964		916,142		
Receivables, net Inventories Fotal working capital Fotal assets Fotal debt		,	9 41	16,937 4 8,417			705			,		

Retail sales data is referred to in "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." Our use of retail sales reflect the fundamental role of "retail sales" in our accounting systems, internal controls and operations, including the basis upon which the distributors are being paid. In addition, information in daily and monthly reports reviewed by our management relies on retail sales data.

		Predecessor								Company										
		Year Ended December 31,						anuary 1 to July 31,	August 1 to December 31,			Year Ended December 31,	-	Nine Months Ended eptember 30,		Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	1999 2000 2001 2002		2002	2002			2003	2003			2004									
								(i	in	thousands)										
Retail sales Distributor	\$	1,793,508	\$	1,764,851	\$	1,656,168	\$	1,047,690	\$	731,505	\$	1,894,384	\$	1,400,821	\$	1,584,011				
allowance	_	(837,283)		(820,723)		(774,513)		(492,997)		(345,145)		(899,264)		(662,922)	_	(752,682)				
Product sales		956,225		944,128		881,655		554,693		386,360		995,120		737,899		831,329				
Handling and freight		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		,,120		001,000		00 1,070		200,200		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		101,077		001,025				
income	_	142,660		141,356		138,475		89,495	_	63,164		164,313		121,409	_	136,692				
Net sales	\$	1,098,885	\$	1,085,484	\$	1,020,130	\$	644,188	\$	449,524	\$	1,159,433	\$	859,308	\$	968,021				

The following represents the reconciliation of retail sales to net sales for each of the periods set forth above:

(4)

Includes acquisition of property from capitalized leases of \$1.9 million, \$0.4 million, \$3.8 million, \$2.1 million, \$1.4 million, \$6.8 million, \$5.9 million and \$3.9 million for 1999, 2000, 2001, the seven months ended July 31, 2002, the five months ended December 31, 2002, the year ended December 31, 2003, and the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2004, respectively.

(5)

Includes restricted cash of \$10.6 million and \$5.7 million as of December 31, 2002 and December 31, 2003, respectively, and \$1.3 million of marketable securities at December 31, 2002.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with "Selected Consolidated Historical Financial Data" and the related notes and our consolidated financial statements and related notes, each included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Overview

We are a global network marketing company that sells weight management, nutritional supplement and personal care products. We pursue our mission of "changing people's lives" by providing a financially rewarding business opportunity to distributors and quality products to distributors and customers who seek a healthy lifestyle. We are one of the largest network marketing companies in the world with net sales of approximately \$1.2 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003. We sell our products in 59 countries through a network of over one million independent distributors. We believe the quality of our products and the effectiveness of our distribution network, coupled with geographic expansion have been the primary reasons for our success throughout our 24-year operating history.

We offer products in three principal categories: weight management products, nutritional supplements which we refer to as "inner nutrition" and personal care products which we refer to as "Outer Nutrition®". Our products are often sold in programs, which are comprised of a series of related products designed to simplify weight management and nutrition for our consumers and maximize our distributors' cross-selling opportunities.

Industry-wide factors that affect us and our competitors include the increasing prevalence of obesity and the aging of the worldwide population, which are driving demand for nutrition and wellness-related products and the recruitment and retention of distributors.

The opportunities and challenges upon which we are most focused are driving recruitment and retention and improving distributor productivity by entering new markets, further penetrating existing markets, pursuing local distributor initiatives, introducing new products, developing niche market segments and further investing in our infrastructure. We are continuing to strengthen the cooperation between senior management and distributor leadership to focus on these key initiatives.

A key non-financial measure we focus on is Volume Points on a Royalty Basis (hereafter "Volume Points"), which is essentially our weighted unit measure of product sales volume. It is a useful measure for us, as it excludes the impact of foreign currency fluctuations and ignores the differences generated by varying retail pricing across geographic markets. In general, an increase in Volume Points in a particular region or country directionally indicates an increase in local currency net sales.

Volume Points by Geographic Region

]	For the year	r ended Dece		For the nine month period ended September 30,					
2001	2002	% change	2003	% change	2003	2004	% change		
		(Vo	lume Point	s in millions)				
606.0	679.6	12.1%	688.1	1.3%	501.9	556.3	10.8%		
413.8	472.3	14.1	525.0	11.2	395.2	437.3	10.7		
263.9	272.0	3.1	229.4	(15.7)	166.0	196.2	18.2		
149.7	124.6	(16.8)	102.5	(17.8)	76.4	55.0	(28.0)		
1,433.4	1,548.4	8.0%	1,545.0	(0.2)%	1,139.5	1,244.8	9.2%		
	2001 606.0 413.8 263.9 149.7	2001 2002 606.0 679.6 413.8 472.3 263.9 272.0 149.7 124.6	2001 2002 % change (Vo 606.0 679.6 12.1% 413.8 472.3 14.1 263.9 272.0 3.1 149.7 124.6 (16.8)	2001 2002 change 2003 (Volume Point 606.0 679.6 12.1% 688.1 413.8 472.3 14.1 525.0 263.9 272.0 3.1 229.4 149.7 124.6 (16.8) 102.5	2001 2002 % % (Volume Points in millions) (Volume Points in millions) 606.0 679.6 12.1% 688.1 1.3% 413.8 472.3 14.1 525.0 11.2 263.9 272.0 3.1 229.4 (15.7) 149.7 124.6 (16.8) 102.5 (17.8)	For the year ended December 31, ender 2001 2002 % change 2003 % change 2003 (Volume Points in millions) 606.0 679.6 12.1% 688.1 1.3% 501.9 413.8 472.3 14.1 525.0 11.2 395.2 263.9 272.0 3.1 229.4 (15.7) 166.0 149.7 124.6 (16.8) 102.5 (17.8) 76.4	For the year ended December 31, ended September 2001 2002 % % (Volume Points in millions) 2003 2004 606.0 679.6 12.1% 688.1 1.3% 501.9 556.3 413.8 472.3 14.1 525.0 11.2 395.2 437.3 263.9 272.0 3.1 229.4 (15.7) 166.0 196.2 149.7 124.6 (16.8) 102.5 (17.8) 76.4 55.0		

Another key non-financial measure we focus on is the number of distributors qualified as supervisors under our compensation system. Distributors qualify for supervisor status based on their Volume Points. The growth in the number of supervisors is a general indicator of the level of distributor recruitment, which generally drives net sales in a particular country or region. Our compensation system requires each supervisor to re-qualify for such status each year, prior to February. There is significant variation in the number of supervisors from the fourth quarter to the first quarter of any given year due to the timing of the re-qualification process. This fluctuation is normal and consistent, does not reflect a dramatic underlying change in the business in comparing these two sequential quarters, and will become more meaningful period to period throughout the year.

The following tables show trends in the number of supervisors over the reporting period by region, and fluctuations within each notable country are discussed in the appropriate net sales section below where pertinent. In February of each year, we delete from the rank of supervisor those supervisors who did not satisfy the supervisor qualification requirements during the preceding twelve months. Distributors who meet the supervisor requirements at any time during the year are promoted to supervisor status at that time, including any supervisors who were deleted, but who subsequently requalified.

Number of Supervisors by Geographic Region as of Reporting Period

		As of	December 3		As of September 30,					
	2001	2002	% change	2003	% change	2003	2004	% change		
The Americas	95,800	105,474	10.1%	110,165	4.4%	96,428	108,024	12.0%		
Europe	70,224	76,587	9.1	84,665	10.5	75,485	94,064	24.6		
Asia/Pacific Rim	70,749	65,111	(8.0)	55,564	(14.7)	49,182	48,308	(1.8)		
Japan	36,018	31,906	(11.4)	24,485	(23.3)	23,272	16,056	(31.0)		
			-		-					
Worldwide	272,791	279,078	2.3%	274,879	(1.5)%	244,367	266,452	9.0%		
			-		-					

Number of Supervisors by Geographic Region as of Requalification Period

	As of February,					
	2001	2002	2003	2004*		
The Americas	55,465	62,737	67,921	75,359		
Europe	42,419	47,230	51,290	70,239		
Asia/Pacific Rim	43,230	40,423	35,637	31,790		
Japan	23,589	22,013	18,287	13,946		
Worldwide	164,703	172,403	173,135	191,334		

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In 2004 certain modifications were made to the requalifications resulting in approximately 19,000 additional supervisors.

Supervisors must re-qualify annually. The requalification period covers the twelve months starting in February and ending the following January. The number of supervisors by geographic region as of the reporting dates will normally be higher than the number of supervisors by geographic region as of the requalification period because supervisors who do not re-qualify during the relevant twelve-month period will be dropped from the rank of supervisor in February. Since supervisors purchase most of our products for resale to other distributors and consumers, comparisons of supervisor totals on a year-to-year same period basis are good indicators of our recruiting and retention efforts in different geographic regions.

The value of the average monthly purchase of Herbalife products by our supervisors has remained relatively constant over time. Consequently, increases in our sales are driven primarily by our retention of supervisors and by our recruitment and retention of distributors, rather than through increases in the productivity of our overall supervisor base.

Summary Financial Results

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, net sales increased by 12.6% as compared to the same period in 2003, driven by increases in all regions except for a decrease in Japan. These increases

resulted from a combination of an increase in the number of our supervisors, generally favorable foreign currency exchange rates, a comprehensive promotional program in Europe and the launch of new products, while the decrease in Japan was driven by factors including ineffective country management, limited product launches and strong competition.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was \$23.1 million, which was \$12.7 million lower than the prior-year same period. The decrease in net income was primarily due to higher interest expense, resulting from the repurchase in the first quarter of 2004 of the 15¹/₂% Senior Notes and the interest expense associated with the 9¹/₂% Notes, higher promotional expenses and labor costs, partially offset by increased net sales in all geographic regions except for Japan, the favorable impact of aged royalties and the favorable impact of the appreciation of foreign currencies. Overall, the appreciation of foreign currencies had a \$6.6 million favorable impact on net income.

Presentation

As a result of the acquisition of Herbalife International, Inc. ("Herbalife International") on July 31, 2002 by an investment group led by Whitney & Co., LLC ("Whitney") and Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc. ("Golden Gate") (the "Acquisition"), the audited financial statements included elsewhere herein consist of financial information from Herbalife International and its subsidiaries (collectively, our "Predecessor") and Herbalife and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Successor," "we," "us," "our" or the "Company"). The results of operations and cash flows of our Predecessor prior to the Acquisition incorporated in the following discussion are the historical results and cash flows of our Predecessor. These results of our Predecessor do not reflect any purchase accounting adjustments, which are included in our results subsequent to the Acquisition. Due to the results of purchase accounting applied as a result of the Acquisition and the additional interest expense associated with the debt incurred to finance the Acquisition, our results of operations may not be comparable in all respects to the results of operations of our Predecessor prior to the Acquisition. However, our management believes a discussion of our 2002 operations is made more meaningful by combining our results with the results of the Predecessor. Accordingly, for the purpose of management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations, our results of operations, including our segment operations and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2002, have been derived by combining the results of operations and cash flows of our Predecessor for the period starting January 1, 2002 through July 31, 2002 with the results of operations and cash flows of the Successor for the period starting August 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002. The terms "we," "us," "our" and "Company" refer to our Predecessor before the Acquisition for periods through July 31, 2002 and to the Successor after the Acquisition for periods subsequent to July 31, 2002, or the entire year from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002, as the context requires.

"Retail Sales" represent the gross sales amounts on our invoices to distributors before distributor allowances (as defined below), and "net sales", which reflects distribution allowances and handling and freight income, is what the Company collects and recognizes as net sales in its financial statements. We discuss Retail Sales because of its fundamental role in our compensation systems, internal controls and operations, including its role as the basis upon which distributor discounts, royalties and bonuses are awarded. In addition, information in daily and monthly reports reviewed by our management relies on Retail Sales data. However, such a measure is not in accordance with GAAP. You should not consider Retail Sales in isolation from, nor is it a substitute for, net sales and other consolidated income or cash flow statement data prepared in accordance with GAAP, or as a measure of profitability or liquidity. A reconciliation of net sales to Retail Sales is presented below. "Product sales" represent the actual product purchase price paid to us by our distributors, after giving effect to distributor discounts referred to as "distributor allowances," which approximate 50% of retail sales prices. Distributor allowances as a percentage of sales may vary by country depending upon regulatory restrictions that limit or otherwise restrict distributor allowances.

Our "gross profit" consists of net sales less "cost of sales," which represents the prices we pay to our raw material suppliers and manufacturers of our products as well as costs related to product shipments, duties and tariffs, freight expenses relating to shipment of products to distributors and importers and similar expenses.

"Royalty Overrides" are our most significant expense and consist of:

royalty overrides, or commissions, and bonuses, which total approximately 15% and 7%, respectively, of the Retail Sales of weight management, inner nutrition, Outer Nutrition® and promotional products;

the Mark Hughes Bonus payable to some of our most senior distributors in the aggregate amount of approximately 1% of Retail Sales of weight management, inner nutrition, Outer Nutrition® and promotional products; and

other discretionary incentive cash bonuses to qualifying distributors.

Royalty Overrides are generally earned based on Retail Sales, and approximate in the aggregate about 23% of Retail Sales or approximately 35% of our net sales. Royalty Overrides together with distributor allowances represent the potential earnings to distributors of up to approximately 73% of Retail Sales. The compensation to distributors is generally for the development, retention and improved productivity of their distributor sales organizations and is paid to several levels of distributors on each sale. Because of local country regulatory constraints, we may be required to modify our typical distributor allowances and pay reduced royalty overrides with respect to certain products worldwide. Non-U.S. royalty checks that have aged, for a variety of reasons, beyond a certainty of being paid, are taken back into income. Management has calculated this period of certainty to be three years worldwide, whereas previously this period varied by country, ranging from 12 months to 30 years. In order to achieve consistency among all countries, the Company adjusted the period over which such amounts would be taken into income to three years on a Company-wide basis. The impact of this change for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 is on a pre-tax benefit of approximately \$2.4 million.

"Marketing, distribution and administrative expenses" represent our operating expenses, components of which include labor and benefits, sales events, professional fees, travel and entertainment, distributor marketing, occupancy costs, communication costs, bank fees, depreciation and amortization, foreign exchange gains and losses and other miscellaneous operating expenses.

"11 $^{3}/_{4}$ % Notes" refers to Herbalife International's 11 $^{3}/_{4}$ % senior subordinated notes due 2010. "9 $^{1}/_{2}$ % Notes" refers to our 9 $^{1}/_{2}$ % notes due 2011.

Most of our sales to distributors outside the United States are made in the respective local currencies. In preparing our financial statements, we translate revenues into U.S. dollars using average exchange rates. Additionally, the majority of our purchases from our suppliers generally are made in U.S. dollars. Consequently, a strengthening of the U.S. dollar versus a foreign currency can have a negative impact on our reported sales and operating margins and can generate transaction losses on intercompany transactions. Throughout the last five years, foreign currency exchange rates have fluctuated significantly. From time to time, we enter into foreign exchange forward contracts and option contracts to mitigate our foreign currency exchange risk.

Results of Operations

Our results of operations for the periods described below are not necessarily indicative of results of operations for future periods, which depend upon numerous factors, including our ability to recruit and retain new distributors, open new markets and further penetrate existing markets and introduce new products and develop niche market segments.

	Predecessor		Company	Combined	Company					
	Year Ended	January 1	August 1 to	Year Ended	Year Ended	Nine Mo Ende Septemb	ed			
	December 31, 2001	to July 31, 2002	December 31, 2002	December 31, 2002	December 31, 2003	2003	2004			
Operations:										
Net sales	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Cost of sales	23.7	21.8	21.1	21.5	20.3	20.3	20.5			
Gross profit	76.3	78.2	78.9	78.5	79.7	79.7	79.5			
Royalty overrides	34.8	35.3	35.6	35.4	35.8	35.8	35.4			
Marketing, distribution & administrative										
expenses	34.8	32.2	30.1	31.4	34.7	32.9	32.6			
Acquisition transaction										
expenses		8.5	1.4	5.6						
Operating income	6.7	2.2	11.8	6.1	9.2	11.0	11.5			
Interest income										
(expense), net	0.4	0.2	(5.4)	(2.0)	(3.5)	(3.6)	(5.7)			
Income before income taxes and										
minority interest	7.1	2.4	6.4	4.1	5.7	7.4	5.8			
Income taxes	2.9	1.0	3.3	2.0	2.5	3.2	3.4			
Income before										
minority interest	4.2	1.4	3.1	2.1	3.2	4.2	2.4			
Minority interest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			
interest	5.0	0.0	5.0	5.0						
Net income	4.2	1.4	3.1	2.1	3.2	4.2	2.4			

The following table sets forth selected results of our operations expressed as a percentage of net sales for the periods indicated.

Nine months ended September 30, 2004 compared to nine months ended September 30, 2003

Net Sales

The following chart reconciles Retail Sales to net sales:

Sales by Geographic Region

Nine Months Ended September 30,

		2003			2004									
Retail Sales	Distributor Allowance	Product Sales	Handling & Freight Income	Net Sales	Retail Sales	Distributor Allowance	Product Sales	Handling & Freight Income	Net Sales	% Change In Net Sales				

(in millions)

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The Americas	\$	502.4 \$	(238.4) \$	264.0 \$	48.1 \$	312.1 \$	557.9 \$	(266.0) \$	291.9 \$	51.6 \$	343.5	10.1%
Europe		552.0	(263.0)	289.0	48.1	337.1	655.8	(313.0)	342.8	58.8	401.6	19.1%
Asia/Pacific		193.8	(87.7)	106.1	13.9	120.0	243.7	(112.1)	131.6	17.4	149.0	24.2%
Rim												
Japan		152.7	(73.9)	78.8	11.3	90.1	126.6	(61.6)	65.0	8.9	73.9	(18.0)%
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Total	\$	1,400.9 \$	(663.0) \$	737.9 \$	121.4 \$	8503 \$	1,584.0 \$	(752.7) \$	831.3 \$	136.7 \$	968.0	12.6%
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Nine Months Ended September 30,

Changes in net sales are directly associated with the recruiting, retention and retailing of our distributor force, the quality and completeness of the product offerings that the distributor force has to sell and the number of countries in which we operate. Management's role, both in-country and at the corporate level is to provide distributors with a competitive and broad product line, ensure strong teamwork and leadership among the Chairman's Club and President's Team distributors and offer leading edge business tools to make doing business with Herbalife simple. Management uses the marketing program coupled with educational and motivational tools to incent distributors to drive recruiting, retention and retailing

which in turn affects net sales. Such tools include corporate sales events Extravaganzas and World Team Schools where large groups of distributors gather, thus allowing them to network with other distributors, learn recruiting, retention and retailing techniques from our leading distributors, and become more familiar with how to market and sell our products and business opportunities. Accordingly, management believes that these development and motivation programs can increase the productivity of the supervisor network. The expenses for such programs are included in Marketing, Distribution and Administration expenses. An example is the Barcelona Extravaganza held in August of 2004 and mentioned below. We will generally see an increase in net sales immediately following a successful sales event. The extent and the longevity of the net sales increase is driven by several factors including the number and productivity of distributor leaders who continually build, educate and motivate their respective distribution and sales organizations following these events. Due to these factors, it is difficult to draw an exact quantitative conclusion about the long-term net sales impact of a sales event. We also use product event and non-event promotions to motivate distributors to increase recruiting, retention and retailing activities. These promotions have ranged from a laptop computer promotion to gift and vacation promotions for distributors that meet certain selling and recruiting goals. The costs of these promotions are included in Marketing, Distribution and Administration expenses. A current example is the "Atlanta Challenge" discussed below. As with sales events, it is not possible for us to draw a precise quantitative correlation between a successful promotion and a resultant long-term effect on net sales.

In contrast to the above, a country that does not receive new products for regulatory or other reasons, does not have active country management performing the above functions and does not have active distributor leadership building their organizations of distributors who are recruiting new distributors or retailing our product will most likely experience a decline in net sales. Our role is to identify these issues and create and implement appropriate actions to address the specific deficiencies in the relevant country.

Net sales in The Americas increased \$31.4 million, or 10.1%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. In local currency, net sales increased by 10.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. The fluctuation of foreign currency rates had a negative impact of \$1.6 million on net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The increase was a result of net sales growth in Brazil and Mexico of \$20.5 million and \$14.7 million, or 78.9% and 26.4%, respectively, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. These countries continue to benefit from strong country and distributor leadership that focus on recruiting and retention of the distributor force that retails our product, and a product line and business opportunity that is attractive to the demographics in those countries. Continued net sales growth in Brazil is evidenced by an increase in the number of supervisors of 57.8% at September 30, 2004, compared to the same period in 2003, which reflected this renewed emphasis on distributor recruiting and customer retention programs such as those described above locally. Continued net sales growth in Mexico is evidenced by an increase in the number of supervisors of 26.8% at September 30, 2004, compared to the same period in 2003, which also reflected a renewed emphasis on distributor and customer retention programs such as those described above locally, as well as the growth in Nutrition Clubs, which are new and innovative means by which distributors are retailing our products to new customers, some of whom may eventually become distributors of our products. We estimate that between 35% and 45% of our net sales in Mexico now come from Nutrition Clubs. Sales events planned for December of 2004 in both Mexico and Brazil are expected to help continue this positive recruiting and retention, and thus net sales, trend throughout 2004. This was partly offset by a decline in net sales in the U.S. of \$9.8 million, or 4.8%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. This was evidenced by a 6.0% decrease in the number of supervisors at September 30, 2004 compared to the same period in 2003, with a similar volume point decrease when compared to the prior year same period. This is a continuation of a downward trend in the U.S., although the decrease in 2004 is half the decrease experienced in the same period in 2003. Contributing factors to this continued decline include distraction among senior distributor leadership related to the transition of our new senior management team, strong competition from other direct selling companies and marketing difficulties experienced in early 2004 during the transition to the new ShapeWorks product line launched in March 2004. We continue to

address these issues through renewed communication, cooperation and partnership between senior distributor leadership and our management in the U.S. Through regional "mini-extravaganzas" sales events, the opening of a regional sales center in Dallas and a renewed cooperation and partnership among distributor leadership in the U.S., key markets in the U.S. such as New York, Miami, Houston and Atlanta have improved significantly since 2003. Regional sales centers are small, walk up distribution centers that we are opening in key areas of the U.S. where we feel we are underdeveloped. The walk up centers allow distributors to interact with us on a more personal basis and we believe they will assist distributors with their recruiting and retention efforts. Management and senior distributor leadership will continue to focus on other key under-performing markets, including Los Angeles, Chicago, and Dallas, utilizing sales events and promotions along with introducing recruiting, retention and retailing techniques used in Brazil and Mexico into the U.S. market.

Net sales in Europe increased \$64.5 million, or 19.1%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. In local currency net sales increased 9.1% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. The fluctuation of foreign currency rates had a positive impact on net sales of \$33.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. Most European markets recorded net sales growth as a result of the Barcelona Extravaganza in July 2004 and an eight-month promotion ending in June 2004 that helped our distributors increase recruiting and retention. In particular, net sales in Turkey were up \$10.0 million, or 106.6%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003, due to increasing acceptance of the direct selling concept in Turkey as well as an energetic distributor leadership group. Net sales in Spain were up \$9.5 million, or 69.3%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003, due to a cohesive, renewed focus by distributor leadership and an increasing emphasis locally on health and nutrition. In Italy, one of our largest European markets, net sales were up \$5.0 million, or 10.2%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003, driven by strong country management and distributor leadership collaboration on recruiting and retention programs. In the Netherlands, another of our larger European markets, net sales were up \$7.5 million, or 21.6%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003, driven by the Corporate/Distributor co-sponsored TV program, "Fitness Challenge", which was successful in attracting large viewer audiences and strong promotion for the Herbalife name. In addition, we initiated a new promotion, "The Atlanta Challenge", at the Barcelona Extravaganza in July, as a means to incent distributors to qualify for our 25th Anniversary Extravaganza in April 2005 in Atlanta. In the first quarter of 2004, we took over the management of product distribution in Russia and Greece. Prior to this, we used a third party importer to manage and distribute our product to distributors in these countries. We have now opened an administrative office and a company-operated distribution center in these countries to more closely align with our business model in most other countries around the world. This will allow more direct interaction with our distributors, which we feel will improve communication and ultimately enhance recruiting and retention of distributors in those countries. We expect that fourth quarter sales will continue the positive year over year growth driven by the European introduction of ShapeWorks at the Bologna World Team School in November and the Atlanta Challenge promotion, somewhat offset by expected seasonal softness prior to the year-end holidays.

Net sales in Asia/Pacific Rim increased \$29.0 million, or 24.2%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. In local currency, net sales increased 21.2% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. The fluctuation of foreign currency rates had a \$3.6 million positive impact on net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The increase was attributable mainly to an increase in Taiwan, partly offset by a decrease in South Korea. Net sales in Taiwan increased \$19.1 million, or 58.9%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, over the same period in 2003, due primarily to an increase in the number of supervisors by 36.2% at September 30, 2004, compared to the same period in 2003, increased local distributor trainings and initiatives to promote individual recognition of well performing distributors, new product launches, positive momentum from the Bangkok Extravaganza held in September and various other regional promotions. Net sales in South Korea decreased \$9.1 million, or 26.0%, for the nine months

ended September 30, 2004, over the same period in 2003. The rate of net sales decline has decreased in the third quarter, reflecting the success of various distributor focused initiatives which began in late 2003. Additionally, we recently introduced *ShapeWorks* in South Korea, which we believe will help with recruiting and retailing initiatives of our distributors. Overall, we expect that continued local distributor training and the positive momentum from the Bangkok Extravaganza, along with the qualification process for the 25th Anniversary Vacation, the launch of the "The Atlanta Challenge" in the region, and the launch of new products will contribute to ongoing sales increases in the Asia/Pacific Rim region in the fourth quarter of 2004 and into 2005.

Net sales in Japan decreased \$16.2 million, or 18.0%, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. In local currency, net sales in Japan decreased 24.7% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to the same period in 2003. The fluctuation of foreign currency rates had a \$6.1 million favorable impact on net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2004. The net sales decline in the nine month period, which is a continuation of a five year downward trend in Japan, albeit at a slower rate for this reporting period, has been driven primarily by weak country management, which has not properly motivated distributor leadership or introduced new products in a timely manner to meet distributor expectations. This weakness has been exacerbated by strong competition from other direct selling companies and a general deterioration of the Japanese economy. Most recently, from February through September of 2004, Volume Points, while at a significantly lower level than that for the same period in 2003, have remained at a stable level on a sequential monthly basis. In the third quarter of 2004, we appointed a new country manager who is focusing on motivating distributor leadership to improve recruiting and retention of distributors, and we are in the process of expanding our product line to address local country demographic needs. We are also implementing new promotional programs which we believe will maintain the current net sales levels into the fourth quarter of 2004.

Sales by Product Category

Nine Months Ended September 30,

		2003									2004									
					Product Sales	&	0		Net Sales		Retail Sales		Distributor Allowance	Produc Sales		Handlir & Freig Incom	ht	Net Sales	% Change In Net Sales	
									(in mi	llic	ons)									
Weight																				
Management	\$	623.1	\$	(305.6) \$	5 317.5	\$	54.0	\$	371.5	\$	705.7	\$	(347.1) \$	35	8.6	\$ 60).9 3	\$ 419.5	12.9%	
Inner Nutrition		628.7		(308.3)	320.4		54.5		374.9		699.6		(344.1)	35:	5.5	60).4	415.9	10.9%	
Outer Nutrition®		127.3		(62.4)	64.9		11.0		75.9		144.6		(71.1)	7.	3.5	12	2.5	86.0	13.3%	
Literature, Promotional and																				
Other		21.8		13.3	35.1		1.9		37.0		34.1		9.6	4.	3.7	2	2.9	46.6	25.9%	
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Total	\$	1,400.9	\$	(663.0) \$	5 737.9	\$	121.4	\$	859.3	\$	1,584.0	\$	(752.7) \$	83	1.3	\$ 136	5.7	\$ 968.0	12.6%	
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Our increased emphasis on the science of weight management and nutrition during the past two years, illustrated by our assembly of the Scientific Advisory Board and the Medical Advisory Board, has resulted in numerous product introductions like *Niteworks*TM and *Garden7*TM and the introduction of *ShapeWorks*TM, a personalized meal replacement program. Due to the launch of our *ShapeWorks* product line in March 2004 and the introduction of new personal care products, net sales of weight management products and Outer Nutrition® products increased at a higher rate than net sales of inner nutrition products. The rationalization of our Outer Nutrition® product line in 2002 resulted in an initial decrease in sales, but since then the line has represented approximately 9% of our net sales. The product line today is designed to complement the weight management and Inner Nutrition product lines with products for improving the appearance of the body, skin and hair. Literature, Promotional and Other, which includes product buy-backs and returns in all product categories, increased due to a decrease in returns and refunds. We expect shifts within these categories from time to time as we launch new products.

Gross Profit

Gross profit was \$769.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to \$685.0 million in the same period in 2003. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 decreased from 79.7% to 79.5%, as compared to the same period in 2003. The decrease in gross profit for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was attributable mainly to an increase in provisions made for slow moving and obsolete inventory of \$1.6 million. Generally, gross profit percentages do not vary significantly as a percentage of sales other than due to ongoing cost reduction initiatives and provisions for slow moving and obsolete inventory. Additionally, we believe that we have the ability to mitigate price increases by raising the prices of our products or shifting product sourcing to alternative manufacturers.

Royalty Overrides

Royalty Overrides as a percentage of net sales were 35.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to 35.8% in the same period in 2003. As a percentage of net sales, Royalty Overrides decreased by 0.4% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, over the same period in 2003, due primarily to the \$2.4 million impact of aged royalties. Generally, this ratio varies slightly from period to period due to changes in the mix of products and countries because full Royalty Overrides are not paid on certain products or in certain countries. Due to the structure of our global compensation plan, we do not expect to see significant fluctuations in Royalty Overrides as a percent of net sales.

Marketing, Distribution, and Administrative Expenses

Marketing, distribution, and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales were 32.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to 32.8% in the same period in 2003.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, marketing, distribution and administrative expenses increased \$33.6 million to \$315.8 million from \$282.2 million in the same period in 2003. The increase included \$12.5 million in higher salaries and wage expenses, due primarily to normal merit increases, the impact of foreign currency fluctuations, a lower bonus expense in 2003 based on the then anticipated results, and increases related to the strengthening of the senior management team regionally and in the U.S.; \$7.4 million in additional professional fees associated with higher legal and accounting expenses, technology expenses, and higher manufacturing consulting expenses related to the start-up of our facility in China and, to a lesser extent, fees relating to our corporate restructuring; \$7.3 million in additional promotional expenses related primarily to the ShapeWorks launch, the eight-month European promotion program noted above which ended in June 2004 and expenses related to our 25th anniversary promotion, \$9.0 million in higher non-income taxes due primarily to higher sales in certain jurisdictions and \$2.6 million of expenses relating to the transactions that we consummated in connection with the offering of our 91/2% Notes in March 2004. The changes discussed above include the unfavorable impact of foreign currency fluctuations on operating expenses of \$7.0 million. The increases were partially offset by \$9.7 million lower amortization expense of intangibles for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 compared to the same periods in 2003 due to the final allocation in the third quarter of 2003 of the purchase price in connection with the Acquisition. We currently expect our marketing, distribution and administration expenses for the remainder of 2004 to remain essentially flat with the first nine months of 2004, which would represent approximately a 5% increase for full year 2004 from 2003 levels, due primarily to the timing of certain sales and marketing events, including certain expenses associated with our 25th Anniversary Extravaganza. In anticipation of our potential initial public offering, we recorded a charge in the quarter ended September 30, 2004 for expenses associated with grants of 1.4 million stock options in August and September of 2004, taking into account the difference between the estimated initial public offering price and the option exercise prices over the relevant vesting periods. This charge was not material to the results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, nor is it expected to be material for any future period.



Net Interest Expense

Net interest expense was \$55.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to \$31.6 million in the same period in 2003. The higher interest expense for the nine-month period was primarily due to the premium of \$15.4 million associated with the repurchase of our $15^{1}/_{2}\%$ Senior Notes and the net additional interest expense of \$8.2 million associated with our higher debt levels as a result of the addition of \$275.0 million principal amount of our $9^{1}/_{2}\%$ Notes issued in March 2004.

Income Taxes

Income taxes were \$32.7 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to \$27.4 million in the same period in 2003. As a percentage of pre-tax income, the estimated effective income tax rate was 58.6% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, as compared to 43.4% in the same period in 2003. The increase in the effective tax rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003 was caused primarily by the non-deductible premium related to the repurchase of our 15¹/₂% Senior Notes and the non-deductible interest expense associated with the 9¹/₂% Notes.

Foreign Currency Fluctuations

Currency fluctuations had a favorable impact of \$6.6 million on net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, when compared to what current year net income would have been using last year's foreign exchange rates. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the regional effects were a favorable \$6.3 million in Europe, a favorable \$2.2 million in the Pacific Rim and a favorable \$0.5 million in The Americas, partially offset by an unfavorable \$2.4 million in Japan.

Net Income

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 was \$23.1 million, which was \$12.7 million lower than the prior-year same period. The decrease in net income was primarily due to higher interest expense resulting from the repurchase of the 15¹/₂% Senior Notes and the interest expense associated with the 9¹/₂% Notes, higher promotional expenses and labor costs, partially offset by increased net sales in all geographic regions except for Japan and the favorable impact of the appreciation of foreign currencies. Overall, the appreciation of foreign currencies had a \$6.6 million favorable impact on net income.

Year ended December 31, 2003 compared to year ended December 31, 2002

	Predecessor	Company	Combined	Company
	January 1 to July 31, 2002	August 1 to December 31, 2002	Year ended December 31, 2002	Year ended December 31, 2003
			(in millions)	
Operations:				
Net sales	\$ 644.2	\$ 449.5	\$ 1,093.7	\$ 1,159.4
Cost of sales	140.6	95.0	235.6	235.8
Gross profit	503.6	354.5	858.1	923.6
Royalty overrides	227.2	159.9	387.1	415.4
Marketing, distribution & administrative				
expenses	207.4	135.5	342.9	401.3
Acquisition transaction expenses	54.7	6.2	60.9	
Operating income	14.3	52.9	67.2	107.0
Interest income (expense), net	1.4	(23.9) (22.5)	(41.5)
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Income before income taxes and				
minority interest	15.7	29.0	44.7	65.6
Income taxes	6.3	15.0	21.3	28.7
Income before minority interest	9.4	14.0	23.4	36.8
Minority interest	0.2		0.2	

	Predecess	or	Company		Combined		Company	
Net income	\$	9.2	\$	14.0	\$ 2	3.2	\$	36.8
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For the year ended December 31, 2003, net income increased to \$36.8 million from \$23.2 million in 2002. Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2003 increased 6.0% to \$1,159.4 million from \$1,093.7 million in 2002, helped by the appreciation of foreign currencies, primarily the euro.

Excluding the impact of pre-tax amortization expense of intangibles resulting from the Acquisition of \$34.5 million and \$1.5 million in 2003 and 2002, respectively, transaction expenses of \$60.9 million in 2002 relating to the Acquisition, 2003 legal and related costs associated with litigation resulting from the Acquisition of \$5.1 million, \$6.2 million in incremental fees and expenses paid to our Equity Sponsors in 2003, and the favorable impact of foreign currency appreciation of approximately \$15.8 million in 2003, operating income increased 5.7% to \$137.0 million in 2003 from \$129.6 million in 2002. The improved result was attributed to increased sales throughout Europe, Brazil and Mexico, partly offset by the decreased sales in the U.S., Japan and South Korea. We expect that sales in the U.S., Japan and South Korea will improve following the execution of our revitalization initiatives for 2004, which are described below. We anticipate some impact associated with the discovery of BSE in the United States, but do not expect this issue to have a material effect on our business.

Net Sales

The following chart reconciles Retail Sales to net sales:

Sales by Geographic Regions

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			2002					2003			
	Retail Sales	Distributor Allowance	Product Sales	Handling & Freight Income	Net Sales	Retail Sales	Distributor Allowance	Product Sales	Handling & Freight Income	Net Sales	Change in Net Sales
					(in mi	llions)	_				
The Americas	\$ 683.1					\$ 687.		,			
Europe Asia/Pacific Rim	560.3 294.7	(266.3) (130.0)		48.7 20.8	342.7 185.5	733. 271.	× ×			448.2 167.5	30.8 (9.7)
Japan	241.1	(117.1)	124.0	17.2	141.2	201.	5 (97.4) 104.1	15.2	119.3	(15.5)
Total	\$ 1,779.2	\$ (838.1)	\$ 941.1 \$	152.6	\$ 1,093.7	\$ 1,894.	4 \$ (899.3)\$ 995.1	\$ 164.3 \$	\$ 1,159.4	6.0%

Year Ended December 31.

Net sales growth in The Americas was flat with 2002. In local currency, net sales increased by 1.9%. The slight increase was a result of increases in both Brazil and Mexico, which were mostly offset by declining sales in the U.S. Net sales in Brazil and Mexico increased 71.4% and 13.3%, respectively, while net sales in the U.S. declined 10.3% in 2003. In the fourth quarter of 2003, the rate of net sales decline in the U.S. slowed in connection with the introduction of a new sales promotion. In 2004, it is our goal to revitalize the U.S. market through new product introductions, the enhanced use of internet tools, the opening of strategically located sales centers and the implementation of distributor leadership initiatives.

Net sales in Europe increased \$105.5 million or 30.8% in 2003 compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales increased 14.7% as compared to 2002. The appreciation of the euro and other European currencies was a primary reason for the overall sales increase. Net sales in many of the established countries like Belgium (up 115.1%), France (up 59.9%), Netherlands (up 33.2%), Spain (up 72.2%), Switzerland (up 54.9%) and Turkey (up 371.5%) showed notable growth as reported in U.S. dollars. In 2004, it is our goal to increase sales by strengthening our presence in Europe and in particular in Russia and Greece by expanding our distributor services and taking over the management of product distribution, which in the past has been handled through third party importers.

Net sales in Asia/Pacific Rim decreased \$18.0 million or 9.7% in 2003 as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales decreased 13.3%. The sales decrease was due to a \$32.5 million or 42.5% decline in South Korea partly offset by a \$9.6 million or 25.0% increase in Taiwan. During 2003, we implemented several new initiatives to help the distributors in South Korea regain momentum, including

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improving their incentive arrangements and introducing new internet tools and several new products. We believe that these initiatives have helped stabilize sales during the second half of 2003.

Net sales in Japan decreased \$21.9 million or 15.5% during 2003 as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales in Japan decreased 22.8%. The decline in the Japanese market over the last year has continued due to strong competition and the general deterioration in economic conditions in Japan. In 2004, it is our goal to revitalize the Japanese market through new product introductions, enhanced use of internet tools, and the implementation of distributor leadership initiatives.

Sales by Product Category

Year Ended December 31,

		2002								2003										
	Retail Distributor Product Sales Allowance Sales			Handling & Freight Net Income Sales			Retail Sales		Distributor Allowance	Product Sales				Net Sales	Change in Net Sales					
								_	(in mi	llia	ons)									
Weight																				
Management	\$	779.8	\$	(381.1)	\$ 398.7	\$	66.9	\$	465.6	\$	840.4	\$	(413.2)	\$ 427.2	\$	72.9	\$	500.1	7.4%	
Inner Nutrition		797.7		(389.8)	407.9		68.4		476.3		849.0		(417.5)	431.5		73.6		505.1	6.0	
Outer Nutrition®		182.0		(88.9)	93.1		15.6		108.7		177.6		(87.3)	90.3		15.4		105.7	(2.8)	
Literature, Promotional and																				
Other		19.7		21.7	41.4		1.7		43.1		27.4		18.7	46.1		2.4		48.5	12.5	
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Total	\$	1,779.2	\$	(838.1)	\$ 941.1	\$	152.6	\$	1,093.7	\$	1,894.4	\$	(899.3)	\$ 995.1	\$	164.3	\$	1,159.4	6.0%	
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The increase in net sales for weight management and inner nutrition products was due to our increased emphasis on science-based products. In addition, during 2002 we rationalized our Outer Nutrition® line by eliminating color cosmetics, resulting in decreased net sales in 2003. We believe that our Outer Nutrition® product line is now better aligned with our other product categories.

Gross Profit

Gross profit was \$923.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 compared to \$858.2 million in the prior year. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2003 increased from 78.5% to 79.7% as compared to the prior year. The increase in gross profit reflected inventory management initiatives which have reduced obsolescence by \$3.5 million, a decrease in freight and duty expenses of \$3.2 million, and the favorable impact of stronger foreign currencies.

Royalty Overrides

Royalty Overrides as a percentage of net sales were 35.8% for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to 35.4% in the prior year. The ratio varies slightly from period to period primarily due to a change in the mix of products and countries because full Royalty Overrides are not paid on certain products or in certain countries. Due to the structure of our compensation plan, we do not expect to see significant fluctuations in Royalty Overrides as a percent of sales.

Marketing, Distribution and Administrative Expenses

Marketing, distribution and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales were 34.6% for the year ended December 31, 2003, as compared to 31.4% in the prior year. For the year ended December 31, 2003, these expenses increased \$58.4 million to \$401.3 million from \$342.9 million in the prior year. The increase included \$34.5 million amortization expense of intangibles in 2003 compared to \$1.5 million in 2002. In addition, marketing, distribution and administrative expenses were unfavorably impacted by approximately \$10.9 million due to the appreciation of foreign currencies, by approximately \$6.9 million due to increased promotional expenses, by approximately \$9.1 million due to litigation costs and related

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legal expenses, and by approximately \$6.2 million due to fees and expenses paid to our Equity Sponsors subsequent to the Acquisition. Lower salaries and wages expense partly offset the increased expense reflecting efficiencies realized from various cost savings initiatives.

Acquisition Transaction Expenses

In 2002, we recorded \$21.9 million relating to fees and \$39.0 million of stock option expenses in connection with the Acquisition.

Net Interest Expense

Net interest expense was \$41.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to \$22.5 million in the prior year. The increase was mainly due to a full year's interest expense relating to the term loan, the $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes and the 15.5% senior notes in 2003, as compared to only five months of interest expense for those same items in 2002.

Income Taxes

Income taxes were \$28.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 as compared to \$21.3 million for the prior year. As a percentage of pre-tax income, the annual effective income tax rate was 43.8% for 2003 and 47.6% for 2002. The higher effective tax rate in 2002 reflected primarily the non-deductibility of certain acquisition-related expenses incurred in 2002.

Foreign Currency Fluctuations

Currency fluctuations had a favorable impact of \$9.5 million on net income for the year ended December 31, 2003 when compared to what current year net income would have been using 2002 foreign exchange rates. For the year ended December 31, 2003, the regional effects were an unfavorable impact of \$3.2 million in The Americas, a favorable impact of \$1.5 million in Asia/Pacific Rim, a favorable impact of \$11.2 million in Europe, and no material impact in Japan.

Net Income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$36.8 million compared to net income of \$23.2 million for the prior year. Net income increased primarily because of the factors noted above.

Year ended December 31, 2002 compared to year ended December 31, 2001

Net sales for year ended December 31, 2002 increased 7.2% to \$1,093.7 million, as compared to net sales of \$1,020.1 million in the prior year.

Net Sales

The following chart reconciles Retail Sales to net sales:

Sales by Geographic Region

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					2001					_				2002				
		Retail Sales	Distril Allow		Product Sales	Handli Frei Inco	ght	Net Sales			letail Sales		ributor wance	Produc Sales	t	Handling & Freight Income	Net Sales	Change in Net Sales
	_							(ir	n mil	llion	s)							
Americas	\$	620.2	\$	(291.9) \$	328.3	\$	58.6	\$ 38	5.9	\$	683.1	\$	(324.7)	\$ 358	.4	\$ 65.9	\$ 424.3	9.7%
Europe		459.5		(216.1)	243.4		39.8	28	3.2		560.3		(266.3)	294	.0	48.7	342.7	21.0
Asia/Pacific Rim		271.9		(118.9)	153.0		19.0	17	2.0		294.7		(130.0)	164	.7	20.8	185.5	7.8
Japan		304.6		(147.6)	157.0		21.0	17	8.0		241.1		(117.1)	124	.0	17.2	141.2	(20.7)
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Total	\$	1,656.2	\$	(774.5) \$	8 881.7	\$	138.4	\$ 1,02	0.1	\$	1,779.2	\$	(838.1)	\$ 941	.1	\$ 152.6	\$ 1,093.7	7.2%
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Year Ended December 31

Net sales in The Americas increased \$37.4 million or 9.7% as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales increased by 13.7%. The increase was mainly due to well-organized distributor sales meetings, and strong local leadership.

Net sales in Europe increased \$59.5 million or 21.0% in 2002 as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales in Europe increased 14.6%. The increase was partly due to strong local distributor leadership and effective lead generation system.

Net sales in Asia/Pacific Rim increased \$13.5 million or 7.8% during 2002 as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales for Asia/Pacific Rim increased 5.8%. The increase was due to sales growth in Australia, Taiwan and Thailand of 39.9%, 11.1% and 76.1%, respectively.

Net sales in Japan decreased \$36.8 million, or 20.7% during 2002 as compared to the prior year. In local currency, net sales for Japan decreased 18.3%. The decline was due to deteriorating economic conditions and the intensified competitive sales environment.

Sales by Product Category

Year Ended December 31,

		2001								2002									
		Retail Sales		tributor owance	Produc Sales		Handling & Freight Income		Net Sales		Retail Sales		Distributor 1 Allowance	Product Sales	I	Handling & Freight Income		Net Sales	Change in Net Sales
									(in mi	llio	ns)								
Weight																			
Management	\$	707.9	\$	(345.2)				\$		\$	779.8	\$	()1				\$	465.6	10.4%
Inner Nutrition		744.6		(363.1)	381		62.2		443.7		797.7		(389.8)	407.9		68.4		476.3	7.3
Outer Nutrition® Literature, Promotional and		178.2		(86.9)	91	.3	14.9		106.2		182.0		(88.9)	93.1		15.6		108.7	2.4
Other		25.5		20.7	46	2	2.1		48.3		19.7		21.7	41.4		1.7		43.1	(10.8)
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Total	\$	1,656.2	\$	(774.5)	\$ 881	7 \$	5 138.4	\$	1,020.1	\$	1,779.2	\$	(838.1) \$	941.1	\$	152.6	\$	1,093.7	7.2%

Year Ended December 31,

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For the year ended December 31, 2002, net sales of weight management, inner nutrition and Outer Nutrition® products increased as compared to the prior year. The increases were partially offset by a decrease in sales of literature, promotional and other materials and an increase in returns and refunds.

Gross Profit

Gross profit was \$858.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 compared to \$778.6 million in the prior year. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased from 76.3% to 78.5% as compared to the prior year. The increase in gross profit reflected the realization of \$5.7 million of product cost savings attributable to new supply contracts initiated in 2001, savings of

\$3.5 million in freight and duty expenses and a \$6.1 million reduction in the inventory provision for slow moving and anticipated obsolescence when comparing 2002 to 2001.

Royalty Overrides

Royalty Overrides as a percentage of net sales were 35.4% for the year ended December 31, 2002 as compared to 34.8% in the prior year. The ratio varies slightly from period to period primarily due to a change in the mix of products and countries because full Royalty Overrides are not paid on certain products or in certain countries.

Marketing, Distribution and Administrative Expenses

Marketing, distribution and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales were 31.4% for the year ended December 31, 2002, as compared to 34.8% in the prior year. For the year ended December 31, 2002, these expenses decreased \$11.7 million to \$342.9 million from \$354.6 million in the prior year. The decrease was due to \$9.3 million in charges for non-income tax contingencies for various tax audits in 2001, a \$5.4 million decrease in severance expense from 2001 to 2002, partially offset by \$1.3 million higher foreign exchange losses in 2002.

Acquisition Transaction Expenses

In 2002, we recorded \$21.9 million relating to fees and \$39.0 million of stock option expenses in connection with the Acquisition.

Net Interest Expense

Net interest expense was \$22.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 as compared to net interest income of \$3.4 million in the prior year. In 2002, the interest expense was mainly related to the term loan, Herbalife's 15.5% senior notes and the 11³/4% Notes issued to finance the Acquisition.

Income Taxes

Income taxes were \$21.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 as compared to \$28.9 million for the prior year. As a percentage of pre-tax income, the annual effective income tax rate was 47.6% and 40% for 2002 and 2001, respectively. The increase in the effective rate reflected primarily the non-deductibility of the Acquisition-related expenses and the interest expenses incurred by us in 2002.

Foreign Currency Fluctuations

Currency fluctuations had an unfavorable effect of \$1.0 million on net income for the year ended December 31, 2002 when recalculating current year net income using last year's foreign exchange rates. For the year ended December 31, 2002, the regional effects were \$3.2 million unfavorable in The Americas, \$1.1 million unfavorable in Asia/Pacific Rim, \$3.3 million favorable in Europe, and no material impact in Japan.

Net Income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2002 was \$23.2 million compared to net income of \$42.6 million for the prior year. Excluding the impact of Acquisition expenses, amortization of intangibles and changes in net interest expense, net income for the year ended December 31, 2002 would have been \$76.2 million. Net income excluding the impact of Acquisition expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased principally because of a 7.2% increase in net sales and a 2.1% increase in gross profit as a percentage of net sales.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We have historically met our working capital and capital expenditure requirements, including funding for expansion of operations, through net cash flows provided by operating activities. Our principal source of liquidity is our operating cash flows. Variations in sales of our products would directly affect the availability of funds. There are no material restrictions on the ability to transfer and remit funds among Herbalife's international affiliated companies.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we generated \$81.0 million from operating cash flows, as compared to \$73.1 million in the same period in 2003. The increase in cash generated from operations reflected (1) a decrease in net income of \$12.7 million primarily due to higher interest expense, higher promotional expense and labor costs, partially offset by increased net sales and the favorable impact of the appreciation of foreign currencies; (2) a decrease of \$9.6 million in positive non-cash adjustments to net income due to lower amortization expense of intangibles in 2004 compared to the high level in 2003 as a result of the final allocation in the third quarter of 2003 of the purchase price in connection with the Acquisition; (3) an increase in inventory of \$19.0 million in 2004 compared to a decrease in inventory of \$6.0 million in 2003 related primarily to the introduction of new products in 2004; (4) an increase in accrued expenses of \$30.1 million, the majority of which will be paid in the fourth quarter of 2004, increase in non-income tax accruals of \$11.3 million due to higher sales in certain jurisdictions, higher accruals for promotional expenses of \$7.7 million due to the eight-month European promotion program and our 25th anniversary promotion which will be paid in the fourth quarter of 2004 and the second quarter of 2005 and (5) an increase in income tax payable of \$12.7 million in 2004 compared to a decrease in income tax payable of \$3.0 million in 2003 due primarily to the increase in effective tax rate driven by higher non-deductible interest in 2003 due primarily to the increase in effective tax rate driven by higher non-deductible interest in 2004.

Capital expenditures, including capital leases for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, were \$20.7 million, compared to \$15.4 million in the same period in 2003. The majority of these expenditures represented investments in management information systems, internet tools for distributors and office facilities and equipment in the United States. We expect to incur additional capital expenditures of up to \$8.0 million for the remainder of 2004.

In connection with the Acquisition, we consummated certain related financing transactions including Herbalife International's issuance of its 11³/4% Notes in the amount of \$165.0 million, and entering into a senior credit facility, consisting of a term loan in the amount of \$180.0 million and a revolving credit facility in the amount of \$25.0 million.

The following summarizes our contractual obligations at September 30, 2004 and the effect such obligations are expected to have on our liquidity and cash flows in future periods:

			Payments due by period											
	,	Total	200	04		2005		2006		2007		2008		19 & eafter
								(in i	mil	lions)				
Term Debt	\$	66.7	\$	4.4	\$	17.4	\$	17.4	\$	17.4	\$	10.1	\$	
11 ³ /4% Notes		158.3												158.3
9 ¹ /2% Notes		267.9												267.9
Capital Lease		6.7		0.9		3.6		1.9		0.3				
Other debt		2.1		0.3		1.2		0.5		0.1				
Operating leases		19.0		3.2		9.4		4.4		1.1		0.5		0.4
Total	\$	520.7	\$	8.8	\$	31.6	\$	24.2	\$	18.9	\$	10.6	\$	426.6

In March 2004, we and our lenders amended Herbalife International's existing senior credit facility. Under the terms of the amendment, we made a prepayment of \$40.0 million to reduce outstanding

amounts under Herbalife International's senior credit facility. In connection with this prepayment, the lenders under Herbalife International's senior credit facility waived the March 31, 2004 mandatory amortization payment of \$6.5 million along with a mandatory 50% excess cash flow payment for the year ended December 31, 2003. The amendment also lowered the interest rate to LIBOR plus a 2.5% margin, increased the capital spending allowance under Herbalife International's existing senior credit facility and permitted us to complete a recapitalization. The schedule of the principal payments was also modified so that we were obligated to pay approximately \$4.4 million on March 31, 2004 and in each subsequent quarter through June 30, 2008.

In March 2004, Herbalife and its wholly-owned subsidiary WH Capital Corporation completed the \$275.0 million offering of the 9¹/₂% Notes. The proceeds of the offering together with available cash were used to pay the original issue price in cash due upon conversion of 104.1 million outstanding Herbalife 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible preferred shares including 2.0 million warrants exercised in connection with this offering, to pay all accrued and unpaid dividends, to redeem our 15¹/₂% Senior Notes and to pay related fees and expenses. Interest on the 9¹/₂% Notes is paid in cash semi-annually in arrears on April 1 and October 1 of each year. The 9¹/₂% Notes are our general unsecured obligations, ranking equally with any of our existing and future senior indebtedness and senior to all of Herbalife's future subordinated indebtedness. Also, the 9¹/₂% Notes are effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of Herbalife's subsidiaries.

Whitney and Golden Gate (and/or their affiliates) were and are parties to a Share Purchase Agreement (the "Share Purchase Agreement") pursuant to which they originally purchased our Preferred Shares. Under the terms of the Share Purchase Agreement, Whitney and Golden Gate can, subject to approval by our board of directors and 75% of our shareholders, require us to pay a dividend to all of our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them resulting from their ownership of our shares. We have recently completed our analysis with regard to this potential payment and based on this analysis, we may be required to make a \$1.4 million payment to our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them for the year ended December 31, 2003. In addition, we may be required to make a payment to our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them for the year ended December 31, 2004. We have not yet determined the amount, if any, that could be payable in connection with the 2004 taxes. Both amounts would become distributable to the shareholders if and when the board of directors and 75% of our shareholders approve the payment of these amounts. As of the date of this filing, our board of directors has not made a determination to make these distributions. If and when such a determination is made, these amounts will be recorded as dividends.

As of September 30, 2004, we had working capital of \$35.6 million. Cash and cash equivalents were \$164.7 million at September 30, 2004, compared to \$150.7 million at December 31, 2003. Simultaneously with our initial public offering, we anticipate closing a series of recapitalization transactions, including:

a tender offer for any and all of the outstanding $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes and related consent solicitation to amend the indenture governing the $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes;

the redemption of 40% of our outstanding $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes;

the replacement of Herbalife International's existing \$205.0 million senior credit facility, under which loans in an aggregate principal amount of \$71.1 million were outstanding on September 30, 2004, with a new \$225.0 million senior credit facility; and

the payment of a \$200.0 million special cash dividend to our current shareholders.

We expect that cash and funds provided from operations and available borrowings under our new revolving credit facility will provide sufficient working capital to operate our business, to make expected capital expenditures and to meet foreseeable liquidity requirements, including debt service on the 9¹/₂% Notes and the senior credit facility. There can be no assurance, however, that our business will service our debt, including notes, or fund our other liquidity needs.

The majority of our purchases from suppliers are generally made in U.S. dollars, while sales to Herbalife distributors generally are made in local currencies. Consequently, strengthening of the U.S. dollar versus a foreign currency can have a negative impact on operating margins and can generate transaction losses on intercompany transactions. For discussion of our foreign exchange contracts and other hedging arrangements, see the quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risks described below.

	Prede	Predecessor Combined ⁽¹⁾ Company										
					Q	uarter ended	I					
	March 31, 2002	June 30, 2002	September 30, 2002	December 31, 2002	March 31, 2003	June 30, 2003	September 30, 2003	December 31, 2003	March 31, 2004	June 30, 2004	September 30, 2004	
				(in t	housands e	except per sh	are amounts)				
Operations:												
Net sales Cost of sales	\$ 265,794 57,072	\$ 281,989 62,734	\$ 272,581 58,892	\$ 273,349 56,857	\$ 280,039 56,961	\$ 288,878 58,401	\$ 290,392 58,987	\$ 300,125 61,437	\$ 324,052 63,618	\$ 324,160 66,245	\$ 319,809 68,961	
Gross profit Royalty	208,722	219,255	213,689	216,492	223,078	230,477	231,405	238,688	260,434	257,915	250,848	
Overrides	94,726	98,643	95,651	98,125	99,510	103,481	104,971	107,389	115,856	114,532	111,978	
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses	81,149	94,598	91,756	81,606	84,376	86,724	111,090	119,072	107,840	105,199	102,772	
Acquisition transaction expenses		4,035	50,673									
Operating	22.047	21.070	(24,201)	26.761	20.102	10.070	15.044	10.007	26 729	20.104	26.000	
income Interest income (expense), net	32,847 575	21,979 452	(24,391) (12,984)		39,192) (9,947)	40,272	15,344 (11,404)	(9,862)	36,738) (27,373)	38,184	36,098 (13,604)	
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Income before income taxes and minority												
interest Income taxes	33,422 13,369	22,431 8,972	(37,375) (12,198)		29,245 12,374	30,017 12,803	3,940 2,241	2,365 1,302	9,365 9,849	23,928 11,840	22,494 11,004	
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Income before minority												
interest Minority	20,053	13,459	(25,177)	15,223	16,871	17,214	1,699	1,063	(484)	12,088	11,490	
interest	140	48										
Net income	\$ 19,913	\$ 13,411	\$ (25,177)	\$ 15.223	\$ 16,871	\$ 17,214	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,063	\$ (484)	\$ 12,088	11,490	
Net meome	\$ 17,715	\$ 15,411	\$ (23,177)	\$ 15,225	\$ 10,871	\$ 17,214	\$ 1,077	\$ 1,005	\$ (+0+)	\$ 12,000	11,490	
Earnings per share												
Basic Diluted	\$ 0.62 \$ 0.60			\$ \$ 0.15	\$ \$ 0.16	\$ \$ 0.16	\$ \$ 0.02	\$ \$ 0.01	\$ (0.02) \$	\$ 0.12 \$ 0.11	0.11 \$ 0.10	
Weighted average shares outstanding	φ 0.00	φ 0.39	φ (0.01)	φ 0.13	φ 0.10	φ 0.10	φ 0.02	φ 0.01	φ	φ 0.11	φ 0.10	
Basic	32,007	32,591							26,607	104,125	104,530	

Quarterly Results of Operations

Explanation of Responses:

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	Predece	ssor	Combined ⁽¹⁾		Company									
Diluted	33,291	34,051	102,041	102,041	103,841	106,667	108,784	108,678	109,892	110,132	111,320			

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For the purposes of this presentation we have combined the result of operations of our Predecessor for the period July 1, 2002 through July 31, 2002 and the Company for the period August 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002. The earnings per share information pertain only to the Company for the period August 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002. Basic and diluted earnings per share for the predecessor for the period July 1 through July 31, 2002 was \$(0.73) and \$(0.70), respectively.

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Contingencies

We are from time to time engaged in routine litigation. We regularly review all pending litigation matters in which we are involved and establish reserves deemed appropriate by management for these litigation matters when a probable loss estimate can be made.

Herbalife International was a defendant in a purported class action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court of California (*Jacobs v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*) originally filed on February 19, 2002 challenging marketing practices of several distributors and Herbalife International under various state and federal laws. Without in any way admitting liability or wrongdoing, we have reached a binding settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the terms of the settlement, we (i) paid \$3 million into a fund to be distributed to former Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, (ii) will pay up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$1 million, refund to former Supervisor-level distributors the amounts they had paid to purchase such Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, and (iii) will offer rebates up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2 million on certain new purchases of Herbalife products to those current Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter.

Herbalife International and certain of its distributors have been named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed July 16, 2003 in the Circuit Court of Ohio County in the State of West Virginia (*Mey v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*). Herbalife International had removed the lawsuit to federal court and the court has recently remanded the lawsuit to state court. The complaint alleges that certain telemarketing practices of certain Herbalife International distributors violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and seeks to hold Herbalife International liable for the practices of its distributors. More specifically, the plaintiffs' complaint alleges that several of Herbalife's distributors used pre-recorded telephone messages and autodialers to contact prospective customers in violation of the TCPA's prohibition of such practices. Herbalife's distributors are independent contractors and, if any such distributors in fact violated the TCPA, they also violated Herbalife's policies, which require its distributors to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the suit.

As a marketer of dietary and nutritional supplements and other products that are ingested by consumers or applied to their bodies, we have been subjected to various product liability claims. The effects of these claims to date have not been material to us, and the reasonably possible range of exposure on currently existing claims is not material. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the allegations contained in the lawsuits. We currently maintain product liability insurance with an annual deductible of \$10.0 million.

Certain of our subsidiaries have been subject to tax audits by governmental authorities in their respective countries. In certain of these tax audits, governmental authorities are proposing that significant amounts of additional taxes and related interest and penalties are due. The aggregate amount of asserted taxes, penalties and interest to date is approximately \$34 million. We and our tax advisors believe that there are meritorious defenses to the allegations that additional taxes are owing, and we are vigorously contesting the additional proposed taxes and related charges.

These matters may take several years to resolve, and we cannot be sure of their ultimate resolution. However, it is the opinion of management that adverse outcomes, if any, will not likely result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results. This opinion is based on our belief that any losses we suffer in excess of amounts reserved would not be material, and that we have meritorious defenses. Although we have reserved an amount that we believe represents the likely outcome of the resolution of these disputes, if we are incorrect in our assessment we may have to pay the full amount assessed.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risks

We are exposed to market risks, which arise during the normal course of business from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. On a selected basis, we use derivative financial instruments to manage or hedge these risks. All hedging transactions are authorized and executed pursuant to written guidelines and procedures.

We have adopted SFAS 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." SFAS 133, as amended and interpreted, established accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. All derivatives, whether designated in hedging relationships or not, are required to be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. If the derivative is designated as a fair-value hedge, the changes in the fair value of the derivative and the underlying hedged item are recognized concurrently in earnings. If the derivative is designated as a cash-flow hedge, changes in the fair value of the derivative are recorded in other comprehensive income ("OCI") and are recognized in the statement of operations when the hedged item affects earnings. SFAS 133 defined new requirements for designation and documentation of hedging relationships as well as ongoing effectiveness assessments in order to use hedge accounting. For a derivative that does not qualify as a hedge, changes in fair value are recognized concurrently in earnings.

A discussion of our primary market risk exposures and derivatives is presented below.

Foreign Exchange Risk

We enter into foreign exchange derivatives in the ordinary course of business primarily to reduce exposure to currency fluctuations attributable to intercompany transactions and translation of local currency revenue. Most of these foreign exchange contracts are designated for forecasted transactions.

We purchase average rate put options, which give us the right, but not the obligation, to sell foreign currency at a specified exchange rate ("strike rate"). These contracts provide protection in the event that the foreign currency weakens beyond the option strike rate. In some instances, we sell ("write") foreign currency call options to finance the purchase of put options, which gives the counterparty the right, but not the obligation, to buy foreign currency from us at a specified strike rate. These contracts serve to limit the benefit we would otherwise derive from strengthening of the foreign currency beyond the strike rate. Such written call options are only entered into contemporaneously with purchased put options. The fair value of option contracts is based on third-party bank quotes.

The following table provides information about the details of our option contracts at September 30, 2004:

Foreign Currency			Average Strike Price		r Value	Maturity Date
	(in mi	llions)		(m i	nillions)	
Purchased Puts (We may sell Yen/Buy USD)						
Japanese Yen	\$	10.5	102.98-106.80	\$	0.4	Oct-Dec 2004
Purchased Puts (We may sell Euro/Buy USD)						
Euro	\$	13.9	1.1550-1.2375	\$	0.9	Oct-Dec 2004

Foreign exchange forward contracts are occasionally used to hedge advances between subsidiaries and bank loans denominated in currencies other than their local currency. The objective of these contracts is to neutralize the impact of foreign currency movements on the subsidiary's operating results. The fair value of forward contracts is based on third-party bank quotes.

Foreign Currency	Contract Date				Maturity Contract Date Rate		
		(i	n millions)			(in	millions)
Buy Euro sell USD	9/24/2004	\$	3.2	10/27/2004	1.8000	\$	3.3
Buy GBP sell USD	9/24/2004	\$	1.2	10/27/2004	7.3815	\$	1.2
Buy JPY sell USD	9/24/2004	\$	18.2	10/27/2004	110.6000	\$	18.3
Buy SEK sell USD	9/24/2004	\$	3.1	10/27/2004	1.2260	\$	3.2
Buy Euro sell RUB	9/27/2004	\$	2.0	10/27/2004	36.1557	\$	2.0
Buy DKK sell Euro	9/4/2004	\$	0.3	10/7/2004	7.4401	\$	0.3
Buy AUD sell Euro	9/4/2004	\$	2.4	10/7/2004	1.7510	\$	2.5
Buy NOK sell Euro	9/4/2004	\$	1.6	10/7/2004	8.3200	\$	1.6
Buy TWD sell Euro	9/4/2004	\$	1.1	10/7/2004	40.8342	\$	1.0

The following table provides information about the details of our forward contracts at September 30, 2004:

All our foreign subsidiaries, excluding those operating in hyper-inflationary environments, designate their local currencies as their functional currency. At September 30, 2004, the total amount of our foreign subsidiary cash was \$65.4 million, of which \$7.4 million was invested in U.S. dollars.

Interest Rate Risk

We have maintained an investment portfolio of high-quality marketable securities. According to our investment policy, we may invest in taxable and tax exempt instruments including asset-backed securities. In addition, the policy establishes limits on credit quality, maturity, issuer and type of instrument. We do not use derivative instruments to hedge our investment portfolio.

The table below presents principal cash flows and interest rates by maturity dates and the fair values of our borrowings as of September 30, 2004. Fair values for fixed rate borrowings have been determined based on recent market trade values. The fair values for variable rate borrowings approximate their carrying value. Variable interest rates disclosed represent the rates on the borrowings at September 30, 2004. Interest rate risk related to our capital leases is not significant.

	Expected Maturity Date											
	20	04	2005	2006	2007	2008	Th	nereafter	Total		Fair Value	
Long-term Debt												
Fixed Rate (in millions)							\$	158.3 \$	158.3	\$	182.8	
Average Interest Rate									11.759	%		
Variable Rate (in millions)	\$	4.3 \$	17.4 \$	17.4	\$ 17.4	\$ 10.2		\$	66.7	\$	66.7	
Average Interest Rate		4.4%	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%	6 4.49	%		4.49	%		
Fixed Rate (in millions)							\$	267.9 \$	267.9	\$	297.7	
Average Interest Rate									9.59	%		

Interest rate caps are used to hedge the interest rate exposure on the term loan which has a variable interest rate. It provides protection in the event the LIBOR rate increases beyond the cap rate. The table below describes the interest rate cap that was outstanding at September 30, 2004.

Interest Rate	Notion Amou		Sap ate Fair Value	Maturity Date
	(in millio	ons)	(in millions)	
Interest Rate Cap	\$	28.8	5%	October 2005
Critical Accounting Policies				

Our Consolidated Financial Statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, which require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual

results could differ from those estimates. We consider the following policies to be most critical in understanding the judgments that are involved in preparing the financial statements and the uncertainties that could impact our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows.

Revenue is recognized when products are shipped and title passes to the Independent Distributor or importer. Amounts billed for freight and handling costs are included in net sales. We generally receive the net sales price in cash or through credit card payments at the point of sale. Related royalty overrides and allowances for product returns are recorded when the merchandise is shipped.

Allowances for product returns primarily in connection with our buyback program are provided at the time the product is shipped. This accrual is based upon historic return rates for each country, which vary from zero to approximately 5.0% of net sales, and the relevant return pattern, which reflects anticipated returns to be received over a period of up to 12 months following the original sale. Historically, product returns and buybacks have not been significant. Product returns and buybacks are approximately 2.0% of net sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and were approximately 1.9%, 2.4% and 2.5% of net sales for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. No material changes in estimates have been recognized for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 or for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2004 or for the years ended

We write down our inventory to provide for estimated obsolete or unsalable inventory based on assumptions about future demand for our products and market conditions. If future demand and market conditions are less favorable than management's assumptions, additional inventory write-downs could be required. Likewise, favorable future demand and market conditions could positively impact future operating results if written-off inventory is sold. We reserved for obsolete and slow moving inventory totaling \$5.5 million as of September 30, 2004 and \$4.2 million, \$8.4 million and \$16.7 million as of December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

In accordance with Statement 144, long-lived assets, such as property, plant, and equipment, and purchased intangibles subject to amortization, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the fair value of the asset. Assets to be disposed of would be separately presented in the balance sheet and reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell, and are no longer depreciated. The assets and liabilities of a disposed group classified as held for sale would be presented separately in the appropriate asset and liability sections of the balance sheet.

Goodwill and other intangibles not subject to amortization are tested annually for impairment, and are tested for impairment more frequently if events and circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. An impairment loss is recognized to the extent that the carrying amount exceeds the asset's fair value. This determination is made at the reporting unit level and consists of two steps. First, the Company determines the fair value of a reporting unit and compares it to its carrying amount. Second, if the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, an impairment loss is recognized for any excess of the carrying amount of the reporting unit's goodwill and other intangibles over the implied fair value. The implied fair value is determined by allocating the fair value of the reporting unit in a manner similar to a purchase price allocation, in accordance with FASB Statement No. 141, *Business Combinations*. The residual fair value after this allocation is the implied fair value of the reporting unit goodwill and other intangibles. As of September 30, 2004, we had goodwill of approximately \$167.5 million, marketing franchise of \$310.0 million, and other intangible assets of \$8.9 million. No write-downs have been recognized for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 or for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 or 2001.



Contingencies are accounted for in accordance with SFAS 5, "Accounting for Contingencies." SFAS 5 requires that we record an estimated loss from a loss contingency when information available prior to issuance of our financial statements indicates that it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Accounting for contingencies such as legal and income tax matters requires us to use judgment. Many of these legal and tax contingencies can take years to be resolved. Generally, as the time period increases over which the uncertainties are resolved, and the likelihood of changes to the estimate of the ultimate outcome increases.

Deferred income tax assets have been established for net operating loss carryforwards of certain foreign subsidiaries and have been reduced by a valuation allowance to reflect them at amounts estimated to be ultimately recognized. The net operating loss carryforwards expire in varying amounts over a future period of time. Realization of the income tax carryforwards is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income prior to expiration of the carryforwards. Although realization is not assured, we believe it is more likely than not that the net carrying value of the income tax carryforwards will be realized. The amount of the income tax carryforwards that is considered realizable, however, could change if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are adjusted.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2003, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin ("SAB") No. 104, "Revenue Recognition," which codifies, revises, and rescinds certain sections of SAB No. 101, "Revenue Recognition," in order to make this interpretive guidance consistent with current authoritative accounting and auditing guidance and SEC rules and regulations. The changes noted in SAB No. 104 did not have a material effect on our consolidated results of operations, consolidated financial position, or consolidated cash flows.

In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS 150 establishes standards on the classification and measurement of certain instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. SFAS 150 is effective for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. SFAS 150 requires the classification of any financial instruments with a mandatory redemption feature, an obligation to repurchase equity shares, or a conditional obligation based on the issuance of a variable number of its equity shares, as a liability. The adoption of SFAS 150 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial returns.

In April 2003, the FASB issued SFAS 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003. This amendment clarifies when a contract meets the characteristics of a derivative, clarifies when a derivative contains a financing component, and amends certain other existing pronouncements. The adoption of SFAS 149 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

The FASB issued Interpretation 46 ("FIN 46"), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" in January 2003, and a revised interpretation of FIN 46 ("FIN 46-R"). FIN 46 requires certain variable interest entities ("VIEs") to be consolidated by the primary beneficiary of the entity if the equity investors in the entity do not have the characteristics of a controlling financial interest or sufficient equity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties. The provisions of FIN 46 are effective immediately for all arrangements entered into after January 31, 2003. We have not invested in any entities that we believe are VIEs for which we are the primary beneficiary. The adoption of FIN 46 and FIN 46-R had no impact on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In November 2002, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 45 ("FIN 45"), Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others, which addresses the disclosure to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its

obligations under guarantees. The disclosure requirements are effective for interim and annual financial statements ending after December 15, 2002. We do not have any material guarantees that require disclosure under FIN 45.

FIN 45 also requires the recognition of a liability by a guarantor at the inception of certain guarantees. FIN 45 requires the guarantor to recognize a liability for the non-contingent component of a guarantee, which is the obligation to stand ready to perform in the event that specified triggering events or conditions occur. The initial measurement of this liability is the fair value of the guarantee at inception. The recognition of the liability is required even if it is not probable that payments will be required under the guarantee or if the guarantee was issued with a premium payment or as part of a transaction with multiple elements. The initial recognition and measurement provisions are effective for all guarantees within the scope of FIN 45 issued or modified after December 31, 2002. We have adopted the disclosure requirements of FIN 45 and will apply the recognition and measurement provisions for all guarantees entered into or modified after December 31, 2002.

For the year ended December 31, 2003 and the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we have not entered into any guarantees within the scope of FIN 45.

The FASB recently issued a proposed pronouncement that, if finalized in its current form, would require that we record compensation expense for stock options issued based on the estimated fair value of the options at the date of grant. We currently are not required to record stock-based compensation charges if the employee's stock option exercise price is equal to or exceeds the fair value of the stock at the date of grant. We have not yet determined what impact, if any, the proposed pronouncement would have on our financial statements.

BUSINESS

Herbalife

We are a global network marketing company that sells weight management, nutritional supplement and personal care products. We pursue our mission of "changing people's lives" by providing a financially rewarding business opportunity to distributors and quality products to distributors and customers who seek a healthy lifestyle. We are one of the largest network marketing companies in the world with net sales of approximately \$1.2 billion for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003. We sell our products in 59 countries through a network of over one million independent distributors. We believe the quality of our products and the effectiveness of our distribution network, coupled with geographic expansion, have been the primary reasons for our success throughout our 24-year operating history.

We offer three categories of products: weight management, inner nutrition, and Outer Nutrition®. Our weight management product portfolio includes meal replacements, weight-loss accelerators and a variety of healthy snacks. In March 2004, we launched the *ShapeWorks* weight management program, an enhancement to our best-selling Formula 1 weight management product, which personalizes protein intake and includes a customized meal plan. Our collection of inner nutrition products consists of dietary and nutritional supplements, each containing quality herbs, vitamins, minerals and natural ingredients in support of total well-being and long-term good health. In 2003, we introduced *Niteworks*, which supports energy, vascular and circulatory health. Our Outer Nutrition® products include skin cleansers, moisturizers, lotions, shampoos and conditioners, each based on botanical formulas to revitalize, soothe, and smooth body, skin and hair. Weight management, inner nutrition, and Outer Nutrition® accounted for 43.1%, 43.6% and 9.1% of our net sales in fiscal year 2003, respectively.

In the course of our product developments efforts, we are committed to providing products with scientific substantiation. For new products, we assure product safety and scientific substantiation by reviewing available product and ingredient data, by consulting with medical, scientific and regulatory experts, and by testing final product content and stability. While we do not routinely do pre-market clinical tests on our products, we do clinical tests as necessary to meet regulatory requirements. In addition, we have two human clinical trials underway that examine the health benefits of several existing products. Both have what we believe are very robust scientific designs and are being executed according to good clinical practice standard operating procedures at UCLA. Both studies are blinded and the results are unknown. Thus, we have not publicly announced these studies.

We have significantly increased our emphasis on scientific research in the fields of weight management and nutrition over the past two years. We believe that our focus on nutrition science will continue to result in meaningful product enhancements that differentiate our products in the marketplace. Our research and development organization combines the experience of product development scientists within our Company with an external team including world-renowned scientists. Additionally, we contributed to the establishment of the Mark Hughes Cellular and Molecular Nutrition Lab at UCLA (the "UCLA Lab"), which is an independent lab devoted to the advancement of nutrition science. We introduced *Niteworks*, a cardiovascular product developed in conjunction with Louis Ignarro, Ph.D., a Nobel Laureate in Medicine in 2003 and, in March 2004, we introduced *ShapeWorks*, a comprehensive weight management program based on the clinical experience and the 15 years of meal replacement research of David Heber, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Medicine and Public Health at the UCLA School of Medicine, Director of the UCLA Center for Human Nutrition and Director of the UCLA Center for Dietary Supplement Research in Botanicals.

We recently established a 14-member Scientific Advisory Board, comprised of world-renowned scientists, and a Medical Advisory Board consisting of leading scientists and medical doctors. We consult with members of our Scientific Advisory Board on the advancements in the field of nutrition science, while our Medical Advisory Board provides training on product usage and gives health-news updates through Herbalife literature, the internet and live training events around the world. The boards, both chaired by Dr. David Heber, support our internal product development team by providing expertise on obesity and

human nutrition, conducting product research, and advising on product concepts. In addition, in early 2003, we contributed to the establishment of the UCLA Lab. The UCLA Lab's mission is to advance nutrition science to new levels of understanding by using the most progressive research and development technologies available.

We believe that the direct-selling channel is ideally suited to marketing our products, because sales of weight management, nutrition and personal care products are strengthened by ongoing personal contact between retail consumers and distributors. This personal contact may enhance consumers' nutritional and health education and motivate consumers to begin and maintain wellness and weight management programs. In addition, by using our products themselves, distributors can provide first-hand testimonials of product effectiveness, which can serve as a powerful sales tool.

We are focused on building and maintaining our distributor network by offering financially rewarding and flexible career opportunities through sales of quality, innovative products to health conscious consumers. We believe the income opportunity provided by our network marketing program appeals to a broad cross-section of people throughout the world, particularly those seeking to supplement family income, start a home business or pursue entrepreneurial, full and part-time, employment opportunities. Our distributors, who are all independent contractors, can profit from selling our products and can also earn royalties and bonuses on sales made by the distributors whom they recruit to join their sales organizations.

We enable distributors to maximize their potential by providing a broad array of motivational, educational and support services. We motivate our distributors through our performance-based compensation plan, individual recognition, reward programs and promotions, and participation in local, national and international Company-sponsored sales events and Extravaganzas. We are committed to providing professionally designed educational training materials that our distributors can use to enhance recruitment and to maximize their sales. We and our distributor leadership conduct thousands of training sessions annually throughout the world to educate and motivate our distributors. These training events teach our distributors not only how to develop invaluable business-building and leadership skills, but also how to differentiate our products with their consumers. Our corporate-sponsored training events provide a forum for distributors, who otherwise operate independently, to share ideas with us and each other. In addition, our internet-based Herbalife Broadcasting Network delivers, on a 24-hour basis worldwide, educational, motivational and inspirational content, including addresses from our CEO. Our efficient and effective distribution, logistics and customer care support system assists our distributors by providing next-day sales capabilities and support services. We further aid our distributors by generating additional demand for our products through traditional marketing and public relations methods, such as through television ads, sporting event sponsorships and endorsements.

We were founded in 1980 by Mark Hughes. We were acquired in 2002 by an investment group led by Whitney and Golden Gate. To consummate this acquisition, Whitney and Golden Gate and their affiliates formed a new holding company called WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted limited liability company, and several new direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of that holding company, including an acquisition vehicle called WH Acquisition Corp., a Nevada corporation, in order to acquire us. On July 31, 2002, WH Acquisition acquired us pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger we entered into on April 10, 2002. Pursuant to this merger, each of our shareholders received \$19.50 in cash for each common share, and the holders of each outstanding option to purchase our shares received an amount in cash equal to the excess of \$19.50 over the price of the option. The \$19.50 share price was reached based on an independent valuation study. As a result of the acquisition, we became a privately held company and were delisted from the NASDAQ National Market at that time.

Our Market Opportunity

According to the World Federation of Direct Selling Associations, the global direct selling market, which includes sales through network marketing and direct mail, reached \$86 billion in sales in 2002. The

area in which we primarily compete, health and wellness, comprised 15.4% of the 2002 total direct selling market according to the Direct Selling Association. According to the Nutrition Business Journal, the U.S. nutritional supplements market grew 5.7% in 2003 to \$19.8 billion, of which the weight-loss supplements segment represented \$4.2 billion or 21.3%. In addition, the Nutrition Business Journal reported that sales of weight-loss supplements are projected to grow at a 6.8% compound annual growth rate from 2004 through 2010.

We believe that the increasing prevalence of obesity and the aging worldwide population are driving demand for nutrition and wellness-related products. The number of obese adults worldwide has increased from 200 million in 1995 to 300 million in 2000, an increase of 50% based on a study by the World Health Organization. Trends in dieting have followed the higher prevalence of obesity. A 2003 U.S. News & World Report article estimated that 44% of women and 29% of men in the U.S. were on a diet on any given day. According to the Centers for Disease Control, by 2030, the number of adults aged 65 or over is expected to increase from 6.9% to 12.0% of the worldwide population.

Our Competitive Strengths

We believe that our success stems from our ability to inspire and motivate our distributor network with a range of quality, innovative products that appeal to consumer preferences for healthy living. We have been able to achieve sustained and profitable growth by capitalizing on the following competitive strengths:

Large, Highly-Motivated Distributor Base. We had over one million distributors, including over 266,000 supervisors, as of September 30, 2004. Because we believe the network marketing model is the most effective way to sell our products, we devote significant resources and management attention to assist our distributor leadership in recruiting and retaining our distributors. We structured our compensation system to encourage distributors to remain active in the business and to build down-line sales organizations of their own, which can serve to increase their income and to increase our product sales.

Diverse and Well-Established Product Portfolio. We are committed to building brand, distributor and customer loyalty by providing a diverse portfolio of health-oriented and wellness products. We currently have 126 products encompassing over 3,100 SKUs across our three primary product categories. The breadth of our product offerings enables our distributors to sell a comprehensive package of products designed to simplify weight management and nutrition. While we improve upon our product formulations based upon developments in nutrition science, several of our products have been in existence for many years. For example, we first introduced our weight management product, Formula 1, in 1980, and it remains our best-selling product. We believe that the longevity and variety in our product portfolio significantly enhances our distributors' abilities to build their businesses.

Nutrition Science-Based Product Development. We endeavor to meet the highest industry standards for quality, safety and efficacy. We have significantly increased our emphasis on scientific research in the fields of weight management and nutrition during the past two years. We have an internal team of scientists dedicated to continually evaluating opportunities to enhance our existing products and to develop new products. These new product development efforts are reviewed by doctors and scientists who we believe are among the most respected medical and nutrition experts in the world, and who constitute our Scientific Advisory Board and Medical Advisory Board. In addition, in the past year we provided a donation to assist in the establishment of the UCLA Lab. We believe that the UCLA Lab provides opportunities for Herbalife to access cutting-edge science in herbal research and nutrition that may ultimately be applied to enhance our product development efforts.

Scalable Business Model. Our business model enables us to grow our business with minimal investment in our infrastructure and other fixed costs. We require no company-employed sales force to market and sell our products, we incur no direct incremental cost to add a new distributor, and our distributor compensation varies directly with sales. In addition, our distributors bear the majority of our consumer

marketing expenses, and supervisors sponsor and coordinate a large share of distributor recruiting and training initiatives. Furthermore, we can readily increase production and distribution of our products as a result of our multiple third party manufacturing relationships and our global footprint of in-house distribution centers.

Geographic Diversification. We have a proven ability to establish our network marketing organization in new markets. Since our founding 24 years ago, we have expanded into 59 countries, including 22 countries in the last six years. While sales within our local markets may fluctuate due to economic conditions, competitive pressures, political or social instability or for other reasons, we believe that our geographic diversity mitigates our financial exposure to any particular market. For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, 36.6% of our net sales were in the Americas, 38.7% in Europe, and 24.7% in Asia/Pacific Rim.

Experienced Management Team. Since the Acquisition, we have significantly strengthened our management team with experienced executives from both inside and outside our industry who have successfully managed and grown international, consumer-oriented businesses. In April 2003, Michael O. Johnson became our Chief Executive Officer after spending 17 years with The Walt Disney Company, where he most recently served as President of Walt Disney International. During his tenure at Disney, Mr. Johnson successfully led several multi-billion dollar branded and international businesses. Since joining our Company, Mr. Johnson has assembled a team of experienced executives, including Gregory Probert, Chief Operating Officer and formerly Chief Executive Officer of DMX Music and Chief Operating Officer of The Walt Disney Company's Buena Vista Home Entertainment division; Richard Goudis, Chief Financial Officer and formerly Chief Operating Officer of Rexall Sundown; and Brett R. Chapman, General Counsel and formerly Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel at The Walt Disney Company. In addition, Henry Burdick, former Chairman and CEO of Pharmanex, now part of Nu Skin Enterprises, is Vice Chairman and in charge of new product development. We depend on the continued services of our current senior management team and the relationships that they have developed with our senior distributor leadership, especially in light of the high level of turnover in our former senior management team, and the resulting need to re-establish good working relationships with our senior distributor leadership, after the death of our founder in May of 2000.

Our Business Strategy

We believe that our network marketing model is the most effective way to sell our products. Our objective is to increase the recruitment, retention and productivity of our distributor base by pursuing distributor, consumer, product and infrastructure strategies. Our strategic initiatives consist of the following:

Enter New Markets. A key component of our growth strategy is to continue to enter into and expand new markets, particularly China, which represents a significant market opportunity. China remains a relatively untapped direct selling and nutritional supplement market. As a result of China's admission to the World Trade Organization, China has agreed to establish direct-selling regulations by December 2004. As such, we believe that China could become one of the largest direct-selling markets in the world over the next several years. We plan to aggressively build our China business. We have hired a managing director for China and are in the process of acquiring real estate and registering our products there. In addition, we are evaluating the feasibility of opening new countries in Eastern Europe, Southeast Asia and South America.

Further Penetrate Existing Markets. We believe that there are several opportunities to further penetrate our existing markets. For example, in the U.S., we offer approximately 100 products, while in our other key markets, we offer on average only 53 products. The Company has a three-year plan to license and introduce many of its key products in its major international markets. For example, *ShapeWorks* and *Niteworks* are currently not sold in Europe, Japan or Korea. We are currently working with local regulators to have these products licensed in those markets and expect to be in a position to commence sales in certain of those markets as early as the fourth quarter of 2004. We believe that introducing new

products such as *ShapeWorks* and*Niteworks* into these key markets can help increase distributor recruitment, retention and productivity. Even in the U.S., our largest market, we believe that there are opportunities to further penetrate the market given that sales are concentrated in approximately 13 metropolitan areas. Management is working with distributor leadership to develop specific marketing plans to further penetrate these and other markets. These plans include developing products that suit individual lifestyles and appeal to ethnic tastes, and building local sales centers.

Pursue Local Initiatives. We empower our local managers to pursue initiatives to address the many unique local and regional needs of our diverse geographic markets. To broaden access to management and provide leadership locally, we have deployed senior management to regional offices in the Americas, Asia/Pacific, Europe, Japan and China. Management is encouraged to establish programs and to tailor our products to appeal to local tastes and customs. For example, we introduced a green tea flavored version of our Formula 1 protein shake in Japan in 2003. In addition, our distributors have established nutrition clubs in Mexico that provide access to Herbalife nutrition products through single-serve packaging which suits the daily consumption habits in Mexico. This program is especially well suited for countries or communities where consumers do not buy in bulk but prefer to shop daily. These nutrition clubs have played a significant role in Mexico's growth. Year to date Volume Points in Mexico have increased 39% compared to the same period in 2003. Based on recent distributor surveys, management estimates that 35% to 45% of all sales in Mexico are now attributable to Nutrition Clubs. We believe that our distributors could enhance their sales by introducing similar programs in countries with similar economic and demographic profiles.

Introduce New Products and Develop Niche Market Segments. We are committed to providing our distributors with unique, innovative products to help them increase sales and recruit new distributors. We are focused on incorporating the best science and most current nutrition insight into our products and will clinically test our products as appropriate to better understand their health benefits. We also intend to repackage and reposition current products to better target cultural, ethnic and niche market segments and to broaden the demographic profile of our distributor base. For example, we are expanding our weight-management, cardiovascular and anti-aging product lines, developing products to serve the children's nutrition, sports nutrition and general nutrition markets and targeting a new generation of distributors under 30 years old, "stay-at-home moms" and athletes.

Further Invest in Our Infrastructure. In 2003, we embarked upon a strategic initiative to significantly upgrade our technology infrastructure globally. We intend to invest an aggregate of approximately \$50 million in connection with this initiative, of which we have invested approximately \$22 million through September 30, 2004, and we intend to invest an additional \$18 million through December 31, 2005 and an additional \$10 million during the year ending December 31, 2006. We are implementing an Oracle enterprise-wide technology solution, a scalable and stable open architecture platform, to enhance the efficiency and productivity of the Company and our distributors. In addition, we are upgrading our internet-based marketing and distributor services platform, MyHerbalife.com. Through this platform our distributors can access timely reports regarding their down-line sales organizations and obtain information concerning promotional activities, new product releases and local sales and training events. We expect these initiatives to be substantially complete in 2006.

Product Overview

For 24 years, our products have been designed to help distributors and customers from around the world lose weight, improve their health, and experience life-changing results. We have built our heritage on developing formulas that blend the best of nature with innovative techniques from nutrition science, appealing to the growing base of consumers seeking to live a healthier lifestyle.

We currently market and sell 126 products encompassing over 3,100 SKUs through our distributors and have approximately 1,600 trademarks globally. We group our products into three categories: weight management, inner nutrition, and Outer Nutrition®. Our products are often sold in programs, which are comprised of a series of related products designed to simplify weight management and nutrition for our consumers and maximize our distributors' cross-selling opportunities. These programs target specific consumer market segments, such as women, men, mature adults, sports enthusiasts, as well as weight-loss and weight-management customers and individuals looking to enhance their overall well-being.

The following table summarizes our products by product category. The net sales figures are for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Product Category	Description	Representative Products					
Weight Management (43.1% of 2003 Net Sales)	Meal replacements, weight-loss accelerators and a variety of healthy snacks	Formula 1 Personalized Protein Powder Total Control®					
Inner Nutrition (43.6% of 2003 Net Sales)	Dietary and nutritional supplements containing quality herbs, vitamins, minerals and other natural ingredients	High Protein Bars and Snacks Niteworks Garden 7 Aloe Concentrate					
Outer Nutrition® (9.1% of 2003 Net Sales)	Skin cleansers, moisturizers, lotions, shampoos and conditioners	Joint Support Skin Activator® Cream Radiant C Body Lotion Herbal Aloe Everyday Shampoo Mystic Mask					

Weight management

We believe that our products have helped millions of people manage their weight safely and effectively. Our weight-management products include the following:

Formula 1 Protein Drink Mix, a meal-replacement protein powder available in five different flavors;

Formula 2 Multivitamin-Mineral & Herbal Tablets, which provide essential vitamins and nutrients and are part of our weight-management programs;

Personalized Protein Powder, a high-quality soy and whey protein source developed to be added to our meal replacements to boost protein intake and decrease hunger;

weight-loss accelerators, including *Total Control*®, *Cell Activator* and *Snack Defense*, which address specific challenges associated with dieting; and

healthy snacks, formulated to provide between-meal nutrition and satisfaction.

Our best-selling Formula 1 meal replacement product has been part of our basic weight management program for 24 years and generates approximately 23% of our net sales year-to-date through September 30, 2004. In March 2004, we introduced *ShapeWorks*, a personalized protein-based meal replacement program based on the clinical experience and 15 years of meal replacement research of Dr. David Heber, Director of the UCLA Center for Human Nutrition. The *ShapeWorks* program incorporates several of our leading weight management products, including the products listed above. Our

distributors help identify body type, analyze lean body mass, and customize a *ShapeWorks* program that can help increase metabolism and control hunger.

Inner nutrition

We market numerous dietary and nutritional supplements designed to meet our customers' specific nutritional needs. Each of these supplements contains quality herbs, vitamins, minerals and other natural ingredients and focuses on specific lifestages and lifestyles of our customers, including women, men, children, mature adults, and athletes. For example, in 2003, we introduced *Niteworks*, a product developed in conjunction with Nobel Laureate in Medicine, Dr. Louis Ignarro. *Niteworks* supports energy, circulatory and vascular health and enhances blood flow to the heart, brain and other vital organs. Another new product, *Garden 7*, provides the phytonutrient benefits of seven servings of fruits and vegetables, has anti-oxidant and health-boosting properties, and comes in convenient daily packs which can make nutrition simple. We have also recently introduced *Herbalifeline®*, a new product that provides a supplemental daily intake of the Omega-3 fatty acids, eicosapentaenoic acid and docosahexaenoic acid, which we believe can help maintain healthy triglyceride levels that are already within normal range and reduce joint discomfort.

Outer Nutrition®

Our Outer Nutrition® products complement our weight-management and inner nutrition products and improve the appearance of the body, skin and hair. These products include skin cleansers, toners, moisturizers and facial masks, shampoos and conditioners, body-wash items and a selection of fragrances for men and women under the brand names *Nature's Mirror*®, *Radiant C* and *kin Activator*®, among others. For example, our *Radiant C* Daily Skin Booster harnesses the antioxidant power of vitamin C in a light gel-cream to help seal in moisture and minimize the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles. In addition, we offer Skin Activator®, an advanced cream based on glucosamine, almond oil, green tea and sugar that is also designed to reduce the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles, help skin regain a smoother, firmer appearance, and protect from dryness.

Literature, promotional and other products

We also sell literature and promotional materials, including sales aids, informational audiotapes, videotapes, CDs and DVDs designed to support our distributors' marketing efforts, as well as start-up kits called "International Business Packs" for new distributors. For the year ended December 31, 2003, \$48.5 million or 4.2% of our net sales were derived from literature and promotional materials

Product Development

We are committed to providing our distributors with unique, innovative products to help them increase sales and recruit additional distributors. We accomplish this through reformulating existing product lines and by introducing new products. We have built a world-class product development team including eight Ph.D.'s to formulate, review and evaluate new product ideas. This team is headed by our Vice Chairman Henry Burdick, founder and former Chairman, CEO and President of Pharmavite, makers of the Nature Made brand of supplements, and former Chairman and CEO of Pharmanex, now part of Nu Skin Enterprises. Our product developers receive valuable input from the Company's marketing group, our distributors, employees, and scientific and medical advisors and gather information from numerous outside parties including scientific and medical journals, third party manufacturers, and trade publications. This team identifies targeted new product focus areas as well as ways to enhance our existing products. Once a particular market opportunity has been identified, our marketing and science professionals collaborate to ensure a successful development and launch of the product.

We are committed to improving and enhancing our products through our product development efforts. With regard to the weight management and inner nutrition categories, new product development

involves all of our product strategies groups including the product marketing, licensing, manufacturing, medical affairs, scientific affairs, technical services and quality control groups. Product development generally begins with the scientific affairs group overseeing product design and feasibility research, and the technical services group overseeing scientific substantiation (evaluation of safety and efficacy), expert reviews and related product research. Product designs are transferred to technical services for development at the pre-prototype phase, but technically complex products are often taken to prototype phase by scientific affairs before transfer. The technical services group then develops the manufacturing specifications/technology transfer package, which often requires development of a prototype, and tests product stability. Prototypes are developed using contract facilities, with oversight by either scientific affairs or technical services, as appropriate. The quality control group, with support from the technical services group, is responsible for analytical methods development for ingredient label claims and manufacturing product release. Manufacturing is generally out-sourced to qualified vendors, although some products are manufactured at our China manufacturing facility. Product quality assurance is the responsibility of our quality control group.

With regard to the Outer Nutrition® category, new product development involves undertaking market trend and competitor assessment. We then undertake ideation, which involves creating ideas that fill our needs or our gaps but that conform with our overall business strategy. We test final ideas with our distributors via global quantitative testing. Those ideas that have high retail potential and high personal use potential are considered for development. We then initiate development and undertake sensory tests and home use tests to determine if we need to make any aesthetic improvements. Next, we test products in clinical trials or with expert panels for efficacy, safety and claim substantiation. Finally, we scale up for launch, complete stability and launch.

During the past two years, we have significantly increased our emphasis on the science of weight management and nutrition. This is illustrated by our assembly of a dedicated internal product development team composed of leading scientists as well as our recent establishment of a Scientific Advisory Board and Medical Advisory Board. Our Scientific Advisory Board is comprised of 14 renowned international scientists who are experts in the fields of obesity and human nutrition, and who conduct product research and advise on product concepts. Members of this board include David Heber, M.D., Ph.D., Professor of Medicine and Public Health at the UCLA School of Medicine, Director of the UCLA Center for Human Nutrition and Director of the UCLA Center for Dietary Supplement Research in Botanicals, and Louis Ignarro, Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Pharmacology at the UCLA School of Medicine and Nobel Laureate in Medicine. In addition, our Medical Advisory Board is comprised of three leading scientists and medical doctors, who provide training on product usage and give health-news updates through Herbalife literature, the internet, and live training events around the world.

We believe that it is important to maintain our relationships with the members of our Scientific and Medical Advisory Boards and to recognize the time and effort that they expend on our behalf. As a result, we have agreed to compensate the members of these advisory boards as follows. A consulting firm with which Dr. Ignarro is affiliated is entitled to receive a small percentage of the amount of (i) *Niteworks*, (ii) certain "healthy heart" products, and (iii) other products that we may mutually designate in the future that are, in each case, sold with the aid of Dr. Ignarro's consulting, promotional or endorsement services. In addition, we have an informal arrangement with Dr. Heber pursuant to which we have agreed to make contributions from time to time to UCLA to fund research. Dr. Heber receives no direct compensation from us although we do reimburse him for travel expenses. Twelve members of our Scientific Advisory Board are compensated for their time and efforts in the following manner: (i) one member is an Herbalife employee whose compensation for service on the board is reflected in that person's salary; (ii) one member is also a consultant to us whose compensation for service on the board is reflected in their consulting fees, and (iii) ten members are paid an annual retainer of \$5,000 plus travel expenses. In addition, the two members of our Medical Advisory Board other than Dr. Heber (whose compensation is described above) are compensated as follows: (i) one member is an Herbalife employee whose compensation for used as follows: (i) one member is an Herbalife above) are compensated as follows: (i) one members of our Medical Advisory Board other than Dr. Heber (whose compensation is described above) are compensated as follows: (i) one member is an Herbalife employee whose compensation is reflected in their consulting fees, and (iii) one member second as follows: (i) one member is an Herbalife employee whose compensation is described above) are compensated as follows: (i) one member solor were devised

appears at a non-southern California distributor event and \$2,000 for every date that he needs to travel to such events.

In 2002 and 2003, we contributed to the establishment of the UCLA Lab through a grant aggregating \$500,000. UCLA agreed that the grant would be used to further research and education in the fields of weight management and botanical dietary supplements and that this research would be overseen by Dr. Heber. The UCLA Lab's overall mission is to advance nutrition science to new levels of understanding by using the most progressive research and development technologies available. For example, the UCLA Lab has analytical equipment and other technologies that facilitate the fingerprinting of herbs, which involves the separation and chemical characterization of complex botanical extracts, with excellent efficiency and accuracy. This may enable UCLA researchers to fingerprint herbs and to couple this with tests of the effects of herbs on living cells. While our direct relationship with UCLA is currently limited to conducting two ongoing clinical studies there, we intend to take full advantage of the expertise at UCLA by committing to support research that will identify the active ingredients in botanicals and their biologic effects.

We believe our focus on nutrition science and our efforts at combining our own research and development efforts with the scientific expertise of our Scientific Advisory Board, the educational skills of the Medical Advisory Board, and the resources of the UCLA Lab will result in meaningful product introductions and give our distributors and consumers increased confidence in our products.

Network Marketing Program

General

Our products are distributed through a global network marketing organization comprised of over one million independent distributors in 59 countries, except in China where our sales are currently regulated to be conducted on a wholesale basis to local retailers. In addition to helping them achieve physical health and wellness through use of our products, we offer our distributors, who are independent contractors, what we believe is one of the most attractive income opportunities in the direct selling industry. Distributors may earn income on their own sales and can also earn royalties and bonuses on sales made by the distributors in their sales organizations. We believe that our products are particularly well-suited to the network marketing distribution channel because sales of weight management and health and wellness products are strengthened by ongoing personal contact between retail consumers and distributors. We believe our continued commitment to developing innovative, science-based products will enhance our ability to attract new distributors as well as increase the productivity and retention of existing distributors. Furthermore, our international sponsorship program, which permits distributors to sponsor distributors in other countries where we are licensed to do business and where we have obtained required product approvals, provides a significant advantage to our distributors as compared with distributors in some other network marketing organizations.

In connection with the Acquisition, we entered into an agreement with our distributors on July 18, 2002 that no material changes adverse to the distributors will be made to the existing marketing plan and that we will continue to distribute Herbalife products exclusively through our independent distributors. We believe that this agreement has strengthened our relationship with our existing distributors, improved our ability to recruit new distributors and generally increased the long-term stability of our business.

Structure of the network marketing program

To become a distributor, a person must be sponsored by an existing distributor, except in China where no sponsorship is allowed, and must purchase an International Business Pack from us, except in South Korea, where there is no charge for a distributor kit. The International Business Pack is a distributor kit sold in local languages. The kit comes in two sizes. The larger kit costs the local currency equivalent of about \$75 and includes a can of *ShapeWorksTM*/Formula 1, several bottles of different nutritional supplements, booklets describing us, our compensation plan and rules of conduct, various training and

promotional materials, distributor applications and a product catalog. The smaller version costs the local currency equivalent of about \$50 and includes sample products and essentially the same print and promotional materials as included in the larger kit version. To become a supervisor or qualify for a higher level, distributors must achieve specified volumes of product purchases or earn certain amounts of royalty overrides during specified time periods and must re-qualify for the levels once each year. To attain supervisor status, a distributor generally must purchase products representing at least 4,000 volume points in one month or 2,500 volume points in two consecutive months. China has its own unique qualifying program. Volume points are point values assigned to each of our products that are equal in all countries and are based on the suggested retail price of U.S. products (one volume point equates to one U.S. dollar). supervisors may then attain higher levels, which consist of the World Team, the Global Expansion Team, the Millionaire Team, the President's Team, the Chairman's Club and ultimately the Founder's Circle, earn increasing amounts of royalty overrides based on purchases by distributors within their organizations and, for members of our Global Expansion Team and above, earn production bonuses on sales in their downline sales organizations. Supervisors contribute significantly to our sales and some key supervisors who have attained the highest levels within our distributor network are responsible for their organization's generation of a substantial portion of our sales and for recruiting a substantial number of our distributors.

		February*							
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004**				
The Americas	46,113	55,465	62,737	67,921	75,359				
Europe	44,297	42,419	47,230	51,290	70,239				
Asia/Pacific Rim	37,561	43,230	40,423	35,637	31,790				
Japan	32,025	23,589	22,013	18,287	13,946				
Worldwide	159,996	164,703	172,403	173,135	191,334				

The following table sets forth the number of our supervisors at the dates indicated:

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In February of each year, we delete from the rank of supervisor those supervisors who did not satisfy the supervisor qualification requirements during the preceding twelve months. Distributors who meet the supervisor requirements at any time during the year are promoted to supervisor status at that time, including any supervisors who were deleted, but who subsequently requalified. For the latest twelve month re-qualification period ending January 2004, 71% of our supervisors did not re-qualify and approximately 100% of our distributors that are not supervisors turned over. Distributors who purchase our product for personal consumption or for short term income goals may stay with us for several months to one year. Supervisors who have committed time and effort to build a sales organization generally stay for longer periods. We rely on distributors' certifications as to the amount and source of their product purchases from other distributors. In order to increase our retention of distributors, we have modified our requalification criteria to provide that any distributor that earns at least 4,000 volume points in any 12-month period can requalify as a supervisor and retain a discount of 50% from suggested retail prices, but will forfeit their distributor organization and associated earnings. For a supervisor to requalify and retain their distributor organization and associated earnings, they need to earn 4,000 volume points in one month or 2,500 volume points in two consecutive months. Although we apply review procedures with respect to the certifications, they are not directly verifiable by us.

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In 2004 certain modifications were made to the requalifications resulting in approximately 19,000 additional supervisors.

Distributor earnings

Distributor earnings are derived from several sources. First, distributors may earn profits by purchasing our products at wholesale prices, which are discounted 25% to 50% from suggested retail

prices, depending on the distributors' level within our distributor network, and selling our products to retail customers or to other distributors. Second, distributors who sponsor other distributors and establish their own sales organizations may earn (i) royalty overrides, 15% of product retail sales in the aggregate, (ii) production bonuses, 7% of product retail sales in the aggregate and (iii) President's Team bonus, 1% of product retail sales in the aggregate. Royalty overrides together with the distributor allowances represent the potential earnings to distributors of up to approximately 73% of retail sales. In China, distributors are limited to earn profits from retailing our products by purchasing our products with discounts and rebates up to 50% of suggested retail price and then reselling them to customers. Distributors may also earn a 5% or 10% sales volume bonus on their own purchases.

Distributors earn the right to receive royalty overrides upon attaining the level of supervisor and above, and production bonuses upon attaining the level of Global Expansion Team and above. Once a distributor becomes a supervisor, he or she has an incentive to qualify, by earning specified amounts of royalty overrides, as a member of the Global Expansion Team, the Millionaire Team or the President's Team, and thereby receive production bonuses of up to 7%. We believe that the right of distributors to earn royalty overrides and production bonuses contributes significantly to our ability to retain our most productive distributors.

As noted above, our compensation plan offers distributors opportunities to achieve higher levels of potential earnings up to ultimately 73% of retail sales, through a combination of royalty overrides and distributor allowances. Each distributor's success is dependent on two primary factors: the time, effort and commitment a distributor puts into his or her Herbalife business and the product sales made by a distributor and his or her sales organization.

The following table summarizes supervisor payouts in 2003:

	Number of individuals	Es	timated Average Annual Earnings in 2003
Chairman's Club	22	\$	1,900,000
President's Team	694	\$	307,000
All Supervisors	191,000	\$	6,000

Many of our non-supervisor distributors join Herbalife to get a 25% discount on our products and become a discount consumer or merely have a part-time income goal in mind. Consequently, non-supervisor earnings tend to be relatively low.

We believe that, relative to our competitors, our compensation plan provides an attractive financial opportunity to our commited distributors. In 2003, a consulting firm compared our distributor marketing program with NuSkin, Nature's Sunshine and Pre-paid Legal and advised that our payout is greater when wholesale profit is included. When reviewing competitor literature or websites, we have not seen payouts higher than our payout of up to 73% of retail sales.

Distributor motivation and training

We believe that motivation, inspiration and training are key elements in distributor success and that we and our distributor supervisors have established a consistent schedule of events to support these needs. We and our distributor leadership conduct thousands of training sessions annually on local, regional and global levels to educate and motivate our distributors. Every month, there are hundreds of 1-day Success Training Seminars held throughout the world. Twice a year, in each major territory or region, there is a 3-day World Team School typically attended by 2,000 to 5,000 distributors. In addition, once a year in each region, we host an Extravaganza to which our distributors from around the world can come to learn about new products, expand their skills and celebrate their success. So far this year, through September of 2004, Extravaganzas in Nashville, Barcelona and Bangkok have been attended by 45,000 of our distributors and in November we plan to host the year's final Extravaganzas in Mexico City and Sao Paulo.

In addition to these training sessions, we have our own "Herbalife Broadcast Network" that we use to provide distributors continual training and the most current product and marketing information. The Herbalife Broadcast Network can be seen on the internet.

Distributor reward and recognition is a significant factor in motivating our distributors. Each year, we invest approximately \$40 million in regional and worldwide promotions to motivate our distributors to achieve and exceed both sales and recruiting goals. Typical of our worldwide promotions are our 25th Anniversary Cruise, which distributors can qualify to attend by achieving 100,000 Volume Points over a 10-month period, and our Atlanta Challenge, under which distributors can earn rewards for exceeding their prior year base-line performance.

Geographic Presence

We conduct business in 59 countries located in The Americas, Europe, Asia/Pacific Rim (excluding Japan) and Japan. The following chart sets forth the countries we have opened in each of these markets as of September 30, 2004 and the year in which we commenced operations in those countries:

Country	Year Entered	Country	Year Entered	Country	Year Entered
Europe	Europe The A		e Americas		
United Kingdom	1983	USA	1980	Australia	1982
Spain	1989	Canada	1982	New Zealand	1988
France	1990	Mexico	1989	Hong Kong	1992
Israel	1991	Venezuela	1994	Japan	1993
Germany	1991	Dominican Republic	1994	Philippines	1994
Portugal	1992	Argentina	1994	Taiwan	1995
Czech Republic	1992	Brazil	1995	Korea	1996
Italy	1992	Chile	1997	Thailand	1997
Netherlands	1993	Jamaica	1999	Indonesia	1998
Russia	1994	Panama	2000	India	1999
Belgium	1994	Colombia	2001	China	2001
Poland	1994	Bolivia	2004	Singapore	2003
Denmark	1994			Macau	2002
Sweden	1994				
Austria	1995				
Switzerland	1995				
South Africa	1995				
Norway	1995				
Finland	1995				
Greece	1996				
Turkey	1998				
Botswana	1998				
Lesotho	1998				
Namibia	1998				
Swaziland	1998				
Iceland	1999				
Slovak Republic	1999				
Cyprus	2000				
Ireland	2000				
Morocco	2001				
Croatia	2001				
Latvia	2002				
Ukraine	2002				
Estonia	2003				
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The following chart sets forth the number of countries we have opened in each of The Americas, Europe, Asia/Pacific Rim (excluding Japan) and Japan as of September 30, 2004 and net sales information by region during the past three fiscal years.

	Year ended December 31,								
Geographic region	2001		2002 (in millions)		2003		Percent of total net sales 2003	Number of countries open as of September 30, 2004	
The Americas	\$	386.9	\$	424.3	\$	424.4	36.6%	12	
Europe		283.2		342.7		448.2	38.7	34	
Asia/Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)		172.0		185.5		167.5	14.4	12	
Japan		178.0		141.2		119.3	10.3	1	
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Total	\$	1,020.1	\$	1,093.7	\$	1,159.4	100.0%	59	
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Year ended December 31,

The fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 marks the first year in which we separately recognize revenues from sales to distributors in Japan and the net sales information reported in the table above for prior periods reflects the net sales attributable to that market during those periods. For more information about our results of operation in these four geographic regions, see Note 11 in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included elsewhere herein.

Historically a significant portion of our sales have been from a few countries. In 2003, our top six countries accounted for approximately 56.4% of total net sales. Over the most recent five years, the top six countries of each year have gone from representing approximately 72.5% of net sales in 1999 to 56.4% of net sales in 2003.

After entering a new country, we in many instances experience an initial period of rapid growth in sales as new distributors are recruited, followed by a decline in sales. We believe that a significant factor affecting these markets is the opening of other new markets within the same geographic region or with the same or similar language or cultural bases. Some distributors then tend to focus their attention on the business opportunities provided by these newer markets instead of developing their established sales organizations in existing markets. Additionally, in some instances, we have become aware that certain sales in certain existing markets were attributable to purchasers who distributed our products in countries that had not yet been opened. When these countries were opened, the sales in existing markets shifted to the newly opened markets, resulting in a decline in sales in the existing markets. To the extent we decide to open new markets in the future, we will continue to seek to minimize the impact on distributor focus in existing markets and to ensure that adequate distributor support services and other Herbalife systems are in place to support growth.

Manufacturing and Distribution

All of our weight management, nutritional and personal care products are manufactured for us by third party manufacturing companies, with the exception of products distributed in and sourced from China where we have our own manufacturing facility. We source our products from multiple manufacturers, with our top three suppliers Nature's Bounty, Fine Foods and Pharmachem accounting for approximately 44% of our sales for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003. In addition, each of our products is available from a secondary vendor if necessary. While our manufacturers meet our quality and production standards, we also have our own state-of-the-art quality control lab in which we routinely test products received from vendors. We have established excellent relationships with our manufacturers and have obtained improvements in supply services, product quality and product delivery. Historically, we have not been subject to material price increases by our suppliers, and we believe that in the event of price increases, we have the ability to respond to a portion of the price increases by raising the prices of our products. We own the proprietary formulations for substantially all of our weight management products and dietary and nutritional supplements.

In order to coordinate and manage the manufacturing of our products, we utilize a significant demand planning and forecasting process that is directly tied to our production planning and purchasing systems. Using this sophisticated planning software and process allows us to balance our inventory levels to provide exceptional service to distributors while minimizing working capital and inventory obsolescence. We maintain a monthly forecast accuracy of better than 80%, which facilitates the above planning process.

Our global distribution system features centralized distribution and telephone ordering systems coupled with storefront distributor service centers. Distribution and service centers are conveniently located and attractively designed in order to encourage local distributors to meet and network with each other and learn more about our products, marketing system and upcoming events. In addition, they can showcase the business while improving their selling productivity. Our major distribution warehouses have been automated with "pick-to-light" picking systems which consistently deliver over 99.5% order accuracy and handling systems that provide for inspection of every shipment before it is sent to delivery. Shipping and processing standards for orders placed are either the same day or the following business day. We have central sales ordering facilities for answering and processing telephone orders. Operators at such centers are capable of conversing in multiple languages.

Our products are distributed to foreign markets either from the facilities of our manufacturers or from our Los Angeles and Venray, Netherlands distribution centers. Products are distributed in the United States market from our Los Angeles distribution center or from our Memphis distribution center. Nutrition products manufactured in countries globally are generally transported by truck, cargo ship or plane to our international markets and are warehoused in either one of our foreign distribution centers or a contracted third party warehouse and distribution center. After arrival of the products in a foreign market, distributors purchase the products from the local distribution center or the associated sales center. Our Outer Nutrition® products are predominantly manufactured in Europe and the United States. The products manufactured in Europe are shipped to a centralized warehouse facility, from which delivery by truck, ship or plane to other international markets occurs.

Product Return and Buy-Back Policies

In most markets, our products include a customer satisfaction guarantee. Under this guarantee, within 30 days of purchase, any customer who is not satisfied with an Herbalife product for any reason may return it or any unused portion of it to the distributor from whom it was purchased for a full refund from the distributor or credit toward the purchase of another Herbalife product. If they return the products to us on a timely basis, distributors may obtain replacements from us for such returned products. In addition, in most jurisdictions, we maintain a buy-back program, pursuant to which we will repurchase products sold to a distributor provided that the distributor resigns as an Herbalife distributor, returns the product in marketable condition generally within twelve months of original purchase and meets certain documentation and other requirements. We believe this buy-back policy addresses a number of the regulatory compliance issues pertaining to network marketing, in that it offers monetary protection to distributors who want to exit the business.

Historically, product returns and buy-backs have not been significant. Product returns, refunds and buy-back expenses approximated 1.9%, 2.4% and 2.5% of retail sales in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Management Information, Internet and Telecommunication Systems

In order to facilitate our continued growth and support distributor activities, we continually upgrade our management information, internet and telecommunication systems. These systems include: (1) a centralized host computer located in Southern California, which is linked to our international markets through a dedicated wide area network that provides on-line, real-time computer connectivity and access; (2) local area networks of personal computers within our markets, serving our regional administrative staffs; (3) an international e-mail system through which our employees communicate; (4) a standardized Northern Telecom Meridian telecommunication system in most of our markets; (5) a fully integrated

Oracle supply chain management system that has been installed in our distribution centers; and (6) internet websites to provide a variety of online services for distributors (status of qualifications, meeting announcements, product information, application forms, educational materials and, in the United States, sales ordering capabilities). These systems are designed to provide financial and operating data for management, timely and accurate product ordering, royalty override payment processing, inventory management and detailed distributor records. We intend to continue to invest in our systems in order to strengthen our operating platform.

Our Corporate Restructuring. Unrelated to this offering, we are in the process of restructuring our corporate organization to be more closely aligned with the international nature of our business activities. The restructuring is taking place over a period of several months and is targeted for completion by December 31, 2004, although certain steps may not be fully completed until the first quarter of 2005. The restructuring is expected to accomplish several objectives including: the realignment of our operating assets according to the geographic location of our business activities, and a lowering of the overall blended effective tax rate that arises from our countries of operation while minimizing incidences of double taxation. Our management believes the restructuring should achieve the intended objectives, however, no assurances can be given that these objectives will be achieved.

Regulation

General. In both our United States and foreign markets, we are affected by extensive laws, governmental regulations, administrative determinations, court decisions and similar constraints. Such laws, regulations and other constraints exist at the federal, state or local levels in the United States and at all levels of government in foreign jurisdictions, including regulations pertaining to: (1) the formulation, manufacturing, packaging, labeling, distribution, importation, sale and storage of our products; (2) product claims and advertising, including direct claims and advertising by us, as well as claims and advertising by distributors, for which we may be held responsible; (3) our network marketing program; (4) transfer pricing and similar regulations that affect the level of U.S. and foreign taxable income and customs duties; and (5) taxation of distributors (which in some instances may impose an obligation on us to collect the taxes and maintain appropriate records).

Products. In the United States, the formulation, manufacturing, packaging, storing, labeling, promotion, advertising, distribution and sale of our products are subject to regulation by various governmental agencies, including (1) the FDA, (2) the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"), (3) the Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC"), (4) United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA"), (5) the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), (6) the United States Postal Service, (7) United States Customs and Border Protection, and (8) the Drug Enforcement Administration. Our activities also are regulated by various agencies of the states, localities and foreign countries in which our products are manufactured, distributed and sold. The FDA, in particular, regulates the formulation, manufacture and labeling of conventional foods, dietary supplements, cosmetics and over-the-counter ("OTC") drugs, such as those distributed by us. FDA regulations require us and our suppliers to meet relevant current good manufacturing practice ("cGMP") regulations for the preparation, packing and storage of foods and OTC drugs. On March 7, 2003, the FDA released for comment its proposed cGMP's for dietary supplements. If FDA issues the final cGMPs for dietary supplements late 2004, as FDA's Acting Commissioner now expects, we will have up to a year to ensure compliance. We expect to see an increase in certain manufacturing costs as a result of the necessary increase in testing of raw ingredients and finished products and compliance with higher quality standards.

Most OTC drugs are subject to FDA Monographs that establish labeling and composition for these products. Our products must comply with these Monographs, and our manufacturers must list all products with the FDA and follow cGMP. Our cosmetic products are regulated for safety by the FDA, which requires that ingredients meet industry standards for non-allergenicity and non-toxicity. Performance claims for cosmetics may not be "therapeutic." The U.S. 1994 Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act ("DSHEA") revised the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act ("FFDCA") concerning the composition and labeling of dietary supplements and, we believe, is generally favorable to the dietary supplement industry. The legislation created a new statutory class of dietary supplements. This new class includes vitamins, minerals, herbs, amino acids and other dietary substances for human use to supplement the diet, and the legislation grandfathers, with some limitations, dietary ingredients that were on the market before October 15, 1994. A dietary supplement that contains a dietary ingredient that was not on the market before October 15, 1994 will require evidence of a history of use or other evidence of safety establishing that it is reasonably expected to be safe. Manufacturers or marketers of dietary supplements in the United States and certain other jurisdictions that make product performance claims, including structure or function claims, must have substantiation in their possession that the statements are truthful and not misleading. The majority of the products marketed by us in the United States are classified as foods or dietary supplements under the FFDCA. Internationally, the majority of products marketed by us are classified as foods or food supplements.

In January 2000, the FDA a issued a regulation that defines the types of statements that can be made concerning the effect of a dietary supplement on the structure or function of the body pursuant to DSHEA. Under DSHEA, dietary supplement labeling may bear structure or function claims, which are claims that the products affect the structure or function of the body, without prior FDA approval, but with notification to the FDA. They may not bear a claim that they can prevent, treat, cure, mitigate or diagnose disease (a disease claim). The regulation describes how the FDA distinguishes disease claims from structure or function claims. The FDA later issued a Structure/Function Claims Small Entity Compliance Guide.

As a marketer of dietary and nutritional supplements and other products that are ingested by consumers, we are subject to the risk that one or more of the ingredients in our products may become the subject of regulatory action. A number of states restricted the sale of dietary supplements containing botanical sources of ephedrine alkaloids. As a result of these state regulations, we stopped sales of its dietary supplements containing botanical sources of ephedrine alkaloids due to a shift in consumer preference for "ephedra free products" and a significant increase in products liability insurance premiums for products containing botanical sources of ephedrines. On December 31, 2002, we ceased sales of *Thermojetics*® original green herbal tablets containing ephedrine alkaloids derived from Chinese Ma huang, as well as *Thermojetics*® green herbal tablets and *Thermojetics*® gold herbal tablets (the latter two containing the herb Sida cordifolia which is another botanical source of ephedrine alkaloids). On February 6, 2004, the FDA published a rule finding that dietary supplements containing ephedrine alkaloids present an unreasonable risk of illness or injury under conditions of use recommended or suggested in the labeling of the product, or, if no conditions of use are suggested in the labeling, under ordinary conditions of use, and are therefore adulterated.

The FDA has on record a small number of reports of adverse reactions allegedly resulting from the ingestion of our *Thermojetics*® original green tablet. These reports are among thousands of reports of adverse reactions to these products sold by other companies.

As a further outgrowth of the FDA ephedra safety review, the FDA, in January 2004, announced that it would undertake a review of the safety of the herb *Citrus aurantium*. We use *Citrus aurantium* in *ShapeWorks* total control an*Thermojetics*® green ephedra free dietary supplements sold in the United States and in a number of international markets. Unconfirmed reports of "serious" adverse events, reportedly associated with *Citrus aurantium*, were disclosed by the FDA to the New York Times during April 2004. Under the Freedom of Information Act, we obtained a copy of those anecdotal serious adverse event reports. No Herbalife dietary supplement containing *Citrus aurantium* was cited by the FDA. Indeed, many cited products from other companies did not even contain *Citrus aurantium*. Nonetheless, we decided to reformulate our products and will no longer market dietary supplements in the United States containing

Citrus aurantium. Internationally, due to longer licensing lead times, we will reformulate our foreign products containing *Citrus aurantium* by 2006.

The FDA's decision to ban ephedra triggered a significant reaction by the national media, some of whom are calling for the repeal or amendment of DSHEA. These media view supposed "weaknesses" within DSHEA as the underlying reason why ephedra was allowed to remain on the market. We have been advised that DSHEA opponents in Congress may use this anti-DSHEA momentum to advance existing or new legislation to amend or repeal DSHEA. We currently expect to see the following: (1) calls for mandatory reporting of serious adverse event reports for supplements; (2) premarket approval for safety and effectiveness of dietary ingredients; (3) specific premarket review of dietary ingredient stimulants that are and will be used to replace ephedra; (4) reversal of the burden of proof standard which now rests on the FDA; and (5) a redefining of "dietary ingredient" to remove either botanicals or selected classes of ingredients now treated as dietary ingredients.

On September 16, 2002 the FDA changed its policies for notifying companies of anecdotal adverse event reports for dietary supplements. Since then, to date we have received six anecdotal special nutritional adverse events reports from the FDA. We are in the process of refining our processes for gathering and reporting "serious" dietary supplement adverse event reports in those markets where such reporting is required. Currently, this process is managed by our Medical Affairs department in collaboration with Distributor Relations Call Centers.

On March 7, 2003, the FDA proposed a new regulation to require current good manufacturing practices affecting the manufacture, packing, and holding of dietary supplements. The proposed regulation would establish standards to ensure that dietary supplements and dietary ingredients are not adulterated with contaminants or impurities, and are labeled to accurately reflect the active ingredients and other ingredients in the products. It also includes proposed requirements for designing and constructing physical plants, establishing quality control procedures, and testing manufactured dietary ingredients and dietary supplements, as well as proposed requirements for maintaining records and for handling consumer complaints related to cGMPs. We are evaluating this proposal with respect to its potential impact upon the various contract manufacturers that we use to manufacturer our products some of whom might not meet the new standards. It is important to note that the' proposed regulation, in an effort to limit disruption, includes a three-year phase-in for small businesses of any final regulation that is issued. This will mean that some of our contract manufacturers will not be fully impacted by the proposed regulation until at least 2007. However, the proposed regulation can be expected to result in additional costs and possibly the need to seek alternate suppliers.

In December 1999, we introduced a new line of weight management products that are suitable for diets that are high in protein and low in carbohydrates. The line, which consists of eight nutritionally balanced high-protein products that are also low in carbohydrates, is called the HPLC Program. To date the FDA has not authorized the use of a low carbohydrate claim on the label of individual food products, and therefore, we have not made such a claim on the label of any of the eight products that together comprise our HPLC Program. We believe, however, that it is permissible to accurately describe the entire program as one that is suitable for a diet that is high in protein and low in carbohydrates, and we have elected to do so by virtue of the name that we have selected for this weight management program.

Some of the products marketed by us are considered conventional foods and are currently labeled as such. Within the United States, this category of products is subject to the Nutrition, Labeling and Education Act ("NLEA"), and regulations promulgated under the NLEA. The NLEA regulates health claims, ingredient labeling and nutrient content claims characterizing the level of a nutrient in the product. The ingredients added to conventional foods must either be generally recognized as safe by experts ("GRAS") or be approved as food additives under FDA regulations.

In foreign markets, prior to commencing operations and prior to making or permitting sales of our products in the market, we may be required to obtain an approval, license or certification from the relevant

country's ministry of health or comparable agency. Where a formal approval, license or certification is not required, we nonetheless seek a favorable opinion of counsel regarding our compliance with applicable laws. Prior to entering a new market in which a formal approval, license or certificate is required, we work extensively with local authorities in order to obtain the requisite approvals. The approval process generally requires us to present each product and product ingredient to appropriate regulators and, in some instances, arrange for testing of products by local technicians for ingredient analysis. The approvals may be conditioned on reformulation of our products, or may be unavailable with respect to some products or some ingredients. Product reformulation or the inability to introduce some products or ingredients into a particular market may have an adverse effect on sales. We must also comply with product labeling and packaging regulations that vary from country to country. Our failure to comply with these regulations can result in a product being removed from sale in a particular market, either temporarily or permanently. The United Kingdom's Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency is expected to soon issue a list of botanical ingredients it considers as medicinal by claim or function that could adversely impact some of our present UK formulations, depending on the permitted claims.

The FTC, which exercises jurisdiction over the advertising of all of our products, has in the past several years instituted enforcement actions against several dietary supplement companies and against manufacturers of weight loss products generally for false and misleading advertising of some of their products. These enforcement actions have often resulted in consent decrees and monetary payments by the companies involved. In addition, the FTC has increased its scrutiny of the use of testimonials, which we also utilize. Although we have not been the target of FTC enforcement action for the advertising of our products, we cannot be sure that the FTC, or comparable foreign agencies, will not question our advertising or other operations in the future. It is unclear whether the FTC will subject our advertisements to increased surveillance to ensure compliance with the principles set forth in the guide.

In Europe, a pending EU Health Claim regulation, now being discussed within the European Parliament, could, if enacted, have an adverse effect on existing product "wellness," "well-being" and "good for you" claims presently made on existing product labeling, literature and advertising. We and our industry allies are vigorously working to address this pending debate in ongoing discussion with Parliamentarians and the European Commission.

In some countries, regulations applicable to the activities of our distributors also may affect our business because in some countries we are, or regulators may assert that we are, responsible for our distributors' conduct. In these countries, regulators may request or require that we take steps to ensure that our distributors comply with local regulations. The types of regulated conduct include: (1) representations concerning our products; (2) income representations made by use and/or distributors; (3) public media advertisements, which in foreign markets may require prior approval by regulators; and (4) sales of products in markets in which the products have not been approved, licensed or certified for sale.

In some markets, it is possible that improper product claims by distributors could result in our products being reviewed by regulatory authorities and, as a result, being classified or placed into another category as to which stricter regulations are applicable. In addition, we might be required to make labeling changes.

We are unable to predict the nature of any future laws, regulations, interpretations or applications, nor can we predict what effect additional governmental regulations or administrative orders, when and if promulgated, would have on our business in the future. They could, however, require: (1) the reformulation of some products not capable of being reformulated; (2) imposition of additional record keeping requirements; (3) expanded documentation of the properties of some products; (4) expanded or different labeling; (5) additional scientific substantiation regarding product ingredients, safety or usefulness; and/or (6) additional distributor compliance surveillance and enforcement action by us.

Any or all of these requirements could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. All of our officers and directors are subject to a permanent injunction issued in October 1986 pursuant to the settlement of an action instituted by the California Attorney General, the State Health Director and the Santa Cruz County District Attorney. We consented to the entry of this injunction without in any way admitting the allegations of the complaint. The injunction prevents us and our officers and directors from making specified claims in future advertising of our products and required us to implement some documentation systems with respect to payments to our distributors. At the same time, the injunction does not prevent us from continuing to make specified claims concerning our products that have been made and are being made, provided that we have a reasonable basis for making the claims.

We are aware that, in some of our international markets, there has been recent adverse publicity concerning products that contain ingredients that have been genetically modified ("GM"). In some markets, the possibility of health risks or perceived consumer preference thought to be associated with GM ingredients has prompted proposed or actual governmental regulation. For example, the European Union has adopted a EC Regulation 1829/2003 affecting the labeling of products containing ingredients that have been genetically modified, and the documents manufacturers and marketers will need to possess to ensure 'traceability' at all steps in the chain of production and distribution. This new regulation, which took effect in 2004, is being implemented by us and our contract manufacturers, resulting in modifications to our labeling, and in some instances, to some of our foods and food supplements sold in Europe. Differing GM regulations affecting us also have been adopted in Brazil, Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Thailand. We cannot anticipate the extent to which future regulations in our markets will restrict the use of GM ingredients in our products or the impact of any regulations on our business in those markets. In response to any applicable regulations, we would, where practicable, attempt to reformulate our products to satisfy the regulations. We believe, based upon currently available information, that compliance with regulatory requirements in this area should not have a material adverse effect on us or our business. However, because publicity and governmental scrutiny of GM ingredients is a relatively new and evolving area, there can be no assurance in this regard. If a significant number of our products were found to be genetically modified and regulations in our markets significantly restricted the use of GM ingredients in our products, our business could be materially adversely affected.

In addition, in certain of our markets, there has been recent adverse regulatory and press attention to ingredients that may cause what is commonly referred to as mad cow disease. Certain of our products contain ingredients derived from bovine sources. We are not aware of any infection or contamination of any of our products by BSE. Should any such infection or contamination be detected, it could have a material adverse effect on our business. Additionally, if governments preclude importation of products from the U.S. containing bovine-derived ingredients, it could adversely impact product availability and/or future price. Further, even if no such infection or contamination is detected, adverse publicity concerning the BSE risk, or governmental or regulatory developments aimed at combating the risk of BSE contamination by regulating bovine products and/or by-products, could have a material adverse effect on our business. We anticipate some impact associated with the discovery of BSE in the United States, such as in Mexico, which recently restricted the importation of certain of our products containing bovine-derived ingredients produced in part from U.S. cattle. Affected products being held at the border currently include Cell Activator, Floral Fiber, HPLC Drinks plus Fiber and Herb Tablets. Our manufacturing department is working to replace the U.S. sourced ingredients with comparable materials from other countries of origin not similarly precluded.

We are also in the process of complying with recent regulations within the European Union, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan and Thailand affecting the use and/or labeling of irradiated raw ingredients. To date, we have dealt with irradiation compliance questions involving three products sold in the Netherlands and one product sold in Switzerland.

Compliance with GMO, BSE and irradiation regulations can be expected to increase the cost of manufacturing certain of our products.

Network marketing program. Our network marketing program is subject to a number of federal and state regulations administered by the FTC and various state agencies as well as regulations in foreign markets administered by foreign agencies. Regulations applicable to network marketing organizations generally are directed at ensuring that product sales ultimately are made to consumers and that advancement within our organization is based on sales of the organization's products rather than investments in the organization's or other non-retail sales related criteria. For instance, in some markets, there are limits on the extent to which distributors may earn royalty overrides on sales generated by distributors that were not directly sponsored by the distributor. When required by law, we obtain regulatory approval of our network marketing program or, when this approval is not required, the favorable opinion of local counsel as to regulatory compliance. Nevertheless, we remain subject to the risk that, in one or more markets, our marketing system could be found not to be in compliance with applicable regulations. Failure by us to comply with these regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business in a particular market or in general.

We also are subject to the risk of private party challenges to the legality of our network marketing program. For example, in *Webster v. Omnitrition International, Inc.*, 79 F.3d 776 (9th Cir. 1996), the multi-level marketing program of Omnitrition International, Inc. ("Omnitrition") was successfully challenged in a class action by Omnitrition distributors who alleged that Omnitrition was operating an illegal "pyramid scheme" in violation of federal and state laws. We believe that our network marketing program satisfies the standards set forth in the Omnitrition case and other applicable statutes and case law defining a legal marketing system, in part based upon significant differences between our marketing system and that described in the Omnitrition case.

Herbalife International was a defendant in a purported class action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court of California (*Jacobs v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*) originally filed on February 19, 2002 challenging marketing practices of several distributors and Herbalife International under various state and federal laws. Without in any way admitting liability or wrongdoing, we have reached a binding settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the terms of the settlement, we (i) paid \$3 million into a fund to be distributed to former Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, (ii) will pay up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$1 million, refund to former Supervisor-level distributors the amounts they had paid to purchase such Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, and (iii) will offer rebates up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2 million on certain new purchases of Herbalife products to those current Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter.

Herbalife International and certain of its distributors have been named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed July 16, 2003 in the Circuit Court of Ohio County in the State of West Virginia (*Mey v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*). Herbalife International had removed the lawsuit to federal court and the court has recently remanded the lawsuit to state court. The complaint alleges that certain telemarketing practices of certain Herbalife International distributors violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and seeks to hold Herbalife International liable for the practices of its distributors. More specifically, the plaintiffs' complaint alleges that several of Herbalife's distributors used pre-recorded telephone messages and autodialers to contact prospective customers in violation of the TCPA's prohibition of such practices. Herbalife's distributors are independent contractors and, if any such distributors in fact violated the TCPA, they also violated Herbalife's policies, which require its distributors to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the suit.

It is an ongoing part of our business to monitor and respond to regulatory and legal developments, including those that may affect our network marketing program. However, the regulatory requirements concerning network marketing programs do not include bright line rules and are inherently fact-based. An adverse judicial determination with respect to our network marketing program could have a material adverse effect on our business. An adverse determination could: (1) require us to make modifications to

our network marketing program, (2) result in negative publicity or (3) have a negative impact on distributor morale. In addition, adverse rulings by courts in any proceedings challenging the legality of multi-level marketing systems, even in those not involving us directly, could have a material adverse effect on our operations.

Transfer pricing and similar regulations. In many countries, including the United States, we are subject to transfer pricing and other tax regulations designed to ensure that appropriate levels of income are reported as earned by our U.S. or local entities and are taxed accordingly. In addition, our operations are subject to regulations designed to ensure that appropriate levels of customs duties are assessed on the importation of our products.

Although we believe that we are in substantial compliance with all applicable regulations and restrictions, we are subject to the risk that governmental authorities could audit our transfer pricing and related practices and assert that additional taxes are owed. For example, we are currently subject to pending or proposed audits that are at various levels of review, assessment or appeal in a number of jurisdictions involving transfer pricing issues, income taxes, duties, value added taxes, withholding taxes and related interest and penalties in material amounts. In some circumstances, additional taxes, interest and penalties have been assessed, and we will be required to litigate to reverse the assessments. We and our tax advisors believe that there are substantial defenses to the allegations that additional taxes are owing, and we are vigorously against the imposition of additional proposed taxes. The ultimate resolution of these matters may take several years, and the outcome is uncertain.

In the event that the audits or assessments are concluded adversely to us, we may or may not be able to offset or mitigate the consolidated effect of foreign income tax assessments through the use of U.S. foreign tax credits. Currently, we anticipate utilizing the majority of our foreign tax credits in the year in which they arise with the unused amount carried forward. Because the laws and regulations governing U.S. foreign tax credits are complex and subject to periodic legislative amendment, we cannot be sure that we would in fact be able to take advantage of any foreign tax credits in the future. As a result, adverse outcomes in these matters could have a material impact on our financial condition and operating results.

Other regulations. We also are subject to a variety of other regulations in various foreign markets, including regulations pertaining to social security assessments, employment and severance pay requirements, import/export regulations and antitrust issues. As an example, in many markets, we are substantially restricted in the amount and types of rules and termination criteria that we can impose on distributors without having to pay social security assessments on behalf of the distributors and without incurring severance obligations to terminated distributors. In some countries, we may be subject to these obligations in any event.

Our failure to comply with these regulations could have a material adverse effect on our business in a particular market or in general. Assertions that we failed to comply with regulations or the effect of adverse regulations in one market could adversely affect us in other markets as well by causing increased regulatory scrutiny in those other markets or as a result of the negative publicity generated in those other markets.

Compliance procedures. As indicated above, Herbalife, our products and our network marketing program are subject, both directly and indirectly through distributors' conduct, to numerous federal, state and local regulations, both in the United States and foreign markets. Beginning in 1985, we began to institute formal regulatory compliance measures by developing a system to identify specific complaints against distributors and to remedy any violations by distributors through appropriate sanctions, including warnings, suspensions and, when necessary, terminations. In our manuals, seminars and other training programs and materials, we emphasize that distributors are prohibited from making therapeutic claims for our products.

Our general policy regarding acceptance of distributor applications from individuals who do not reside in one of our markets is to refuse to accept the individual's distributor application. From time to time, exceptions to the policy are made on a country-by-country basis.

In order to comply with regulations that apply to both us and our distributors, we conduct considerable research into the applicable regulatory framework prior to entering any new market to identify all necessary licenses and approvals and applicable limitations on our operations in that market. Typically, we conduct this research with the assistance of local legal counsel and other representatives. We devote substantial resources to obtaining the necessary licenses and approvals and bringing our operations into compliance with the applicable limitations. We also research laws applicable to distributor operating a business, marketing and distributor manuals and other training materials and programs to provide distributors with guidelines for operating a business, marketing and distributing our products and similar matters, as required by applicable regulations in each market. We, however, are unable to monitor our supervisors and distributors effectively to ensure that they refrain from distributing our products in countries where we have not commenced operations, and we do not devote significant resources to this type of monitoring.

In addition, regulations in existing and new markets often are ambiguous and subject to considerable interpretive and enforcement discretion by the responsible regulators. Moreover, even when we believe that we and our distributors are initially in compliance with all applicable regulations, new regulations regularly are being added and the interpretation of existing regulations is subject to change. Further, the content and impact of regulations to which we are subject may be influenced by public attention directed at us, our products or our network marketing program, so that extensive adverse publicity about us, our products or our network marketing program may result in increased regulatory scrutiny.

It is an ongoing part of our business to anticipate and respond to new and changing regulations and to make corresponding changes in our operations to the extent practicable. Although we devote considerable resources to maintaining our compliance with regulatory constraints in each of our markets, we cannot be sure that (1) we would be found to be in full compliance with applicable regulations in all of our markets at any given time or (2) the regulatory authorities in one or more markets will not assert, either retroactively or prospectively or both, that our operations are not in full compliance. These assertions or the effect of adverse regulations in one market could negatively affect us in other markets as well by causing increased regulatory scrutiny in those other markets or as a result of the negative publicity generated in those other markets. These assertions could have a material adverse effect on us in a particular market or in general. Furthermore, depending upon the severity of regulatory changes in a particular market and the changes in our operations that would be necessitated to maintain compliance, these changes could result in our experiencing a material reduction in sales in the market or determining to exit the market altogether. In this event, we would attempt to devote the resources previously devoted to the market to a new market or markets or other existing markets. However, we cannot be sure that this transition would not have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations either in the short or long-term.

Trademarks and Proprietary Formulas

We use the umbrella trademarks Herbalife, Thermojetics, Dermajetics, and have several other trademarks and trade names registered in connection with our products and operations. Our trademark registrations are issued through the United States Patent and Trademark Office and in comparable agencies in the foreign countries. We consider our trademarks and trade names to be an important factor in our business. We also take care in protecting the intellectual property rights of our proprietary formulas by restricting access to our formulas within our company to those persons or departments that require access to them to perform their functions, and by requiring our finished goods-suppliers and consultants to execute supply and non-disclosure agreements that seek to contractually protect our intellectual property rights in our proprietary products. For example, we are currently developing a new product in the energy supplement category for which we may seek (through our employees who invented this product) one or



more patents for technological innovations inherent in the product, including the formulation as a whole. At the moment, this project and its elements remain the confidential trade secrets of us and our inventor-employees. However, despite our efforts, we may be unable to prevent third parties from infringing upon or misappropriating our proprietary rights.

Competition

The business of marketing weight management and nutrition products is highly competitive. This market segment includes numerous manufacturers, distributors, marketers, retailers and physicians that actively compete for the business of consumers both in the United States and abroad. The market is highly sensitive to the introduction of new products or weight management plans, including various prescription drugs that may rapidly capture a significant share of the market. As a result, our ability to remain competitive depends in part upon the successful introduction of new products. In addition, we anticipate that we will be subject to increasing competition in the future from sellers that utilize electronic commerce. We cannot be sure of the impact of electronic commerce or that it will not adversely affect our business.

We are subject to significant competition for the recruitment of distributors from other network marketing organizations, including those that market weight management products, nutritional supplements, and personal care products, as well as other types of products. Some of our competitors are substantially larger than we are, and have available considerably greater financial resources than we have. Our ability to remain competitive depends, in significant part, on our success in recruiting and retaining distributors through an attractive compensation plan and other incentives. We believe that our production bonus program, international sponsorship program and other compensation and incentive programs provide our distributors with significant earning potential. However, we cannot be sure that our programs for recruitment and retention of distributors will be successful.

Employees

As of September 30, 2004, we had 2,280 full-time employees. These numbers do not include our distributors, who are independent contractors rather than our employees. Except for some employees in Mexico and in some European countries, none of our employees are members of any labor union, and we have never experienced any business interruption as a result of any labor disputes.

Properties

We lease all of our physical properties located in the United States. Our executive offices, located in Century City, California, include approximately 115,000 square feet of general office space under lease arrangements expiring in February 2006. We lease an aggregate of approximately 144,000 square feet of office space, computer facilities and conference rooms at the Operations Center in Inglewood, California, under a lease that expires in October 2006, and approximately 150,000 square feet of warehouse space in two separate facilities located in Los Angeles and Memphis. The Los Angeles and Memphis lease agreements have terms through June 2006 and August 2006, respectively. In Venray, Netherlands, we lease our European centralized warehouse of approximately 175,000 square feet. The lease expires in June 2007. We also lease warehouse, manufacturing plant and office space in a majority of our other geographic areas of operation. We believe that our existing facilities are adequate to meet our current requirements and that comparable space is readily available at each of these locations.

Legal Proceedings

We are from time to time engaged in routine litigation. We regularly review all pending litigation matters in which we are involved and establish reserves deemed appropriate by management for these litigation matters when a probable loss estimate can be made.

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marketing practices of several distributors and Herbalife International under various state and federal laws. Without in any way admitting liability or wrongdoing, the Company has reached a binding settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the terms of the settlement, the Company (i) paid \$3 million into a fund to be distributed to former Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, (ii) will pay up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$1 million, refund to former Supervisor-level distributors the amounts they had paid to purchase such Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, and (iii) offer rebates up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2 million, on certain new purchases of Herbalife products to those current Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter.

Herbalife International and certain of its distributors have been named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed July 16, 2003 in the Circuit Court of Ohio County in the State of West Virginia (*Mey v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*). The complaint alleges that certain telemarketing practices of certain Herbalife International distributors violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, or TCPA, and seeks to hold Herbalife International liable for the practices of its distributors. More specifically, the plaintiffs' complaint alleges that several of Herbalife International's distributors used pre-recorded telephone messages and autodialers to contact prospective customers in violation of the TCPA's prohibition of such practices. Herbalife International's distributors are independent contractors and, if any such distributors in fact violated the TCPA, they also violated Herbalife's policies, which require its distributors to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the suit.

As a marketer of dietary and nutritional supplements and other products that are ingested by consumers or applied to their bodies, we have been and are currently subjected to various product liability claims. The effects of these claims to date have not been material to us, and the reasonably possible range of exposure on currently existing claims is not material to us. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the allegations contained in the lawsuits. We currently maintain product liability insurance with an annual deductible of \$10 million.

Certain of our subsidiaries have been subject to tax audits by governmental authorities in their respective countries. In certain of these tax audits, governmental authorities are proposing that significant amounts of additional taxes and related interest and penalties are due. The aggregate amount of assessed taxes, penalties and interest to date is approximately \$34.0 million. We and our tax advisors believe that there are substantial defenses to their allegations that additional taxes are owing, and we are vigorously contesting the additional proposed taxes and related charges.

These matters may take several years to resolve, and we cannot be sure of their ultimate resolution. However, it is the opinion of management that adverse outcomes, if any, will not likely result in a material effect on our financial condition and operating results. This opinion is based on our belief that any losses we suffer would not be material and that we have meritorious defenses. Although we have reserved an amount that we believe represents the likely outcome of the resolution of these disputes, if we are incorrect in our assessment we may have to pay the full amount assessed.

MANAGEMENT

Biographical information follows for each person who serves as a director and/or an executive officer of Herbalife and Herbalife International. The table sets forth certain information regarding these individuals (ages are as of September 30, 2004).

Name*		Position with Herbalife	Director/Officer Since*
Peter M. Castleman ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾	48	Chairman of the Board	2002
Michael O. Johnson ⁽³⁾⁽⁶⁾	50	Chief Executive Officer, Director	2003
Gregory Probert ⁽⁶⁾	48	Chief Operating Officer	2003
Henry Burdick ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁶⁾	62	Vice Chairman, Director	2002
Richard Goudis ⁽⁶⁾	43	Chief Financial Officer	2004
Brett R. Chapman ⁽⁶⁾	49	General Counsel	2003
Kenneth J. Diekroeger ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	42	Director	2002
James H. Fordyce ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾	45	Director	2002
Markus Lehmann	43	Director	2003
Charles L. Orr ⁽²⁾	61	Director	2002
Jesse T. Rogers ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾	47	Director	2002
Leslie Stanford ⁽⁴⁾	47	Director	2002

(1)

Member of the compensation committee of Herbalife and Herbalife International.

(2)

Member of the audit committee of Herbalife and Herbalife International.

(3)

Non-voting member of the executive committee of Herbalife and Herbalife International.

(4)

Member of the product committee of Herbalife and Herbalife International.

(5)

Member of the executive committee of Herbalife and Herbalife International.

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Directors are currently elected each year to terms of one year, until the following year's meeting of shareholders. Prior to the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange, we intend to divide our board into three classes of the same or nearly the same number of directors, each serving staggered three-year terms. See "Description of Share Capital." In addition, we expect that shortly prior to the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange the board will elect three new directors, (a) each of whom will be "independent," as defined under and required by the federal securities laws and the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, (b) each of whom will be members of our audit committee, and (c) one of whom will be an "audit committee financial expert," as this term has been defined by the SEC in Item 401(h)(2) of Regulation S-K.

Peter M. Castleman is the Chairman of our Board. Mr. Castleman is Managing Partner of Whitney, a position that he has held for more than a decade. Prior to joining Whitney over fifteen years ago, Mr. Castleman was with Morgan Stanley & Co. and prior to that with J.P. Morgan & Co., Inc. Mr. Castleman received his MBA from Harvard Business School and his undergraduate degree from Duke University. Mr. Castleman is currently a director of several private companies. He was previously a director of numerous other companies, including The North Face, Inc., Advance Paradigm, Eon Labs Inc., and Pharmanex, Inc.

Michael O. Johnson is Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Johnson joined Herbalife in April 2003 after 17 years with The Walt Disney Company, where he most recently served as President of Walt Disney International, and also served as President of Asia Pacific for The Walt Disney Company and President of Buena Vista Home Entertainment. Mr. Johnson has also previously served as a publisher of Audio Times magazine, and has directed the regional sales efforts of Warner Amex Satellite Entertainment Company for three of its television channels, including MTV, Nickelodeon and The Movie Channel. Mr. Johnson received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Western State University.

Gregory Probert is Chief Operating Officer of Herbalife. Mr. Probert joined Herbalife in August 2003 after serving as President and CEO of DMX MUSIC for over 2 years. Mr. Probert joined DMX MUSIC after serving as Chief Operating Officer of planetLingo from January 2000 to November 2000, where he led the team that designed and built the company's first product, an online conversational system for the \$20 billion ESL market in Japan. Immediately prior to planetLingo, Mr. Probert spent 12 years with The Walt Disney Company, where he most recently served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for the \$3.5 billion Buena Vista Home Entertainment worldwide business. Mr. Probert's positions with The Walt Disney Company also included service as Executive Vice President and Managing Director of the International Home Video Division, Senior Vice President and Managing Director of Buena Vista Home Entertainment, Asia Pacific Region, based in Hong Kong, and Chief Financial Officer of Buena Vista International, Disney's theatrical distribution arm, among others. Mr. Probert received his Bachelor of Science from the University of Southern California and his MBA from California State University, Los Angeles.

Henry Burdick is Vice Chairman and in charge of new product development. Mr. Burdick was the co-founder and at various times served as the Chairman, President and CEO of Pharmavite Corporation, the makers of the Nature Made brand of nutritional supplements. In May 1996, following his retirement from Pharmavite, Mr. Burdick invested in a research and development company called Generation Health. He renamed the operating company Pharmanex, and was Chairman and CEO until it was sold in 1998 to Nu Skin Enterprises, Inc., a NYSE listed company. Since 1998, Mr. Burdick has served as a partner in La Quinta Golf Properties, a golf course development company, and a partner and 50% owner of B&L Properties, a real estate investment firm. In addition, Mr. Burdick served from 1998 to August 2002 as a director of Metagenics, a privately held nutritional product formulator and manufacturer. Mr. Burdick was born in Santiago, Cuba and received a B.A. from California State University, Northridge.

Richard Goudis joined Herbalife in June 2004 as Chief Financial Officer. From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Goudis was the Chief Operating Officer of Rexall Sundown, a Nasdaq 100 company that was sold to Royal Numico in 2000. After the sale to Royal Numico, Mr. Goudis had operations responsibility for all of Royal Numico's U.S. investments, including General Nutrition Centers, or GNC, Unicity International and Rexall Sundown. From 2002 to May 2004, Mr. Goudis was a partner at Flamingo Capital Partners, a firm he founded with several retired executives from Rexall Sundown. Prior to working at Rexall Sundown, Mr. Goudis worked at Sunbeam Corporation and Pratt & Whitney.

Brett R. Chapman joined Herbalife in October 2003 as General Counsel. Prior to joining Herbalife, Mr. Chapman spent thirteen years at The Walt Disney Company, most recently as Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, with responsibility for all legal matters relating to Disney's Media Networks Group, including the ABC Television Network, the company's cable properties including The Disney Channel and ESPN, and Disney's radio and internet businesses. Prior to working at The Walt Disney Company, Mr. Chapman was an associate at the law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP. Mr. Chapman received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Business Administration from California State University, Northridge and his Juris Doctorate from Southwestern University School of Law.

Kenneth J. Diekroeger is a Managing Director of Golden Gate Capital, a position he has held since its inception in 2000. From 1996 to 2000, Mr. Diekroeger was a managing director, and partner with American Industrial Partners. Earlier in his career, Mr. Diekroeger was a consultant at Bain & Company. Mr. Diekroeger received his MBA from Stanford University and his Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Stanford University. He is currently a director of several private companies.

James H. Fordyce is a partner with certain Whitney-affiliated entities and has been with Whitney since July 1996. Prior to joining Whitney, Mr. Fordyce was with Heller Financial and prior to that with Chemical

Bank. Mr. Fordyce received his MBA from Fordham University and his undergraduate degree from Lake Forest College. Mr. Fordyce currently is a director of several private companies.

Markus Lehmann has been an independent Herbalife distributor for 13 years. A member of the International Chairman's Club, Mr. Lehmann is active with distributors of Herbalife's products throughout the world. Mr. Lehmann has been active in training other Herbalife distributors around the world, and has served on various strategy and planning groups for Herbalife. He is involved in various charities including the Herbalife Family Foundation.

Charles L. Orr is self-employed as an independent director and advisor to companies operating in the e-commerce, financial services and direct selling industries. From 1993 through 2000, Mr. Orr was President and CEO of Shaklee Corporation which included the brand names of Harry and David, Jackson and Perkins and Shaklee. From 2003 to the present, Mr. Orr has served as the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board for Swiss Medica, a Toronto-based start-up company that is developing bio-science products. Mr. Orr served as a director of Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company from 1995 through 2002. His prior business affiliations include CIGNA, Continental Insurance, Federated Investors, RCA Computer Systems, Southwestern Life and Xerox. Mr. Orr received his MBA from the University of Connecticut and Bachelor of Arts from Wesleyan University. He is an advisor to several private companies, a former director of Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company and currently serves as a board member of the Direct Selling Education Foundation, a position he has held since 2001.

Jesse T. Rogers is a Managing Director of Golden Gate Capital, a position he has held since its inception in 2000. Prior to joining Golden Gate Capital, Mr. Rogers was a partner at Bain & Company for over ten years, where he served as the West Coast head of the consumer products practice and founded Bain & Company's worldwide Private Equity Group. Mr. Rogers received his MBA from Harvard Business School and his Bachelor of Arts from Stanford University. He is currently a director of several private companies and previously served as a director of Beringer Wine Estates and Bain & Company.

Leslie Stanford has been an independent Herbalife distributor for 23 years. A member of the International Chairman's Club, Ms. Stanford is active with distributors of Herbalife's products throughout the world. Ms. Stanford has been active in training other Herbalife distributors around the world, and has served on various strategy and planning groups for Herbalife. She graduated from the University of Alberta, and is involved in various charities including the Herbalife Family Foundation.

Director Compensation

Each independent director currently receives \$25,000 per year for services as a director, plus (1) \$5,000 for each Board meeting attended by the director, (2) \$2,500 for each committee of the Board on which the director serves, (3) \$3,000 per diem for other meetings and (4) reimbursement of all travel and related expenses. Additionally, each independent director was granted options to purchase 50,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 50,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$1.76. These options will vest pro rata with 5% vesting on the date of grant and the balance vesting in equal quarterly installments over 19 calendar quarters. In addition the Board granted Henry Burdick options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and option

Directors who are employees of Herbalife or any of its affiliates or have been designated as directors by the affiliates of Herbalife or its distributors are not independent directors for purposes of director compensation and, in lieu of the compensation described above, receive an annual stipend in the amount of \$1,000 for their service as directors.

Executive Compensation

Summary Compensation Table. The following table sets forth the annual and long-term compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and each of the four other most highly compensated executive officers (collectively, the "Named Executive Officers") for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2001, 2002 and 2003.

Long-Term Compensation Awards

	Long Term Compensation Awards										
Name and Principal Position	Year		Annual Co alary(\$)	•	ensation onus(\$) ⁽¹⁾	-	other Annual ompensation (\$) ⁽²⁾	Restricted Stock Award(s)(\$)	Securities Underlying Options/ SARs(#)	LTIP Payouts(\$)	All Other mpensation (\$) ⁽³⁾
Michael O. Johnson Chief Executive Officer (Joined the Company April 3, 2003)	2003	\$	604,807 ⁽¹	2) \$	1,350,000	\$		\$	5,911,845	\$	\$ 25,790 ⁽⁵⁾
Brian L. Kane ⁽⁴⁾ Prior CEO and Current President, Europe	2003 2002 2001	\$	726,202 725,384 700,000	\$	425,000 982,500 792,000	\$	60,000	\$	1,811,375		\$ 65,389 ⁽⁶⁾ 2,386,977 392,420
Carol Hannah ⁽⁴⁾ Prior CEO and President Distributor Communications and Support	2003 2002 2001	\$	712,500 777,885 752,000	\$	425,000 1,054,688 792,000	\$	60,000	\$	1,811,375		\$ 35,344 ⁽⁷⁾ 3,435,425 476,305
Gregory Probert Chief Operating Officer (Joined the Company July 31, 2003)	2003	\$	207,885 ⁽¹	2)	450,000				850,000		\$ 6,231
David Kratochvil Chief Logistics Officer	2003 2002 2001	\$	400,000 425,961 400,000	\$	100,000 125,000 95,385	\$	30,000	\$	300,000	\$	\$ 31,135 ⁽⁹⁾ 86,428 ⁽¹⁰⁾ 108,533
John Purdy Senior Vice President Asia/Pacific Rim	2003 2002 2001	\$	387,308 380,000 350,000	\$	95,000 125,000 74,712	\$	30,000	\$	300,000	\$	\$ 35,151 ⁽¹⁰⁾ 178,597 305,032
Robert Levy Senior Vice President The Americas	2003 2002 2001	\$	380,000 380,000 360,868	\$	95,000 150,000 83,462	\$	30,000	\$	300,000	\$	\$ 49,766 ⁽¹¹⁾ 49,502 37,966

(1)

The 2001 amounts reflect bonuses earned under the 1994 Performance-Based Annual Incentive Compensation Plan. The 2002 bonus amounts of Mr. Kane and Ms. Hannah were earned under the 1994 Performance-Based Annual Incentive Compensation Plan for the first six months and a discretionary bonus was awarded for the last six months of 2002 and the year ended December 31, 2003.

(2)

Amounts shown represent payments for non-accountable expense reimbursement allowances and the aggregate of other payments or benefits that do not individually exceed 25% of the total perquisite or personal benefits for Messrs. Kane, Kratochvil, Purdy, Levy, and Ms. Hannah.

(3)

For 2003, these amounts represent payments under the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, Executive Life Insurance Plan, the Herbalife International Employees 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust, the Executive Medical Plan, the Deferred Compensation Plan, private use and transfer of a company-owned car, and employee awards.

(4)

Until April 3, 2003, Mr. Kane and Ms. Hannah served as Co-Presidents.

Mr. Johnson's amount includes \$1,575 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$929 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$11,517 from the Executive Medical Plan, and \$11,769 from the Deferred Compensation Plan.

(6)

Mr. Kane's amount includes \$2,100 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$1,238 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$6,000 from the 401(k) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan, \$15,356 from the Executive Medical Plan, \$20,553 from the Deferred Compensation Plan, and \$20,142 for private use of company owned car including the fair value of the car when transferred to Mr. Kane.

(7)

Ms. Hannah's amount includes \$2,100 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$1,238 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$6,000 from the 401(k) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan, \$5,452 from the Executive Medical Plan, and \$20,554 from the Deferred Compensation Plan.

(8)

Mr. Probert's amount includes \$700 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$413 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$5,119 from the Executive Medical Plan.

(9)

Mr. Kratochvil's amount includes \$1,680 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$1,238 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$6,000 from the 401(k) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan, \$10,678 from the Executive Medical Plan, and \$11,539 from the Deferred Compensation Plan.

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Mr. Purdy's amount includes \$1,596 from the Executive Long-Term Disability Plan, \$1,238 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$6,000 from the 401(k) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan, \$15,356 from the Executive Medical Plan, and \$10,962 from the Deferred Compensation Plan.

(11)

Mr. Levy's amount includes \$1,596 from the Long-Term Disability Plan, \$1,238 from the Executive Life Insurance Plan, \$6,000 from the 401(k) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan, \$15,356 from the Executive Medical Plan, \$10,962 from the Deferred Compensation Plan, and \$14,615 from vacation pay-out.

(12)

Amounts are pro-rated to reflect partial year served in such office.

Individual Grants

Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year.

The following table contains information concerning options to purchase common shares of Herbalife granted in 2003 to each of the Named Executive Officers. In the judgment of the Board, the per share exercise price of all options described below are higher than the fair market value of Herbalife's common shares on the grant date.

Name	Number of Securities Underlying Options Granted	Percent of Total Options Granted to Employees in Fiscal Year	Exercise Price Per Share(\$)	Expiration Date		nt Date Present Value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	Grant Date			
Michael O. Johnson	1,182,369 1,182,369 1,182,369 1,182,369 1,182,369 1,182,369	7% 7% 7% 7% 7%	1.76 5.28 8.80	4/3/2013 4/3/2013 4/3/2013 4/3/2013 4/3/2013	\$	1,123,251	4/3/2003 4/3/2003 4/3/2003 4/3/2003 4/3/2003			
Brian L. Kane	1,207,583 603,792	7% 3%		3/10/2013 3/10/2013	\$	809,081	3/10/2003 3/10/2003			
Carol Hannah	1,207,583 603,792	7% 3%		3/10/2013 3/10/2013	\$	809,081	3/10/2003 3/10/2003			
Gregory Probert	250,000 150,000 150,000 150,000 150,000	1% 1% 1% 1% 1%	3.50 5.50 8.50	7/31/2013 7/31/2013 7/31/2013 7/31/2013 7/31/2013			7/31/2003 7/31/2003 7/31/2003 7/31/2003 7/31/2003			
David Kratochvil										
John Purdy										

Robert Levy

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In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we used the Black Scholes option pricing model to estimate the grant date present value of the options set forth in this table. The assumptions used for the valuation include: 0% expected volatility; 3% risk free rate of return; 0% dividend yield and options exercise averaging 5 year term. We did not make any adjustment for non-transferability or risk of forfeiture.

Aggregated Option Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year-End Option Values.

The following table sets forth information with respect to: (1) common shares of Herbalife acquired upon exercise of stock options and (2) unexercised options to purchase common shares of Herbalife granted as of December 31, 2003.

	Shares		Und Unex	urities erlying sercised scal Year-End(#)		Value of In-th Opt Fiscal (\$ in n	e-Mo tions Year	ney at -End	
Name	Acquired on Exercise(#)	Value Realized(\$)	Exercisable	Exercisable Unexercisable		Exercisable		Unexercisable	
Michael O. Johnson				5,911,845	\$		\$	3.5	
Brian L. Kane			543,413	1,267,962	\$	0.9	\$	2.2	
Carol Hannah			543,413	1,267,962	\$	0.9	\$	2.2	
Gregory Probert				850,000	\$		\$		
David Kratochvil			75,000	225,000	\$	0.1	\$	0.3	
John Purdy			75,000	225,000	\$	0.1	\$	0.3	
Robert Levy			75,000	225,000	\$	0.1	\$	0.3	

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Represents the difference between the fair market value of common shares on December 31, 2003 of \$ valuation on September 30, 2003, and the exercise price of the options.

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Description of Benefit Plans

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan. Herbalife has established a stock incentive plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of Herbalife or stock appreciation rights to employees or consultants of Herbalife. The purpose of the plan is to promote the long-term financial interest and growth of the Company by attracting and retaining employees and consultants who can make a substantial contribution to the success of the Company, to motivate and to align interests with those of the equity holders. The stock incentive plan is administered by the compensation committee. Herbalife has reserved 18,717,546 of its common shares (reduced by any common shares that are subject to awards granted under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan) for issuance under the stock incentive plan.

Each stock option agreement and SAR award agreement will specify the date when all or any installment of an award is to become exercisable but, generally, no award may be exercisable after the expiration of 10 years from the date it was granted. Upon termination of employment for any reason other than "cause," the unvested awards would continue to be exercisable for a period of time, following which the award will terminate.

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan. Herbalife has established an independent directors stock option plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of Herbalife to independent directors of Herbalife. Directors who are employees of Herbalife or any of its affiliates or have been designated as directors by the affiliates of Herbalife or its distributors are not independent directors for purposes of director compensation. Herbalife has reserved 1,000,000 of its common shares for issuance under the independent directors stock option plan.

The purpose of the plan is to promote the long-term financial interest and growth of the Company by attracting and retaining independent directors who can make a substantial contribution to the success of the Company, to motivate and to align interests with those of the equity holders. The option plan is administered by the compensation committee. One million shares have been reserved for grant under this plan.

Taken together, approximately 15.5% of the Company's share capital at the time of the Acquisition (18.7 million shares) are available for grant under the Stock Incentive Plan and the Independent Directors Stock Option Plan. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had granted options net of cancellations to acquire approximately 16.9 million of its common shares to eligible employees under the Stock Incentive Plan and options to acquire approximately 0.8 million of its common shares to independent directors under the Independent Directors Stock Option Plan. In the aggregate under the two plans, the Company has granted options to acquire approximately 17.7 million of its common shares, which is equal to 17.4% of its current share capital. No additional stock options or stock appreciation rights will be granted under either the Stock Incentive Plan or the Independent Directors Stock Option plan following the consummation of this offering.

Deferred Compensation Plans. We maintain three deferred compensation plans for select groups of management or highly compensated employees: (1) the Herbalife Management Deferred Compensation Plan, effective January 1, 1996 (the "Management Plan"), which is applicable to eligible employees at the rank of either vice president or director; (2) the Herbalife Senior Executive Compensation Plan, effective January 1, 1996 (the "Senior Executive Plan"), which is applicable to eligible employees at the rank of Senior Executive Plan"), which is applicable to eligible employees at the rank of Senior Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Supplemental Plan") effective July 30, 2002. The Management Plan and the Senior Executive Plan are referred to as the "Deferred Compensation Plans." The Deferred Compensation Plans were amended and restated effective January 1, 2001.

The Deferred Compensation Plans are unfunded and benefits are paid from our general assets, except that we have contributed amounts to a "rabbi trust" whose assets will be used to pay benefits if we remain solvent, but can be reached by our creditors if we become insolvent. The Deferred Compensation Plans allow eligible employees, who are selected by the administrative committee that manages and administers the plans (the "Deferred compensation committee"), to elect annually to defer up to 50% of their annual base salary and up to 100% of their annual bonus for each calendar year (the "Annual Deferral Amount"). We make matching contributions on behalf of each participant in the Senior Executive Plan, which matching contributions are 100% vested at all times ("Matching Contributions").

Effective January 1, 2002, the Senior Executive Plan was amended to provide that the amount of the Matching Contributions is to be determined by us in our discretion. For 2002 the Matching Contribution was equal to an amount of up to 7.5% of a participant's annual base salary. Effective January 1, 2003, the Matching Contribution has been reduced to 3% and remains 3% for 2004.

Each participant in a Deferred Compensation Plan may determine how his or her Annual Deferral Amount and Matching Contributions, if any, will be deemed to be invested by choosing among several investment funds or indices designated by the Deferred compensation committee. The Deferred Compensation Plans, however, do not require us to actually acquire or hold any investment fund or other assets to fund the Deferred Compensation Plans. The entire interest of each participant in a Deferred Compensation Plan is always fully vested and non-forfeitable.

In connection with a participant's election to defer an Annual Deferral Amount, the participant may also elect to receive a short-term payout, equal to the Annual Deferral Amount and the Matching Contributions, if any, attributable thereto plus earnings, and shall be payable two or more years from the first day of the year in which the Annual Deferral Amount is actually deferred. As of January 2004, the Deferred Compensation Plans were amended to allow for deferral of the short-term payout date if the deferral is made within the time period specified therein. Subject to the short-term payout provision and specified exceptions for unforeseeable financial emergencies, a participant may not withdraw, without incurring a ten percent (10%) withdrawal penalty, all or any portion of his or her account under the Deferred Compensation Plans prior to the date that such participant either (1) is determined by the Deferred compensation committee to have incurred permanent and total disability or (2) dies or otherwise terminates employment.

The Supplemental Plan is unfunded and all benefits thereunder are paid from our general assets, except that we have contributed amounts to a "rabbi trust" whose assets will be used to pay benefits if we remain solvent, but can be reached by our creditors if we become insolvent. The Supplemental Plan allows employees to participate who are highly compensated and who are eligible to participate in the Herbalife International, Inc. Senior Executive Change in Control Plan (the "Change in Control Plan"). The Deferred compensation committee allows eligible employees to defer up to 100% of their Change in Control Payment. A "Change in Control Payment" is an amount equal to three times an eligible employee's compensation.

Each participant in the Supplemental Plan will be deemed to have invested in funds that provide a return equal to the short-term applicable federal rate, within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Supplemental Plan, however, does not require us to actually acquire or hold any investment fund or other assets to fund the Supplemental Plan. The entire interest of each participant in a Supplemental Plan is always fully vested and non-forfeitable. In connection with a participant's election to defer the Change in Control Payment, the participant may also elect to receive a short-term payout, equal to the deferral amount plus earnings and payable two or more years from the first day of the year in which the deferral amount is actually deferred. Subject to the short-term payout provision and specified exceptions for unforeseeable financial emergencies, a participant may not withdraw, without incurring a ten percent (10%) withdrawal penalty, all or any portion of his or her account under the Supplemental Plan prior to the date that such participant either (1) is determined by the Deferred compensation committee to have incurred permanent and total disability or (2) dies or otherwise terminates employment.

Executive Retention Plan. We have an Executive Retention Plan effective March 15. 2001. The purpose of the Executive Retention Plan is to provide financial incentives for a select group of management and highly compensated employees of the Company to continue to provide services to the Company during the period immediately before and immediately after change in control, as defined.

As a result of certain actions by Herbalife International's Board, the Acquisition was not deemed to be a Change in Control under the Executive Retention Plan. Thus, the consummation of the Acquisition did not result in the payment of any benefit pursuant to the Executive Retention Plan.

We also established an Executive Retention Trust to provide benefits under the Executive Retention Plan. The Executive Retention Trust is an irrevocable trust established with an institutional trustee. This irrevocable trust's assets will be used to pay the benefits of the Executive Retention Plan and are not intended to be reachable by our creditors. The value of the assets in the irrevocable trust was \$2.7 million as of June 30, 2004. The Administrative Committee of the Executive Retention Plan will establish an individual account in the Executive Retention Trust for each participant in the Executive Retention Plan. Until the occurrence of a change in control, the Administrative Committee will control the investment of the assets in the Executive Retention Trust, and will determine the allocation of the assets of the Executive Retention Trust to the individual accounts of participants. Each participant who qualifies for a benefit under the Executive Retention Plan will receive a lump sum benefit equal to the dollar amount in his or her individual account in the Executive Retention Trust. The benefit shall be paid within 90 days after the participant qualifies for the benefit. If a participant's employment with the Company terminates before the participant qualifies for a benefit under the Executive Retention Plan, the participant's account in the Executive Retention Trust will revert to us. A participant's benefit under the Executive Retention Plan will be reduced if the amount would cause payment of federal excise tax.

401(*k*) *profit sharing plan.* We maintain a tax-qualified profit sharing plan pursuant to Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code (the "401(k) Plan"). The 401(k) Plan allows any eligible employee, including specified common-law employees, to contribute each pay period from 2% to 17% of the employee's earnings (but not in excess of \$13,000 per year, as adjusted after 2003) or \$16,000 in the case of those participants over 50 years of age for investment in mutual funds held by the 401(k) Plan's trust. We make contributions to the 401(k) Plan in an amount equal to 3% of the earnings of each employee who elects to

defer 2% or more of his or her earnings and beginning on January 1, 2003 a matching contribution equal to one dollar for each dollar of deferred earnings not to exceed 3% of the participant's earnings. The 401(k) Plan also imposes restrictions on the aggregate amount that may be contributed by higher-paid employees in relation to the amount contributed by the remaining employees. A participating employee is fully vested at all times in his or her contributions and in the trust fund's earnings attributable to his or her contributions. An employee becomes fully vested in our contributions and the earnings of the trust fund attributable to our contributions (1) upon the employee's death, (2) upon the employee's disability, or (3) upon the employee reaching the 401(k) Plan's normal retirement age, which is the latter of age 65 and the completion of five years of service with us. An employee may not withdraw all or any portion of his or her account prior to the date that the employee either (1) incurs a hardship or (2) terminates employment with us. Effective January 1, 2003, the 401(k) Plan was amended to provide that an employee vests in 20% increments annually until fully vested upon the fifth anniversary of his participation in the 401(k) Plan.

Employment Contracts

On April 3, 2003, we announced the appointment of Mr. Michael O. Johnson as Chief Executive Officer and director. Our subsidiaries, Herbalife International and Herbalife International of America, Inc. ("Herbalife America") entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Johnson Employment Agreement") with Mr. Johnson effective as of April 3, 2003. For his services, Mr. Johnson is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$850,000. Under the terms of the Johnson Employment Agreement, in addition to his salary, Mr. Johnson shall be entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by the us to our senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife International and Herbalife America.

Mr. Johnson is also eligible to receive an annual cash bonus in such amounts, and based on such targets, established annually by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Johnson Employment Agreement. Mr. Johnson's annual bonus for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2003 was \$1,350,000 and was dependent, in part, on our operating subsidiaries' 2003 EBITDA performance.

In addition, Mr. Johnson has been granted stock options under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan to purchase an aggregate of 5,911,845 common shares of Herbalife at exercise prices as follows: 1,182,369 shares at \$0.44 per share, 1,182,369 shares at \$1.76 per share, 1,182,369 shares at \$5.28 per share, 1,182,369 shares at \$8.80 per share, and 1,182,369 shares at \$12.32 per share. The options vest under a schedule over time through June 30, 2008. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

In the event of any Change of Control (as defined in the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan), 50% of the shares granted pursuant to the options (pro rata according to the number of shares exercisable at the relevant exercise prices specified above for each of the individual tranches) will become immediately vested and exercisable. If, following any Change of Control, all or any portion of the options remain outstanding and Mr. Johnson's employment is terminated (other than by reason of Mr. Johnson's resignation without Good Reason or termination by us for Cause (each as defined in the Johnson Employment Agreement)) at any time following such Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options will immediately vest and become exercisable. In the event Mr. Johnson's employment is terminated by reason of Mr. Johnson's death or disability or during the 90 day period before any Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options will immediately vest and become exercisable.

Under the terms of the Johnson Employment Agreement, the term of Mr. Johnson's employment is for the period commencing on April 3, 2003, until his employment is terminated for a variety of reasons including death, disability, termination by Herbalife International and Herbalife America with our without cause, termination by Mr. Johnson with or without good reason and termination in connection with certain organic transactions.

Upon termination of Mr. Johnson's employment by Herbalife International and Herbalife America for cause, or by Mr. Johnson without good reason, Mr. Johnson would be entitled to his then current accrued and unpaid base salary through the effective date of termination as well as 100% of any accrued and unpaid bonus for any years preceding the year of termination, and not for the year of termination. Mr. Johnson would also be entitled to any rights that may exist in his favor to payment of any amount under any employee benefit plan or arrangement of Herbalife International or Herbalife America, other than those set forth in the Johnson Employment Agreement, in accordance with the terms and conditions of any such employee benefit plan or arrangement.

Upon termination of Mr. Johnson's employment by Herbalife International and Herbalife America without cause, or by Mr. Johnson for good reason, in addition to the benefits described in the preceding paragraph, Mr. Johnson would also be entitled to an additional amount equal to two years' base salary and bonus for the year of termination, payable in twenty four equal monthly installments.

In the event that Mr. Johnson's employment with Herbalife International and Herbalife America is terminated by Herbalife International and Herbalife America without cause, or by Mr. Johnson for good reason, during the period beginning 90 days prior to and ending 90 days following a Sale Event (as defined in the Johnson Employment Agreement), which Sale Event results in the cancellation or termination of Mr. Johnson's stock options, or in the event that Mr. Johnson delivers written notice of his resignation (for any reason) upon the consummation of or within 90 days following such a Sale Event, in addition to the benefits described in the preceding two paragraphs (to the extent payable pursuant to the terms thereof), Mr. Johnson would also be entitled to an additional amount equal to his annual base salary multiplied by the number of tranches of Mr. Johnson's stock option grant described above that are out-of-the-money at the time of such Sale Event, meaning that Mr. Johnson receives no consideration in respect of the cancellation or termination of such tranches in connection with the Sale Event.

We have also entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Probert Employment Agreement") effective July 31, 2003 with Mr. Gregory Probert through our subsidiary Herbalife America. Pursuant to the Probert Employment Agreement, Mr. Probert served as Executive Vice President until December 31, 2003 and as Chief Operating Officer thereafter. The term of the Probert Employment Agreement expires on August 11, 2006. For his services as Executive Vice President, Mr. Probert was compensated at a pro-rated salary of \$525,000 per annum. Starting on January 1, 2004, for his services as Herbalife America's Chief Operating Officer, Mr. Probert is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$680,000. Under the terms of the Probert Employment Agreement, in addition to his salary, Mr. Probert is entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by us to our senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife America.

In addition, Mr. Probert received an annual cash bonus of \$450,000 for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2003 and is eligible to receive an annual cash bonus equal to 100% of the applicable annual bonus thereafter, calculated in accordance with the then-current bonus formula approved by us for our most senior officers.

Mr. Probert has also been granted stock options under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan to purchase an aggregate of 1,250,000 common shares of Herbalife at exercise prices as follows: 250,000 shares at \$2.50 per share, 150,000 shares at \$3.50 per share, 80,000 shares at \$4.50 per share, 150,000 shares at \$5.50 per share, 80,000 shares at \$6.50 per share, 230,000 shares at \$8.50 per share, 80,000 shares at \$10.50 per share, 150,000 shares at \$11.50 per share and 80,000 shares at \$12.50 per share. The options vest under a schedule over time through September 1, 2009. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

In the event of any Change of Control (as defined in the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan), 50% of the shares granted pursuant to the options (pro rata according to the number of shares exercisable at the relevant exercise prices specified above for each of the individual tranches) will

become immediately vested and exercisable. If, following any Change of Control, all or any portion of the options remain outstanding and Mr. Probert's employment is terminated (other than by reason of Mr. Probert's resignation without Good Reason or termination by us for Cause at any time following such Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options will immediately vest and become exercisable. In the event Mr. Probert's employment is terminated by reason of Mr. Probert's death or disability or during the 90 day period before any Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options will immediately vest and become exercisable.

Upon termination of Mr. Probert's employment by us without cause, or upon his resignation for good reason, if such termination occurs prior to August 11, 2005, Mr. Probert would only be entitled to receive one year's then current salary plus bonus. If such termination occurs between August 11, 2005 and August 11, 2006, Mr. Probert would be entitled to receive one year's then current salary. In the event that Mr. Probert has not obtained subsequent employment by the one year anniversary of his termination, we would commence paying Mr. Probert's salary in accordance with our payroll practices for senior executives, through the remainder of Mr. Probert's employment term, subject to Mr. Probert's duty to mitigate. Such payments would cease if Mr. Probert obtains employment or fails to document his reasonable efforts to seek employment in accordance with the Probert Employment Agreement.

We have also entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Goudis Employment Agreement") effective June 1, 2004 with Mr. Richard Goudis through our subsidiary Herbalife America. Pursuant to the Goudis Employment Agreement, Mr. Goudis will serve as Chief Financial Officer beginning June 14, 2004 for a term of three years. For his services as Chief Financial Officer, Mr. Goudis will be entitled to a salary of \$430,000 for his first full calendar year of employment, \$475,000 for his second year, and \$500,000 for his third year. Under the terms of the Goudis Employment Agreement, in addition to his salary, Mr. Goudis is entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by us to our senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife America.

In addition, Mr. Goudis will be eligible to receive an annual cash bonus equal to 50% of his then-current base salary, calculated in accordance with the then-current bonus formula approved by us for our most senior officers. We also agreed to grant to Mr. Goudis options under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan to purchase an aggregate of 475,000 common shares of Herbalife at exercise prices as follows: 80,000 shares at \$4.01 per share; 10,000 shares at \$4.50 per share; 80,000 shares at \$6.00 per share; 10,000 shares at \$6.50 per share; 80,000 shares at \$8.00 per share; 10,000 shares at \$8.50 per share; 80,000 shares at \$10,000 shares at \$10.50 per share; 80,000 shares at \$12.00 per share and 10,000 shares at \$12.50 per share. The options vest at the rate of 5% per calendar quarter. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant. Upon termination of Mr. Goudis' employment by us without cause, or upon his resignation for good reason, Mr. Goudis would be entitled to receive his then current base salary for the remainder of the term under the Goudis Employment Agreement, subject to his duty to mitigate; provided that such payments would cease if Mr. Goudis obtains subsequent employment or fails to document to us on a monthly basis that he is making reasonable efforts to seek employment.

Mr. Burdick is an at-will employee and for his services as Vice Chairman, Mr. Burdick is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$500,000. In addition, Mr. Burdick is eligible to receive a discretionary bonus. For 2003 the bonus was zero.

Mr. Burdick was granted 50,000 options to purchase Herbalife common shares at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 50,000 options to purchase Herbalife common shares at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan, of which 30,000 were exercisable within 60 days of December 31, 2003. In addition the Board granted Mr. Burdick options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife stock at a strike price of \$1.76 under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan. These 600,000 options have vested. In 2003, Mr. Burdick accepted an executive management position with us and now serves as our Vice Chairman. As

a result, Mr. Burdick may no longer be considered an independent director. Under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan, the termination of Mr. Burdick as an independent director results in the unexercisable portion of the options granted pursuant to the plan terminating on the date of such termination and the remaining exercisable portion of the options granted pursuant to the plan becoming exercisable for thirty days following termination as an independent director. In light of the fact that the termination of Mr. Burdick's status as an independent director occurred at the request of the Board, in 2003, the Compensation Committee of the Board took action to waive those provisions that would have resulted in the termination of those options to become exercisable for only thirty days following the termination of his status as an independent director.

In connection with the engagement of Mr. Burdick as Vice Chairman, Mr. Burdick was granted an aggregate of 400,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan at exercise prices as follows: 80,000 shares at \$0.44 per share, 80,000 shares at \$1.76 per share, 80,000 shares at \$5.28 per share, 80,000 shares at \$8.80 per share, and 80,000 shares at \$12.32 per share. The options vest under a schedule over time through June 30, 2008. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

In the event of any Change of Control (as defined in the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan), 50% of the shares granted pursuant to the options (pro rata according to the number of shares exercisable at the relevant exercise prices specified above for each of the individual tranches) issued to Mr. Burdick under that plan will become immediately vested and exercisable. If, following any Change of Control, all or any portion of the options issued to Mr. Burdick under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan remain outstanding and Mr. Burdick's employment is terminated (other than by reason of Mr. Burdick's resignation without Good Reason or termination by us for Cause) at any time following such Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Burdick's death or disability or during the 90 day period before any Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Burdick's under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan remained will immediately vest and become exercisable. In the event Mr. Burdick's employment is terminated by reason of Mr. Burdick's death or disability or during the 90 day period before any Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Burdick's under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan will immediately vest and become exercisable.

On October 6, 2003, we appointed Mr. Brett R. Chapman as General Counsel. We have entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Chapman Employment Agreement") with Mr. Chapman effective as of October 6, 2003 for a term of three years through our subsidiary, Herbalife America. For his services, Mr. Chapman is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$435,000. Under the terms of the Chapman Employment Agreement, in addition to his salary, Mr. Chapman shall be entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by us to our senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife America.

In addition, Mr. Chapman received an annual cash bonus of \$140,000 for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2003 and is eligible to receive an annual cash bonus equal to 50% of his base salary, calculated in accordance with the then-current bonus formula approved by us for our most senior officers. Mr. Chapman's target bonus is set in the Chapman Employment Agreement at an amount equal to 50% of Mr. Chapman's annual salary for the year with respect to which the bonus is to be paid.

Mr. Chapman has also been granted stock options under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Option Plan to purchase an aggregate of 475,000 common shares of Herbalife at exercise prices as follows: 150,000 shares at \$2.50 per share, 43,750 shares at \$3.50 per share, 30,000 shares at \$4.50 per share, 43,750 shares at \$5.50 per share, 30,000 shares at \$6.50 per share, 73,750 shares at \$8.50 per share, 30,000 shares at \$10.50 per share, 43,750 shares at \$11.50 per share and 30,000 shares at \$12.50 per share. The options vest under a schedule over time through October 6, 2008. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

In the event of any Change of Control (as defined in the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan), 50% of the shares granted pursuant to the options (pro rata according to the number of shares exercisable at the relevant exercise prices specified above for each of the individual tranches) issued to Mr. Chapman under that plan will become immediately vested and exercisable. If, following any Change of Control, all or any portion of the options issued to Mr. Chapman under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan remain outstanding and Mr. Chapman's employment is terminated (other than by reason of Mr. Chapman's resignation without Good Reason or termination by us for Cause (as defined in the Chapman Employment Agreement)) at any time following such Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Chapman under that plan will immediately vest and become exercisable. In the event Mr. Chapman's employment is terminated by reason of Mr. Chapman under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan employment (Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Chapman's death or disability or during the 90 day period before any Change of Control, 100% of the shares granted pursuant to the options issued to Mr. Chapman under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan will immediately vest and become exercisable.

Upon termination of Mr. Chapman's employment by us without cause, or upon his resignation for good reason, Mr. Chapman would be entitled to receive one year's then current salary. In the event that Mr. Chapman has not obtained subsequent employment by one year after termination, we would commence paying Mr. Chapman's salary in accordance with our payroll practices for senior executives, through the remainder of Mr. Chapman's employment term, subject to Mr. Chapman's duty to mitigate. Such payments would cease if Mr. Chapman obtains employment or fails to document his reasonable efforts to seek employment in accordance with the Chapman Employment Agreement.

We have also entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Kane Employment Agreement") with Brian Kane through our subsidiary Herbalife Lux. The Kane Employment Agreement became effective as of April 4, 2004. The term of the Kane Employment Agreement expires on March 10, 2006. Under the Kane Employment Agreement, Mr. Kane is engaged as President, EMEA. For his services, Mr. Kane is entitled to receive an annual salary of £309,943. Under the terms of the Kane Employment Agreement, in addition to his salary, Mr. Kane shall be entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by Herbalife Lux to its senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife Lux.

Under the terms of the Kane Employment Agreement, Herbalife Lux may terminate Mr. Kane's employment without Cause (as defined in the Kane Employment Agreement) at any time upon six months prior written notice (or pay and continued benefits in lieu thereof). In the event Herbalife Lux terminates Mr. Kane's employment with or without Cause, Mr. Kane terminates his employment or Mr. Kane dies or becomes Disabled (as defined in the Kane Employment Agreement), Herbalife Lux must pay Mr. Kane all accrued base salary, benefits and other amounts Mr. Kane is entitled to as of the date of termination.

Mr. Kane has been granted stock options as of March 10, 2003 under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Option Plan to purchase 1,207,583 common shares of Holdings at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 603,792 common shares of Holdings at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share. The options granted to Mr. Kane are subject to a vesting schedule whereby 15% of the options vest immediately and thereafter, vest at a rate of 5% each quarter until all of the options become fully vested and exercisable as of June 30, 2007. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

Under the terms of the stock option grants, in the event Mr. Kane's employment with Herbalife is terminated for whatever reason, the unexercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options will terminate on the date of such termination and the exercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options will be treated as follows. Subject to Herbalife's right to repurchase the shares and subject to the shareholders' agreement, if Mr. Kane's employment is terminated for Cause, the exercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options will terminate on the date of such termination. If Mr. Kane's employment is terminated for any reason except for Cause, the exercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options will be exercisable for 30 days following the termination. If Mr. Kane's employment is terminated on account of a "disability" as defined in Section 22(e) of the Code or death, Mr. Kane or Mr. Kane's personal representative may exercise the

exercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options for 90 days following the termination of employment on account of such disability or Mr. Kane's death. In addition, in connection with certain transaction involving a change in control (as defined in the stock option agreement) or the initial public offering of Herbalife's common shares whereby the sponsors sell 100% of their investments in the debt and equity securities of Herbalife, the previously unexercisable portion of Mr. Kane's stock options will immediately become 100% vested and exercisable immediately prior to the closing of any such transaction.

We have also entered into an executive employment agreement (the "Hannah Employment Agreement") with Carol Hannah through our subsidiaries Herbalife and Herbalife America. The Hannah Employment Agreement became effective as of March 10, 2003. The Hannah Employment Agreement is for a three year term. Ms. Hannah is engaged as President of Distributor Communications and Support. For her services, Ms. Hannah is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$712,500. Under the terms of the Hannah Employment Agreement, in addition to her salary, Ms. Hannah shall be entitled to participate in or receive benefits under each benefit plan or arrangement made available by us to our senior executives on terms no less favorable than those generally applicable to senior executives of Herbalife and Herbalife America.

Under the terms of the Hannah Employment Agreement, if, at any time during the term of the Hannah Employment Agreement, (1) Herbalife terminates Ms. Hannah's employment without Cause (as defined in the Hannah Employment Agreement) Herbalife must pay Ms. Hannah (in addition to all accrued base salary, bonus for the year preceding the year of termination, benefits and other amounts Ms. Hannah is entitled to) an amount equal to one year's salary and bonus (the bonus for the year of termination shall be equal to one year's base salary). In addition, Herbalife shall continue to afford to Ms. Hannah medical, dental, vision, long-term disability and life insurance benefits for one year. If Ms. Hannah (1) dies or (2) becomes disabled at any time during the term of the Hannah Employment Agreement, upon the Death or Disability of Ms. Hannah (as defined in the Hannah Employment Agreement), Herbalife must pay Ms. Hannah or her beneficiaries or estate (in addition to all accrued base salary, bonus for the year of termination, benefits and other amounts Ms. Hannah is entitled to as of the date of termination) Ms. Hannah's base salary and bonus for one year (the bonus for the year of termination shall be equal to one year's base salary). In the event Ms. Hannah terminates her employment or Herbalife terminates Ms. Hannah's employment for Cause, Herbalife must pay Ms. Hannah all accrued base salary, bonus for the year preceding the year of termination, benefits and other amounts Ms. Hannah is entitled to as of the date of termination, benefits and other amounts Ms. Hannah is entitled to as of the date of termination has base salary, bonus for the year preceding the year of terminates Ms. Hannah's employment for Cause, Herbalife must pay Ms. Hannah all accrued base salary, bonus for the year preceding the year of termination, benefits and other amounts Ms. Hannah is entitled to as of the date of termination.

Ms. Hannah has been granted stock options as of March 10, 2003 under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Option Plan to purchase 1,207,583 common shares of Holdings at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 603,792 common shares of Holdings at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share. The options granted to Ms. Hannah are subject to a vesting schedule whereby 15% of the options vest immediately and thereafter, vest at a rate of 5% each quarter until all of the options become fully vested and exercisable as of June 30, 2007. The options expire 10 years after the date of grant.

Under the terms of the stock option grants, in the event Ms. Hannah's employment with Herbalife is terminated for whatever reason, the unexercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options will terminate on the date of such termination and the exercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options will be treated as follows. Subject to Herbalife's right to repurchase the shares and subject to the shareholders' agreement, if Ms. Hannah's employment is terminated for Cause, the exercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options will terminate on the date of such termination. If Ms. Hannah's employment is terminated for any reason except for Cause, the exercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options will be exercisable for 30 days following the termination. If Ms. Hannah's employment is terminated in Section 22(e) of the Code or death, Ms. Hannah or Ms. Hannah's personal representative may exercise the exercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options for 90 days following the termination of employment on account of such disability or Ms. Hannah's death. In addition, in connection with certain transaction involving a change in control (as defined in the stock option agreement) or the initial public

offering of Herbalife's common shares whereby the sponsors sell 100% of their investments in the debt and equity securities of Herbalife, the previously unexercisable portion of Ms. Hannah's stock options will immediately become 100% vested and exercisable immediately prior to the closing of any such transaction.

Ms. Hannah recently notified us of her intention to retire from the Company. As a result, we entered into an amicable separation agreement and general release with her (the "Separation Agreement"), pursuant to which we agreed to terminate the Hannah Employment Agreement and to provide for certain mutual releases of claims, effective as of June 30, 2004. In addition, we entered into a consulting agreement with Ms. Hannah to engage her as an independent contractor to consult on all aspects of the Company's business through April 30, 2006. For her services, Ms. Hannah will receive a consulting fee of \$59,375 per month during the term of the consultancy.

In addition to his duties as a member of our board of directors, Charles L. Orr periodically provides consulting services to Herbalife related to certain projects. Since the beginning of our last fiscal year, Mr. Orr has received approximately \$93,000 as compensation for such services.

Board Structure

Our board of directors currently consists of nine directors. Our board of directors has determined that Mr. Orr is "independent," as defined under and required by the federal securities laws and the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, and it is anticipated that each of the three new directors that will be named to our board of directors prior to the listing of our shares on the New York Stock Exchange will be "independent," as defined under and required by the federal securities laws and the rules of the New York Stock Exchange.

Committees of the Board

The standing committees of our board of directors currently consist of an audit committee, a compensation committee, a corporate governance and nominating committee, and an executive committee.

Audit Committee

The principal duties of our audit committee are as follows:

monitor the integrity of the Company's financial reporting process and systems of internal controls regarding finance, accounting, and reporting;

monitor the independence and performance of the Company's independent auditors and internal auditing department; and

provide an avenue of communication among the independent auditors, management, the internal auditing department, and the board of directors.

Our audit committee is currently composed of Messrs. Fordyce, Orr and Diekroeger, each of whom, it is anticipated, will resign from the audit committee contemporaneously with the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange. In addition, we expect that shortly prior to the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange the board will elect three new directors, (a) each of whom will be "independent," as defined under and required by the federal securities laws and the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, (b) each of whom will be members of our audit committee, and (c) one of whom will be an "audit committee financial expert," as this term has been defined by the SEC in Item 401(h)(2) of Regulation S-K.

Our board of directors has adopted a written charter for the audit committee which will be available on our website prior to completion of the offering.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

From January 1 through December 31, 2003, the Compensation Committee consisted of Messrs. Jesse Rogers, James Fordyce, Steven Rodgers, and Ken Diekroeger. Steven Rodgers was an officer of Herbalife from April 2002 through December 31, 2003, and resigned from the Board of Directors effective June 8, 2004.

We expect that shortly prior to the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange the compensation committee will be composed of four directors, at least two of whom are "independent" as that term is defined by the rules of the New York Stock Exchange at the time of the listing of our common shares.

Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee

We expect that shortly prior to the listing of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange the board will form a corporate governance and nominating committee, composed of four directors, at least two of whom are "independent" as that term is defined by the rules of the New York Stock Exchange at the time of the listing of our common shares.

The principal duties of the corporate governance and nominating committee are expected to be as follows:

to recommend to our board of directors proposed nominees for election to the board of directors by the stockholders at annual meetings, including an annual review as to the renominations of incumbents and proposed nominees for election by the board of directors to fill vacancies that occur between stockholder meetings; and

to make recommendations to the board of directors regarding corporate governance matters and practices.

Our board of directors will adopt a written charter for the corporate governance and nominating committee prior to the listing of our shares on the New York Stock Exchange, which will be available on our website prior to completion of the offering.

Executive Committee

Our board of directors has delegated to the executive committee the authority to act for the board on most matters during intervals between board meetings, except with respect to issuances of stock, declarations of dividends and other matters that, under Cayman Islands law, may not be delegated to a committee of the board of directors. The principal duties of the executive committee are as follows:

to develop and implement our policies, plans and strategies; and

to approve, modify or reject certain acquisitions or investments.

The executive committee currently is composed of Messrs. Castleman (Chairman), Rogers, Fordyce, and Johnson (non-voting).

Codes of Conduct and Ethics and Corporate Governance Guidelines

Our board of directors has adopted a code of business conduct and ethics applicable to our directors, officers and employees in accordance with applicable rules and regulations of the SEC and the NYSE. To the extent they are not already embodied therein, we will, prior to the completion of this offering, supplement this code with corporate governance guidelines in accordance with the rules and regulations of the NYSE. Our code of ethics and conduct is available on our website.

PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS

Whitney V, L.P. and Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P. (together with certain affiliated investment funds) and CCG Investments (BVI),
 L.P. (together with certain of its co-investment funds), as well as selected members of our distributor organization and our management are the owners of all of the outstanding capital stock of Herbalife. The address for Whitney V, L.P. and Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P. is c/o
 Whitney & Co., LLC, 177 Broad Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901. The address for CCG Investments (BVI), L.P. is c/o Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc., One Embarcadero Center, 33rd Floor, San Francisco, California 94111.

Herbalife's outstanding securities, as of June 30, 2004, consisted of 104.2 million common shares, par value \$0.001 per share, each share being entitled to one vote on matters submitted to shareholders' vote.

Management participates in our equity through option grants by Herbalife under a stock incentive plan. See "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions Certain Transactions Relating to Herbalife WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan."

The following table shows the beneficial ownership of common shares of Herbalife as of June 30, 2004, and thus the indirect beneficial ownership of the equity interest of Herbalife International as of that date, (1) each of Herbalife's and Herbalife International's directors, (2) each of our five mostly highly compensated executive officers, (3) all directors and executive officers as a group and (4) each person or entity known to Herbalife to beneficially own more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding common shares of Herbalife.

For purposes of this table, information as to the number and percentage of shares beneficially owned is calculated based on the number of common shares outstanding as of June 30, 2004.

	Beneficial Ownership of Herbalife Number of Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to this Offering	
Name and address of beneficial owner	Number	%
Whitney V, L.P.**	52,032,570	50.0%
Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P.**	456,460	*
Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P.**	805,585	*
Green River Offshore Fund**	85,929	*
Total	53,380,544	51.3%
CCG Investments (BVI), L.P.***	26,454,793	25.4%
CCG Associates QP, LLC***	1,329,857	1.3%
CCG Associates AI, LLC***	123,654	*
CCG Investment Fund AI, LP***	354,406	*
CCG AV, LLC Series C***	872,712	*
CCG AV, LLC Series E***	708,836	*
CCG CI***	452,484	*
Total	30,296,742	29.1%
Peter M. Castleman ⁽²⁾ **	53,380,544	51.3%
James H. Fordyce**	0	*
Jesse T. Rogers ⁽³⁾ ***	30,296,742	29.1%
Kenneth J. Diekroeger ⁽³⁾ ***	30,296,742	29.1%
Leslie Stanford ⁽⁴⁾ ****	2,582,955	2.5%
Markus Lehman****	1,105,682	1.1%
Charles L. Orr ⁽⁵⁾ ****	54,205	*
Henry Burdick ⁽⁶⁾ ****	1,312,181	1.3%
Michael O. Johnson ⁽⁷⁾ ****	1,740,701	1.7%
Brian L. Kane ⁽⁸⁾ ****	1,008,641	*
Gregory Probert ⁽⁹⁾ ****	250,000	*
David Kratochvil ⁽¹⁰⁾ ****	133,409	*
John B. Purdy ⁽¹¹⁾ ****	155,000	*
Robert Levy ⁽¹²⁾ ***	133,409	*
All Directors and Executive Officers as a Group (18 persons)		
Total	92,153,469	85.6%

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Less than 1%.

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c/o Whitney & Co., LLC, 177 Broad Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901.

c/o Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc., One Embarcadero Center, 33rd Floor, San Francisco, California 94111.

c/o Herbalife International, Inc., 1800 Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067.

(1)

Applicable percentage of ownership as of June 30, 2004 is based upon 104,164,038 common shares outstanding, and the relevant number of shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of stock options which are exercisable presently or within 60 days.Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and includes voting and

investment power with respect to shares. Unless otherwise indicated below, to our knowledge, all persons listed below have sole voting and investment power with respect to their common shares,

except to the extent authority is shared by spouses under applicable law and to the extent provided in the shareholders' agreement. See "Certain Relationships and Related Transactions Certain Transactions Relating to Herbalife Shareholders' Agreement." Pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the number of common shares deemed outstanding includes shares issuable pursuant to options or warrants held by the respective person or group which may be exercised within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

(2)

Represents shares beneficially owned by Whitney V, L.P., Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P., Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P. and Green River Offshore Fund. Mr. Castleman is a managing member of the entities that are the general partners of Whitney V, L.P., Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P., and Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P., and accordingly he may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of such shares as well as the shares owned by Green River Offshore Fund. Mr. Castleman disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares owned by Whitney V, L.P., Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P., Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P. and Green River Offshore Fund, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in each such entity.

(3)

Represents shares beneficially owned by CCG Investments (BVI), L.P., CCG Associates QP, LLC, CCG Associates AI, LLC, CCG Investment Fund AI, LP, CCG AV, LLC Series C, CCG AV, LLC- Series E and CCG CI, LLC, the "Golden Gate Entities." Messrs. Rogers and Diekroeger are managing members of the entities that are general partners of the Golden Gate Entities. Accordingly, they may be deemed to share beneficial ownership of such shares. Each of Messrs. Rogers and Diekroeger disclaim beneficial ownership of all shares owned by the Golden Gate Entities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in the Golden Gate Entities.

(4)

Represents shares beneficially owned by Leslie Stanford though Blueline Capital, LLC.

(5)

Mr. Orr was granted 50,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 50,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 40,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

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Mr. Burdick was granted 50,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 50,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 40,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004. In addition, the Board granted Mr. Burdick options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$0.44 and options to purchase 300,000 common shares of Herbalife at a strike price of \$1.76. These 600,000 options have vested and are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004. Mr. Burdick was granted an additional 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 80,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.28 per share \$0,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.28 per share \$0,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$2.28 per share \$0,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.232 per share, of which 104,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

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Mr. Johnson was granted 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share, 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$5.28 per share 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$8.80 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share and 1,182,369 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.32 per share, of which 1,537,081 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

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Mr. Kane was granted 1,207,583 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 603,792 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 724,550 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

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Mr. Probert was granted 250,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$2.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$3.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$5.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$5.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$5.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$5.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$2.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$2.50 per share, 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$2.50 per share, of which 250,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

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Mr. Kratochvil was granted 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 105,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

(11)

Mr. Purdy was granted 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 105,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

(12)

Mr. Levy was granted 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and 150,000 options to purchase common shares of Herbalife at an exercise price of \$1.76 per share, of which 105,000 are exercisable within 60 days of June 30, 2004.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

Redemption of Preferred Shares

A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the 9¹/₂% Notes was applied to pay the original issue price for all of our outstanding 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares (the "Preferred Shares"). To permit us to convert the Preferred Shares, we amended our charter documents to permit our board of directors to elect to convert all of the outstanding Preferred Shares into the right to receive a cash payment, for each Preferred Share converted, equal to the original issue price for the Preferred Shares (\$1.76 per share), and all accrued and unpaid dividends, plus one common share of the Company. In connection with the consummation of this repurchase, all of the 2.0 million outstanding warrants to purchase our Preferred Shares were exercised in exchange for our Preferred Shares, and all of our Preferred Shares (including the Preferred Shares issuable upon the exercise of the warrants) were then converted into an aggregate of approximately 104.1 million of our common shares.

All of the outstanding Preferred Shares, immediately prior to their conversion into common shares, were held by the Equity Sponsors and their affiliates, certain members of our management, and selected distributors. In addition, affiliates of the Equity Sponsors and GarMark Partners, L.P. ("GarMark") held warrants to purchase an aggregate of 2,040,816 of the Preferred Shares. These parties held certain rights that may have presented an actual or potential conflict of interest in connection with our proposal to convert the Preferred Shares.

Certain Equity Sponsors (and/or their affiliates) and the selected distributors holding Preferred Shares were and are parties to a shareholders' agreement pursuant to which they have certain rights to determine the composition of our board of directors. See "Shareholders' Agreement."

In addition, an affiliate of Whitney, one of the Equity Sponsors, was a party to a securities purchase agreement providing that affiliate with the right to designate one observer to our board of directors to attend each meeting of the board and each meeting of the committees of the board for so long as that party holds at least \$10 million of our 15.5% senior notes (the "Senior Notes") (subject to certain exceptions). We purchased all of the Senior Notes on March 8, 2004. See " Purchase of Senior Notes."

Purchase of Senior Notes

A portion of the proceeds from the offering of the $9^{1}/_{2}$ % Notes was applied to purchase our Senior Notes (face value \$38.0 million) at a negotiated price.

All of the Senior Notes, immediately prior to the closing of their repurchase, were held by GarMark, Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P. ("Whitney Private Debt"), and Green River Offshore Fund Ltd. ("Green River"). Whitney Private Debt and Green River are affiliates of Whitney. GarMark purchased \$23 million in principal amount of the Senior Notes and received Warrants for 1,235,231 of the Preferred Shares and Whitney Private Debt purchased \$15 million in principal amount of the Senior Notes and received warrants for 805,585 of the Preferred Shares on July 31, 2002 pursuant to a Securities Purchase Agreement (the "Securities Purchase Agreement") among Herbalife, as issuer, and GarMark and Whitney Private Debt, as purchasers. On November 27, 2002, Green River purchased \$1.6 million in principal amount of the Senior Notes from GarMark and received Warrants for 85,929 of the Preferred Shares from GarMark.

The holders of the Senior Notes held certain rights that may have presented an actual or potential conflict of interest in connection with our proposal to purchase the Senior Notes. The Securities Purchase Agreement provided that each holder of \$10 million or more of the Senior Notes (subject to certain exceptions) could designate one observer to our board of directors to attend each meeting of the Board and each meeting of the committees of the board. Each of Whitney Private Debt and GarMark held \$10 million or more of the Senior Notes. In addition, certain affiliates of Whitney were and are parties to a shareholders' agreement with certain of our other shareholders pursuant to which Whitney V, L.P., an affiliate of Whitney V, L.P. and CCG Investments (BVI), L.P., an affiliate of Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc. This agreement will terminate upon the consummation of this offering.

On February 3, 2004, the board of directors approved the offering of the 9¹/₂% Notes, the repurchase of our Senior Notes and the related transactions, subject to development of the final terms and the approval of those terms by a Special Offering Committee of the board of directors established to determine and approve on our behalf the final terms of the 9¹/₂% Notes and the related transactions. During that portion of the meeting relating to the discussion and approval of the purchase of the Senior Notes (a portion of which are owned by Whitney and its affiliates), Messrs. Peter M. Castleman, James H. Fordyce, John C. Hockin and Steven E. Rodgers, members of our board of directors at the time of the offering of the 9¹/₂% Notes who are also partners of Whitney and various of its affiliates, abstained from the discussion and vote. The remaining members of the board, after considering relevant factors, determined that the purchase of our Senior Notes was desirable and in the best interests of the Company, and approved the purchase of the Senior Notes at such price and on such terms as the Special Offering Committee deemed appropriate in connection with the sale of the 9¹/₂% Notes.

On March 3, 2004, the Special Offering Committee approved the final terms of the $9^{1/2}$ % Notes and the related transactions, with those of its members who are affiliated with Whitney abstaining from the discussion and vote concerning the purchase of the Senior Notes.

Certain Transactions Relating to Herbalife

Transactions in securities

Selected members of our distributor organization and senior management have purchased, either from us or from the Equity Sponsors, our Preferred Shares. The price paid by participating members of our distributor organization and senior management to the Equity Sponsors in the August and October 31, 2002 offering was \$1.76 per share. In connection with the January 31, 2003 offering to members of our President's Team by the Equity Sponsors, the price paid by distributors to the Equity Sponsors was \$1.97 per share. In connection with the May 30, 2003, offering by the Equity Sponsors to members of our President's Team and by us to members of our Chairman's Club, the price paid by members of our President's Team to the Equity Sponsors and by members of our Chairman's Club to us was \$2.21 per share. Michael O. Johnson, our Chief Executive Officer, purchased from us 203,620 shares on June 24, 2003. The price paid by Mr. Johnson was the same price paid by members of our distributor organization in the May 30th offering.

In connection with a separation and general release agreement with Mr. Francis X. Tirelli effective December 24, 2002, the Equity Sponsors repurchased 284,091 Preferred Shares held by Mr. Tirelli at a purchase price of \$1.78 per share.

Share purchase agreement

Certain Equity Sponsors (and/or their affiliates) were and are parties to a Share Purchase Agreement (the "Share Purchase Agreement") pursuant to which they originally purchased our Preferred Shares. Under the terms of the Share Purchase Agreement, the Equity Sponsors can, subject to approval by our board of directors and 75% of our shareholders, require us to pay a dividend to all of our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them resulting from their ownership of our shares. We have recently completed our analysis with regard to this potential payment and based on this analysis, we may be required to make a \$1.4 million payment to our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them for the year ended December 31, 2003. In addition, we may be required to make a payment to our shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them for the year ended December 31, 2004. We have not yet determined the amount, if any, that could be payable in connection with the 2004 taxes. Both amounts would become distributable to the shareholders if and when the board of directors and 75% of our shareholders approve the payment of these amounts. As of the date of this filing, our board of directors has not made a determination to make these distributions. If and when such a determination is made, these amounts will be recorded as dividends.

Registration rights agreement

Members of our distributor organization holding our equity securities are also party to a registration rights agreement between the Equity Sponsors and Herbalife (the "Herbalife registration rights agreement"). Under this registration rights agreement, the Equity Sponsors have unlimited "demand" registration rights permitting them to cause us, subject to certain restrictions, to register certain equity securities and to participate in registrations by us of our equity securities, subject to certain restrictions. Upon an initial public offering, if the Equity Sponsors shall include their shares for registration, the other shareholders may also participate in the offering as selling shareholders.

In addition to an initial public offering, if we at any time propose to register any of our securities under the Securities Act for sale to the public, in certain circumstances holders of Preferred Shares or common shares issued upon conversion of the Preferred Shares (including distributor shareholders) may require us to include their shares in the securities to be covered by the registration statement. Such registration rights are subject to customary limitations specified in the Herbalife registration rights agreement.

Indemnity agreement

In connection with the purchase of Preferred Shares, Herbalife and WH Acquisition Corp. entered into an indemnity agreement with the Equity Sponsors pursuant to which Herbalife and Herbalife International (as successor-in-interest to WH Acquisition Corp.) agreed to indemnify the Equity Sponsors for losses and claims resulting from, arising out of or any way related to the Acquisition, including existing litigation. Whitney had been sued in San Francisco by Rosemont Associates and Joseph Urso for \$20 million in a suit alleging breach of contract, breach of covenants of good faith and fair dealing, *quantum meruit* and other causes of action arising out of the sale of Herbalife International to Whitney and others. This lawsuit was settled for an undisclosed sum that is not material to us or our financial condition.

Agreements with the Equity Sponsors

In connection with the Acquisition, we entered into various agreements with the Equity Sponsors. Pursuant to the monitoring fee agreements entered into in connection with the Acquisition, Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC, an affiliate of CCG Investments (BVI), L.P., conduct certain activities related to such parties' and its affiliates' investments in Herbalife. These activities include activities related to the general management of Herbalife and its subsidiaries, identification and analysis of potential acquisitions and dispositions by Herbalife and its subsidiaries, support, negotiation and analysis of financing alternatives for Herbalife and its subsidiaries, and other activities necessary or advisable with respect to the monitoring of Herbalife.

In consideration of these services, Herbalife International pays to Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC, quarterly, fees for monitoring services rendered (determined on an hourly basis), and such obligations are guaranteed by us. Such monitoring fees are currently being paid quarterly at a rate of \$5.0 million per annum, divided between Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC at a ratio of 65% to 35%, respectively. Herbalife International also agreed to reimburse Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses and to pay additional transaction fees to them in the event Herbalife and/or any of its subsidiaries completes add-on acquisitions, divestitures, a transaction resulting in a change of control (as defined therein) or financing involving Herbalife and/or any of its subsidiaries, and that such obligations shall be guaranteed by Herbalife. In fiscal 2003, Herbalife International reimbursed Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC approximately \$3.1 million for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred since the date of the Acquisition through the payment date which were invoiced during fiscal 2003. We currently anticipate that we will engage in discussions with the



Equity Sponsors concerning the termination of these agreements prior to the consummation of this offering. We do not anticipate that these agreements will remain in place subsequent to this offering.

We have also agreed to provide customary joint and several indemnification to Whitney and GGC Administration, LLC. See " Indemnity Agreement."

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan

We have established a stock incentive plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase our common shares and stock appreciation rights to employees and consultants of Herbalife International. The incentive plan is administered by a committee appointed by the board of directors of Herbalife. In addition, we intend to establish a new 2004 Stock Incentive Plan prior to the consummation of this offering that will provide for grants of awards to our directors, officers, employees and consultants. See " Description of Benefit Plans" and " Employment Contracts."

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan

We have established an independent directors stock option plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase our common shares to our independent directors. Directors who are our employees or any of our affiliates or have been designated as directors by our affiliates or our distributors are not independent directors for purposes of director compensation. We have granted options to Henry Burdick and Charles Orr under this plan.

Special Cash Dividend

We intend to use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering and the Transactions to pay a \$200.0 million special cash dividend to our current shareholders. This dividend will be paid on a pro rata basis to our current shareholders. Assuming no exercise of outstanding options, Whitney and Golden Gate will receive approximately and , respectively, based on the number of shares they beneficially own. See "Principal Shareholders". If outstanding options are exercised prior to the consummation of this offering, then Whitney and Golden Gate will receive approximately and , respectively.

All agreements between Herbalife and related parties that will remain in effect upon the consummation of this offering are on terms as favorable as could have been obtained from unrelated third parties.

DESCRIPTION OF SHARE CAPITAL

The following description of our share capital is based on our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association, which we intend to adopt immediately prior to the closing of this offering following a shareholders' meeting that we intend to hold in the fourth quarter to seek approval of the amendments set forth therein (assuming that the amended and restated memorandum and articles of association is approved by our shareholders). Throughout this description, we refer to our amended and restated memorandum and articles of association as simply our memorandum and articles of association. Our authorized share capital consists of 500,000,000 common shares and 7,500,000 preference shares, each with a par value of \$.001 per share. Upon completion of this offering, we will have outstanding common shares, assuming that there are no exercises of outstanding options after

We are a Cayman Islands exempted company and our affairs are governed by our memorandum and articles of association, the Companies Law (2004 Revision) and the common law of the Cayman Islands. The following are summaries of material provisions of our memorandum and articles of association and the Companies Law insofar as they relate to the material terms of our common shares. Complete copies of our memorandum and articles of association are filed as exhibits to our public filings.

Common Shares

General. All the issued and outstanding common shares are fully paid and nonassessable. Certificates representing the common shares are issued in registered form. The common shares are issued when registered in the register of shareholders of Herbalife. The common shares are not entitled to any sinking fund or pre-emptive or redemption rights. Our shareholders may freely hold and vote their shares.

Voting Rights. Each common share is entitled to one vote on all matters upon which the common shares are entitled to vote, including the election of directors. Voting at any meeting of shareholders is by a poll. Our articles of association do not provide for actions by written consent of shareholders.

The required quorum for a meeting of our shareholders consists of a number of shareholders present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote that represents the holders of not less than a majority of our issued voting share capital. We will hold an annual general meeting of shareholders at such time and place as the Board of Directors may determine. In addition, the Board of Directors may convene a general meeting of shareholders at any time upon five days' notice. Further, general meetings (other than the annual general meeting) may also be convened upon written requisition of shareholders holding in aggregate 30% or more of issued voting share capital, which requisition must state the object for the general meeting.

Subject to the quorum requirements referred to in the paragraph above, any ordinary resolution to be made by the shareholders requires the affirmative vote of a simple majority of the votes attaching to the common shares cast in a general meeting of the Company, while a special resolution requires the affirmative vote of 66²/₃% of the votes cast attaching to the common shares. A special resolution is required for matters such as a change of name, amending our memorandum and articles of association and placing us into voluntary liquidation. Holders of common shares, which are currently the only shares carrying the right to vote at our general meetings, have the power, among other things, to elect directors, ratify the appointment of auditors and make changes in the amount of our authorized share capital. To the extent that the Equity Sponsors' ownership of our common shares is less than 66²/₃%, the Equity Sponsors will not be able to unilaterally approve corporate actions that require special resolutions.

Dividends. The holders of our common shares are entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by our board of directors. Dividends may be paid only out of profits, which include net earnings and retained earnings undistributed in prior years, and out of share premium, a concept analogous to paid-in surplus in the United States, subject to a statutory solvency test.

Liquidation. If we are to be liquidated, the liquidator may, with the approval of the shareholders, divide among the shareholders in cash or in kind the whole or any part of our assets, may determine how such division shall be carried out as between the shareholders or different classes of shareholders, and may vest the whole or any part of such assets in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the shareholders as the liquidator, with the approval of the shareholders, sees fit, provided that a shareholder shall not be compelled to accept any shares or other assets which would subject the shareholder to liability.

Miscellaneous. Share certificates registered in the names of two or more persons are deliverable to any one of them named in the share register, and if two or more such persons tender a vote, the vote of the person whose name first appears in the share register will be accepted to the exclusion of any other.

Anti-Takeover Provisions

General. Our articles of associations have provisions that could have an anti-takeover effect. These provisions are intended to enhance the ability of the board of directors to deal with unsolicited takeover attempts by increasing the likelihood of continuity and stability in the composition of the board of directors. These provisions could have the effect of discouraging transactions that may involve an actual or threatened change of control of Herbalife.

Classified Board. The articles provide that our board of directors will be divided into three classes serving staggered three-year terms. The board of directors does not have the power to remove directors. Vacancies on the board of directors may be filled only by the remaining directors and not by the shareholders. These provisions could have the effect of precluding an acquiror from removing incumbent directors and simultaneously gaining control of the board of directors by filling the vacancies created by the removal of directors with its own nominees, unless the acquiror controls at least two-thirds of the combined voting power of the common shares (the percentage necessary to adopt a special resolution to amend these provisions). This could result in delaying a shareholder from obtaining majority representation on the board of directors.

Number of Directors. The articles provide that the board of directors will consist of not less than one director or more than fifteen directors, the exact number to be set from time to time by a majority of the whole board of directors. Accordingly, the board of directors, and not the shareholders, has the authority to determine the number of directors and could delay any shareholder from obtaining majority representation on the board of directors by enlarging the board of directors and filling the new vacancies with its own nominees until a general meeting at which directors are to be appointed.

Advance Notice Provisions. The articles establish an advance notice procedure that must be followed by shareholders if they wish to nominate candidates for election as directors at an annual general meeting of shareholders or to submit a proposal for consideration at a general meeting of shareholders. The articles provide generally that, if you desire to nominate a candidate for election as a director at an annual general meeting of shareholders (including an annual general meeting), you must give us notice not earlier than the 150th day prior to such general meeting and not later than the 90th day prior to such general meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the general meeting.

Action Only by General Meeting and not by Written Consent. Subject to the terms of any other class of shares in issue, any action required or permitted to be taken by the holders of common shares must be taken at a duly called annual or extraordinary general meeting of shareholders and not by written consent of the holders of the common shares. General meetings may be called by the board or upon written requisition of shareholders holding in aggregate, 30% or more of issued voting capital, which requisition must state the objects for the general meeting.

Undesignated Preference Shares Pursuant to our articles of association, our board of directors has the authority, without further action by the shareholders, to issue up to 7.5 million preference shares in one or

more series and to fix the designations, powers, preferences, privileges, and relative participating, optional or special rights and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, including dividend rights, conversion rights, voting rights, terms of redemption and liquidation preferences, any or all of which may be greater than the rights of the common shares. Our board of directors, without shareholder approval, may issue preference shares with voting, conversion or other rights that could adversely affect the voting power and other rights of holders of our common shares. Subject to the directors' duty of acting in the best interest of Herbalife, preference shares can be issued quickly with terms calculated to delay or prevent a change in control of us or make removal of management more difficult. Additionally, the issuance of preference shares may have the effect of decreasing the market price of the common shares, and may adversely affect the voting and other rights of the holders of common shares. No preference shares have been issued and we have no present plans to issue any preference shares.

Restrictions on Business Combinations. As a Cayman Islands company, Herbalife is not subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which restricts business combinations with interested stockholders. However, Articles 107-113 of our articles contains provisions that largely mirror the intention of Section 203 and generally prohibit "business combinations" between Herbalife and an "interested shareholder." Specifically, "business combinations" between an "interested shareholder" and Herbalife are prohibited for a period of three years after the time the interested shareholder acquired its shares, unless:

the business combination or the transaction resulting in the person becoming an interested shareholder is approved by the board of directors prior to the date the interested shareholder acquired Herbalife's shares;

the interested shareholder acquired at least 85% of Herbalife's shares in the transaction in which it became an interested shareholder; or

the business combination is approved by a majority of the board of directors and by the affirmative vote of disinterested shareholders holding at least two-thirds of the shares generally entitled to vote.

For purposes of this provision, "business combinations" is defined broadly to include mergers, consolidations of majority owned subsidiaries, sales or other dispositions of assets having an aggregate value in excess of 10% of the consolidated assets of Herbalife, and most transactions that would increase the interested shareholder's proportionate share ownership in Herbalife.

"Interested shareholder" is defined as a person who, together with any affiliates and/or associates of that person, beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 15% or more of the issued voting shares of Herbalife.

Fair Price Provisions. Article 107 contains a "fair price" anti-takeover provision. This provision requires the approval of at least 80% of the voting shares before Herbalife may enter into certain "business combinations" with an "interested shareholder" unless:

the business combination is approved by a majority of the disinterested members of the board of directors; or

the aggregate amount of cash and the fair market value of the consideration other than cash to be received by the shareholders in the business combination meets certain specified threshold minimum standards;

and certain specified events have occurred or failed to occur, as applicable.

For purposes of the fair price provisions, "business combination" is broadly defined to include mergers and consolidations of Herbalife or its subsidiaries with an interested shareholder or any other person that is or would be an interested shareholder after such transaction; a sale, exchange or mortgage of assets having a fair market value of \$1.0 million or more to an interested shareholder or any affiliate of an interested shareholder; the issuance or transfer of securities in Herbalife or its subsidiaries having a fair market value of \$1.0 million or more to an interested shareholder or any affiliate of an interested shareholder or any affiliate of an interested

shareholder; the adoption of a plan of liquidation or dissolution proposed by any interested shareholder or any affiliate of an interested shareholder; and any reclassification of securities or other transaction which has the effect, directly or indirectly, of increasing the number of shares beneficially owned by any interested shareholder or any affiliate of an interested shareholder. "Interested shareholder" is generally defined as a person who, together with any affiliates of that person, beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 5% or more of the combined voting power of the then issued and outstanding shares of Herbalife.

Differences in Corporate Law

The Companies Law is modeled after that of England but does not follow recent United Kingdom statutory enactments and differs from laws applicable to U.S. corporations and their shareholders. Set forth below is a summary of the significant differences between the provisions of the Companies Law applicable to us and the laws applicable to companies incorporated in the United States and their shareholders.

Mergers and Similar Arrangements. Cayman Islands law does not provide for mergers as that expression is understood under U.S. corporate law. While Cayman Islands law does have statutory provisions that provide for the reconstruction and amalgamation of companies, which are commonly referred to in the Cayman Islands as a "scheme of arrangement," the procedural and legal requirements necessary to consummate these transactions are more rigorous and take longer to complete than the procedures typically required to consummate a merger in the United States. Under Cayman Islands law and practice, a scheme of arrangement in relation to a solvent Cayman Islands company must be approved at a shareholders' meeting by a majority of the company's shareholders who are present and voting (either in person or by proxy) at such meeting. The shares voted in favor of the scheme of arrangement must also represent at least 75% of the value of each class of the company's shareholders (excluding the shares owned by the parties to the scheme of arrangement) present and voting at the meeting. The convening of these meetings and the terms of the amalgamation must also be sanctioned by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands. Although there is no requirement to seek the consent of the creditors of the parties involved in the scheme of arrangement, the Grand Court typically seeks to ensure that the creditors have consented to the transfer of their liabilities to the surviving entity or that the scheme of arrangement does not otherwise materially adversely affect creditors' interests. Furthermore, the court will only approve a scheme of arrangement if it is satisfied that:

the statutory provisions as to majority vote have been complied with;

the shareholders have been fairly represented at the meeting in question;

the scheme of arrangement is such as a businessman would reasonably approve; and

the scheme of arrangement is not one that would more properly be sanctioned under some other provision of the Companies Law.

If the scheme of arrangement is approved, the dissenting shareholder would have no rights comparable to appraisal rights, which would otherwise ordinarily be available to dissenting shareholders of U.S. corporations, providing rights to receive payment in cash for the judicially determined value of the shares.

In addition, if a third party purchases at least 90% of our outstanding shares pursuant to an offer within a four-month period of making such an offer, the purchaser may, during the following two months following expiration of the four-month period, require the holders of the remaining shares to transfer their shares on the same terms on which the purchaser acquired the first 90% of our outstanding shares. An objection can be made to the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, but this is unlikely to succeed unless there is evidence of fraud, bad faith, collusion or inequitable treatment of the shareholders.

Shareholders' Suits. Our Cayman Islands counsel is not aware of any reported class action or derivative action having been brought in a Cayman Islands court. In principle, we would normally be the

proper plaintiff in any action brought on behalf of the company, and a derivative action may not be brought by a minority shareholder. However, based on English authorities, which would in all likelihood be of persuasive authority in the Cayman Islands, exceptions to the foregoing principle apply in circumstances in which:

a company is acting or proposing to act illegally or outside the scope of its corporate authority;

the act complained of, although not acting outside the scope of its corporate authority, could be effected only if authorized by more than a simple majority vote;

the individual rights of the plaintiff shareholder have been infringed or are about to be infringed; or

those who control the company are perpetrating a "fraud on the minority."

Indemnification

Cayman Islands law does not limit the extent to which a company's articles of association may provide for indemnification of officers and directors, except to the extent any such provision may be held by the Cayman Islands courts to be contrary to public policy, such as to provide indemnification against civil fraud or the consequences of committing a crime. Our articles of association provide for indemnification of officers and directors for losses, damages, costs and expenses incurred in their capacities as such, except in the case of (a) any fraud or dishonesty of such director or officer, (b) such director's or officer's conscious, intentional or wilful breach of his obligation to act honestly, lawfully and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company, or (c) any claims or rights of action to recover any gain, personal profit, or other advantage to which the director or officer is not legally entitled.

We intend to enter into an indemnity agreement with each of our directors and officers to supplement the indemnification protection available under our articles of association. These indemnity agreements will generally provide that we will indemnify the parties thereto to the fullest extent permitted by law.

We also intend to maintain insurance to protect ourselves and our directors, officers, employees and agents against expenses, liabilities and losses incurred by such persons in connection with their services in the foregoing capacities.

The foregoing summaries are necessarily subject to the complete text of our articles of association and the indemnity agreements referred to above and are qualified in their entirety by reference thereto.

Inspection of Books and Records

Holders of our shares will have no general right under Cayman Islands law to inspect or obtain copies of our list of shareholders or our corporate records. However, we will provide our shareholders with annual audited consolidated financial statements.

Transfer Agent

U.S. Stock Transfer Corporation is the transfer agent for our common shares.

Listing

We expect to list our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "HLF".

Prohibited Sale of Securities under Cayman Islands Law

An exempted company such as us that is not listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange is prohibited from making any invitations to the public in the Cayman Islands to subscribe for any of its securities.

DESCRIPTION OF MATERIAL INDEBTEDNESS

Our Existing Indebtedness

Existing Credit Facility

Upon the consummation of the Acquisition, Herbalife International entered into senior credit facilities with various lenders, including Whitney Private Debt Fund, L.P., and UBS AG, Stamford Branch as administrative agent. We will use a portion of the proceeds from this offering to repay all outstanding indebtedness under the existing senior credit facility.

Existing 11³/4% Notes

On June 27, 2002, WH Acquisition Corp. issued \$165.0 million aggregate principal amount of 11³/4% senior subordinated notes due 2010. The 11³/4% Notes were initially purchased by UBS Warburg, LLC. The 11³/4% Notes were resold to various qualified institutional buyers and non-U.S. persons pursuant to Rule 144A and Rule 903 or Rule 904, respectively, under the Securities Act of 1933. Upon consummation of the merger of WH Acquisition Corp. with and into Herbalife International on July 31, 2002, Herbalife International assumed the obligations of WH Acquisition Corp. under the 11³/4% Notes. In September, 2003 Herbalife International repurchased \$5 million aggregate principal amount of the notes.

In conjunction with this offering, we intend to commence an offer to purchase any and all of the existing 11³/4% Notes with the proceeds of this offering. The closing of the offer to purchase will be conditional upon the receipt, through the offer to purchase, of the existing 11³/4% Notes representing at least a majority of the aggregate principal amount of such notes and the closing of this offering. We intend to acquire or redeem all or a significant portion of the 11³/4% Notes through this offer.

Existing 91/2% Notes

On March 8, 2004, Herbalife and WH Capital Corp. issued \$275.0 million aggregate principal amount of 9¹/2% notes due 2011. The 9¹/2% Notes were initially purchased by UBS Investment Bank. The 9¹/2% Notes were resold to various qualified institutional buyers and non-U.S. persons pursuant to Rule 144A and Rule 903 or Rule 904, respectively, under the Securities Act of 1933.

The 9¹/₂% Notes provide that, at any time on or prior to April 1, 2007, we may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the 9¹/₂% Notes at a redemption price of 109.50% of their principal amount, plus accrued interest, upon certain offerings of securities of Herbalife. We intend to redeem 40% of the 9¹/₂% Notes with the proceeds of this offering of our common shares.

Interest on the 9¹/2% Notes is payable semi-annually in arrear on April 1 and October 1 of each year, and the notes mature on April 1, 2011. The 9¹/2% Notes are the general unsecured obligations of Herbalife and WH Capital Corp., ranking equally with any of their existing and future senior indebtedness (other than Herbalife's guarantee of Herbalife International's obligations under its senior secured credit facilities, to which the 9¹/2% Notes are contractually subordinated), and senior to all of their future subordinated indebtedness. The 9¹/2% Notes are effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of Herbalife's subsidiaries (other than WH Capital Corp.).

Generally, the 9¹/2% Notes are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries. Under certain circumstance specified in the indenture, however, our subsidiaries may be required to guarantee Herbalife's and WH Capital Corp.'s obligations under the 9¹/2% Notes.

Herbalife and WH Capital Corp. have the option to redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at any time on or after April 1, 2008 at redemption prices declining ratably from 104.750% of their principal amount on April 1, 2008 to 100% of their principal amount on or after April 1, 2010, plus accrued interest. At any time on or prior to April 1, 2007, Herbalife and WH Capital Corp. may also redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the 9¹/₂% Notes at a redemption price of 109.50% of their principal amount,

plus accrued interest, upon certain offerings of securities of Herbalife. Upon a change of control, as defined in the indenture pursuant to which the $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes were issued, Herbalife and WH Capital Corp. are required to offer to purchase the $9^{1}/2\%$ Notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued interest.

In addition, at any time and from time to time prior to April 1, 2008, we may redeem some or all of the $9^{1}/2^{\%}$ Notes at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus a make-whole premium, plus accrued and unpaid interest and liquidated damages, if any, to the redemption date.

The indenture governing the 9¹/₂% Notes contains covenants that limits our and our subsidiaries' ability to, among other things:

pay dividends, redeem share capital or capital stock and make other restricted payments and investments;

incur additional debt or issue preferred shares;

allow the imposition of dividend or other distribution restrictions on our subsidiaries;

create liens on assets;

engage in transactions with affiliates;

guarantee other indebtedness of Herbalife; and

merge, consolidate or sell all or substantially all of our assets and the assets of our subsidiaries.

New Senior Credit Facility

Concurrently with the closing of this offering, we intend to enter into a new \$225.0 million senior secured credit facility with a syndicate of financial institutions, including affiliates of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated as joint lead arrangers and joint book-managers.

We expect that the new senior credit facility will be comprised of a senior secured revolving credit facility with a total principal amount of up to \$25.0 million, which we refer to as the new revolver, and a senior secured term loan facility in an aggregate principal amount of \$200.0 million, which we refer to as the new term loan.

We expect that the new revolver and the new term loan will each have a -year maturity. We expect the new term loan to amortize at a per annum rate not to exceed %.

We expect that the new senior credit facility will have customary features similar to other credit facilities of this nature, including but not limited to:

Interest Rate and Fees. We expect that borrowings will bear interest, at our option, for the new revolver facility and the new term loan at either the eurodollar rate plus a margin of between % and % or the base rate plus a margin of between % and %.

We also expect the new revolver will provide payment to the lenders of a commitment fee on any unused commitments equal to % per annum.

Mandatory Prepayments. We expect that the new senior credit facility will require us to prepay loans outstanding thereunder with, subject to certain conditions and exceptions, the cash proceeds received by us from any loss, damage, destruction or condemnation of or any sale, transfer or other disposition of any assets, and the net cash proceeds from the incurrence of indebtedness by us.

Voluntary Prepayments. We expect that the new senior credit facility will provide for voluntary commitment reductions under the new revolver and prepayment of the new term loan, subject to certain conditions and restrictions.

Covenants. We expect that the new senior credit facility will require that we meet certain financial tests. We also expect that our new senior credit facility will contain customary covenants and restrictions, including, among others, limitations or prohibitions on declaring and paying dividends and other distributions, redeeming and repurchasing our other indebtedness, loans and investments, additional indebtedness, liens, asset sales and transactions with affiliates.

Guarantees. We expect that the new senior credit facility will be guaranteed on a senior secured basis by all of our direct and indirect wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries.

Collateral. We expect to give to the administrative agent on behalf of each lender a security interest in substantially all of our personal property including, without limitation, our intercompany debt, and the capital stock of our domestic subsidiaries.

Events of Default. We expect that our new senior credit facility will specify certain customary events of default.

SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for our common shares. Future sales of our common shares in the public market, or the availability of such shares for sale in the public market, could adversely affect market prices prevailing from time to time. As described below, only a limited number of shares will be available for sale shortly after this offering due to contractual and legal restrictions on resale. Nevertheless, sales of our common shares in the public market after such restrictions lapse, or the perception that those sales may occur, could adversely affect the prevailing market price at such time and our ability to raise equity capital in the future.

Sale of Restricted Shares

Upon the closing of this offering, we will have outstanding an aggregate of approximately common shares. Of these shares, the common shares to be sold in this offering will be freely tradable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act, unless the shares are held by any of our "affiliates" as such term is defined in Rule 144 of the Securities Act. All remaining shares held by our shareholders were issued and sold by us in private transactions and are eligible for public sale only if registered under the Securities Act or if such shareholders qualify for an exemption from registration under Rule 144 or Rule 701 under the Securities Act, which rules are summarized below.

As a result of the lock-up agreements described below and the provisions of Rule 144, Rule 144(k) and Rule 701 under the Securities Act, our common shares (excluding the shares sold in this offering) will be available for sale in the public market as follows:

shares will be eligible for sale on the date of this prospectus;

shares will be eligible for sale upon the expiration of the lock-up agreements, as more particularly and except as described below, beginning 180 days after the date of this prospectus; and

shares will be eligible for sale, upon the exercise of vested options, upon the expiration of the lock-up agreements, as more particularly and except as described below, beginning 180 days after the date of this prospectus.

Lock-up Agreements

Our shareholders, officers and directors have each signed a lock-up agreement which prevents him or her from selling any of our common shares or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for our common shares for a period of not less than 180 days from the date of this prospectus without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters. This 180 day period may be extended if (i) during the last 17 days of the 180-day period we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to us occurs; or (ii) prior to the expiration of the 180-day period, we announce that we will release earnings results during the 16- day period beginning on the last day of the 180-day period. The period of such extension will be 18 days, beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or material event. In addition, holders of outstanding options to acquire approximately of our common shares have entered into similar lock-up agreements with the underwriters. Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters, may in their sole discretion and at any time without notice release some or all of the shares subject to lock-up agreements prior to the expiration of the 180-day period. When determining whether or not to release shares from the lock-up agreements, Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters will consider, among other factors, a shareholder's reasons for requesting the release, the number of shares for which the release is being requested and market conditions at the time. See "Underwriters."

Rule 144

In general, under Rule 144 of the Securities Act, beginning 90 days after the date of this prospectus a person deemed to be our "affiliate," or a person holding restricted shares who beneficially owns shares that were not acquired from us or any of our "affiliates" within the previous year, is entitled to sell within any three-month period a number of shares that does not exceed the greater of either 1% of the then outstanding amount of our common shares, or approximately shares immediately after this offering assuming no exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option and no exercise of outstanding options, or the average weekly trading volume of our common shares on the New York Stock Exchange during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of a notice on Form 144 with respect to such sale. Sales under Rule 144 of the Securities Act are also subject to prescribed requirements relating to the manner of sale, notice and availability of current public information about us. However, if a person, or persons whose shares are aggregated, is not deemed to be our affiliate at any time during the 90 days immediately preceding the sale, he or she may sell his or her restricted shares under Rule 144(k) without regard to the limitations described above, if at least two years have elapsed since the later of the date the shares were acquired from us or any of our "affiliates."

Rule 701

In general, under Rule 701 of the Securities Act as currently in effect, any of our directors, employees, consultants or advisors who purchased shares from us in connection with a compensatory stock or option plan or written employment agreement is eligible to resell such shares 90 days after the effective date of the offering in reliance on Rule 144 of the Securities Act, by complying with the applicable requirements of Rule 144 of the Securities Act other than the holding period conditions. On the date 90 days after the effective date of this offering, options to purchase approximately of our common shares will be vested and exercisable and upon exercise and after expiration of the lock-up restrictions described above, may be sold pursuant to Rule 701 of the Securities Act.

Stock Plans

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-8 to register common shares issued or reserved for issuance under our option and employee stock purchase plans adopted prior to the date of this prospectus and expect to continue to register common shares that may be issued or reserved for issuance under our future option and employee stock purchase plans. Accordingly, shares registered under such registration statement will be available for sale in the open market, unless such shares are subject to vesting restrictions with us or the lock-up restrictions described above.

Registration Rights

Members of our distributor organization holding our equity securities are also party to a registration rights agreement between the Equity Sponsors and Herbalife (the "Herbalife registration rights agreement"). Under this registration rights agreement, the Equity Sponsors have unlimited "demand" registration rights permitting them to cause us subject to certain restrictions to register certain equity securities and to participate in registrations by us of our equity securities subject to certain restrictions. Upon an initial public offering, if the Equity Sponsors shall include their shares for registration, the other shareholders may also participate in the offering as selling shareholders.

In addition to an initial public offering, if we at any time propose to register any of our securities under the Securities Act for sale to the public, in certain circumstances holders of Preferred Shares or common shares issued upon conversion of the Preferred Shares (including distributor shareholders) may require us to include their shares in the securities to be covered by the registration statement. Such registration rights are subject to customary limitations specified in the Herbalife registration rights agreement.

UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following is a summary of the material U.S. federal income tax consequences, as of the date of this document, of the ownership of our common shares by beneficial owners that hold the common shares as capital assets and that are U.S. holders. As used herein, you are a U.S. holder if you are, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a citizen or resident of the U.S.;

a corporation or partnership created or organized in or under the laws of the U.S. or any political subdivision thereof;

an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust that (i) is subject to the supervision of a court within the U.S. and one or more U.S. persons control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (ii) has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

This summary is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions thereunder as of the date of this document, and such authorities may be repealed, revoked or modified so as to result in U.S. federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below. This summary does not represent a detailed description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you in light of your particular circumstances and prospective investors are urged to consult their tax advisors as to the tax consequences of an investment in our common shares, including the application to their particular situations of the tax considerations discussed below and the application of state, local, foreign or other federal tax laws. In addition, it does not represent a description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to you if you are subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws, including if you are:

a dealer in securities or currencies;

a trader in securities if you elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings;

a financial institution;

an insurance company;

a tax-exempt organization;

a person liable for alternative minimum tax;

an investor in a pass through entity;

a person holding common shares as part of a hedging, integrated or conversion transaction, constructive sale or straddle; or

a person whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar.

In particular, it does not represent a description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to you if you are a person owning, actually or constructively, 5% or more of our voting shares or 5% or more of the voting shares of any of our non-U.S. subsidiaries. Such holders are urged to consult their tax advisors as to the tax consequences of an investment in our common shares.

If a partnership holds our common shares, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner of a partnership holding our common shares, you are urged to consult your tax advisor.

Taxation of Dividends. The gross amount of distributions paid to you will generally be treated as foreign source dividend income to you if the distributions are made from our current or accumulated

earnings and profits, calculated according to U.S. federal income tax principles. Such income will be includible in your gross income on the day you actually or constructively receive it. Corporations that are U.S. holders will not be entitled to claim a dividends received deduction because we are not a U.S. corporation.

To the extent that the amount of any distribution exceeds our current and accumulated earnings and profits for a taxable year, the distribution will first be treated as a tax-free return of capital, causing a reduction in your adjusted tax basis in the common shares (thereby increasing the amount of gain, or decreasing the amount of loss, you will recognize on a subsequent disposition of the shares), and the balance in excess of your adjusted basis will be taxed as capital gain recognized on a sale or exchange. We did not have current or accumulated earnings and profits for U.S. federal income tax purposes for our taxable period ended December 31, 2003. There can be no assurance that we will not have current or accumulated earnings and profits in future years.

U.S. holders who are individuals will not be eligible for reduced rates of taxation applicable to certain dividend income (currently a maximum rate of 15% on qualifying dividends) on distributions made from our current or accumulated earnings and profits if we are a foreign personal holding company in the taxable year in which such dividends are paid or in the preceding taxable year. As discussed below in "Foreign Personal Holding Company," we believe we are not currently a foreign personal holding company.

If we make distributions before January 1, 2009 from our current or accumulated earnings and profits in years in which we are not a foreign personal holding company in the preceding year, U.S. holders who are individuals may be eligible for reduced rates of taxation applicable to dividend income so long as our shares are readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. We believe that our common shares, which are to be listed on the New York Stock Exchange, will be readily tradable on an established securities market in the United States. There can be no assurance that our common shares will continue to be regularly tradable on an established securities market in later years (or that our shares will be readily tradable on an established securities market in any given year). Individuals that do not meet a minimum holding period requirement during which they are not protected from the risk of loss or that elect to treat the dividend income as "investment income" pursuant to section 163(d)(4) of the Code will not be eligible for the reduced rates of taxation regardless of the trading status of our shares. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the application of these rules given their particular circumstances.

Foreign Personal Holding Company. A foreign corporation will be classified as a foreign personal holding company, or FPHC, if:

at any time during the corporation's taxable year, five or fewer individuals who are U.S. citizens or residents own, directly or indirectly (or by virtue of certain ownership attribution rules), more than 50% of the corporation's stock as determined by either voting power or value (we refer to this as the "shareholder test"); and

the corporation receives at least 60% of its gross income, or 50% after the initial year of qualification, as adjusted, for the taxable year from certain passive sources (we refer to this as the "income test").

A shareholder, and in certain circumstances, an indirect shareholder, of an FPHC would be required, regardless of such shareholder's percentage ownership interest, to include in income as a dividend, its pro rata share of the undistributed foreign personal holding company income of the FPHC if the shareholder owned shares on the last day of the FPHC's taxable year or, if earlier, the last day on which the FPHC satisfied the shareholder test. Foreign personal holding company income is generally equal to taxable income with certain adjustments. In determining its undistributed foreign personal holding company income, a shareholder of an FPHC is required to include as a deemed dividend its pro rata share of any

undistributed foreign personal holding company income of a subsidiary that is also an FPHC. In addition, a shareholder of an FPHC who acquired shares from a decedent would not receive a "stepped-up" basis in that stock. Instead, the shareholder would have a tax basis equal to the lower of the fair market value of the shares or the decedent's basis.

Currently we believe we do not meet the shareholder test. However, because we are a holding company and do not expect to generate operating income at the holding company level, we believe that our income generally will be passive income and, thus that we will satisfy the income test for the current year and will be treated as an FPHC if in any taxable year we satisfy the shareholder test. As discussed above under " Taxation of Dividends," U.S. holders who are individuals will not be eligible for reduced rates of taxation on any dividends received from us prior to January 1, 2009, if we are an FPHC in the taxable year in which such dividends are paid or in the preceding taxable year.

It is possible that changes in our shareholder base could cause us to be classified as an FPHC in the future. If we were to be classified as an FPHC, and if you own 5% or more in value of our outstanding stock, you would be subject to special information reporting requirements.

Controlled Foreign Corporation

We believe that we are a "controlled foreign corporation" for federal income tax purposes and as such, shareholders who own 10% or more of the outstanding shares will be subject to special tax treatment. Any prospective shareholders who contemplate owning 10% or more of our outstanding shares are urged to consult with their tax advisors with respect to the special rules applicable to 10% shareholders of controlled foreign corporations.

Disposition of Common Shares. When you sell or otherwise dispose of your common shares in a taxable transaction you will recognize capital gain or loss in an amount equal to the difference between the amount you realize for the shares and your adjusted tax basis in them. Such gain or loss will generally be capital gain or loss. Capital gains of individuals derived with respect to capital assets held for more than one year are eligible for reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. Any gain or loss recognized by you will generally be treated as U.S. source gain or loss.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding. In general, unless you are an exempt recipient such as a corporation, information reporting will apply to dividends in respect of the common shares or the proceeds received on the sale, exchange or redemption of those common shares paid to you within the U.S. and, in some cases, outside of the U.S. Additionally, if you fail to provide your taxpayer identification number, or fail either to report in full dividend and interest income or to make certain certifications, you will be subject to backup withholding. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against your U.S. federal income tax liability, provided that you furnish the required information to the Internal Revenue Service.

CAYMAN ISLANDS TAX CONSEQUENCES

The following is a discussion of certain Cayman Islands income tax consequences of an investment in the common shares. The discussion is a general summary of present law, which is subject to prospective and retroactive change. It is not intended as tax advice, does not consider any investor's particular circumstances, and does not consider tax consequences other than those arising under Cayman Islands law.

You will not be subject to Cayman Islands taxation on payments of dividends or upon the repurchase by us of your common shares. In addition, you will not be subject to withholding tax on payments of dividends or distributions, including upon a return of capital, nor will gains derived from the disposal of common shares be subject to Cayman Islands income or corporation tax. The Cayman Islands currently have no income, corporation or capital gains tax and no estate duty, inheritance tax or gift tax.

No Cayman Islands stamp duty will be payable by you in respect of the issue or transfer of common shares. However, an instrument transferring title to a common share, if brought to or executed in the Cayman Islands, would be subject to Cayman Islands stamp duty.

We have been incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands as an exempted company and, as such, obtained an undertaking in April, 2002, from the Governor in Council of the Cayman Islands substantially that, for a period of twenty years from the date of such undertaking, no law which is enacted in the Cayman Islands imposing any tax to be levied on profit or income or gains or appreciation shall apply to us and no such tax and no tax in the nature of estate duty or inheritance tax will be payable, either directly or by way of withholding, on our common shares.

Prospective investors should consult their professional advisers on the possible tax consequences of buying, holding or selling our common shares under the laws of their country of citizenship, residence or domicile.

UNDERWRITERS

Under the terms and subject to the conditions contained in an underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus, the underwriters named below, for whom Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated are acting as representatives, have each agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to them, severally, the number of shares indicated below:

Name	Number of Shares
Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated	
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	
Incorporated	
Banc of America Securities LLC	
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	
Credit Suisse First Boston LLC	
Total	

The underwriters are offering the common shares subject to their acceptance of the shares from us and subject to prior sale. The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the several underwriters to pay for and accept delivery of the common shares offered by this prospectus are subject to the approval of certain legal matters by their counsel and to certain other conditions. The underwriters are obligated to take and pay for all of the common shares offered by this prospectus if any such shares are taken. However, the underwriters are not required to take or pay for the shares covered by the underwriters' over-allotment option described below.

The underwriters initially propose to offer part of the common shares directly to the public at the public offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus and part to certain dealers at a price that represents a concession not in excess of \$ a share under the public offering price. Any underwriter may allow, and such dealers may reallow, a concession not in excess of \$ a share to other underwriters or to certain dealers. After the initial offering of the common shares, the offering price and other selling terms may from time-to-time be varied by the representatives.

We have granted to the underwriters an option, exercisable for 30 days from the date of this prospectus, to purchase up to an aggregate of additional common shares at the public offering price listed on the cover page of this prospectus, less underwriting discounts and commissions. The underwriters may exercise this option solely for the purpose of covering over-allotments, if any, made in connection with the offering of the common shares offered by this prospectus. To the extent the option is exercised, each underwriter will become obligated, subject to certain conditions, to purchase about the same percentage of the additional common shares as the number listed next to the underwriter's name in the preceding table bears to the total number of common shares listed next to the names of all underwriters in the preceding table. If the underwriters' option is exercised in full, the total price to the public would be \$345,000,000, the total underwriters' discounts and commissions would be \$and total proceeds to us would be \$.

The underwriters have informed us that they do not intend sales to discretionary accounts to exceed five percent of the total number of common shares offered by them.

We and all of our directors, executive officers and holders and optionholders of our outstanding shares have agreed that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters, we and they will not, during the period ending 180 days after the date of this prospectus:

offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant to purchase, lend or otherwise transfer or dispose

of, directly or indirectly, any common shares or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common shares; or

enter into any swap or other arrangement that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of the common shares

whether any transaction described above is to be settled by delivery of common shares or such other securities, in cash or otherwise. In addition, we and each such person agrees that, without the prior written consent of Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters, we and they will not, during the period ending 180 days after the date of this prospectus, make any demand for, or exercise any right with respect to, the registration of any common shares or any security convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common shares.

The restrictions described in this paragraph do not apply to:

the sale of shares to the underwriters;

the issuance by us of common shares upon the exercise of an option or a warrant or the conversion of a security outstanding on the date of this prospectus of which the underwriters have been advised in writing;

transactions by any person other than us relating to common shares or other securities acquired in open market transactions after the completion of the offering of the shares; or

transfers of shares as a gift or for no consideration; provided that each donee agrees to be subject to the restrictions described in the immediately preceding paragraph and no filing under Section 16 of the Exchange Act is required in connection with such transactions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) during the last 17 days of the 180-day restricted period we issue an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to us occurs, or (ii) prior to the expiration of the 180-day restricted period, we announce that we will release earnings results during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the 180-day period, the above restrictions shall continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or material event.

In order to facilitate this offering of the common shares, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the common shares. Specifically, the underwriters may sell more shares than they are obligated to purchase under the underwriting agreement, creating a short position. A short sale is covered if the short position is no greater than the number of shares available for purchase by the underwriters under the over-allotment option. The underwriters can close out a covered short sale by exercising the over-allotment option or purchasing shares in the open market. In determining the source of shares to close out a covered short sale, the underwriters may also sell shares in excess of the over-allotment option, creating a naked short position. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of the common shares, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, common shares in this offering. In addition, to stabilize the price of the common shares, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, common shares in this offering, if the syndicate repurchases previously distributed common shares to cover syndicate short positions or to stabilize the price of the common shares. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the common shares above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities, and may end any of these activities at any time.

We have applied to have our common shares approved for quotation on the New York Stock Exchange under the trading symbol "HLF."

The underwriters, on the one hand, and we, on the other hand, have agreed to indemnify each other against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

At our request, the underwriters have reserved for sale, at the initial offering price, up to shares offered in this prospectus for directors, officers, employees, business associates, and related persons of Herbalife. The number of common shares available for sale to the general public will be reduced to the extent such persons purchase such reserved shares. Any reserved shares which are not so purchased will be offered by the underwriters to the general public on the same basis as the other shares offered in this prospectus.

From time to time, the underwriters and their affiliates have provided, and expect to provide in the future, investment banking, commercial banking and other financial services to us for which they have received and may continue to receive customary fees and commissions.

Pricing of the Offering

Prior to this offering, there has been no public market for the common shares. The initial public offering price will be determined by negotiations between us and Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters. Among the factors to be considered in determining the initial public offering price will be our future prospects and those of our industry in general, our sales, earnings and certain other financial operating information in recent periods, and the price-earnings ratios, price-sales ratios, market prices of securities and certain financial and operating information of companies engaged in activities similar to those of ours. The estimated initial public offering price range set forth on the cover page of this preliminary prospectus is subject to change as a result of market conditions and other factors.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common shares to be sold in this offering will be passed upon by Maples and Calder, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. Some legal matters in connection with this offering will be passed upon for us by Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, Los Angeles, California. Certain legal matters in connection with this offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Los Angeles, California.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. as of December 31, 2003, and for the year then ended, have been included herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, appearing elsewhere herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Herbalife International, Inc., the predecessor, for the year ended December 31, 2001 and the seven months ended July 31, 2002 and WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., the successor, as of December 31, 2002 and for the five months ended December 31, 2002, included in this prospectus, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report appearing herein, and are so included in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may access and read our SEC filings, including the complete registration statement and all of the exhibits to it, through the SEC's web site (http://www.sec.gov). This site contains reports and other information that we file electronically with the SEC. The registration statement and other reports or information can be inspected, and copies may be obtained, at the Public Reference Room of the SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, at prescribed rates. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room of the SEC may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1, including exhibits, under the Securities Act of 1933 with respect to the common shares to be sold in this offering. This prospectus, which constitutes a part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information in the registration statement or the exhibits. Statements made in this prospectus regarding the contents of any contract, agreement or other document are only summaries and are not necessarily complete. With respect to each contract, agreement or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement, we refer you to the exhibit for a more complete description of the matter involved.

We intend to furnish our shareholders with annual reports containing consolidated financial statements audited by our independent auditors and to make available to our shareholders quarterly reports for the first three quarters of each fiscal year containing unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2003. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

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

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2003, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

KPMG LLP

Los Angeles, California February 19, 2004, except as to Note 17, which is as of March 8, 2004

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. and subsidiaries (the "Successor") as of December 31, 2002, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the five-month period ended December 31, 2002. We have also audited the related consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flows of Herbalife International, Inc. and subsidiaries (the "Predecessor"), a wholly owned subsidiary of the Successor, for the seven-month period ended July 31, 2002 and the year ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of Successor and Predecessor management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Successor as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the five-month period ended December 31, 2002, and the results of operations of the Predecessor and its cash flows for the seven-month period ended July 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Los Angeles, California February 19, 2004 (except for earning per share information as to which the date is October 1, 2004)

WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(as of December 31)

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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 21,580,000	\$ 22,526,000
Royalty overrides	69,062,000	76,522,000
Accrued compensation	22,443,000	19,127,000
Accrued expenses	47,341,000	59,669,000
Current portion of long term debt	19,160,000	72,377,000
Advance sales deposits	6,306,000	6,574,000
Income taxes payable	11,626,000	19,427,000
Total current liabilities	197,518,000	276,222,000
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Long-term debt, net of current portion, including related party debt of \$23.7 million (2003)		
and \$23.2 million (2002)	321,599,000	252,917,000
Deferred compensation liability	32,082,000	22,442,000
Deferred income taxes	110,707,000	111,910,000
Other non-current liabilities	2,525,000	2,685,000

	2002		2003
Total liabilities	664,43	1,000	666,176,000
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:			
Preferred shares, \$0.001 par value (aggregate liquidation preference \$446,241,000 (2003), and \$291,291,000 (2002)), 12% Series A Cumulative and Convertible, 106,000,000 (2003)			
and 103,000,000 (2002) shares authorized, 102,013,572 (2003) and 100,000,000 (2002)			
shares issued and outstanding	10	0,000	102,000
Common shares, \$0.001 par value, 250,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued and			
outstanding	177.20	0.000	102 407 000
Paid-in capital in excess of par value	177,30		183,407,000
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	9,000)	3,427,000
Retained earnings	14,00	5,000	50,852,000
Total shareholders' equity	191,27	4,000	237,788,000
TOTAL	\$ 855,70	5,000 \$	903,964,000

See the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

		2001		20		2003		
		Year ended December 31,		January 1 to July 31		August 1 to December 31		Year ended December 31,
		(predecessor)		(predecessor)	_	(successor)	_	(successor)
Product sales	\$	881,655,000	\$	554,693,000	\$	386,360,000	\$	995,120,000
Handling & freight income	_	138,475,000		89,495,000		63,164,000		164,313,000
Net sales		1,020,130,000		644,188,000		449,524,000		1,159,433,000
Cost of sales		241,522,000		140,553,000		95,001,000	_	235,785,000
Gross profit		778,608,000		503,635,000		354,523,000		923,648,000
Royalty overrides Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses, including \$8,400,000 (2003) and \$2,200,000 (period from August 1 to December 31, 2002) of related party		355,225,000		227,233,000		159,915,000		415,351,000
expenses		354,608,000		207,390,000		135,536,000		401,261,000
Acquisition transaction expenses				54,708,000		6,183,000		
Operating Income		68,775,000		14,304,000		52,889,000		107,036,000
Interest expense (income) net		(3,413,000)		(1,364,000)	_	23,898,000	_	41,468,000
Income before income taxes and minority		70 100 000		15 ((0.000		20.001.000		(5.5(0.000
Income taxes		72,188,000 28,875,000		15,668,000 6,267,000	_	28,991,000 14,986,000	_	65,568,000 28,721,000
Net income before minority interest Minority interest		43,313,000 725,000		9,401,000 189,000		14,005,000		36,847,000
NET INCOME	\$	42,588,000	\$	9,212,000	\$	14,005,000	\$	36,847,000
Earnings per share								
Basic	\$	1.40	\$	0.28	¢	0.14	¢	0.24
Diluted	\$	1.36	\$	0.27	\$	0.14	\$	0.34
Weighted average shares outstanding								
Basic		30,422,000		32,387,000		102 041 000		106 001 000
Diluted		31,250,000		33,800,000		102,041,000		106,891,000
Pro forma earnings per share (unaudited): Basic								
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WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Predecessor	Common Stock A	Common Stock B	Paid in Capital in Excess of Par Value	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Retained Earnings	Total Shareholders' Equity	Comprehensive Income
Balance at December 31, 2000	\$ 102,000	\$ 190,000	\$ 58,860,000	\$ (7,010,000) \$	170,259,000	\$ 222,401,000	
Issuance of 1,061,859 shares							
of Class A Common Stock							
and 1,298,965 Shares of Class B Common Stock under 1991							
Stock Option Plan and other	10.000	13,000	17,434,000		10,000	17,467,000	
Additional capital from tax		,				,,	
benefit of 1991 stock option							
plan			1,423,000			1,423,000	
Net income				((017 000)	42,588,000	42,588,000	
Translation adjustments				(6,817,000)		(6,817,000)	(6,817,000)
Unrealized gain on marketable securities				12,000		12,000	12,000
Cumulative effect on				12,000		12,000	12,000
accounting change				909,000		909,000	909,000
Unrealized gain (loss) on							
derivatives				4,815,000		4,815,000	4,815,000
Reclassification adjustments							
for gain (loss) on derivative instruments				(2,440,000)		(2, 440, 000)	(2,440,000)
instruments				(3,440,000)		(3,440,000)	(3,440,000)
Total comprehensive income							\$ 38,067,000
Cash dividends declared					(18,442,000)	(18,442,000)	
Balance at December 31, 2001	\$ 112,000	\$ 203,000	\$ 77,717,000	\$ (11,531,000) \$	194,415,000	\$ 260,916,000	
Issuance of 346,695 shares of		,		+ (,,,,+	.,,		
Class A Common Stock and							
1,139,237 Shares of Class B							
Common Stock under the							
1991 Stock Option Plan and	4.000	11,000	10 521 000			10 546 000	
other Additional capital from	4,000	11,000	10,531,000			10,546,000	
revaluation of stock options			980.000			980,000	
Additional capital from tax			,			,,	
benefit of 1991 stock option							
plan			3,042,000			3,042,000	
Other			375,000			375,000	
Net income				1 420 000	9,212,000	9,212,000	
Translation adjustments Unrealized gain on marketable				1,428,000		1,428,000	1,428,000
securities				14,000		14,000	14,000
Unrealized gain (loss) on				14,000		14,000	14,000
derivatives				(3,338,000)		(3,338,000)	(3,338,000)
Reclassification adjustments							
for gain (loss) on derivative							
instruments				1,315,000		1,315,000	1,315,000
Total comprehensive income							\$ 8,631,000
Cash dividends declared					(4,962,000)	(4,962,000)	
Balance at July 31, 2002	\$ 116,000	\$ 214,000	\$ 92,645,000	\$ (12,112,000) \$	198,665,000	\$ 279,528,000	

Successor		Preferred Stock	P	Paid in Capital in Excess of Par Value		umulated Other omprehensive ncome (Loss)	Retained Earnings		S	Total Shareholders' Equity		Comprehensive Income
Issuance of 100,000,000	¢	100.000	¢	175 508 000					¢	175 (02 000		
Preferred Shares Issuance of stock warrants	\$	100,000	\$	175,508,000					\$	175,608,000		
(Note 4)				1,800,000						1,800,000		
Net income				1,800,000			\$	14,005,000		14,005,000	\$	14,005,000
Translation adjustments					\$	302,000	Ψ	14,005,000		302,000	Ψ	302,000
Unrealized gain on					Ψ	502,000				502,000		502,000
marketable securities						4,000				4,000		4,000
Unrealized gain (loss) on												
derivatives						2,266,000				2,266,000		2,266,000
Reclassification adjustments												
for gain (loss) on derivative												
instruments						(2,711,000)				(2,711,000)		(2,711,000)
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Total comprehensive income											\$	13,866,000
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Balance at December 31,												
2002	\$	100,000	\$	177,308,000	\$	(139,000)	\$	14,005,000	\$	191,274,000		
Issuance of 2,013,572												
Preferred Shares		2,000		4,204,000						4,206,000		
Stock options				1,895,000				26.047.000		1,895,000	φ.	26.047.000
Net income						4 517 000		36,847,000		36,847,000	\$	36,847,000
Translation adjustments						4,517,000				4,517,000		4,517,000
Unrealized gain on						(4,000)				(4,000)		(1.000)
marketable securities						(4,000)				(4,000)		(4,000)
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives						(464,000)				(464,000)		(464,000)
Reclassification adjustments						(404,000)				(404,000)		(404,000)
for gain (loss) on derivative												
instruments						(483,000)				(483,000)		(483,000)
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Total comprehensive income											\$	40,413,000
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Balance at December 31,												
2003	\$	102,000	\$	183,407,000	\$	3,427,000	\$	50,852,000	\$	237,788,000		
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WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	2001	200)2	2003
	Year ended December 31,	January 1 to July 31	August 1 to December 31	Year ended December 31,
	(predecessor)	(predecessor)	(successor)	(successor)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net income	\$ 42,588,000	\$ 9,212,000	\$ 14,005,000	\$ 36,847,000
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:				
Depreciation and amortization	18,056,000	11,722,000	11,424,000	55,605,000
Amortization of discount and deferred financing costs			3,651,000	7,039,000
Deferred income taxes	(3,036,000)	3,186,000	(16,981,000)	(12,160,000)
Unrealized foreign exchange loss Loss on repurchase of senior subordinated notes	383,000	2,448,000	433,000	4,070,000 1,368,000
Minority interest in earnings	725,000	189,000		
Other Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	515,000	2,338,000	(719,000)	3,072,000
Receivables	(3,867,000)	(11,712,000)	11,408,000	(481,000)
Inventories	24,154,000	11,462,000	3,576,000	592,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(5,542,000)	(14,107,000)	9,972,000	(4,188,000)
Accounts payable	2,135,000	14,831,000	(12,132,000)	(821,000)
Royalty overrides	(8,206,000)	3,948,000	3,940,000	1,526,000
Accrued expenses and accrued compensation	15,557,000	1,895,000	(7,611,000)	5,045,000
Advance sales deposits	(163,000)	3,230,000	(3,277,000)	(454,000)
Income taxes payable	5,452,000	718,000	11,476,000	7,228,000
Deferred compensation liability	6,714,000	(1,459,000)	(1,126,000)	(9,640,000)
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NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	95,465,000	37,901,000	28,039,000	94,648,000
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Purchases of property	(10,940,000)	(4,741,000)	(2,190,000)	(13,601,000)
Proceeds from sale of property	145,000	191,000	46,000	53,000
Net change in restricted cash	143,000	191,000	(10,551,000)	4,850,000
Net changes in marketable securities	7,981,000	20,691,000	(10,551,000) (2,000)	1,268,000
Other assets	(1,644,000)	(2,300,000)	(421,000)	(298,000)
Deferred compensation assets	(11,908,000)	5,154,000	6,145,000	10,582,000
Acquisition of Herbalife International, Inc. (net of cash	(;,;,;)	-,,	-,,	,,,
acquired of \$201,821,000)			(449,073,000)	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING				
ACTIVITIES	(16,366,000)	18,995,000	(456,046,000)	2,854,000
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Dividends paid	(18,094,000)	(9,682,000)		
Distribution to minority interest	(1,272,000)	(4,598,000)		
Borrowings from long-term debt	1,903,000	29,000	383,199,000	6,508,000
Principal payments on long-term debt	(3,460,000)	(3,799,000)	(51,069,000)	(23,864,000)
Repurchase of senior subordinated notes	(3,100,000)	(3,777,000)	(51,005,000)	(5,681,000)
Increase in deferred financing costs		(27,788,000)	(16,219,000)	(0,001,000)
Exercise of stock options	17,467,000	10,546,000	(10,21),000)	
Issuance of preferred stock	17,107,000	10,010,000	175,608,000	4,206,000
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NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING				
ACTIVITIES	(3,456,000)	(35,292,000)	491,519,000	(18,831,000)
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EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH	(6,742,000)	980,000	689,000	7,807,000

		2001		2002			2003	
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NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		68,901,000		22,584,000		64,201,000		86,478,000
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD		110,336,000		179,237,000				64,201,000
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$	179,237,000	\$	201,821,000	\$	64,201,000	\$	150,679,000
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CASH PAID DURING THE YEAR								
Interest paid	\$	1,079,000	\$	287,000	\$	5,814,000	\$	35,866,000
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Income taxes paid	\$	28,693,000	\$	16,479,000	\$	10,986,000	\$	32,836,000
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NON CASH ACTIVITIES								
Acquisitions of property from capital leases	\$	3,811,000	\$	2,058,000	\$	1,409,000	\$	6,834,000

See the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Organization

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted limited liability company ("Herbalife"), incorporated on April 4, 2002, and its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, WH Intermediate WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., a Cayman Islands company ("WH Intermediate"), WH Luxembourg Holdings S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company ("Lux Holdings"), WH Luxembourg Intermediate Herbalife S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company ("Lux Holdings"), WH Luxembourg S.à.R.L. ("Herbalife Lux"), formerly known as WH Luxembourg CM S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company limited liability company, and WH Acquisition Corp., a Nevada corporation ("WH Acquisition"), were formed on behalf of Whitney & Co., LLC ("Whitney") and Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc. ("Golden Gate"), in order to acquire Herbalife International, Inc., a Nevada corporation, and its subsidiaries ("Herbalife International" or "Predecessor") on July 31, 2002 (the "Acquisition"). Herbalife and its subsidiaries are referred to collectively herein as the Company. Herbalife's 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares are referred to as "preferred shares" and Herbalife's Common Shares are referred to as "common shares."

On July 31, 2002, WH Acquisition merged with and into Herbalife International with Herbalife International being the surviving corporation. The Acquisition was consummated pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among the Company, sole shareholder of WH Intermediate and a Cayman Islands company, WH Acquisition and Herbalife International entered into on April 10, 2002 (the "Merger Agreement"). Each shareholder of Herbalife International received \$19.50 in cash for each common share. The holders of each outstanding option to purchase Herbalife International common shares received an amount in cash equal to the excess of \$19.50 over the exercise price of such option. As a result of the Acquisition, Herbalife International was delisted from the NASDAQ National Market. The shares of Herbalife International are no longer publicly traded and, therefore, earnings per share calculations are no longer included for financial statement presentations.

The Acquisition has been accounted for as a purchase in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. ("SFAS") 141, "Business Combinations." Accordingly, the acquired assets and liabilities have been recorded at fair value. Because of this, different bases of accounting have been used to prepare the Company and Predecessor consolidated financial statements. In the future, the primary differences are expected to relate to additional interest expense on the new debt, amortization of intangibles, and amortization of deferred financing costs recorded at the date of the Acquisition.

The Company completed the final allocation of the purchase price in connection with the Acquisition during 2003 based on an independent valuation study. The study was used as the basis to make the final determination of the values that should be allocated to various finite and indefinite lived intangible assets as well as goodwill. As a result of this completion of the purchase price allocation process, certain reclassifications were made to certain categories of intangible assets and goodwill that were previously identified on a preliminary basis as of December 31, 2002.

The total purchase price of approximately \$651.5 million was allocated to the acquired assets and assumed liabilities based upon their respective fair value as of the closing date using valuations and other

studies that have been finalized. The following table summarizes the fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at the date of Acquisition:

	Ē	Final Allocation		Preliminary Allocation		Increase Decrease)
			(iı	n millions)		
Current assets	\$	388.7	\$	388.7	\$	
Property		52.0		52.0		
Marketing related intangibles		310.0		310.0		
Distributor network		56.2				56.2
Product formulas		15.5				15.5
Product certifications and other intangible assets		7.2		7.4		(0.2)
Goodwill		167.5		211.1		(43.6)
Other long-term assets		42.6		42.6		
Total assets acquired	\$	1,039.7	\$	1,011.8	\$	27.9
Current liabilities	\$	209.4	\$	209.4	\$	
Other non-current liabilities		34.9		34.9		
Long-term debt		1.2		1.2		
Deferred income taxes		142.7		114.8		27.9
Total liabilities assumed	\$	388.2	\$	360.3	\$	27.9
Net assets acquired	\$	651.5	\$	651.5	\$	

Marketing related intangibles are considered to have an indefinite life and are not subject to amortization. Distributor network has an expected life of three years. Product formulas have an expected life of five years. Product certifications have an expected life of two years. None of the intangibles are expected to be deductible for tax purposes. As a result of the finalization of the purchase price allocation during the third quarter of 2003, the Company recorded additional amortization expense of \$19.1 million before tax relating to periods prior to July 1, 2003. The Company recorded total amortization expense of \$34.5 million before tax for 2003 and \$1.5 million for the period from August 1 to December 31, 2002. In addition, the amounts for marketing franchise, trademark and trade name as of December 31, 2002 have been combined and are presented as marketing related intangibles above and in the accompanying balance sheet to conform to the current year presentation.

In connection with the Acquisition, the Predecessor incurred transaction expenses and stock option payments of approximately \$54.7 million, which have been reflected in the Predecessor financial statements. The Company also incurred transaction expenses of approximately \$6.2 million. In addition, the Company incurred debt issuance costs of approximately \$44.3 million, which have been capitalized as deferred financing costs in the Company's consolidated balance sheet.

The following unaudited pro forma results for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 are based on the historical financial statements of the Predecessor, adjusted to give effect to the Acquisition and

related financing transactions as if the transactions had occurred at the beginning of each period presented:

			Year ended December 31			
			2002		2001	
			 (in mi	llions)	
Net sales			\$ 1,093.7	\$	1,020.1	
Net income			\$ 33.2	\$	7.7	

The Acquisition was financed through:

gross proceeds of \$162.9 million from the sale of Senior Subordinated Notes (as defined in Note 4 herein) (face value of \$165.0 million);

borrowings of \$180.0 million under the \$205.0 million Senior Credit Facility (as defined in Note 4 herein);

contributions of net proceeds of \$24.0 million by Herbalife from the sale of its 15.5% Senior Notes (the "Senior Notes") (face value \$38.0 million);

contribution by Whitney, Golden Gate and selected members of Herbalife International's distributor organization and senior management of \$176.0 million from the sale of 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares of Herbalife (the "Preferred Shares") by Herbalife; and

use of available cash balances of Herbalife International of approximately \$217.1 million.

In connection with the Acquisition, Herbalife contributed the proceeds from the sale of the Preferred Shares and the sale of the Senior Notes, totaling \$200.0 million, to WH Intermediate as capital. Immediately upon the consummation of the Acquisition, WH Intermediate assumed indirectly through one of its subsidiaries the liability of \$7.2 million of expenses relating to the Acquisition and related financing transactions from Herbalife, resulting in a net capital contribution of \$192.8 million.

2. Basis of Presentation

The Company's financial statements refer to Herbalife International and its subsidiaries for periods through July 31, 2002 and to Herbalife and its subsidiaries for periods subsequent to July 31, 2002. In addition, "Predecessor" refers to Herbalife International and its subsidiaries for periods through July 31, 2002 and "Successor" refers to Herbalife and its subsidiaries for periods subsequent to July 31, 2002. The Successor financial statement also includes interest expense and amortization of debt issuance costs incurred prior to the consummation of the Acquisition.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2003, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin (SAB) No. 104, "Revenue Recognition," which codifies, revises, and rescinds certain sections of SAB No. 101, "Revenue Recognition," in order to make this interpretive guidance consistent with current authoritative accounting and auditing guidance and SEC rules and regulations. The changes noted in SAB No. 104 did not have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2003, the FASB issued SFAS 150, "Accounting for Certain Financial Instruments with Characteristics of both Liabilities and Equity." SFAS 150 establishes standards on the classification and measurement of certain instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. SFAS 150 is effective

for financial instruments entered into or modified after May 31, 2003, and otherwise is effective at the beginning of the first interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. SFAS 150 requires the classification of any financial instruments with a mandatory redemption feature, an obligation to repurchase equity shares, or a conditional obligation based on the issuance of a variable number of its equity shares, as a liability. The adoption of SFAS 150 did not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

In April 2003, the FASB issued SFAS 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," effective for contracts entered into or modified after June 30, 2003. This amendment clarifies when a contract meets the characteristics of a derivative, clarifies when a derivative contains a financing component, and amends certain other existing pronouncements. The adoption of SFAS 149 did not have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46 ("FIN 46"), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of ARB No. 51," which addresses consolidation by business enterprises of variable interest entities ("VIEs") either: (1) that do not have sufficient equity investment at risk to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support, or (2) in which the equity investors lack an essential characteristic of a controlling financial interest. In December 2003, the FASB completed deliberations of proposed modifications to FIN 46 ("Revised Interpretations") resulting in multiple effective dates based on the nature as well as the creation date of the VIE. VIEs created after January 31, 2003, but prior to January 1, 2004, may be accounted for either based on the original interpretation or the Revised Interpretations. VIEs created after January 1, 2004, must be accounted for under the Revised Interpretations's provisions. Non-SPEs created prior to February 1, 2003 may be accounted for under the original or revised interpretation's provisions. Non-SPEs created prior to February 1, 2003, should be accounted for under the Revised Interpretation's provisions. Non-SPEs created prior to February 1, 2003, should be accounted for under the Revised Interpretation's provisions. Non-SPEs created or created before February 1, 2003, the Revised Interpretations are effective on later than the end of the first reporting period that ends after March 15, 2004, except for those VIEs that are considered to be special-purpose entities, for which the effective date is no later than the end of the first reporting period that ends after December 31, 2003. The adoption of FIN 46 and the Revised Interpretations has not and is not expected to have an impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In November 2002, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 45 ("FIN 45"), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others," which addresses the disclosure to be made by a guarantor in its interim and annual financial statements about its obligations under guarantees. The disclosure requirements are effective for interim and annual financial statements ending after December 15, 2002. The Company does not have any material guarantees that require disclosure under FIN 45.

FIN 45 also requires the recognition of a liability by a guarantor at the inception of certain guarantees. FIN 45 requires the guarantor to recognize a liability for the non-contingent component of a guarantee, which is the obligation to stand ready to perform in the event that specified triggering events or conditions occur. The initial measurement of this liability is the fair value of the guarantee at inception. The recognition of the liability is required even if it is not probable that payments will be required under the guarantee or if the guarantee was issued with a premium payment or as part of a transaction with multiple elements. The initial recognition and measurement provisions are effective for all guarantees within the scope of FIN 45 issued or modified after December 31, 2002. The Company has adopted the disclosure

requirements of FIN 45 and will apply the recognition and measurement provisions for all guarantees entered into or modified after December 31, 2002.

As noted above, the Company has adopted the disclosure requirements of FIN 45 and will apply the recognition and measurement provisions for all guarantees entered into or modified after December 31, 2002. For the year ended December 31, 2003, the Company has not entered into any guarantees within the scope of FIN 45.

Significant Accounting Policies

Consolidation Policy

The consolidated financial statements for the period beginning August 1, 2002 include the accounts of Herbalife and its subsidiaries and the periods prior to August 1, 2002 include the accounts of Herbalife International and its subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions and accounts have been eliminated.

Translation of Foreign Currencies

Foreign subsidiaries' asset and liability accounts are translated for consolidated financial reporting purposes into U.S. dollar amounts at year-end exchange rates. Revenue and expense accounts are translated at the average rates during the year. Foreign exchange translation adjustments are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. Transaction losses, which include the cost of forward exchange and option contracts, were \$0.5 million, \$0.4 million, \$1.4 million, and \$6.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2001, the seven months ended July 31, 2002, the five months ended December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2003, respectively, and are included in marketing, distribution and administrative expenses in the accompanying consolidated statement of income.

Forward Exchange Contracts and Option Contracts

The Company enters into forward exchange contracts and option contracts in managing its foreign exchange risk on sales to distributors, purchase commitments denominated in foreign currencies, intercompany transactions and bank loans. The Company also enters into interest rate caps in managing its interest rate risk on its variable rate term loan. The Company does not use the contracts for trading purposes.

The Company has adopted SFAS 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." SFAS 133, as amended and interpreted, established accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. All derivatives, whether designated as hedging relationships or not, are required to be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. If the derivative is designated as a fair-value hedge, the changes in the fair value of the derivative and the underlying hedged item are recognized concurrently in earnings. If the derivative is designated as a cash-flow hedge, changes in the fair value of the derivative are recorded in other comprehensive income ("OCI") and are recognized in the statement of operations when the hedged item affects earnings. SFAS 133 defined new requirements for designation and documentation of hedging relationships as well as ongoing effectiveness assessments in order to use hedge accounting. For a derivative that does not qualify as a hedge, changes in fair value are recognized concurrently in earnings.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents are comprised primarily of money market accounts and foreign and domestic bank accounts. To reduce its credit risk, the Company monitors the credit standing of the financial institutions that hold the Company's cash and cash equivalents.

Restricted Cash

The Company's restricted cash pertains to a payment reserve account used to provide payment of scheduled interest and other amounts due on the Senior Notes until March 31, 2005. All amounts deposited are pledged to the Bank of New York as collateral agent for the benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes.

Marketable Securities

The Company's marketable securities are classified as "available for sale." Fluctuations in fair value are included in accumulated other comprehensive loss on the accompanying consolidated balance sheet. Marketable securities at December 31, 2002 are comprised primarily of tax-exempt municipal bonds.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consist principally of receivables from credit card companies, arising from the sale of product to the Company's distributors, and receivables from importers, who are utilized in a limited number of countries to sell products to distributors. Due to the geographic dispersion of its credit card receivables, the collection risk is not considered to be significant. Although receivables from importers can be significant, the Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its importers and maintains an allowance for potential credit losses. The Company believes that it provides adequate allowances for receivables from its distributors.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Company has estimated the fair value of its financial instruments using the following methods and assumptions:

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, restricted cash, receivables, and accounts payable approximate fair value due to the short-term maturities of these instruments;

Marketable securities are based on the quoted market prices for these instruments;

Foreign exchange contracts are based on exchange rates at period end;

The fair value of option and forward contracts are based on dealer quotes;

The book values of the Company's variable rate debt instruments are considered to approximate their fair values because interest rates of those instruments approximate current rates offered to the Company; and

The fair values for fixed rate borrowings have been determined based on recent market trade values.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at lower of cost (on the first-in, first-out basis) or market. The Company had reserves for obsolete and slow moving inventory totaling \$8.4 million and \$4.2 million as of December 31, 2002 and 2003, respectively.

Long-Lived Assets

Depreciation of furniture, fixtures, and equipment (including computer hardware and software) is computed on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which range from three to five years. Leasehold improvements are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related asset or the term of the lease, whichever is shorter.

Long-lived assets are reviewed for impairment, based on undiscounted cash flows, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be recoverable. Measurement of an impairment loss is based on the estimated fair market value of the asset.

Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives are evaluated on an annual basis for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the asset might be impaired. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized over their expected lives, which are three years for the distributor network, five years for product formulas and two years for product certifications. The annual amortization expense for intangibles is \$0.2 million (2001), \$1.5 million (2002), \$34.5 million (2003), \$23.9 million (2004), \$14.0 million (2005), \$3.1 million (2006), and \$1.8 million (2007).

Income Taxes

Income tax expense includes income taxes payable for the current year and the change in deferred income tax assets and liabilities for the future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in the Company's financial statements or income tax returns. A valuation allowance is recognized to reduce the carrying value of deferred income tax assets if it is believed to be more likely than not that a component of the deferred income tax assets will not be realized.

Royalty Overrides

An independent distributor may earn commissions, called royalty overrides or production bonuses, based on retail volume. Such commissions are based on the retail sales volume of certain other members of the independent sales force who are sponsored by the distributor. In addition, such commissions are recorded when the products are shipped.

Research and Development

The Company's research and development is primarily performed by outside consultants and is less than \$2 million per year. For all periods presented research and development costs are expensed as incurred.

Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share represents net income for the period common shares were outstanding, divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share represents net income divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding, inclusive of the effect of dilutive securities.

The Company's preferred shares converted to common shares on March 8, 2004. from August 1, 2002 until the date of conversion, the Company did not have any outstanding common shares. Accordingly, no basic earnings per share information has been presented for those periods. Diluted earnings per share for these periods assumes the conversion of the preferred shares to common shares and includes the dilutive effect, if any, of outstanding stock options and warrants.

Periods after March 8, 2004 include basic earnings per share information that reflects common shares outstanding subsequent to the conversion. Diluted earnings per share for such periods also reflects the dilutive effect, if any, of outstanding stock options.

The following are the share amounts used to compute the basic and diluted earnings per share for each period:

	2001	20	02	2003
	Year ended December 31,	January 1 August 1 to to July 31 December 31		Year ended December 31,
	(predecessor)	(predecessor)	(successor)	(successor)
		(in thou	isands)	
Weighted average shares used in basic computations	30,422	32,387		
Dilutive effect of exercise of options outstanding	828	1,413		3,552
Dilutive effect of Preferred shares			100,000	101,298
Dilutive effect of warrants			2,041	2,041
Weighted average shares used in diluted computations	31,250	33,800	102,041	106,891

Options to purchase 5,872,107 and 6,691,500 shares of common stock at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$12.32 and \$0.44 to \$1.76 were outstanding during 2003 and the five months ended December 31, 2002, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the option exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the shares of common stock and therefore such options would be anti-dilutive. For 2001 and for the seven months ended July 31, 2002 the number of shares excluded from the computation of diluted earnings per share were immaterial.

Pro forma Earnings Per Share (Unaudited)

The pro forma earnings per share for the twelve months ended December 31, 2003 reflects the effect of the \$200 million shareholder dividend on earnings per share, assuming that a number of shares sufficient to raise \$200 million were outstanding during the reporting period. This dividend is expected to be payable upon the closing of the Company's proposed initial public offering of common shares with a corresponding reduction of shareholders equity. The pro forma earnings per share does not reflect any other adjustments related to the proposed offering.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized when products are shipped and title passes to the Independent Distributor or importer. Sales are recognized on a net sales basis, which reflects product returns, net of discounts referred to as "Distributor Allowances" and amounts billed for freight and handling costs. Freight and handling costs paid by the Company are included in cost of sales. The Company generally receives the net sales price in cash or through credit card payments at the point of sale. Related royalty overrides and allowances for product returns are recorded when the merchandise is shipped.

Allowances for product returns primarily in connection with our buyback program are provided at the time the product is shipped. This accrual is based upon historic return rates for each country, which vary from zero to approximately 5.0% of net sales, and the relevant return pattern, which reflects anticipated returns to be received over a period of up to 12 months following the original sale. Historically, product returns and buybacks have not been significant.

Accounting for Stock Options

In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS 148 "Accounting for Stock Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure." SFAS 148 amends SFAS 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," to provide alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. In addition, SFAS 148 amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS 123 to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements about the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results.

The Company applies the intrinsic-value-based method of accounting prescribed by Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and related interpretations including FASB Interpretation No. 44, "Accounting for Certain Transactions Involving Stock Compensation," an interpretation of APB Opinion No. 25, issued March 2000, to account for its stock-based awards for employees. For options granted to employees, compensation expense is recorded on the date of grant only if the current market price of the underlying stock exceeded the exercise price. SFAS 123 established accounting and disclosure requirements using a fair-value-based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation plans. As allowed by SFAS 123, the Company has elected to continue to apply the intrinsic-value-based method of accounting described above, and has adopted only the disclosure requirements of SFAS 123.

The following tables illustrate the effect on net income if the fair-value-based method had been applied to all outstanding and unvested awards in each period (in millions, except per share amounts):

	2	2001	2002					2003
	Year ended December 31,		January 1 to July 31		August 1 to December 31			
	(pred	ecessor)	(predecessor)		(successor)			(successor)
Net income as reported	\$	42.6	\$	9.2	\$	14.0	\$	36.8
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in reported net income				0.6				1.1
Deduct: Stock-based employee compensation								
expense determined under fair value based methods for all awards		(1.2)		(0.4)				(0.7)
Pro forma net income	\$	41.4	\$	9.4	\$	14.0	\$	37.2
Basic earnings per share								
As reported	\$	1.40	\$	0.28				
Pro forma	\$	1.36	\$	0.29				
Diluted earnings per share								
As reported	\$	1.36	\$	0.27	\$	0.14	\$	0.34
Pro forma	\$	1.33	\$	0.28	\$	0.14	\$	0.35
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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions. Such estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications were made to the prior year financial statements to conform to the current year presentation.

3. Inventories

Inventories consist primarily of finished goods available for resale and can be categorized as follows:

		December 31			
	20	02	2	2003	
		(in millions)			
Weight management and inner nutrition	\$	41.5	\$	44.2	
Outer Nutrition®		8.2		7.0	
Literature, promotional and others		7.2		8.2	
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Total	\$	56.9	\$	59.4	
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4. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following:

		At December 31			
	_	2002		2003	
	-	(in millions)			
Senior subordinated notes	\$	6 163.0	\$	158.2	
Borrowing under senior credit facility		135.0		119.8	
Senior Notes		38.5		39.6	
Discount Senior note warrant		(1.7)		(1.6)	
Capitalized leases		3.3		5.5	
Other debt		2.7		3.8	
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		340.8		325.3	
Less: current portion		19.2		72.4	
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	\$	321.6	\$	252.9	

Interest expense was \$0.4 million, \$0.2 million, \$25.2 million, and \$41.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2001, the seven months ended July 31, 2002, the five months ended December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2003.

In connection with the Acquisition, the Company consummated certain related financing transactions, including the issuance by WH Acquisition on June 27, 2002 of \$165.0 million of 11³/4% Senior Subordinated Notes (the "Senior Subordinated Notes") issued at 98.716% of par, due July 15, 2010. Interest on the Senior Subordinated Notes is to be paid semi annually on January 15th and July 15th, of

each year (the first payment of which was made on January 15, 2003). In connection with this financing, the Company incurred \$25.1 million of debt issuance costs, which are being amortized, over the term of the debt using the effective interest rate method. During the third quarter of 2003, the Company repurchased \$5 million principal value of Senior Subordinated Notes. The fair value of the Senior Subordinated Notes was \$189.6 million and \$165.0 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

In addition, the Company, as borrower, entered into a Credit Agreement dated as of July 31, 2002 with the guarantors party, the lenders party, Rabobank International, as documentation agent, General Electric Capital Corporation, as syndication agent, UBS Securities LLC (successor in interest to UBS Warburg LLC), as arranger, and UBS AG, Stamford Branch, as administrative agent, collateral agent and issuing bank (the "Credit Agreement"), which provides for a term loan amount of \$180.0 million and a revolving credit facility in the amount of \$25.0 million (collectively, the "Senior Credit Facility"). In conjunction with this financing, the Company incurred \$16.7 million of debt issuance costs, which are being amortized over the term of the debt using the effective interest method. The revolving credit facility is available until July 31, 2007. The term loan and the revolving credit facility bear interest, at the option of the Company, at either the alternate base rate or the LIBOR rate plus in each case an applicable margin. The base rate applicable margin for the term loan is 3.00%, while the LIBOR rate alternative (three months) with the December 31, 2003 interest rate of 5.1%. The base rate applicable margin for the revolving credit facility is 2.75%, while the LIBOR rate applicable margin is 3.75%. In accordance with the terms of the Senior Credit Facility, on October 30, 2002, Herbalife purchased a three-year 5% LIBOR interest rate cap covering \$34.4 million of the term loan.

Also, in connection with the Acquisition, the Company issued and sold \$38.0 million principal amount of 15.5% Senior Notes ("Senior Notes"), due July 15, 2011. The Senior Notes accrue interest at the rate of 15.5% per annum. Interest is required to be paid on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 in each year commencing September 30, 2002. In accordance with the terms of the Senior Notes, 12.5% per annum of the interest payable quarterly is to be paid in cash and 3.0% per annum of the interest payable quarterly is to be paid through the issuance of additional notes. The principal amount of the Senior Notes is required to be paid on July 15, 2011. From the net proceeds of the issuance of the Senior Notes, the Company established and deposited \$12.5 million to a payment reserve account to provide payment when due of scheduled cash interest payments until March 31, 2005 and, in certain circumstances, other amounts due on the Senior Notes. All amounts deposited in the payment reserve account are pledged by the Company to The Bank of New York, as collateral agent for the benefit of the holders of the Senior Notes. The balance of the payment reserve account was \$5.7 million at December 31, 2003, and it was reflected in the restricted cash balance on the balance sheet.

In connection with the sale of the Company's Senior Notes, the Company issued warrants for approximately 2.0 million preferred shares to the purchasers of the Senior Notes. Affiliates of Whitney hold warrants with the right to purchase 0.9 million preferred shares. The warrants may be exercised at any time at a price of \$0.01 per share. The warrants also have customary protection against dilution. The Company allocated \$1.8 million as capital surplus for the issuance of the warrants on July 31, 2002. The Senior Notes were discounted by the same amount and such discount will be amortized over the term of the Senior Notes.

The Senior Subordinated Notes and the Senior Credit Facility are guaranteed by the Guarantors (as defined in Note 15 herein). The Senior Credit Facility is also guaranteed by Herbalife. The obligations

under the Senior Credit Facility are secured by (i) first priority pledges of (A) all of the shares of the Guarantors and (B) 65% of the equity interests of the foreign subsidiaries of Herbalife International that are not Guarantors other than HIIP Investment Co., LLC, Herbalife Foreign Sales Corporation, Importadora Y Distribuidora Herbalife International de Chile Limitada, Herbalife International Greece S.A., Herbalife Hungary Trading, Limited, PT Herbalife Indonesia, Herbalife International SBN, BHD, HBL International Maroc S.à.R.L., Herbalife International Products N.V., Herbalife International Holdings, Inc., Herbalife International, S.A., Herbalife Dominicana, S.A., and Herbalife Del Ecuador, S.A. and (ii) security interests in and liens on all accounts receivable, inventory and other property and assets of Herbalife and the Guarantors (other than the escrow account for interest on the Senior Notes).

The Senior Subordinated Notes, the Senior Credit Facility and the Senior Notes include customary covenants that restrict, among other things, the ability to incur additional debt, pay dividends or make certain other restricted payments, incur liens, merge or sell all or substantially all of the assets, or enter into various transactions with affiliates. Additionally, the Senior Credit Facility includes covenants relating to the maintenance of certain leverage, fixed charge coverage, and interest coverage ratios.

In December 2002, the Company and its lenders amended the Credit Agreement. Under the terms of the amendment, the Company made a prepayment of \$40.0 million on December 30, 2002. In connection with this prepayment, the lenders waived the December 31, 2002 and March 31, 2003 mandatory amortization payments of \$7.5 million along with a mandatory 50% excess cash flow payment solely for the year ended December 31, 2002. The Company's debt agreement has a provision that requires the Company to make early payments to the extent of excess cash flow, as defined. In addition, Herbalife International was allowed to pay certain monitoring fees to Whitney and Golden Gate that under the terms of the original Credit Agreement were to be accrued, but not paid, until the obligations under the Credit Agreement had been paid in full. The amortization of the principal payments was also modified so that Herbalife International was obligated to pay approximately \$2.2 million on June 30, 2003 and will pay \$6.5 million in each subsequent quarter through March 31, 2008, with the final payment on June 30, 2008 being approximately \$8.7 million. As of December 31, 2003, Herbalife International anticipated a \$40 million mandatory excess cash flow payment in the first quarter of 2004. Consequently, the future quarterly principal payments will be reduced. However, the Company may be obligated to make future excess cash flow payments as described above. In addition, Herbalife International was granted the right to make prepayments, of up to \$25 million in aggregate principal amount, on the Senior Subordinated Notes over the life of the Credit Agreement provided that Herbalife meets an agreed upon leverage ratio.

As of December 31, 2003, certain Whitney affiliated companies had provided funding for \$5.1 million of the term loan under the Senior Credit Facility, \$1.3 million of the Senior Subordinated Notes and held \$17.3 million of the Senior Notes.

Annual scheduled payments of long-term debt are: \$72.4 million (2004), \$17.5 million (2005), \$15.5 million (2006), \$15.0 million (2007), \$8.7 (2008), and \$196.2 million (thereafter).

5. Lease obligations

The Company has warehouse, office, furniture, fixtures and equipment leases, which expire at various dates through 2011. Under the lease agreements, the Company is also obligated to pay property taxes, insurance, and maintenance costs.

Certain of the leases contain renewal options. Future minimum rental commitments for non-cancelable operating leases and capital leases at December 31, 2003 were as follows:

	Оре	Operating		pital	
	(in millions)				
2004	\$	12.6	\$	3.3	
2005		9.4		1.9	
2006		4.7		0.5	
2007		1.4			
2008		1.2			
Thereafter		0.4			
Total	\$	29.7		5.7	
Less: amounts included above representing interest				0.2	
			-		
Present value of net minimum lease payments			\$	5.5	

Rental expense for 2001, the seven months ended July 31, 2002, the five month period ended December 31, 2002 and the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$20.0 million, \$11.6 million, \$8.6 million, and \$21.0 million, respectively.

Property under capital leases is included in property on the accompanying consolidated balance sheets as follows: (in millions)

		December 31			
	2	2002	2	2003	
		(in millions)			
Equipment	\$	9.9	\$	10.2	
Less: accumulated depreciation		(6.8)		(4.7)	
Total	\$	3.1	\$	5.5	
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6. Employee compensation plans

The Company maintains a profit sharing plan pursuant to Sections 401 (a) and (k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is available to substantially all employees who meet length of service requirements. Employees may elect to contribute 2% to 17% of their compensation, and the Company will match 3% of the earnings of each employee who elects to defer 2% or more of his or her earnings. Participants are partially vested in the Company contributions after one year and fully vested after five years. The Company contributed \$1.3 million, \$0.8 million, \$0.6 million, and \$1.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2001, the seven months ended July 31, 2002, the five months ended December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2003, respectively.

The Company has two non-qualified, deferred compensation plans for select groups of management: the "Management Plan" and the "Senior Executive Plan." The deferred compensation plans allow eligible employees to elect annually to defer up to 50% of their base annual salary and up to 100% of their annual bonus for each calendar year (the "Annual Deferral Amount"). The Company makes matching contributions on behalf of each participant in the Senior Executive Plan. Effective for 2002, the Senior

Executive Plan was amended to provide that the amount of the matching contributions is to be determined by the Company in its discretion. For 2003, the matching contribution was 3% of a participant's base salary.

Each participant in either of the two deferred compensation plans has at all times a fully vested and non-forfeitable interest in each year's contribution, including interest credited thereto, and in any Company matching contributions, if applicable. In connection with a participant's election to defer an Annual Deferral Amount, the participant may also elect to receive a short-term payout, equal to the Annual Deferral Amount plus interest. Such amount is payable in two or more years from the first day of the year in which the Annual Deferral Amount is actually deferred.

In July 2002, the Company adopted an additional deferred compensation plan, the ("Supplemental Plan"). The Supplemental Plan allows employees to participate, who are highly compensated and who are eligible to participate in the Change in Control Plan. The administrative committee that manages and administers the plans (the "Deferred Compensation Committee") allows eligible employees to defer up to 100% of their Change in Control Payments.

Each participant in the Supplemental Plan will be deemed to have invested in funds that provide a return equal to the short-term AFR, within the meaning of the code. The entire interest of each participant in the Supplemental Plan is always fully vested and non-forfeitable. In connection with a participant's election to defer the Change in Control Payment, the participant may also elect to receive a short-term payout, equal to the deferral amount plus earnings, which is payable two or more years from the first day of the year in which the deferral amount is actually deferred. Subject to the short-term payout provision and specified exceptions for unforeseeable financial emergencies, a participant may not withdraw, without incurring a ten percent (10%) withdrawal penalty, all or any portion of his or her account under the Supplemental Plan prior to the date that such participant either (1) is determined by the Deferred Compensation Committee to have incurred permanent and total disability of (2) dies or otherwise terminates employment with the Company.

The total deferred compensation expense of the three deferred compensation plans net of participant contributions was \$3.9 million, \$1.9 million, \$1.3 million, and \$1.0 million for 2001, seven months ended July 31, 2002, five months ended December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2003, respectively. The total long-term deferred compensation liability under the three deferred compensation plans was \$22.4 million and \$26.2 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

The Company has an Executive Retention Plan. The purpose of the Executive Retention Plan is to provide financial incentives for a select group of management and highly compensated employees of the Company to continue to provide services to the Company during the period immediately before and immediately after change in control, as defined.

As a result of certain actions by Herbalife International's Board, the Acquisition was not deemed to be a Change in Control under the Executive Retention Plan. Thus, the consummation of the Acquisition did not result in the payment of any benefit pursuant to the Executive Retention Plan.

The Company also established an Executive Retention Trust to provide benefits under the Executive Retention Plan. The Executive Retention Plan trust is an irrevocable trust established with an institutional trustee. The Administrative Committee of the Executive Retention Plan will establish an individual account in the Executive Retention Trust for each participant in the Executive Retention Plan. Until the occurrence of a change in control, the Administrative Committee will control the investment of the assets in the Executive Retention Trust, and will determine the allocation of the assets of the Executive Retention

Trust to the individual accounts of participants. Each participant who qualifies for a benefit under the Executive Retention Plan will receive a lump sum benefit equal to the dollar amount in his or her individual account in the Executive Retention Trust. The benefit shall be paid within 90 days after the participant qualifies for the benefit. If a participant's employment with the Company terminates before the participant qualifies for a benefit under the Executive Retention Plan, the participant's account in the Executive Retention Trust will revert to the Company. A participant's benefit under the Executive Retention Plan will be reduced if the amount would cause payment of federal excise tax.

The deferred compensation plans are unfunded and their benefits are paid from the general assets of the Company, except that the Company has contributed to a "rabbi trust" whose assets will be used to pay the benefits if the Company remains solvent, but can be reached by the Company's creditors if the Company becomes insolvent. The value of the assets in the "rabbi trust" was \$18.5 million and \$27.5 million as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. The Company has also contributed to the Executive Retention Trust, which is an irrevocable trust. This irrevocable trust's assets will be used to pay the benefits of the Executive Retention Plan and are not intended to be reachable by the Company's creditors. The value of the assets in the irrevocable trust was \$2.8 million and \$4.5 million as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

The Company had two Change in Control Plans for Senior Management, a Change in Control Plan and a Management Employee Change in Control Plan. Pursuant to the agreements in place prior to the signing of the Merger Agreement, upon consummation of the Acquisition, certain of the Company's executives received change in control payments (after making necessary adjustments for purposes of Section 280G and 4999 of the Code) of \$7.6 million. Pursuant to the Herbalife Management Employee Change in Control Plan, which was in place prior to signing of the Merger Agreement, eligible employees that within one year after the occurrence of a Change in Control were involuntarily terminated by the Company would be entitled to receive one year of their base compensation. The agreement expired on July 31, 2003. As a result of the Acquisition, the Change in Control Payments were made and expensed in July 2002.

7. Retirement plan

The Company had a nonqualified, non-contributory Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan ("SERP") providing retirement benefits for a select group of management and highly compensated employees. The normal retirement benefit under the SERP is 60 quarterly installment payments commencing at age 65, each of which equals one-quarter of 2% of "compensation" times the number of years of participation up to 20 years. A participant becomes fully vested in his or her interest in the SERP on his or her normal or early retirement date, death, or disability, or on a change in control of the Company. If a participant's employment is terminated for cause, the Company has the discretion to reduce his or her vested benefit to zero. In all other cases, a participant's vested interest is zero until he or she has completed five years of participation, and gradually increases to 100% when he or she has completed nine years of participation. The Plan Administrator has the discretion to credit a participant with additional years of participation as of his or her date of hire or commencement of participation in the SERP was completely curtailed effective December 31, 2002. At December 31, 2002 the liability to SERP participants was \$5.9 million and participants either received a cash payment in the first quarter of 2003 or

a rollover to the Company's deferred compensation plan on January 1, 2003. The following table shows the net periodic pension cost and other data about the SERP:

		2002
	(in	millions)
Change in benefit obligation		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	11.4
Service cost		1.4
Interest cost		0.7
Amendments		(3.1)
Actuarial (gain) loss		(3.1)
Benefits paid		(1.4)
Benefit obligation at end of year	\$	5.9
Funded status	\$	(5.9)
Unrecognized actuarial loss		
Unrecognized prior service cost		
Net amount recognized	\$	(5.9)
Amounts recognized in the consolidated balance sheets Consists of:		
Accrued benefit liability	\$	(5.9)
Intangible asset	Ψ	(5.7)
Net amount recognized	\$	(5.9)
Weighted-average assumptions as of December 31	Ψ	(3.7)
Discount rate		N/A
Rate of compensation increase		N/A
	2001	2002
omponents of net periodic benefit cost		
ervice cost	\$ 1.	4 \$ 1.
terest cost	0.	7 0.
mortization of prior service cost	0.	5 0.
et periodic pension cost	\$ 2.	6 \$ 2.

8. Transactions with related parties

The Company has entered into agreements with Whitney and Golden Gate to pay monitoring fees for their services and other fees and expenses. Under the monitoring fee agreements, the Company is obligated to pay an annual amount of up to \$5.0 million, but not less than \$2.5 million for an initial period of ten years subject to the provisions in the Credit Agreement as amended. For the period August 1 to December 31, 2002 and for the year ended December 31, 2003, the Company expensed monitoring fees in the amount of \$2.1 million and \$5.0 million and other expenses of \$0.1 million and \$3.4 million, respectively. In addition, in connection with the Acquisition, the Company paid Whitney and Golden Gate \$24.1 million in fees, which have been classified in the balance sheet as deferred financing costs and are being amortized.

Selected members of the Company's distributor organization and senior management have purchased, either from Herbalife or from the Equity Sponsors, Herbalife's 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares. The price paid by participating members of the Company's distributor organization and senior management to the Equity Sponsors in the August and October 31, 2002 offering was \$1.76 per share. The January 31, 2003 offering to members of the Company's President's Team by the Equity Sponsors was \$1.97 per share. In connection with the May 20, 2003 offering by the Equity Club, the price paid by members of the Company's President's Team to the Equity Sponsors and by members of the Company's Chairman's Club to Herbalife was \$2.21 per share. Michael O. Johnson, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, purchased from Herbalife 203,620 shares on June 24, 2003. The price paid by Mr. Johnson was the same price paid by members of the Company's distributor organization in the May 20, 2003 offering.

Francis Tirelli, the Company's former Chief Executive Officer, entered into a separation and general release agreement with the Company, effective on December 24, 2002. The preferred shares previously owned by Mr. Tirelli were purchased by certain existing shareholders and in connection therewith, an advance of \$0.5 million was made by the Company's subsidiary, Herbalife International of America, Inc., to those shareholders. As of December 31, 2003 \$0.3 million is outstanding.

In June 2003, Herbalife entered into a subscription agreement with its Chief Executive Officer, Michael Johnson, pursuant to which Herbalife has issued 0.2 million newly issued preferred shares at a price of \$2.21 per share. The price paid by Mr. Johnson was the same price paid by members of the Company's distributors in a May 2003 offering. In addition, Mr. Johnson was granted options to purchase 5.9 million common shares in five tranches consisting of approximately 1.2 million shares each. The purchase price per share for each separate tranche is \$0.44, \$1.76, \$5.28, \$8.80, and \$12.32, respectively. The Company has certain repurchase rights with respect to shares acquired upon exercise of these options, as further detailed in Note 10, except that the repurchase rights with respect to shares which can be repurchased at the lower of the exercise price or the fair value of the shares lapse on the earlier of the fifth anniversary of the date of grant or on initial public offering of the Company.

9. Contingencies

The Company is from time to time engaged in routine litigation. The Company regularly reviews all pending litigation matters in which it is involved and establishes reserves deemed appropriate by management for these litigation matters when a probable loss estimate can be made.

Herbalife International was a defendant in a purported class action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court of California (*Jacobs v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*) originally filed on February 19, 2002 challenging marketing practices of several distributors and Herbalife International under various state and federal laws. Without in any way admitting liability or wrongdoing, we have reached a binding settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the terms of the settlement, we (i) paid \$3 million into a fund to be distributed to former Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, (ii) will pay up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$1 million, refund to former Supervisor-level distributors the amounts they had paid to purchase such Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, and (iii) will offer rebates up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2 million on certain new purchases of Herbalife products to those current Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter. As of December 31, 2003, these amounts were adequately reserved in our financial statements.

Herbalife International and certain of its distributors have been named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed July 16, 2003 in the Circuit Court of Ohio County in the State of West Virginia (*Mey v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*). Herbalife International had removed the lawsuit to federal court and the court has recently remanded the lawsuit to state court. The complaint alleges that certain telemarketing practices of certain Herbalife International distributors violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and seeks to hold Herbalife International liable for the practices of its distributors. More specifically, the plaintiffs' complaint alleges that several of Herbalife's distributors used pre-recorded telephone messages and autodialers to contact prospective customers in violation of the TCPA's prohibition of such practices. Herbalife's distributors are independent contractors and, if any such distributors in fact violated the TCPA, they also violated Herbalife's policies, which require its distributors to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws. We believe that we have meritorious defenses to the suit.

As a marketer of dietary and nutritional supplements and other products that are ingested by consumers or applied to their bodies, the Company has been subjected to various product liability claims. The effects of these claims to date have not been material to the Company, and the reasonably possible range of exposure on currently existing claims is not material. The Company believes that it has meritorious defenses to the allegations contained in the lawsuits. The Company currently maintains product liability insurance with an annual deductible of \$10.0 million.

Certain of our subsidiaries have been subject to tax audits by governmental authorities in their respective countries. In certain of these tax audits, governmental authorities are proposing that significant amounts of additional taxes and related interest and penalties are due. The aggregate amount of assessed taxes, penalties and interest to date is approximately \$34.0 million. We and our tax advisors believe that there are meritorious defenses to the allegations that additional taxes are owing, and we are vigorously contesting the additional proposed taxes and related charges. These matters may take several years to resolve, and the Company cannot be sure of their ultimate resolution. However, it is the opinion of management that adverse outcomes, if any, will not likely result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition and operating results. This opinion is based on our belief that any losses we suffer in excess of amounts reserved would not be material, and that we have meritorious defenses. Although we have reserved an amount that we believe represents the most likely outcome of the resolution of these disputes, if we are incorrect in our assessment we may have to pay the full amount assessed.

10. Shareholders' equity

The Company had authorized 103 million preferred shares at \$0.001 par value. The Company increased the number of authorized preferred shares from 103 million to 106 million on July 31, 2003. On July 31, 2002, 100 million preferred shares were issued for \$176 million in a private placement offering. On May 30, 2003, an additional 1.8 million preferred shares were sold for \$4 million in a private placement offering. On May 30, 2003, an additional 1.8 million preferred shares were sold for \$4 million in a private placement offering. On August 27, an additional 0.2 million preferred shares were sold to the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Michael Johnson, pursuant to a subscription agreement entered into in June, 2003. The preferred shares have dividend provisions and liquidation preference over the common shares. The preferred shares also have redemption rights.

Preferred shares are entitled to receive cash dividends, at a rate per annum equal to 12% of the original issue price. Unpaid dividends will compound on a quarterly basis. All dividends are cumulative from the accrual date, whether or not earned or declared. Upon a conversion of the preferred shares,

accrued and unpaid dividends shall be paid by the Company, at the election of the Company, in cash or in common shares. Payment of dividends is subject to restrictions imposed by the debt documents. The total undeclared and unpaid accumulative dividend on preferred shares was \$32.8 million and \$9.0 million on December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the Company, each holder of preferred shares will have the right to receive for each preferred share (i) before any distribution or payment to the holder of common shares, the amount equal to the original issue price, plus any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon plus (ii) the amount the holder would have received with respect to such holder's common shares assuming that the preferred shares had been converted into common shares immediately prior to such winding up.

Preferred shares shall automatically convert on the earlier of (x) an initial public offering of the Company and (y) a sale, Acquisition or other change of control event into a unit consisting of (i) one share of common per preferred share subject to some adjustments and (ii) the right to receive cash equal to the original issue price per preferred share.

The terms of the preferred shares contain anti-dilution adjustments for structural events such as stock splits, dividends, combinations, subdivisions, and reclassifications.

The Shareholders' Agreement (to which all shareholders are party) gives the Company and the equity sponsors the right to repurchase shares from employees and distributors of the Company in certain circumstances which include the dismissal, death or retirement of an employee or distributor. The price at which preferred shares may be repurchased is the greater of formula price or cost for a termination without cause, or the lesser of formula price or cost for a termination for cause. The price at which common shares may be repurchased is the greater of current market price or cost for a termination without cause, or the lesser of current market price of cost for a termination for cause.

The Company has entered into arrangements with its stockholders and the holders of its Senior Notes that grant such holders pre-emptive rights, protection from dilution, and certain negative covenants. These arrangements may restrict the ability of the Company to issue additional equity.

The Company did not have any common shares outstanding as of December 31, 2003 and 2002.

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Option Plan ("Management Plan"). Herbalife has established a stock option plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. to members of management of Herbalife International. The option plan is administered by a committee appointed by the Board of Herbalife. Upon conversion of the options into common shares of Herbalife, members of management of Herbalife International will be required to enter into a shareholders' agreement and a registration rights agreement with Herbalife.

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Option Plan ("Independent Directors Plan"). Herbalife has established an independent directors stock option plan that provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of Herbalife to independent directors of Herbalife. One million shares have been reserved for grant under this plan.

Approximately 15.5% of the share capital at the time of the Acquisition or 18.7 million shares of Herbalife's are available for grants under the two plans. As of December 31, 2003, the Company had

granted approximately 17.7 million stock options, of which 0.8 million were under the Independent Directors Plan.

The Management Plan and the Independent Directors Plan (collectively, the "Plans") call for options to be granted with exercise prices not less than the fair value of the underlying shares on the date of grant. Options under the Plans vest and become exercisable in quarterly 5% increments unless provided otherwise by the applicable grant agreement. Options granted under the plans have a contractual life of 10 years and shares issued on exercise are subject to certain repurchase provisions following a termination in employment or directorship.

On November 6, 2003, the Board of the Company approved an amendment to its stock option plan under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan with certain senior management employees ("Senior Plan"). Under the previous terms, the Company determined that the options did not substantively vest since they could be repurchased by the Company at the lower of fair market value or exercise price. Accordingly, the Company concluded that there would not be a measurement date until a liquidity event occurred when the Company's repurchase right would expire for GAAP purposes under the plan and no compensation expense was recognized. The Company has also concluded that the amendments result in a fixed plan with a measurement date as of November 6, 2003. Based on the estimated fair value of the Company's common shares, the Company believes the fair value of the common shares issuable upon exercise of the options exceeded the exercise price per share for the options on this date and recorded a compensation charge to account for the indicated intrinsic value. The total intrinsic value and the related compensation expense is \$9.4 million which will be recognized over a 7-year period following the date of grant, beginning with \$1.2 million in the fourth quarter of 2003, representing the portion of the options that have already vested, and \$1.3 million per year until fully expensed.

Under the Management Plan, upon termination of employment, excluding senior executives, Herbalife and the institutional shareholders will have the right to repurchase the shares acquired upon the exercise of options within a specified period at a price not less than (a) the fair market value at the time of termination or (b) the exercise price, however, the right to repurchase at the exercise price shall lapse at the rate of 20% per annum. Upon termination of a senior executive, Herbalife and the institutional shareholders have the right to repurchase the shares if such termination (i) was voluntary, due to resignation or for cause (A) before the seventh anniversary of the option grant, at an amount equal to the lesser of: (a) the fair market value at the time of repurchase or (b) after the seventh anniversary of the option grant, at an amount equal to the fair market value at the time of repurchasing; or (ii) was involuntary without cause or because of death, retirement or disability at an amount equal to the greater of: (a) the fair market value at the time of such termination; or (b) the exercise price.

Under the Independent Directors Plan, upon termination of an Independent Director, Herbalife and the institutional shareholders have the right to repurchase the shares if such termination (i) was voluntary, due to resignation or for cause at an amount equal to the lesser of: (a) the fair market value at the time of such termination; or (b) the exercise price; (ii) was involuntary without cause or because of death, retirement or disability at an amount equal to the greater of: (a) the fair market value at the time of such termination; or (b) the fair market value at the time of such termination; or (b) the sercise price.

Option groups outstanding at December 31, 2001, July 31, 2002, December 31, 2002, December 31, 2003 and related option information is as follows:

	Herbalife common shares						
2003 (successor)		Options	Weighted average exercise price				
		(in millions)					
Outstanding at January 1, 2003		6.7	\$	1.18			
Granted		12.1		4.08			
Exercised							
Cancelled		(1.1)	•	1.15			
Outstanding at December 31		17.7	\$	3.17			
Available for grant at December 31		1.0					
Total reserved shares		18.7					
Exercisable at December 31		2.5	\$	1.14			
		2.3	φ	1.14			
Option prices per share							
Granted		\$0.44 - \$12.32					
Exercised							
Weighted average fair value of options granted during							
the year	\$	0.24 Herbalife commo					
2002 (successor)		Options		Weighted average ercise price			
		(in millions)					
Granted		6.7	\$	1.18			
Exercised							
Canceled							
Outstanding at December 31		6.7	\$	1.18			
Available for grant at December 31		12.0					
Total reserved shares		18.7					
Exercisable at December 31		0.3	\$	1.19			
		0.5	φ	1.17			
Option prices per share Granted		\$0.44 - \$1.76					
Exercised							
Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year	\$	0.03					
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	Class A st		Class B stock			
2002 (predecessor)	Weighted average Options exercise price		verage	Options		Weighted average ercise price
	(in millions)			(in millions)		
Outstanding at January 1	0.9	\$	7.88	3.8	\$	7.33
Granted						
Exercised	(0.3)		7.90	(1.1)		6.85
Canceled						
Converted	(0.6)		7.86	(2.7)		7.54
Outstanding at July 31		\$			\$	
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Available for grant at July 31						
Available for grant at July 51						
Total reserved shares						
Total reserved snares						
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Exercisable at July 31		\$			\$	
Option prices per share						
Granted						
Exercised	\$7.38 - \$8.00			\$ 6.63		
Weighted average fair value of options						
granted during the year						
	Class A st	ock		Class B sto	ck	

2001 (predecessor)	oredecessor) Options		Weighted average exercise price		Options	Weighted average exercise price		
	(in millions)				(in millions)			
Outstanding at January 1	2.0	\$	7.89		4.6	\$	6.67	
Granted					0.5		11.30	
Exercised	(1.1)		7.89		(1.3)		6.52	
Canceled								
Outstanding at December 31	0.9	\$	7.88		3.8	\$	7.33	
Available for grant at December 31	0.1				0.2			
Total reserved shares	1.0				4.0			
Exercisable at December 31	0.9	\$	7.87		2.7	\$	6.75	
Option prices per share								
Granted				\$	11.30			
Exercised	\$7.38 - \$8.00				\$6.63 - \$8.63			
Weighted average fair value of options granted during the year				\$	3.14			
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The fair value of the stock options granted during the periods presented was determined using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and the following weighted average assumptions:

	2001 2				2002	2003
	Year ended December 31		Janu: to Ju	•	August 1 to December 31	Year ended December 31
	Class A	ss Class Class Class B A B		Class B	Common	Common
	(Predecessor)		(Prede	cessor)	(Successor)	(Successor)
Risk free interest rate	N/A	2.92%	N/A	N/A	3.20%	3.00%
Expected option life	N/A	3.0 years	N/A	N/A	5.0 years	5.0 years
Volatility	N/A	56.67%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%
Dividend yield	N/A	6.50%	N/A	N/A	0.00%	0.00%

The following table summarizes information regarding option groups outstanding at December 31, 2003:

Range of Exercise Price	Options outstanding (in millions)	Weighted average remaining contractual life	av	eighted erage cise price	Options exercisable (in millions)	Weighted average ercise price
\$0.44	6.1	9.1	\$	0.44	1.3	\$ 0.44
\$1.76	5.7	9.0	\$	1.76	1.1	\$ 1.76
\$2.50 - \$11.50	4.6	9.4	\$	6.03	0.1	\$ 2.82
\$12.32	1.3	9.3	\$	12.32		

The Company is a network marketing company that sells a wide range of weight management products, nutritional supplements and personal care products within one industry segment as defined under SFAS 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information." The Company's products are manufactured by third party providers and then sold to independent distributors who sell Herbalife products to retail consumers or other distributors.

The Company has operations throughout the world and is organized and managed by geographic area. In the first quarter of 2003, the Company elected to aggregate its operating segments into one reporting segment, as management believes that the operating segments have similar operating characteristics and similar long term operating performance. In making this determination, management believes that the operating segments are similar in the nature of the products sold, the product acquisition process, the types of customers sold to, the methods used to distribute the products, and the nature of the regulatory environment. However, the Company does recognize revenue from sales to distributors in four geographic regions: The Americas, Europe, Asia/Pacific Rim (excluding Japan), and Japan. Sales information for the United States and Japan, markets exceeding 10% of consolidated net sales, is presented in addition to the operating margin for these markets.

Revenues reflect sales of products to distributors based on the distributors' geographic location. Sales attributed to the United States is the same as reported in the geographic operating information.

"Net sales" represents product sales including handling and freight income. The Company receives its net sales price in cash or through credit card payments upon receipt of orders from distributors.

	2001			2002				2003		
		Year ended December 31		January 1 to July 31		August 1 to December 31	Year ended December 31			
		(Predecessor)		(Predecessor)		(Successor)		(Successor)		
Net Sales:										
United States	\$	278.8	\$	189.1	\$	117.3	\$	274.9		
Japan		178.1		84.0		57.1		119.3		
Others		563.2		371.1		275.1		765.2		
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Total Net Sales	\$	1,020.1	\$	644.2	\$	449.5	\$	1,159.4		
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Operating Margin:	¢	111.0	¢	70.5	¢	47.0	¢	1167		
United States	\$	111.9	\$	79.5 39.5	\$	47.0	\$	116.7		
Japan Others		86.3				27.9		56.5		
Others		225.2		157.4		119.7		335.1		
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Total Operating Margin	\$	423.4	\$	276.4	\$	194.6	\$	508.3		
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Marketing, distribution and administrative expense*	\$	354.6	\$	207.4	\$	135.5	\$	401.3		
Acquisition transaction expense	Ψ	554.0	Ψ	54.7	Ψ	6.2	Ψ	401.5		
Interest expense (income), net		(3.4)		(1.4)		23.9		41.5		
Income before income taxes and minority interest		72.2		15.7		29.0		65.5		
Income taxes		28.9		6.3		15.0		28.7		
Minority Interest		0.7		0.2		15.0		20.7		
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Net Income	\$	42.6	\$	9.2	\$	14.0	\$	36.8		
Net sales by product line:										
Weight management	\$	421.9	\$	274.4	\$	191.2	\$	500.1		
Inner nutrition		443.7		280.7		195.6		505.1		
Outer Nutrition®		106.2		64.3		44.4		105.7		
Literature, promotional and other		48.3		24.8		18.3		48.5		
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Total Net Sales	\$	1,020.1	\$	644.2	\$	449.5	\$	1,159.4		
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Net sales by geographic region:	¢	20(0	¢	057.6	¢	1667	¢	12.1.1		
Americas	\$	386.9	\$	257.6	\$	166.7	\$	424.4		
Europe		283.1		193.7		149.0		448.2		
Asia/Pacific Rim (excluding Japan)		172.0 178.1		108.8 84.1		76.7		167.5		
Japan		1/8.1		84.1		57.1		119.3		
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Total Net Sales	\$	1,020.1	\$	644.2	\$	449.5	\$	1,159.4		
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Capital Expenditures:				
United States	\$ 11.5 \$	5.4 \$	2.6 \$	17.3
Japan	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.2
Others	2.9	1.3	0.9	2.9
Total Capital Expenditures	\$ 14.8 \$	6.8 \$	3.6 \$	20.4

2003 includes \$9.1 million of litigation cost and related expenses

		December 31,			
		2002		2003	
	-	(Successor)	(S	(Successor)	
Cotal Assets:					
Inited States	\$	566.8	\$	601.0	
apan		104.8		62.9	
hers		184.1		240.1	
otal Assets	\$	855.7	\$	904.0	
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United States	\$	88.4	\$	46.0	
apan		55.5		22.7	
hers		67.2		98.8	
tal Goodwill	\$	211.1	\$	167.5	

12. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company designates certain derivatives as fair value hedges. For all qualifying and highly effective fair value hedges, the changes in the fair value of a derivative and the gain or loss on the hedged asset or liability relating to the risk being hedged are recorded currently in earnings. These amounts are recorded in marketing, distribution, and administrative expenses and provide offsets to one another.

The Company designates certain derivatives as cash flow hedges. The Company engages in a foreign exchange hedging strategy for which the hedged transactions are forecasted foreign currency denominated intercompany transactions. The hedged risk is the variability of the foreign currency where the hedging strategy involves the purchase and sale of average rate options. For the outstanding cash flow hedges on foreign exchange exposures at December 31, 2003, the maximum length of time over which the Company is hedging these exposures is 12 months. The Company also engages in an interest rate hedging strategy for which the hedged transactions are forecasted interest payments on the variable rate term loan. The hedged risk is the variability of interest rate where the hedging strategy involves the purchase of interest rate caps. For all qualifying and highly effective cash flow hedges, the changes in the effective portion of the fair value of the derivative are recorded in other comprehensive income ("OCI"). The ineffective portion of the hedges, which was not material for any periods presented, is recognized in income currently. At December 31, 2003, the net loss in OCI was \$1,392,000. Substantially, all OCI amounts will be reclassified to earnings within 12 months.

The Company designates certain derivatives as free standing derivatives for which hedge accounting does not apply. The changes in the fair market value of the derivatives are recorded in the Company's statement of income. The Company purchases average rate put options, which give the Company the right, but not the obligation, to sell foreign currency at a specified exchange rate ("strike rate"). These contracts provide protection in the event the foreign currency weakens beyond the option strike rate. In some instances, the Company sells (writes) foreign currency call options to finance the purchase of put options, which gives the counterparty the right, but not the obligation, to buy foreign currency from the Company at a specified strike rate. These contracts serve to limit the benefit the Company would otherwise derive from strengthening of the foreign currency beyond the strike rate. Such written call options are only entered into contemporaneously with purchased put options. The fair value of option contracts is based on third-party bank quotes.

The following table provides information about the details of the Company's option contracts. Certain option contracts were designated as cash flow hedges or fair value hedges. Certain option contracts were freestanding derivatives.

Foreign Currency		erage	Average strike price		Fair alue	Maturity date		
	(in m	illions)		(in n	nillions)			
At December 31, 2003								
Purchase Puts (Company may sell yen/buy USD)								
Japanese yen	\$	6.0	107.75 - 107.97	\$		Jan - Mar 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	107.39 - 107.62		0.1	Apr - Jun 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	106.95 - 107.25		0.2	Jul - Sep 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	106.43 - 106.80		0.2	Oct - Dec 2004		
	\$	24.0		\$	0.5			
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Written Calls (Counterparty may buy yen/sell USD)								
Japanese yen	\$	6.0	102.00	\$		Jan - Mar 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	102.00			Apr - Jun 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	102.00		(0.1)	Jul - Sep 2004		
Japanese yen		6.0	102.00		(0.1)	Oct - Dec 2004		
	\$	24.0		\$	(0.2)			
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Purchase Puts (Company may sell euro/buy USD)								
Euro	\$	9.4	1.1635 - 1.1910	\$		Jan - Mar 2004		
Euro		9.4	1.1588 - 1.1881		0.1	Apr - Jun 2004		
Euro		5.7	1.1564 - 1.1579			Jul - Sep 2004		
Euro		5.7	1.150 - 1.1558		0.1	Oct - Dec 2004		
	\$	30.2		\$	0.2			
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Written Calls (Counterparty may buy euro/sell USD)						
Euro	\$	5.7	1.21	\$	(0.2)	Jan - Mar 2004
Euro		5.7	1.21		(0.3)	Apr - Jun 2004
Euro		5.7	1.21		(0.3)	Jul - Sep 2004
Euro		5.7	1.21		(0.3)	Oct - Dec 2004
	\$	22.8		\$	(1.1)	
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At December 31, 2002						
Purchase Puts (Company may sell yen/buy USD)						
Japanese yen	\$	6.0	118.43 - 119.68	\$	0.1	Jan - Mar 2003
Japanese yen		6.0	118.03 - 119.30		0.1	Apr - Jun 2003
	\$	12.0		\$	0.2	
	_			_		
Purchase Puts (Company may sell euro/buy USD)						
Euro	\$	9.0	1.0155 - 1.0300	\$		Jan - Mar 2003
Euro		9.0	1.0155 - 1.0300		0.2	Apr - Jun 2003
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	\$	18.0		\$	0.2	

Foreign exchange forward contracts are also used to hedge advances between subsidiaries and bank loans denominated in currencies other than their local currency. The objective of these contracts is to neutralize the impact of foreign currency movements on the subsidiary's operating results. The fair value of forward contracts is based on third-party bank quotes.

The table below describes the forward contracts that were outstanding. All forward contracts were freestanding derivatives.

Foreign currency	Contract date	Forward position		Maturity date	Contract rate		Fair value
		(in millions)				(in	millions)
At December 31, 2003							
Buy TWD Sell EURO	12/02/2003	\$	2.6	1/5/2004	41.1200	\$	2.5
Buy CAD Sell EURO	12/02/2003	\$	1.2	1/5/2004	1.5682	\$	1.2
Buy DKK Sell EURO	12/02/2003	\$	0.8	1/5/2004	7.4410	\$	0.8
Buy SEK Sell EURO	12/02/2003	\$	0.8	1/5/2004	9.0145	\$	0.8
Buy AUD Sell EURO	12/02/2003	\$	1.1	1/5/2004	1.6552	\$	1.1
Buy AUD Sell EURO	12/19/2003	\$	1.5	1/5/2004	1.6810	\$	1.5
Buy GBP Sell USD	12/19/2003	\$	3.2	1/23/2004	1.7636	\$	3.2
Buy SEK Sell USD	12/19/2003	\$	1.6	1/23/2004	7.3270	\$	1.7
Buy JPY Sell USD	12/19/2003	\$	14.0	1/23/2004	107.7050	\$	14.1
Buy EURO Sell USD	12/19/2003	\$	1.0	1/23/2004	1.2381	\$	1.0
At December 31, 2002							
Buy USD Sell Mexican Peso	12/03/2002	\$	10.6	1/06/2003	10.21	\$	10.8
Buy USD Sell Brazilian Real	12/12/2002	\$	1.0	1/16/2003	3.74	\$	0.9
All foreign subsidiaries excluding those		Ψ				+	

All foreign subsidiaries excluding those operating in hyper-inflationary environments designate their local currencies as their functional currency. At year end, the total amount of cash held by foreign subsidiaries primarily in Japan and Korea was \$63.4 million of which \$3.7 million was maintained or invested in U.S. dollars.

The interest rate cap is used to hedge the interest rate exposure on the term loan which has a variable interest rate. They provide protection in the event the LIBOR rates increase beyond the cap rate. The table below describes the interest rate cap that was outstanding. Interest rate caps were designated as cash flow hedges.

Interest rate		am	tional count illions)	rate v	Fair alue nillions)	Maturity date
At December 31, 2003						
Interest Rate Cap		\$	34.4	5%\$		10/31/2005
At December 31, 2002						
Interest Rate Cap		\$	43.8	5%\$	0.1	10/31/2005
	13.	Income Taxe	s			

The components of income before income taxes are:

	I	2001 Year ended December 31, (predecessor)		2002 January 1 to July 31, (predecessor)		2002 August 1 to December 31, (successor)		2003 Year ended December 31, (successor)	
				(in m	illio	ns)			
Domestic	\$	50.0	\$	3.5	\$	8.4	\$	14.8	
Foreign		22.2		12.2		20.6		50.7	
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	\$	72.2	\$	15.7	\$	29.0	\$	65.5	

Income taxes are as follows:

		2001 Year ended December 31, (predecessor)		2002 January 1 to July 31, (predecessor)		2002 August 1 to December 31, (successor)		2003 Year ended December 31, (successor)	
	(pre								
				(in m	illion	is)			
Current:									
Foreign	\$	17.7	\$	7.3	\$	17.7	\$	24.7	
Federal		12.0		(1.9)		(4.5)		14.5	
State		2.1		0.4		0.7		1.7	
Deferred:									
Foreign		3.7		(0.5)		(1.4)		(4.3)	
Federal		(6.5)		1.1		2.7		(8.2)	
State		(0.1)		(0.1)		(0.2)		0.3	
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	\$	28.9	\$	6.3	\$	15.0	\$	28.7	

The tax effects of temporary differences which gave rise to deferred income tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	Year ended December 31			
	:	2002		2003
Deferred income tax assets:				
Accruals not currently deductible	\$	13.5	\$	17.4
Accrued foreign withholding tax on unremitted earnings		2.8		2.8
Foreign tax credits and tax loss carryforwards of certain foreign				
subsidiaries		24.8		43.9
Depreciation/amortization		0.7		0.1
Deferred compensation plan		13.1		9.1
Accrued state income taxes				0.6
Accrued vacation		1.6		1.4
Unrealized foreign exchange		6.2		4.7
Other		1.6		3.2
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Gross deferred income tax assets	\$	64.3	\$	83.2
Less: valuation allowance		(20.1)		(42.5)
Net deferred income tax assets		44.2		40.7
Deferred income tax liabilities:				
Intangible assets	\$	126.3	\$	140.2
Inventory deductibles		1.9		3.3
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	\$	128.2		143.5
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Net	\$	(84.0)	\$	(102.8)

At December 31, 2003, the Company's deferred income tax asset for U.S. foreign tax credits of \$43.6 million and net operating loss carryforwards of certain foreign subsidiaries of \$3.1 million was

reduced by a valuation allowance of \$42.5 million. The valuation allowance includes an increase during 2003 of \$14.7 million attributable to U.S. foreign tax credits applicable to periods prior to the Acquisition, therefore this amount has not affected the 2003 income statement. If tax benefits are recognized in the future through reduction of the valuation allowance, \$32.9 million of such benefits will be allocated to reduce goodwill.

During 2002, the Company recorded a deferred income tax liability in connection with identified intangible assets recorded in the acquisition of the Company. During 2003, in connection with the revaluation of these assets, the associated deferred income tax liability was increased by \$28.3 million.

During 2003, the Company recorded a deferred tax liability of \$2.7 million in connection with the recording of other comprehensive income for the year related to currency translation. The total deferred tax liability at December 31, 2003 relating to accumulated comprehensive income was \$2.3 million.

The net operating loss carryforwards expire in varying amounts between 2004 and 2012. The foreign tax credit carryforwards expire in varying amounts between 2005 and 2008. Realization of the income tax carryforwards is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income prior to expiration of the carryforwards. Although realization is not assured, management believes it is more likely than not that the net carrying value of the income tax carryforwards will be realized. The amount of the income tax carryforwards that is considered realizable, however, could be reduced if estimates of future taxable income during the carryforward period are reduced.

Deferred income taxes of \$2.8 million have been provided on the undistributed earnings of non-U.S. subsidiaries that are not expected to be permanently reinvested in such subsidiaries.

The tax expense differs from the "expected" income tax expense by applying the United States statutory rate of 35% as follows:

	Year ended December 31, 2001		January 1 to July 31, 2002		August 1 to December 31, 2002		Year ended December 31, 2003	
	(pred	(predecessor)		(predecessor)		(successor)		(successor)
				(in m	illio	ns)		
Tax expense at United States statutory rate Increase (decrease) in tax resulting from:	\$	25.3	\$	5.5	\$	10.1	\$	22.9
Differences between U.S. and foreign tax rates on foreign income, including withholding taxes		7.1		1.8		7.4		3.9
U.S. tax (benefit) on foreign income and foreign tax				1.0		7.4		
credits		(7.9)		(1.6)		(5.4)		(6.3)
Increase (decrease) in valuation allowances		2.3		0.1		1.7		7.7
State taxes, net of federal benefit		1.2		0.4		0.8		1.3
Other		0.9		0.1		0.4		(0.8)
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Total	\$	28.9	\$	6.3	\$	15.0	\$	28.7

The U.S. tax benefit on foreign income and foreign tax credits shown above resulted in increases to the deferred tax asset for foreign tax credit carryovers and the valuation allowance. The valuation allowance for deferred tax assets applicable to periods prior to the Acquisition was also adjusted, as discussed above.

14. Restructuring Reserve

As of the date of the Acquisition, the Company began to assess and formulate a plan to reduce costs of the business and recorded a severance and restructuring accrual as part of the cost of the Acquisition. The accrued severance is for employees including executives, corporate functions, and administrative support that were identified at the time of the Acquisition. Actions required by the plan of termination began immediately after consummation of the transaction. The remaining balance of the restructuring reserve at December 31, 2003 of \$2.5 million represents scheduled severance payments for employees.

The following table summarizes the activity in the Company's restructuring accrual subsequent to July 31, 2002:

	(in n	nillions)
Accrual made as of July 31, 2002	\$	10.2
Additional accrual		3.0
Payments made		(10.7)
Balance at December 31, 2003	\$	2.5

15. Supplemental Information

The consolidated financial statement data, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, for the year ended December 31, 2003 and for the period from inception to December 31, 2002 has been aggregated by entities that guarantee the Senior Subordinated Notes (the "Guarantors") and entities that do not guarantee the Senior Subordinated Notes (the "Non-Guarantors"). The Guarantors include WH Intermediate, Lux Holdings, Lux Intermediate, Lux CM (collectively, the "Parent Guarantors") and Herbalife International's operating subsidiaries in Brazil, Finland, Israel, Japan, Mexico, United Kingdom, U.S. (other than Herbalife Investment Co., LLC), Sweden, Taiwan and Thailand (collectively, the "Subsidiary Guarantors"). All other subsidiaries are Non-Guarantors. WH Holdings is not a guarantor of the Senior Subordinated Notes.

Consolidating condensed statements of income for year ended December 31, 2003 and the periods from January 1 to July 31, 2002, August 1 to December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2001 are summarized as follows: (in millions)

				Yea	r Ended December 3	31, 2	003		
(Successor)	Herbalife International, Inc.		Parent guarantors	Subsidiary guarantors	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor)	Non- guarantors	Eliminations	Total consolidated
Net sales	\$		\$ 126.4	\$ 916.8	\$		273.2	\$ (157.0)	\$ 1,159.4
Cost of sales			25.2	232.1			134.6	(156.1)	235.8
Royalty overrides			4.1	249.2			162.1		415.4
Marketing, distribution &									
administrative expenses		40.3	6.0	272.7	0).4	81.8		401.2
Equity in subsidiary (income)									
loss		(76.6)	(42.9) (2.1) (43	6.6)		165.2	
Interest expense net		34.9	0.2	(0.1) 6	6.4	0.1		41.5
Intercompany charges		(25.1)	90.2	67.2			(132.3)		
						_			
Income before income taxes									
and minority interest		26.5	43.6	97.8	36	5.8	26.9	(166.1)	65.5
Income taxes		(16.2)		35.9			9.2	(0.2)	28.7
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NET INCOME	\$	42.7	\$ 43.6	\$ 61.9	\$ 36	5.8 \$	5 17.7	\$ (165.9)	\$ 36.8

August 1 to December 31, 2002

(Successor)	Herbalife International, Inc.	Parent guarantors	Subsidiary guarantors	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor	Non- guarantors	Eliminations	Total consolidated
Net sales	\$	\$	\$ 386.1	\$	\$ 101.3	\$ (37.9) \$	\$ 449.5
Cost of sales			86.8		46.5	(38.3)	95.0
Royalty overrides			103.9		56.0		159.9
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses	4.1		95.7	0.2	35.5		135.5
Acquisition transaction expenses				6.2			6.2
Equity in subsidiary (income)							
loss	(37.1)	(32.0)	· · · · · ·	· · · ·		92.3	
Interest expense net	22.6		(1.1)	2.4			23.9
Intercompany charges	(4.8)		45.5		(41.0)	0.3	
Income before income taxes							
and minority interest	15.2	32.0	55.6	14.1	4.3	(92.2)	29.0
Income taxes	(16.7)	9.1	21.2	(0.1)	1.5		15.0
Income before minority interest	31.9	22.9	34.4	14.2	2.8	(92.2)	14.0
Minority interest							
NET INCOME	\$ 31.9	\$ 22.9	\$ 34.4	\$ 14.2	\$ 2.8	\$ (92.2) \$	\$ 14.0

(Predecessor)	Herbalife International, Inc.			Subsidiary guarantors		Non- guarantors	Eliminations		Total consolidated	
Net sales	\$		\$	551.3	\$	142.5	\$	(49.6)	\$	644.2
Cost of sales				128.1		63.2		(50.7)		140.6
Royalty overrides				147.3		79.9				227.2
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses		(0.8)		165.9		42.3				207.4
Acquisition transaction expenses		54.7								54.7
Equity in subsidiary (income) loss		(36.4)		(0.5)				36.9		
Interest expense net				(1.8)		0.4				(1.4)
Intercompany charges		(7.5)		62.9		(55.4)				
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Income before income taxes and minority interest		(10.0)		49.4		12.1		(35.8)		15.7
Income taxes		(18.6)		19.9		5.0				6.3
Income before minority interest		8.6		29.5		7.1		(35.8)		9.4
Minority interest				0.2						0.2
NET INCOME	\$	8.6	\$	29.3	\$	7.1	\$	(35.8)	\$	9.2

Year Ended December 31, 2001

January 1 to July 31, 2002

(Predecessor)	Herbalife International, Inc.	Subsidiary guarantors	Non- guarantors	Eliminations	Total consolidated
Net sales	\$	\$ 877.8	\$ 218.3	\$ (76.0)	\$ 1,020.1
Cost of sales		216.9	97.0	(72.4)	241.5
Royalty overrides		238.8	116.4		355.2
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses Acquisition transaction expenses	0.4	281.2	73.0		354.6
Equity in subsidiary (income) loss	(43.4)	(0.8)		44.2	
Interest expense net		(3.4)			(3.4)
Intercompany charges	(6.4)	76.5	(70.0)	(0.1)	
Income before income taxes and minority interest	49.4	68.6	1.9	(47.7)	72.2
Income taxes	2.5	22.6	3.8		28.9
Income before minority interest	46.9	46.0	(1.9)	(47.7)	43.3
Minority interest		0.7			0.7
NET INCOME	\$ 46.9	\$ 45.3	\$ (1.9)	\$ (47.7)	\$ 42.6
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15. Supplemental Information

Consolidating condensed balance sheet data as of December 31, 2003 and as of December 31, 2002 is summarized as follows: (in millions)

					December 31, 200	3		
	Intern	balife aational, nc.	Parent guarantors	Subsidiary guarantors	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor	Non- guarantors	Eliminations	Total consolidated
CURRENT ASSETS:								
Cash and marketable securities Receivables	\$	0.1	\$ 13.8	\$ 92.5 23.0	\$ 9.4 1.5	\$ 40.6 7.5	\$	\$ 156.4 32.0
Intercompany receivables		196.7	(23.3)	(89.4)		(84.0)		
Inventories			26.0	23.9		15.0	(5.5)	59.4
Other current assets		(2.5)	2.2	26.9		3.4		30.0
Total current assets		194.3	18.7	76.9	10.9	(17.5)	(5.5)	277.8
Property, net		0.3	2.1	37.7	10.9	5.3	(5.5)	45.4
OTHER NON-CURRENT		0.0	211	0111		010		
ASSETS		448.9	65.8	129.8	238.7	68.5	(370.9)	580.8
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	643.5	\$ 86.6	\$ 244.4	\$ 249.6	\$ 56.3	\$ (376.4)	\$ 904.0
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	¢		• • • • •	¢ 10.4	¢ 0.1	¢ 2.0	ф.	¢ 00.5
Accounts payable Royalties overrides	\$		\$ 8.2 0.7	\$ 10.4 45.7	\$ 0.1	\$ 3.8 30.1	\$	\$ 22.5 76.5
Accrued compensation and			0.7	43.7		50.1		70.5
expenses		8.7	10.2	44.7		15.2		78.8
Other current liabilities		41.1	0.4	55.6	(0.2)			98.4
other current habilities		41.1	0.4	55.0	(0.2)			70.4
Total current liabilities		49.8	19.5	156.4	(0.1)	50.6		276.2
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		351.9	0.3	(0.9)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.7		390.0
MINORITY INTEREST				. ,				
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		241.8	66.8	88.9	211.7	5.0	(376.4)	237.8
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND								
	\$	643.5	\$ 86.6	\$ 244.4	\$ 249.6	\$ 56.3	¢ (276 A)	\$ 904.0
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	043.3	¢ ۵۵.0	¢ 244.4	» 249.6		\$ (376.4)	ə 904.0
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		lerbalife ernational, Inc.	Parent guarantors	Subsidiary guarantors	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor	Non- guarante	ors	Eliminations	Total consolidated	
CURRENT ASSETS:										
Cash and marketable securities	\$	0.3	\$	\$ 39.6	1	\$	25.5			
Receivables		111.0		24.0			5.7	(0.9)	29.0	
Intercompany receivables		141.8		(75.9)		(65.9)		56.0	
Inventories		0.0	0.0	46.2			15.2	(4.5)	56.9	
Other current assets		0.2	0.2	38.2			18.6	(14.4)	42.8	
Total current assets		142.3	0.2	72.1	10.8		(0.9)	(19.8)	204.7	
Property, net				37.4			8.7		46.1	
OTHER NON-CURRENT										
ASSETS		394.3	32.0	195.3	218.0		55.2	(289.9)	604.9	
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$	536.6	\$ 32.2	\$ 304.8	\$ 228.8	\$	63.0	\$ (309.7) \$	8 855.7	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:										
Accounts payable	\$		\$	\$ 16.9	\$ 0.7	¢	4.9	\$ (0.9) \$	5 21.6	
Royalties overrides	Э		ф	\$ 10.9	\$ 0.7		22.6	\$ (0.9) 3	69.1	
Accrued compensation and				40.5			22.0		09.1	
expenses		12.1		42.7			15.0		69.8	
Other current liabilities		(14.8)	9.3	41.7	(0.2)		15.6	(14.6)	37.0	
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Total current liabilities		(2.7)	9.3	147.0	0.5		58.1	(15.5)	197.5	
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		(2.7) 409.1	9.3	147.8 19.7	0.5 36.7		1.4	(15.5)	466.9	
MINORITY INTEREST		409.1		19.7	30.7		1.4		400.9	
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		130.2	22.9	137.3	191.6		3.5	(294.2)	191.3	
SHAREHOLDERS EQUILI		130.2	22.9	137.3	191.0		5.5	(294.2)	191.5	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND										
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	536.6	\$ 32.2	\$ 304.8	\$ 228.8	\$	63.0	\$ (309.7) \$	855.7	

December 31, 2002

Consolidating condensed statement of cash flows data year ended December 31, 2003, the periods of January 1 to July 31, 2002 and August 1 to December 31, 2002, and the year ended December 31, 2001 is summarized as follows: (in millions)

						December 31, 20	15				
Intern	national,			•	,	Ltd.			Eliminations	Total consolidate	ed
\$	43.5	\$	57.0	\$ 98	7\$	37.3	\$	32.7	\$ (174.6)	\$ (94.6
Ψ										Ψ ,	2.9
	(21.0)			(48.	5)	5.3		(17.5)	62.9	(1	18.8)
			2.6	2.	6			2.6			7.8
	0.5			38.	2			25.5		(64.2
\$	0.2	\$	13.7	\$ 92.	5\$	3.7	\$	40.6	\$	\$ 15	50.7
	Intern I	(22.8) (21.0) 0.5	International, Pareguaran \$ 43.5 \$ (22.8) (21.0) 0.5	International, Inc. Parent guarantors \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 (22.8) (45.9) (21.0) 2.6 0.5 2.6	International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98. (22.8) (45.9) 1. (21.0) (48. 0.5 2.6 2. 0.5 38.	International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ (22.8) (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (21.0) (48.5) 2.6 0.5 2.6 38.2	Herbalife International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ 37.3 (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (38.9) (21.0) (48.5) 5.3 2.6 2.6 38.2	Herbalife International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor Non guarantor \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ 37.3 \$ (22.8) (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (38.9) (21.0) (48.5) 5.3 2.6 2.6 38.2	Herbalife International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor Non- guarantors \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ 37.3 \$ 32.7 (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (38.9) (2.7) (21.0) (48.5) 5.3 (17.5) 2.6 2.6 2.6 2.6 0.5 38.2 25.5 25.5	Herbalife International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor Non- guarantors Eliminations \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ 37.3 \$ 32.7 \$ (174.6) (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (38.9) (2.7) 111.7 (21.0) (48.5) 5.3 (17.5) 62.9 2.6 2.6 2.6 2.6 0.5 38.2 25.5 26.5	Herbalife International, Inc. Parent guarantors Subsidiary guarantors WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) ILtd. non-guarantor Non- guarantors Eliminations Total consolidate \$ 43.5 \$ 57.0 \$ 98.7 \$ 37.3 \$ 32.7 \$ (174.6) \$ 9 (22.8) (45.9) 1.5 (38.9) (2.7) 111.7 (21.0) (48.5) 5.3 (17.5) 62.9 (0 2.6

(Successor)		erbalife rnational, Inc.	Parent guarantors		idiary antors	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. non-guarantor	Non- guarantors	Eliminations	Total consolidated
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$	208.3	\$ 32.0	¢	(136.3)	\$ (8.3)	\$ 7.5	\$ (75.1)	\$ 28.1
Net cash provided by (used in)	Ψ	200.5	φ 52.0	Ψ	(150.5)	φ (0.5)	ψ 1.5	φ (75.1)	φ 20.1
investing activities		(684.8)	(32.0))	181.8	(203.2)	22.7	259.5	(456.0)
Net cash provided by (used in)		. ,							
financing activities		477.0			(7.4)	211.5	(5.2)	(184.4)	491.5
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash					0.1		0.5		0.6
Cash at beginning of period									
Cash at end of period	\$	0.5	\$	\$	38.2	\$	\$ 25.5	\$	\$ 64.2

August 1 to December 31, 2002

January 1 to July 31, 2002

(Predecessor)	 erbalife rnational, Inc.		Subsidiary guarantors		Non- guarantors]	Eliminations		Total consolidated
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 32.0	\$	46.9	\$	(2.1)	\$	(38.9)	\$	37.9
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(10.5)		26.9		1.3		1.3		19.0
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(21.5)		(40.4)		(11.0)		37.6		(35.3)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash			(0.6)		1.6				1.0
Cash at beginning of period	0.2		145.3		33.7				179.2
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Cash at end of period	\$ 0.2	\$	178.1	\$	23.5	\$		\$	201.8

Year Ended December 31, 2001

	 lerbalife ernational, Inc.		ubsidiary uarantors		Non- guarantors	F	Eliminations	 Total consolidated
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 46.3	\$	110.6	\$	10.1	\$	(71.5)	\$ 95.5
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(45.1)		89.8		(2.4)		(58.7)	(16.4)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1.2)		(120.8)		(11.7)		130.2	(3.5)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash			(4.5)		(2.2)			(6.7)
Cash at beginning of period	0.2		70.2		39.9			110.3
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Cash at end of period	\$ 0.2	\$	145.3	\$	33.7	\$		\$ 179.2
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16. Quarterly Information (Unaudited)

		2002	2003
	_		(Successor)
First Quarter Ended March 31			
Net sales	\$	265.8	\$ 280.0
Gross profit		208.7	223.1
Net income		19.9	16.9
Earnings per share			
Basic	\$	0.62	
Diluted	\$	0.60	\$ 0.16
Second Quarter Ended June 30			
Net sales	\$	282.0	\$ 288.9
Gross profit		219.3	230.5
Net income		13.4	17.2
Earnings per share			
Basic	\$	0.41	
Diluted	\$	0.39	\$ 0.16
Third Quarter Ended September 30			
Net sales			\$ 290.4
Gross profit			231.4
Net income			1.7
Earnings per share			
Basic			
Diluted			\$ 0.02
July 1 To July 31 (Predecessor)			
Net sales	\$	96.4	
Gross profit		75.7	
Net loss		(24.1)	
Earnings per share			
Basic	\$	(0.73)	
Diluted	\$	(0.70)	
August 1 To September 30 (Successor)			
Net sales	\$	176.2	
Gross profit		138.0	
Net loss		(1.2)	
Earnings per share			
Basic			
Diluted	\$	(0.01)	
Fourth Quarter Ended December 31 (Successor)			
Net sales	\$	273.3	\$ 300.1
Gross profit		216.5	238.7
Net income		15.2	1.1
Earnings per share			
Basic			
Diluted	\$	0.15	\$ 0.01

On March 8, 2004, Herbalife and its wholly-owned subsidiary WH Capital Corporation completed a \$275 million offering of 9¹/₂% Notes due 2011 (the "9¹/₂% Notes"). The proceeds of the offering together with available cash were used to pay the original issue price in cash due upon conversion of 104.1 million outstanding Herbalife convertible preferred shares including 2.0 million warrants exercised in connection with this offering, including all accrued and unpaid dividends, to redeem Herbalife's 15.5% Senior Notes and to pay related fees and expenses. Interest on the 9¹/₂% Notes will be paid in cash semi-annually in arrear on April 1 and October 1 of each year, starting on October 1, 2004. The 9¹/₂% Notes are Herbalife's general unsecured obligations, ranking equally with any of the existing and future senior indebtedness and senior to all of Herbalife's future subordinated indebtedness. Also, the 9¹/₂% Notes are effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of Herbalife's subsidiaries.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

	D	ecember 31, 2003	S	eptember 30, 2004
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	150,679,000	\$	164,669,000
Restricted cash		5,701,000		
Receivables net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,527,000 (2003) and \$4,680,000				
(2004), and including related party receivables of \$323,000 (2003)		31,977,000		33,408,000
Inventories		59,397,000		77,751,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		20,825,000		30,606,000
Deferred income taxes		9,164,000		2,661,000
Total current assets		277,743,000		309,095,000
Property, at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$17,607,000				
(2003) and \$25,529,000 (2004)		45,411,000		49,788,000
Deferred compensation plan assets		21,340,000		19,564,000
Other assets		5,795,000		6,603,000
Deferred financing costs, net of accumulated amortization of \$10,266,000 (2003) and				
\$14,876,000 (2004)		33,278,000		29,103,000
Marketing franchise		310,000,000		310,000,000
Distributor network, net of accumulated amortization of \$26,539,000 (2003) and				
\$40,589,000 (2004)		29,661,000		15,611,000
Product certification, product formulae and other intangible assets, net of accumulated				
amortization of \$9,491,000 (2003) and \$13,917,000 (2004)		13,219,000		8,861,000
Goodwill		167,517,000		167,517,000
TOTAL	\$	903,964,000	\$	916,142,000
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY									
CURRENT LIABILITIES:									
Accounts payable	\$	22,526,000	\$	21,413,000					
Royalty overrides		76,522,000		75,984,000					
Accrued compensation		19,127,000		22,714,000					
Accrued expenses		59,669,000		85,554,000					
Current portion of long term debt		72,377,000		22,411,000					
Advance sales deposits		6,574,000		13,401,000					
Income taxes payable		19,427,000		32,016,000					
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Total current liabilities	\$	276,222,000	\$	273,493,000					
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES:									
Long term debt, net of current portion, including related party debt of \$23,700,000									
(2003) and \$5,808,000 (2004)		252,917,000		479,328,000					
Deferred compensation		22,442,000		13,706,000					
Deferred income taxes		111,910,000		105,798,000					
Other non-current liabilities		2,685,000		2,611,000					
Total liabilities	\$	666,176,000	\$	874,936,000					
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES									
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINUENCIES									
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:									
Preferred shares, \$0.001 par value (aggregate liquidation preference \$446,241,000 (2003)), 12% Series A Cumulative and Convertible, 106,000,000 (2003) shares	\$	102,000							

	D	ecember 31, 2003	S	eptember 30, 2004
authorized, 102,013,572 (2003) shares issued and outstanding				
Common shares, \$0.001 par value, 350,000,000 shares authorized, 104,888,588 (2004)				
shares issued and outstanding			\$	105,000
Paid-in-capital in excess of par value		183,407,000		2,486,000
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3,427,000		3,169,000
Retained earnings		50,852,000		35,446,000
Total shareholders' equity	\$	237,788,000	\$	41,206,000
TOTAL	\$	903,964,000	\$	916,142,000
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See the accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended			
	s	eptember 30, 2003		September 30 2004
Product sales	\$	737,899,000	\$	831,329,000
Handling & freight income		121,409,000		136,692,000
Net sales		859,308,000		968,021,000
Cost of sales		174,349,000		198,824,000
Gross profit		684,959,000		769,197,000
Royalty overrides		307,962,000		342,366,000
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses (including \$7,127,000 and \$5,171,000 of related party expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and 2004, respectively)		282,190,000		315,811,000
Operating income		94,807,000		111,020,000
Interest expense net		31,606,000		55,233,000
Income before income taxes		63,201,000		55,787,000
Income taxes		27,418,000		32,693,000
NET INCOME	\$	35,783,000	\$	23,094,000
Earnings per share:				
Basic	\$		\$	0.22
Diluted	\$	0.34	\$	0.21
Weighted average shares outstanding				
Basic				104,242,000
Diluted		106,265,000		110,492,000
Pro-forma earnings per share:				
Basic				
Diluted Pro-forma weighted average shares:				
Basic				
Diluted				
See the accompanying notes to consolidated fin	ancial	statements		

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

	Р	referred Stock	,	Common Stock		aid in Capital Excess of Par Value	(Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income		Retained Earnings	S	Total hareholders' Equity	Со	mprehensive Income
Balance at December 31,														
2003	\$	102,000	\$		\$	183,407,000	\$	3,427,000	\$	50,852,000	\$	237,788,000		
Redemption of 102,013,572														
preferred shares		(102,000)				(183,013,000)						(183,115,000)		
Issuance of 104,054,388														
common shares				104,000		(104,000)								
Issuance of 834,200 common shares from the exercise of														
stock options				1,000		760,000						761,000		
Additional capital from stock														
options						1,436,000						1,436,000		
Dividends paid										(38,500,000)		(38,500,000)		
Net income										23,094,000		23,094,000 \$	5	23,094,000
Translation adjustments								(1,656,000)				(1,656,000)		(1,656,000)
Unrealized gain on														
derivatives								3,162,000				3,162,000		3,162,000
Reclassification adjustments for loss on derivative														, ,
instruments								(1,764,000)				(1,764,000)		(1,764,000)
								(1,1 0 1,000)				(-,)		(2,1 0 1,000)
Total comprehensive income												\$	5	22,836,000
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Balance at September 30,														
2004	\$		\$	105,000	\$	2,486,000	\$	3,169,000	\$	35,446,000	\$	41,206,000		
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See the accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended				
	Se	ptember 30, 2003	September 30, 2004		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	_				
Net income	\$	35,784,000	\$ 23,094,000		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:	ψ	33,704,000	φ 25,074,000		
Depreciation and amortization		43,953,000	34,287,000		
Amortization and discount of deferred financing costs		5,927,000	5,213,000		
Deferred income taxes		1,539,000	491,000		
Unrealized foreign exchange loss		1,534,000	389,000		
Write-off of deferred financing costs and unamortized discounts		1,368,000	4,077,000		
Other		1,506,000	1,743,000		
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		1,500,000	1,745,000		
Receivables		(7,301,000)	(1,355,000)		
Inventories		6,008,000	(18,991,000)		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		4,000	(18,991,000) (8,087,000)		
Accounts payable		(702,000)	(1,052,000)		
		3,739,000	,		
Royalty overrides		, ,	286,000 30,068,000		
Accrued expenses and accrued compensation		(9,140,000)			
Advance sales deposits		1,745,000	6,894,000		
Income taxes payable		(2,961,000)	12,660,000		
Deferred compensation liability		(9,948,000)	(8,736,000)		
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		73,055,000	80,981,000		
Purchases of property Proceeds from sale of property Changes in marketable securities, net Net change in restricted cash Changes in other assets Deferred compensation plan assets NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	-	(9,509,000) 39,000 1,280,000 3,621,000 (245,000) 10,868,000 6,054,000	(16,810,000) 27,000 5,701,000 (3,723,000) 1,776,000 (13,029,000)		
Dividends paid on Preferred Shares			(38,500,000)		
Issuance of 15.5% Senior Notes and 9 ¹ / ₂ % Notes		872,000	267,437,000		
Borrowings from long-term debt		3,603,000	1,709,000		
Principal payments on long-term debt		(15,483,000)	(59,072,000)		
Redemption of Preferred Shares		(15,405,000)	(183,115,000)		
Proceeds from issuance of Common Shares		4,505,000	(105,115,000)		
			(20,644,000)		
Repurchase of 15.5% Senior Notes Exercise of Stock Options		(5,681,000)	(39,644,000) 761,000		
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(12,184,000)	(50,424,000)		
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH		3,930,000	(3,539,000)		
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		70,855,000	13,989,000		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF PERIOD		64,201,000	150,679,000		
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF PERIOD	\$	135,056,000	\$ 164,668,000		

	 Nine Months Ended				
CASH PAID FOR:					
Interest	\$ 32,318,000	\$	38,646,000		
Income taxes	\$ 29,114,000	\$	20,930,000		
NON-CASH ACTIVITIES:					
Acquisitions of property through capital leases	\$ 5,876,000	\$	3,871,000		

See the accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements



NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ORGANIZATION AND RECAPITALIZATION

Organization

WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., a Cayman Islands exempted limited liability company ("Herbalife"), incorporated on April 4, 2002, and its direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries, WH Intermediate Holdings Ltd., a Cayman Islands company ("WH Intermediate"), WH Luxembourg Holdings S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company ("Lux Holdings"), WH Luxembourg CM S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company ("Lux Holdings"), WH Luxembourg CM S.à.R.L., a Luxembourg unipersonal limited liability company ("Lux Holdings"), were formed on behalf of Whitney & Co., LLC ("Whitney") and Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc. ("Golden Gate"), in order to acquire Herbalife International, Inc., a Nevada corporation, and its subsidiaries ("Herbalife International") on July 31, 2002 (the "Acquisition"). Herbalife and its subsidiaries are referred to collectively herein as the Company.

Recapitalization

On October 1, 2004, Herbalife filed a registration statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in connection with an initial public offering (the "IPO"). Herbalife plans to change its name to Herbalife Ltd. prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement. Herbalife is offering its common shares as part of a series of recapitalization transactions that it anticipates closing in connection with the consummation of the IPO as follows:

a tender offer for any and all of the outstanding $11^{3}/4\%$ senior subordinated notes due 2010, issued by Herbalife International, which is referred to as the $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes, and related consent solicitation to amend the indenture governing the $11^{3}/4\%$ Notes;

the redemption of 40% of its outstanding $9^{1/2}$ % notes due 2011, which is referred to as the $9^{1/2}$ % Notes;

the replacement of Herbalife International's existing \$205.0 million senior credit facility with a new \$225.0 million senior credit facility; and

the payment of a \$200.0 million special cash dividend to the current shareholders of Herbalife. The new purchasers of Herbalife common shares in the IPO will not be entitled to participate in this special cash dividend.

The closing of the IPO is conditioned upon the closing of Herbalife International's new senior credit facility and the receipt by Herbalife International of tenders from holders of at least a majority of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the 11³/4% Notes.

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The unaudited interim financial information of the Company has been prepared in accordance with Article 10 of the SEC's Regulation S-X. Accordingly, it does not include all of the information required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. The Company's financial statements as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 include Herbalife and all of its direct and indirect subsidiaries. In the opinion of management, the accompanying financial information contains all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the Company's financial statements as of September 30, 2004 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004. Operating results for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2004.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications were made to the prior period financial statements to conform to current period presentation.

3. TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

The Company has entered into agreements with Whitney & Co., LLC ("Whitney") and Golden Gate Private Equity, Inc. ("Golden Gate") to pay monitoring fees for their management and other services and to pay certain other expenses. Under the monitoring fee agreements, the Company is obligated to pay an annual aggregate amount of up to \$5.0 million, but not less than \$2.5 million, to Whitney and Golden Gate, for an initial period of ten years subject to the provisions in Herbalife International's amended and restated credit agreement (the "Credit Agreement"). For the nine months ended September 23, 2003, and September 30, 2004, the Company expensed monitoring fees in the amount of \$3.8 million for both periods and other expenses of \$3.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2004, Whitney affiliated companies held \$4.8 millionof the outstanding term loan balance under the Credit Agreement and senior executives of Whitney held \$1.0 million of the 11³/4% Notes. Also, in March 2004, Herbalife redeemed \$17.4 million of the 15.5% Senior Notes due 2011 held by certain Whitney affiliated companies and paid an additional \$5.0 million repurchase premium and \$0.5 million in accrued interest.

Whitney and Golden Gate (and/or their affiliates) were and are parties to a Share Purchase Agreement (the "Share Purchase Agreement") pursuant to which they originally purchased the Company's Preferred Shares. Under the terms of the Share Purchase Agreement, Whitney and Golden Gate can, subject to approval by the Company's board of directors and 75% of its shareholders, require the Company to pay a dividend to all of its shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them resulting from their ownership of the Company may be required to make a \$1.4 million payment to its shareholders related to certain income that may be taxable to them for the year ended December 31, 2003. In addition, the Company may be required to make a payment to its shareholders related to certain income the amount, if any, that could be payable in connection with the 2004 taxes. Both amounts would become distributable to the shareholders if and when the board of directors and 75% of the Company's shareholders approve the payment of these amounts. As of the date of this filing, the Company's board of directors has not made a determination to make these distributions. If and when such a determination is made, these amounts will be recorded as dividends.

4. LONG TERM DEBT

Long term debt consisted of the following (in millions):

	December 31, 2003		
11 ³ /4% Notes	\$ 158.2	\$	158.3
Borrowing under senior credit facility	119.8		66.7
15.5% Senior Notes	39.6		
Discount 15.5% Senior Notes warrant	(1.6)		
9.5% Notes			267.9
Capital leases	5.5		6.7
Other debt	3.8		2.1
	325.3		501.7
Less: current portion	72.4		22.4
	\$ 252.9	\$	479.3

In March 2004, the Company and its lenders amended the Credit Agreement. Under the terms of the amendment, the Company made a prepayment of \$40.0 million to reduce outstanding amounts under the Credit Agreement. In connection with this prepayment, the lenders under the Credit Agreement waived the March 31, 2004 mandatory amortization payment of \$6.5 million along with a mandatory 50% excess cash flow payment for the year ended December 31, 2003. The amendment also lowered the interest rate to LIBOR plus a 2.5% margin, increased the capital spending allowance under the Credit Agreement and permitted Herbalife to complete a recapitalization. The schedule of the principal payments was also modified so that the Company was obligated to pay approximately \$4.4 million on March 31, 2004 and in each subsequent quarter through June 30, 2008.

In March 2004, Herbalife and its wholly-owned subsidiary WH Capital Corporation completed a \$275.0 million offering of 9¹/₂% Notes due 2011. The proceeds of the offering together with available cash were used to pay the original issue price in cash due upon conversion of 104.1 million outstanding Herbalife 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible preferred shares including 2.0 million warrants exercised as described below, to pay all accrued and unpaid dividends, to redeem Herbalife's 15.5% Senior Notes and to pay related fees and expenses. The total price of \$52.1 million to redeem the 15.5% Senior Notes consisted of \$39.6 million aggregate principal amount (excluding \$1.7 million of unamortized discount), an \$11.4 million purchase premium and \$1.1 million of accrued interest from January 1, 2004 up to (but not including) March 8, 2004. At any time after July 31, 2002 and on or before July 15, 2012, warrants issued with the 15.5% Senior Notes could be exercised to purchase an equivalent amount of preferred stock at an exercise price of \$0.01 per share. The number of warrants outstanding after July 31, 2002 and exercised on March 8, 2004 to purchase an equivalent amount of preferred shares was 2,040,816. The proceeds of the 9¹/₂% Notes were used in part to redeem and convert these preferred shares into common shares. Interest on the 9¹/₂% Notes will be paid in cash semi-annually in arrears on April 1 and October 1 of each year, starting on October 1, 2004. The 9¹/₂% Notes are Herbalife's general unsecured obligations, ranking equally with any of the existing and future senior indebtedness and senior to all of Herbalife's future subordinated indebtedness. Also, the 9¹/₂% Notes are effectively subordinated to all existing and future indebtedness and other liabilities of Herbalife's subsidiaries.

5. CONTINGENCIES

The Company is from time to time engaged in routine litigation. The Company regularly reviews all pending litigation matters in which it is involved and establishes reserves deemed appropriate by management for these litigation matters when a probable loss estimate can be made.

Herbalife International was a defendant in a purported class action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court of California (*Jacobs v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*) originally filed on February 19, 2002 challenging marketing practices of several distributors and Herbalife International under various state and federal laws. Without in any way admitting liability or wrongdoing, the Company has reached a binding settlement with the plaintiffs. Under the terms of the settlement, the Company (i) paid \$3 million into a fund to be distributed to former Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, (ii) will pay up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$1 million, refund to former Supervisor-level distributors the amounts they had paid to purchase such Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter, and (iii) offer rebates up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2 million, on certain new purchases of Herbalife products to those current Supervisor-level distributors who had purchased Newest Way to Wealth materials from the other defendants in this matter. As of December 31, 2003, these amounts were adequately reserved for in the Company's financial statements.

Herbalife International and certain of its distributors have been named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit filed July 16, 2003 in the Circuit Court of Ohio County in the State of West Virginia (*Mey v. Herbalife International, Inc., et al*). Herbalife International had removed the lawsuit to federal court and the court has recently remanded the lawsuit to state court. The complaint alleges that certain telemarketing practices of certain Herbalife International distributors violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, and seeks to hold Herbalife International liable for the practices of its distributors. More specifically, the plaintiffs' complaint alleges that several of Herbalife's distributors used pre-recorded telephone messages and autodialers to contact prospective customers in violation of the TCPA's prohibition of such practices. Herbalife's distributors are independent contractors and, if any such distributors in fact violated the TCPA, they also violated Herbalife's policies, which require its distributors to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws. The Company believes that it has meritorious defenses to the suit.

As a marketer of dietary and nutritional supplements and other products that are ingested by consumers or applied to their bodies, the Company has been subjected to various product liability claims. The effects of these claims to date have not been material to the Company, and the reasonably possible range of exposure on currently existing claims is not material. The Company believes that it has meritorious defenses to the allegations contained in the lawsuits. The Company currently maintains product liability insurance with an annual deductible of \$10.0 million.

Certain of our subsidiaries have been subject to tax audits by governmental authorities in their respective countries. In certain of these tax audits, governmental authorities are proposing that significant amounts of additional taxes and related interest and penalties are due. The aggregate amount of assessed taxes, penalties and interest to date is approximately \$34.0 million. We and our tax advisors believe that there are meritorious defenses to the allegations that additional taxes are owing, and we are vigorously contesting the additional proposed taxes and related charges.

These matters may take several years to resolve, and the Company cannot be sure of their ultimate resolution. However, it is the opinion of management that adverse outcomes, if any, will not likely result in a material adverse effect on our financial condition or operating results. This opinion is based on our belief

that any losses we suffer in excess of amounts reserved would not be material, and that we have meritorious defenses. Although we have reserved an amount that we believe represents the most likely outcome of the resolution of these disputes, if we are incorrect in our assessment we may have to pay the full amount assessed.

6. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Comprehensive income is summarized as follows (in millions):

	Nine Months Ended					
	-	ember 30, 2003	Sept	ember 30, 2004		
Net income	\$	35.8	\$	23.1		
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivatives, net of tax		(3.4)		3.2		
Reclassification adjustments for gain (loss) on derivatives, net of tax		3.2		(1.8)		
Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax		3.0		(1.7)		
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Comprehensive income	\$	38.6	\$	22.8		

The net change on derivative instruments represents the fair value of changes caused by marking to market these instruments on September 30, 2004. Foreign currency translation adjustment, net of tax measures the impact of converting primarily foreign currency assets and liabilities of foreign subsidiaries into U.S. dollars.

7. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company is a network marketing company that sells a wide range of weight management products, nutritional supplements and personal care products within one reportable segment as defined under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 131, "Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information." The Company's products are primarily manufactured by third party providers and then sold to independent distributors who sell Herbalife products to retail consumers or other distributors.

The Company sells products in 59 countries throughout the world and is organized and managed by geographic region. In the first quarter of 2003, the Company elected to aggregate its operating segments into one reporting segment, as management believes that the Company's operating segments have similar operating characteristics and similar long term operating performance. In making this determination, management believes that the operating segments are similar with regard to the nature of the products sold, the product acquisition process, the types of customers products are sold to, the methods used to distribute the products, and the nature of the regulatory environment.

Revenue reflects direct sales of products to distributors based on the distributors' geographic location. Sales attributed to the United States are the same as reported in the geographic operating information.

The Company's geographic operating information and sales by product line are as follows:

Nine Months Ended						
ber 30,)3	September 30, 2004					
204.6	\$	194.9				
90.2		73.9				
564.5		699.2				
859.3	\$	968.0				
84.8	\$	77.0				
43.5	\$	77.2 39.3				
248.7		39.3				
377.0	\$	426.8				
282.2	\$	315.8				
31.6	φ	55.2				
63.2		55.8				
27.4		32.7				
35.8	\$	23.1				
371.5	\$	419.5				
374.9		415.9				
75.9		86.0				
37.0		46.6				
859.3	\$	968.0				
312.1	\$	343.5				
337.1		401.6				
120.0		149.0				
90.1		73.9				
859.3	\$	968.0				
	90.1	90.1				

	ember 31, 2003	Sep	tember 30, 2004
Total Assets:			
United States	\$ 601.0	\$	574.5
Japan	62.9		55.5
Others	240.1		286.1
Total Assets	\$ 904.0	\$	916.1

Non-U.S. royalty checks that have aged, for a variety of reasons, beyond a certainty of being paid, are taken back into income. Management has calculated this period of certainty to be three years worldwide, whereas previously this period varied by country, ranging from 12 months to 30 years. In order to achieve consistency among all countries, the Company adjusted the period over which such amounts would be taken into income to three years on a Company-wide basis. The impact of this change for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 is a pretax benefit of approximately \$2.4 million.

8. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION

The Company has two stock based employee compensation plans which are the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan ("The Management Plan") and the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Independent Directors Stock Incentive Plan ("The Independent Directors Plan"). The Management Plan provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of Herbalife to members of the Company's management. The Independent Directors Plan provides for the grant of options to purchase common shares of Herbalife to the Company's independent directors.

The Company applies the intrinsic-value-based method of accounting prescribed by Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations including the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB")

Interpretation No. 44, *Accounting for Certain Transactions involving Stock Compensation, an interpretation of APB Opinion No. 25*, issued in March 2000, to account for its stock option plans. Under this method, compensation expense is recorded on the date of grant only if the then current market price of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price. SFAS 123, *Accounting for Stock Based Compensation,* established accounting and disclosure requirements using a fair-value-based method of accounting for stock based employee compensation plans. As allowed by SFAS 123, the Company has elected to continue to apply the intrinsic-value-based method of accounting described above, and has adopted only the disclosure requirements of SFAS 123.

The following table illustrates the effect on net income if the fair-value-based method had been applied to all outstanding and vested awards in each period:

	Nine Months Ended							
(in millions)	-	ember 30, 2003	September 30, 2004					
Net income as reported	\$	35.8	\$	23.1				
Add: Stock-based employee compensation expense included in								
reported net income, net of tax		0.3		0.8				
Deduct: Stock-based employee compensation expense determined								
under fair value based methods for all awards, net of tax		(0.9)		(1.9)				
Pro forma net income	\$	35.2	\$	22.0				

9. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGING ACTIVITIES

The Company designates certain derivatives as cash flow hedges. The Company engages in a foreign exchange hedging strategy for which the hedged transactions are forecasted foreign currency denominated intercompany transactions. The hedged risk is the variability of the foreign currency where the hedging strategy involves the purchase and sale of average rate options. For the outstanding cash flow hedges on foreign exchange exposures at September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004, the maximum length of time over which the Company is hedging these exposures is approximately one year. The Company also engages in an interest rate hedging strategy for which the hedged transactions are forecasted interest payments on the variable rate term loan. The hedged risk is the variability of interest rate where the hedging strategy involves the purchase of interest rate caps. There is no ineffective portion for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004. For all qualifying and highly effective cash flow hedges, the changes in the effective portion of the fair value of the derivative are recorded in other comprehensive income ("OCI"). At September 30, 2004, the OCI balance was zero.

10. RESTRUCTURING RESERVE

As of the date of the Acquisition, as defined herein, the Company implemented a plan to reduce costs of the business and recorded a severance and restructuring accrual as part of the cost of the Acquisition. The accrued severance is for identified employees including executives, corporate functions and administrative support.

The following table summarizes the activity in the Company's restructuring accrual (in millions):

Balance at December 31, 2003	\$ 2.5
Additional accrual	
Cash payments	(1.5)
Balance at September 30, 2004	\$ 1.0

The Company expects to pay these restructuring costs through 2005.

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11. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

The consolidated financial statement data as of September 30, 2004, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004, have been aggregated by entities that guarantee the 11³/4% Notes (the "Guarantors") and entities that do not guarantee the 11³/4% Notes (the "Non-Guarantors"). The Guarantors include WH Intermediate Holdings Ltd. ("WH Intermediate"), WH Luxembourg Holdings S.à.R.L., ("Lux Holdings"), WH Luxembourg Intermediate Holdings S.à.R.L. ("Lux Intermediate"), Herbalife International Luxembourg S.à.R.L. ("Herbalife Lux") formerly known as WH Luxembourg CM S.à.R.L. (collectively, the "Parent Guarantors") and Herbalife's operating subsidiaries in Brazil, Finland, Israel, Japan, Mexico, United Kingdom, U.S. (except for Herbalife Investment Co., LLC), Sweden, Taiwan and Thailand (collectively, the "Subsidiary Guarantors"). All other subsidiaries are Non-Guarantors. Herbalife International is the issuer of the 11³/4% Notes.

Herbalife is the issuer of the 9¹/2% Notes but is not a Guarantor of the 11³/4% Notes. Obligations under the 9¹/2% Notes are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries. However, under certain circumstances in the future, our subsidiaries may be required to guarantee the 9¹/2% Notes. Consolidating condensed unaudited statements of income for Guarantors and Non-Guarantors for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004 are summarized as follows (in millions):

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	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.		Parent Guarantors	Herbalife International, Inc.	Subsidiary Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated
Net sales	\$		\$	\$	\$ 749.4	\$ 198.2	\$ (88.3)	\$ 859.3
Cost of sales					166.1	97.5	(89.3)	174.3
Royalty overrides					189.6	118.4		308.0
Marketing, distribution &								
administrative expenses		0.3	1.4	32.6	190.1	57.8		282.2
Equity in subsidiary (income)								
loss		(41.2)	(42.9)	(77.4)	(1.7)		163.2	
Interest expense net		5.0		27.3	(0.7)			31.6
Intercompany charges				(7.6)	103.9	(96.3)		
Income before income taxes		35.9	41.5	25.1	102.1	20.8	(162.2)	63.2
Income tax expense (benefit)				(17.5)	38.9	6.0		27.4
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NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	35.9	\$ 41.5	\$ 42.6	\$ 63.2	\$ 14.8	\$ (162.2)	\$ 35.8

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004

	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.		Parent Guarantors	Herbalife International, Inc.	Subsidiary Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated
Net sales	\$		\$ 443.5	\$	\$ 448.0	\$ 271.2	\$ (194.7)	\$ 968.0
Cost of sales			96.5		149.9	138.9	(186.5)	198.8
Royalty overrides			13.2		181.3	147.9		342.4
Marketing, distribution & administrative expenses		0.1	10.2	21.5	221.0	63.0		315.8
Equity in subsidiary (income)								
loss		(55.2)	(49.8)	(20.0)	(2.6)	1	127.6	
Interest expense net		31.8	0.8	22.0	2.7	(2.1)		55.2
Intercompany charges			317.3	(90.7)	(119.5)	(107.1)		
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Income before income taxes		23.3	55.3	67.2	15.2	30.6	(135.8)	55.8
Income tax expense (benefit)			0.1	18.4	5.7	8.5		32.7
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NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	23.3	\$ 55.2	\$ 48.8	\$ 9.5	\$ 22.1	\$ (135.8)	\$ 23.1

Consolidating condensed unaudited balance sheet data for Guarantors and Non-Guarantors as of September 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003 are summarized as follows (in millions):

September 30, 2004

	September 30, 2004										
	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.		Parent Guarantors		Herbalife International, Inc.	Subsidiary Guarantors		Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated	
CURRENT ASSETS:											
Cash and marketable securities	\$	2.7	\$	5.2	\$ 0.1	\$	112.0	\$ 44.7	\$	\$ 164.7	
Receivables		1.1		0.4	6.5		21.2	10.7	(6.5)	33.4	
Intercompany receivables											
(payables)				(14.1)	226.3		(140.9)	(71.3)			
Inventories				33.6			38.0	20.0	(13.8)	77.8	
Other current assets				14.0	1.3		14.3	3.6		33.2	
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Total current assets		3.8		39.1	234.2		44.6	7.7	(20.3)	309.1	
Property net				1.7	0.6		42.1	5.4		49.8	
OTHER NON-CURRENT											
ASSETS		250.6		115.7	421.4		136.9	69.1	(436.5)	557.2	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	254.4	\$	156.5	\$ 656.2	\$	223.6	\$ 82.2	\$ (456.8)	\$ 916.1	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:											
Accounts payable	\$		\$	9.7	\$	\$	9.0		\$ 5	\$ 21.4	
Royalties overrides				1.3			45.2	29.5		76.0	
Accrued compensation and											
expenses		14.7		18.9	3.9		51.3	19.4		108.2	
Other current liabilities		(0.2)		5.6	13.9		47.7	7.1	(6.3)	67.8	
		14.5		25.5	17.0	-	152.0		((2)	272.4	
Total current liabilities		14.5		35.5	17.8		153.2	58.7	(6.3)	273.4	
NON-CURRENT		267.9		(0,5)	347.8		(14.4)	0.7		601.5	
LIABILITIES				(0.5)			(14.4)		(450.5)		
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		(28.0)		121.5	290.6		84.8	22.8	(450.5)	41.2	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES &											
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY	\$	254.4	\$	156.5	\$ 656.2	\$	223.6	\$ 82.2	\$ (456.8) \$	\$ 916.1	

Explanation of Responses:

September 30, 2004

	WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd.		(Cayman Paren		Herbalife International Inc.	Subsidiary Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated	
CURRENT ASSETS:										
Cash and marketable securities	\$	9.4	\$	13.8	6 0.1	\$ 92.5	\$ 40.6	\$	\$ 156.4	
Receivables		1.5				23.0	7.5		32.0	
Intercompany receivables										
(payables)				(23.3)	196.7	(89.4)				
Inventories				26.0		23.9	15.0	(5.5)	59.4	
Other current assets				2.2	(2.5)	26.9	3.4		30.0	
Total current assets		10.9		18.7	194.3	76.9	(17.5)	(5.5)	277.8	
Property, net				2.1	0.3	37.7	5.3	. ,	45.4	
OTHER NON-CURRENT										
ASSETS		238.7		65.8	448.9	129.8	68.5	(370.9)	580.8	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	249.6	\$	86.6	643.5	\$ 244.4	\$ 56.3	\$ (376.4)	\$ 904.0	
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:										
Accounts payable	\$	0.1	\$	8.2 \$	5	\$ 10.4	\$ 3.8	\$	\$ 22.5	
Royalties overrides				0.7		45.7	30.1		76.5	
Accrued compensation and										
expenses				10.2	8.7	44.7	15.2		78.8	
Other current liabilities		(0.2)		0.4	41.1	55.6	1.5		98.4	
Total current liabilities		(0.1)		19.5	49.8	156.4	50.6		276.2	
NON-CURRENT		(011)		1710	1910	10011	2010		27012	
LIABILITIES		38.0		0.3	351.9	(0.9)	0.7		390.0	
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY		211.7		66.8	241.8	88.9	5.0	(376.4)	237.8	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES &										
STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY	\$	249.6	\$	86.6	643.5	\$ 244.4	\$ 56.3	\$ (376.4)	\$ 904.0	
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December 31, 2003

Consolidating condensed unaudited statement of cash flows data for Guarantors and Non-Guarantors for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 and September 30, 2004 is summarized as follows (in millions):

	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003									
	(C	Holdings ayman nds) Ltd.	Parent Guarantors	Herbalife International, Inc.	Subsidiary Guarantors	Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated		
Net cash provided by (used in)										
operating activities	\$	36.4	\$ 61.4	\$ 106.7	\$ 45.5	\$ 31.9	\$ (208.8) \$	\$ 73.1		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(37.3)	(43.3)) (52.6) (0.2) (2.1)	141.6	6.1		
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		5.5		(54.4) (14.7) (15.9)	67.3	(12.2)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash				Ň	2.0	· · · · ·		3.9		
Cash at beginning of period			0.1	0.4	. 38.3	25.5	(0.1)	64.2		
Cash at and of nariad	¢	1.6	¢ 10.0	¢ 0.1	¢ 70.0	¢ 41.2	¢ 0	§ 135.1		
Cash at end of period	\$	4.6	\$ 18.2	\$ 0.1	\$ 70.9	\$ 41.3	ф 	\$ 135.1		
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	WH Ho (Cayı Islands	nan	Parent Guarantors	Herba Internat , Inc	ional	Subsid Guara	•	Non- Guarantors	Eliminations	Total Consolidated
Net cash provided by (used in)	¢	0.4	¢ 42.2	¢	49.0	¢	71.0	¢ 10.2	¢ (01.()	¢ 91.0
operating activities	\$	0.4	\$ 42.2	\$	48.0	\$	71.8	\$ 10.2	\$ (91.6)	\$ 81.0
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(8.5)	(48.6))	5.0		(21.1)	(2.4)	62.6	(13.0)
Net cash provided by (used in)										
financing activities		7.0			(53.0)		(30.7)	(2.7)	29.0	(50.4)
Effect of exchange rate changes										
on cash			(2.2))			(0.4)	(1.0)		(3.6)
Cash at beginning of period		3.7	13.8		0.1		92.5	40.6		150.7
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Cash at end of period	\$	2.6	\$ 5.2	\$	0.1	\$	112.1	\$ 44.7	\$	\$ 164.7

Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004

12. PRO FORMA SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 EARNINGS PER SHARE

The pro forma earnings per share for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 reflects the effect of the \$200 million shareholder dividend on earnings per share, assuming that a number of shares sufficient to raise \$200 million were outstanding during the reporting period. This dividend is expected to be payable upon the closing of the Company's proposed initial public offering of common shares with a corresponding reduction of shareholders' equity. The pro forma earnings per share does not reflect any other adjustments related to the proposed offering.

PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The following table sets forth all expenses, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, payable by the registrant in connection with the sale of the common shares being registered. All amounts shown are estimates except for the registration fee and the NASD filing fee.

	Amount to be Paid	
SEC registration fee	\$	*
NASD filing fee	\$	*
NYSE listing fees	\$	*
Printing and engraving		*
Legal fees and expenses		*
Accounting fees and expenses		*
Blue sky fees and expenses (including legal fees)		*
Transfer agent and registrar fees		*
Miscellaneous		*
Total	\$	*

* To be completed by amendment.

Item 14. Indemnification of Officers and Directors.

The memorandum and articles of association of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. ("Herbalife") provide that, to the fullest extent permitted by the Companies Law (2004 Revision), every director, agent or officer of Herbalife shall be indemnified out of the assets of Herbalife against any liability incurred by him as a result of any act or failure to act in carrying out his functions other than such liability (if any) that he may incur by his own willful misconduct. To the fullest extent permitted by the Statute, such director, agent or officer shall not be liable to Herbalife for any loss or damage in carrying out his functions unless the liability arises through the willful misconduct of such director, agent or officer.

In addition, the board resolutions of Herbalife provide for the indemnification of its directors and officers against any claims arising out of or relating to (a) the preparation, filing and distribution of this registration statement or the prospectus contained in this registration statement, (b) the issue and exchange of the exchange guarantee or the exchange Notes, (c) the exchange offer and (d) any activities that the directors and officers deem necessary or advisable to carry out the intent and purposes of the resolutions. The resolutions also expressly authorize Herbalife to indemnify their directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Herbalife is a Cayman Islands exempted limited liability company. As such, it is governed by the laws of the Cayman Islands with respect to the indemnification provisions. Cayman Islands law does not limit the extent to which a company's articles of association may provide for indemnification of officers and directors, except to the extent any such provision may be held by the Cayman Islands courts to be contrary to public policy, such as to provide indemnification against civil fraud or the consequences of committing a crime. Our articles of association provide for indemnification of officers and directors for losses, damages, costs and expenses incurred in their capacities as such, except in the case of (a) any fraud or dishonesty of such director or officer, (b) such director's or officer's conscious, intentional or wilful breach of his obligation to act honestly, lawfully and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the Company, or (c) any claims or rights of action to recover any gain, personal profit, or other advantage to which the director or officer is not legally entitled. Herbalife intends to enter into an indemnity agreement with each of its directors and officers to supplement the indemnification protection available under its articles of association. These indemnity agreements will generally provide that we will indemnify the parties thereto to the fullest extent permitted by law.

The foregoing summaries are necessarily subject to the complete text of Herbalife's articles of association and the indemnity agreements referred to above and are qualified in their entirety by reference thereto.

Liability Insurance Covering Directors and Officers

In addition to the indemnification provisions set forth above, Holdings maintains insurance policies that indemnify its directors and officers against various liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that might be incurred by any director or officer in his capacity as such.

Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

Since the date of our formation through the date hereof, we have issued and sold the following unregistered securities:

Option Grants and Option Exercises

We have granted options to purchase 20,541,095 common shares to employees, officers and directors under the WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. Stock Incentive Plan at exercise prices ranging from \$0.44 to \$12.50 per share. During the same period, we issued and sold 834,200 common shares pursuant to exercises of options granted under this plan at prices ranging from \$0.44 to \$1.76 per share.

We have granted options to purchase 800,000 common shares to our independent directors under the Independent Directors' Stock Option Plan of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. at exercise prices ranging from \$0.44 to \$1.76 per share. During the same period, we have not issued nor sold any common shares pursuant to exercises of options granted under this plan.

All of these grants were made to our employees, officers, or directors under written compensatory benefit plans within the limits on the amount of securities than can be issued under Rule 701 promulgated under Section 3(b) of the Securities Act. Accordingly, these grants and sales were deemed to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 701 of the Securities Act.

Warrants

On July 31, 2002, in connection with the issuance of the Company's 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares (the "Preferred Shares"), the Company issued warrants to purchase an aggregate of 2,040,816 Preferred Shares at an exercise price of \$0.01 per share to GarMark Partners, L.P. ("GarMark"), Whitney Private Debt Fund ("Whitney Debt Fund") and Green River Offshore Fund ("Green River"). GarMark received a warrant to purchase 1,149,302 Preferred Shares, Whitney Private Debt Fund received a warrant to purchase 805,585 Preferred Shares and Green River received a warrant to purchase and Green River received a warrant to purchase 85,929 Preferred Shares.

12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares

Beginning on the date of our formation and over the course of several installments, we issued and sold 100,000,000 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares to the Equity Sponsors and their affiliates, certain members of our management, and selected distributors at a price of \$1.76 per share. Eighteen Chairman's Club members and 108 distributors purchased the 12% Series A Cumulative

Convertible Preferred shares. Of the 108 distributors, three subsequently became Chairman's Club members.

On May 30, 2003, we issued and sold 1,089,952 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares to members of our Chairman's Club at a price of \$2.21 per share.

On June 24, 2003, we issued and sold 203,620 12% Series A Cumulative Convertible Preferred Shares to Michael O. Johnson, our Chief Executive Director, at a price of \$2.21 per share.

On March 8, 2004, Whitney Debt Fund exercised its warrant to purchase 805,585 Preferred Shares for an aggregate exercise price of \$8,055.85 and Green River exercised its warrant to purchase 85,929 Preferred Shares for an aggregate exercise price of \$859.29.

On March 8, 2004, each outstanding Preferred Share (or an aggregate of approximately 102,905,086 Preferred Shares) automatically, and without any action on the part of the Company's shareholders, converted into one common share and \$1.76 cash, plus accrued and unpaid dividends (or an aggregate of 102,905,086 common shares and \$219.2 million in cash), in accordance with our memorandum and articles of association and Cayman Islands law as a consequence of the consummation of the offering of our 9 1/2% Notes. While we do not believe that this conversion constituted a "sale" of securities within the meaning of the Securities Act, if the conversion were determined to be such a sale, we believe that it would be deemed exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act by virtue of Section 4(2), as discussed below, and Section 3(a)(9) as an exchange of one security for another of the same issuer for no additional consideration and no commission or other remuneration was paid or given, directly or indirectly, for soliciting such exchange.

On March 8, 2004, GarMark entered into an exchange agreement providing for the exchange of its warrant to purchase 1,149,302 Preferred Shares for 1,149,302 common shares and \$2.0 million in cash. The exchange of GarMark's warrant to purchase Preferred Shares for common shares and cash was made in reliance upon Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act as an exchange of one security for another of the same issuer for no additional consideration and no commission or other remuneration was paid or given, directly or indirectly, for soliciting such exchange. In addition, this transaction was deemed to be exempt from registration under the securities Act in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act as transactions by an issuer not involving a public offering, as described in more detail below.

91/2% Notes due April 1, 2011

On March 8, 2004, we issued 9¹/₂% Notes due April 1, 2011 in the aggregate principal amount of \$275,000,000 to UBS Securities LLC, as initial purchaser, at a cash purchase price equal to 97.25% of their principal amount. These securities were issued in a transaction by an issuer not involving any public offering and thereby exempt from the registration requirements in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. The 9¹/₂% Notes due April 1, 2011 were sold to "qualified institution buyers" within the meaning Rule 144A of the Securities Act, without any general advertising or solicitation, or were sold in sales occurring outside the United States within the meaning of Rule 901 of Regulation S. All such sales were thereby deemed to be exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act in reliance on Rule 144A of the Securities Act.

Except as noted otherwise, the issuance of securities described in this Item 15 were deemed to be exempt from registration under the Securities Act in reliance on Section 4(2) of the Securities Act as transactions by an issuer not involving any public offering. The recipients of securities in each such transaction represented their intention to acquire the securities for investment only and not with a view to or for sale in connection with any distribution thereof and appropriate legends were affixed to the share certificates and other instruments issued in such transactions. The sale of these securities were made without general solicitation or advertising.

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) Exhibits

 1.1* Form of Underwriting Agreement 2.1** Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated April 10, 2002, by and among Herbalife International, Inc., WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. and WH Acquisition Corp. 3.1** Amended and Restated Memorandum and Articles of Association of WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. 4.1** Indenture, dated as of June 27, 2002 between WH Acquisition Corp., WH Intermediate Holdings Ltd., WH Luxembourg Holdings SaRL, WH Luxembourg Intermediate Holdings SaRL, WH Luxembourg CM SaRL. and The Bank of New York as Trustee governing 11¹/₁₆% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010 4.2** Indenture, dated as of March 8, 2004 between WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., WH Capital Corporation and The Bank of New York as trustee governing 9¹/₁₆% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010 5.1* Opinion of Gibson Dum & Crutcher, LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Registrant 5.2* Opinion of Maples and Calder, special Cayman Islands Counsel to WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd. 9.1** Shareholders' Agreement dated as of July 31, 2002, by and among WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., Whitney V, L.P., WH Investments Ltd., CCG Investments (BVI), L.P., CCG Associates OP, LLC, CCG Associates AI, LLC, CCG Investment Fund AI, L.P., CCG AV, LLC-Series E, and certain oth persons 9.2** Institutional Shareholders' Agreement dated as of July 31, 2002, by and among WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., Whitney V, L.P., Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P., WH Investments Ltd., CCG Investments (BVI), L.P., CCG AV, LLC-Series E, and certain oth persons 9.2** Institutional Shareholders' Agreement dated as of July 31, 2002, by and among WH Holdings (Cayman Islands) Ltd., Whitney V, L.P., Whitney Strategic Partners V, L.P., WH Investments Ltd., CCG Investment (BVI), L.P., CCG AV, LLC-Series E, and certain other persons 10.1** Form of Indemnity Agreement between Herbalife International Inc. and Certain officers	Exhibit Number	Description
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Item 17. Undertakings

(a) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that:

(1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(2) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(c) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into the prospectus pursuant to Item 4, 10(b), 11 or 13 of this form, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means. This includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the effective date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.

(d) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes to supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 2 to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Los Angeles, state of California, on November 9, 2004.

WH HOLDINGS (CAYMAN ISLANDS) LTD.

By:

/s/ BRETT R. CHAPMAN

Brett R. Chapman General Counsel

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment No. 2 to the registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
*	Director, Chief Executive Officer	November 9, 2004
Michael O. Johnson	(Principal Executive Officer)	November 9, 2004
*	Chief Financial Officer	November 9, 2004
Richard Goudis	(Principal Financial Officer)	November 9, 2004
*	Chief Accounting Officer	November 9, 2004
David Pezzullo	(Principal Accounting Officer)	November 9, 2004
*	 Director, Chairman of the Board 	November 9, 2004
Peter Castleman		100000000000000000000000000000000000000
*	 Director, Vice Chairman 	November 9, 2004
Henry Burdick		
*	 Director 	November 9, 2004
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* Charles Orr	Director	November 9, 2004
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