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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2016

OR

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

For the transition period from            to

Commission File Number: 001-33440

INTERACTIVE BROKERS GROUP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Delaware  | 30-0390693                              |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation or organization) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

One Pickwick Plaza

Greenwich, Connecticut 06830

(Address of principal executive office)

(203) 618-5800

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer" and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

|                         |                   |   |                           |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Large accelerated filer | Accelerated filer | Non-accelerated filer                         | Smaller reporting company |
|                         |                   | (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) |                           |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No .

As of May 6, 2016, there were 63,989,156 shares of the issuer's Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding and 100 shares of the issuer's Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, outstanding.



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## PART 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

Interactive Brokers Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

(Unaudited)

| (in millions, except share amounts)   | March<br>31,<br>2016 | December<br>31,<br>2015 |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------|
| Assets  |                      |                         |
| Cash and cash equivalents   | \$ 1,747             | \$ 1,601                |
| Cash and securities - segregated for regulatory purposes  | 23,508               | 21,309                  |
| Securities borrowed   | 4,011                | 3,924                   |
| Securities purchased under agreements to resell   | 805                  | 195                     |
| Financial instruments owned, at fair value:   |                      |                         |
| Financial instruments owned   | 2,067                | 1,987                   |
| Financial instruments owned and pledged as collateral   | 1,579                | 1,433                   |
| Total financial instruments owned, at fair value  | 3,646                | 3,420                   |
| Receivables:  |                      |                         |
| Customers, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$131 and \$130 as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 | 15,222               | 17,050                  |
| Brokers, dealers and clearing organizations   | 704                  | 692                     |
| Interest  | 73                   | 63                      |
| Total receivables   | 15,999               | 17,805                  |
| Other assets  | 470                  | 480                     |
| Total assets  | \$ 50,186            | \$ 48,734               |
| Liabilities and equity  |                      |                         |
| Short-term borrowings   | \$ 4                 | \$ —                    |
| Securities loaned   | 2,401                | 2,894                   |

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| Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, at fair value   | 2,960     | 2,617     |
| Payables:  |           |           |
| Customers  | 38,390    | 37,084    |
| Brokers, dealers and clearing organizations  | 381       | 423       |
| Affiliate  | 292       | 291       |
| Accounts payable, accrued expenses and other liabilities   | 92        | 78        |
| Interest   | 3         | 3         |
| Total payables   | 39,158    | 37,879    |
| Total liabilities  | 44,523    | 43,390    |
| Commitments, contingencies and guarantees (see Note 11)  |           |           |
| Equity   |           |           |
| Stockholders' equity   |           |           |
| Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share:  |           |           |
| Class A – Authorized - 1,000,000,000, Issued - 64,123,982 and 64,121,150 shares, Outstanding – 63,989,156 and 63,985,335 shares as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015 | 1         | 1         |
| Class B – Authorized, Issued and Outstanding – 100 shares as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015   | —         | —         |
| Additional paid-in capital   | 720       | 718       |
| Retained earnings  | 171       | 145       |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of income taxes of \$0 and \$0 as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015  | 8         | 2         |
| Treasury stock, at cost, 134,826 and 135,815 shares as of March 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015   | (3)       | (3)       |
| Total stockholders' equity   | 897       | 863       |
| Noncontrolling interests   | 4,766     | 4,481     |
| Total equity   | 5,663     | 5,344     |
| Total liabilities and equity   | \$ 50,186 | \$ 48,734 |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Interactive Brokers Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

| (in millions, except for shares or per share amounts)           | Three Months Ended March |           |
|---|--------------------------|-----------|
|   | 31,<br>2016              | 2015      |
| Revenues  |                          |           |
| Trading gains   | \$ 52                    | \$ 62     |
| Commissions and execution fees                                  | 166                      | 149       |
| Interest income   | 145                      | 108       |
| Other income (loss)   | 144                      | (132)     |
| Total revenues  | 507                      | 187       |
| Interest expense  | 18                       | 15        |
| Total net revenues  | 489                      | 172       |
| Non-interest expenses   |                          |           |
| Execution and clearing  | 62                       | 55        |
| Employee compensation and benefits                              | 58                       | 57        |
| Occupancy, depreciation and amortization                        | 12                       | 10        |
| Communications  | 7                        | 6         |
| General and administrative                                      | 13                       | 16        |
| Customer bad debt   | —                        | 139       |
| Total non-interest expenses                                     | 152                      | 283       |
| Income (loss) before income taxes                               | 337                      | (111)     |
| Income tax expense  | 27                       | (2)       |
| Net income (loss)   | 310                      | (109)     |
| Less net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests | 277                      | (96)      |
| Net income (loss) available for common stockholders             | \$ 33                    | \$ (13)   |
| Earnings per share  |                          |           |
| Basic   | \$ 0.52                  | \$ (0.22) |
| Diluted   | \$ 0.51                  | \$ (0.22) |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding                      |                          |           |

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|---|------------|------------|
| Basic   | 63,985,477 | 58,473,348 |
| Diluted   | 65,255,903 | 58,473,348 |
| Comprehensive income  |            |            |
| Net income (loss) available for common stockholders                   | \$ 33      | \$ (13)    |
| Other comprehensive income  |            |            |
| Cumulative translation adjustment, before income taxes                | 6          | (1)        |
| Income taxes related to items of other comprehensive income           | —          | —          |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax                         | 6          | (1)        |
| Comprehensive income (loss) available for common stockholders         | \$ 39      | \$ (14)    |
| Comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interests         |            |            |
| Net income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests            | \$ 277     | \$ (96)    |
| Other comprehensive income (loss) - cumulative translation adjustment | 33         | (9)        |
| Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to noncontrolling interests  | \$ 310     | \$ (105)   |

See accompanying notes to the condensed consolidated financial statements.



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Interactive Brokers Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

| (in millions)   | Three Months Ended |          |
|---|--------------------|----------|
|   | 2016               | 2015     |
| Cash flows from operating activities  |                    |          |
| Net income (loss)   | \$ 310             | \$ (109) |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities |                    |          |
| Deferred income taxes   | 8                  | (3)      |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 6                  | 5        |
| Employee stock plan compensation  | 12                 | 13       |
| Unrealized losses on other investments, net   | 4                  | (11)     |
| Bad debt expense  | —                  | 139      |
| Change in operating assets and liabilities  |                    |          |
| Cash and securities - segregated for regulatory purposes  | (2,199)            | (1,307)  |
| Securities borrowed   | (87)               | 735      |
| Securities purchased under agreements to resell   | (610)              | 219      |
| Financial instruments owned, at fair value  | (260)              | 461      |
| Receivables from customers  | 1,828              | (525)    |
| Other receivables   | (22)               | 99       |
| Other assets  | (3)                | 10       |
| Securities loaned   | (493)              | (94)     |
| Financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, at fair value                                  | 353                | (322)    |
| Payable to customers  | 1,306              | 429      |
| Other payables  | (31)               | 41       |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities   | 122                | (220)    |
| Cash flows from investing activities  |                    |          |
| Purchases of other investments  | (6)                | (14)     |
| Distributions received and proceeds from sales of other investments                               | 36                 | 16       |
| Purchase of property and equipment  | (7)                | (6)      |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities   | 23                 | (4)      |
| Cash flows from financing activities  |                    |          |
| Short-term borrowings, net  | 4                  | (4)      |

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| Dividends paid to stockholders                               | (7)      | (6)    |
| Distributions to noncontrolling interests                    | (35)     | (35)   |
| Net cash used in financing activities                        | (38)     | (45)   |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents | 39       | (10)   |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents         | 146      | (279)  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period             | 1,601    | 1,269  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period                   | \$ 1,747 | \$ 990 |
| Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information            |          |        |
| Cash paid for interest                                       | \$ 18    | \$ 18  |
| Cash paid for taxes  | \$ 5     | \$ 10  |

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|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|--|-------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------|---------|---|---|---------|
|  | (87,991)    | 87,991      | -             | -            | (905,607)     | -             | -            | (905,607)    |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Issuance of treasury stock for compensation                                  |             |             |               |              |               | -             | 13,132       | (13,132)     | -            | 119,039 | 25,597  | - | - | 144,636 |
| Issuance of treasury stock for Fresh Made acquisition                        |             |             |               |              |               | -             | 128,947      | (128,947)    | -            | 644,738 | 335,262 | - | - | 980,000 |
| Other comprehensive income (loss):   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Unrealized gains on securities, net of taxes and reclassification adjustment |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         | - | - | 488,550 |
| Net income for the year ended  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   | 488,550 |
| December 31, 2009  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Balances at December 31, 2009  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| 221  | \$6,509,267 | \$1,965,786 | \$(3,846,773) | \$27,953,409 | \$(10,359)    | \$32,571,330  |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Balances at January 1, 2009  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| 76   | 16,724,467  | 549,309     | \$6,509,267   | \$1,202,009  | \$(3,302,025) | \$22,383,707  | \$(498,909)  | \$26,294,049 |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Redemption of stock  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Issuance of treasury stock for compensation                                  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Issuance of treasury stock for Fresh Made acquisition                        |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Other comprehensive income (loss):   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Unrealized gains on securities, net of taxes and reclassification adjustment |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Net income for the nine months ended   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| September 30, 2009   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Balances at September 30, 2009   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| 46   | \$6,509,267 | \$1,939,316 | \$(3,851,462) | \$27,833,816 | \$(421,753)   | \$32,009,184  |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Balances at January 1, 2010  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| 776  | 16,778,555  | 495,221     | \$6,509,267   | \$1,965,786  | \$(3,846,773) | \$27,953,409  | \$(10,359)   | \$32,571,330 |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Redemption of stock  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Issuance of treasury stock for compensation                                  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Other comprehensive income (loss):   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Unrealized gains on securities, net of taxes and reclassification adjustment |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Net income for the nine months ended   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| September 30, 2010   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
| Balances at September 30, 2010   |             |             |               |              |               |               |              |              |              |         |         |   |   |         |
|  | 17,273,776  | 16,597,749  | 676,027       | \$6,509,267  | \$2,018,727   | \$(5,897,308) | \$31,811,438 | \$50,468     | \$34,492,592 |         |         |   |   |         |

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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## LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows  
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 (Unaudited)  
and for the Year Ended December 31, 2009

|  | (Unaudited)   |               | December     |
|--|---------------|---------------|--------------|
|  | September 30, | September 30, | 31,          |
|  | 2010          | 2009          | 2009         |
| Cash flows from operating activities:  |               |               |              |
| Net income   | \$3,858,029   | \$5,450,109   | \$5,569,702  |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash flows from operating activities, net of acquisition: |               |               |              |
| Depreciation and amortization  | 1,560,893     | 1,367,130     | 1,811,190    |
| (Gain) Loss on sale of investments, net  | (53,097 )     | 274,296       | 278,474      |
| Loss on disposition of assets  | -             | 2,825         | 2,826        |
| Deferred income taxes  | (392,966 )    | 236,063       | 389,754      |
| Treasury stock issued for compensation   | 62,318        | 113,477       | 144,636      |
| Decrease in allowance for doubtful accounts  | -             | -             | (75,000 )    |
| (Increase) decrease in operating assets:   |               |               |              |
| Accounts receivable  | (1,795,921)   | (2,000,033)   | (612,915 )   |
| Other receivables  | ( 12,532 )    | 2,599         | (7,758 )     |
| Inventories  | (1,212,177)   | (636,236 )    | 173,419      |
| Refundable income taxes  | 1,308,978     | 807,067       | (475,635 )   |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets  | 3,577         | 4,660         | 9,506        |
| Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:  |               |               |              |
| Accounts payable   | (55,466 )     | (284,927 )    | 298,800      |
| Accrued expenses   | 125,638       | 167,114       | 96,062       |
| Accrued income taxes   | 567,926       | -             | -            |
| Net cash provided by operating activities  | 3,965,200     | 5,504,144     | 7,603,061    |
| Cash flows from investing activities:  |               |               |              |
| Purchases of investments   | (1,809,171)   | (6,050,202)   | (6,156,682 ) |
| Proceeds from sale of investments  | 2,868,975     | 6,792,962     | 6,928,321    |
| Proceeds from redemption of certificates of deposit  | 202,545       | -             | -            |
| Purchases of property and equipment  | (1,681,740)   | (1,020,776)   | (1,766,280 ) |
| Acquisition of Fresh Made, net of cash acquired  | -             | (3,442,546)   | (11,042,546) |
| Net cash used in investing activities  | (419,391 )    | (3,720,562)   | (12,037,187) |
| Cash flows from financing activities:  |               |               |              |
| Proceeds of note payable   | 250,000       | 1,753,504     | 9,353,504    |
| Checks written in excess of bank balances  | 659,125       | -             | 342,976      |
| Purchases of treasury stock  | (2,059,911)   | (905,607 )    | (905,607 )   |
| Repayment of notes payable   | (2,175,773)   | (2,104,340)   | (4,003,588 ) |
| Net cash (used in) provided by in financing activities   | (3,326,559)   | (1,256,443)   | 4,787,285    |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents  | 219,250       | 527,139       | 353,159      |

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| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period | 630,407   | 277,248   | 277,248   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period       | \$849,657 | \$804,387 | \$630,407 |

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  
September 30, 2010 and 2009  
and December 31, 2009

Note 1 – NATURE OF BUSINESS

Lifeway Foods, Inc. (The “Company”) commenced operations in February 1986 and incorporated under the laws of the state of Illinois on May 19, 1986. The Company’s principal business activity is the production of dairy products. Specifically, the Company produces Kefir, a drinkable product which is similar to but distinct from yogurt, in several flavors sold under the name “Lifeway’s Kefir;” a plain farmer’s cheese sold under the name “Lifeway’s Farmer’s Cheese;” a fruit sugar-flavored product similar in consistency to cream cheese sold under the name of “Sweet Kiss;” and a dairy beverage, similar to Kefir, with increased protein and calcium, sold under the name “Basics Plus.” The Company also produces several soy-based products under the name “Soy Treat” and a vegetable-based seasoning under the name “Golden Zesta.” The Company currently distributes its products throughout the Chicago Metropolitan area and various cities in the East Coast through local food stores. In addition, the products are sold throughout the United States and Ontario, Canada by distributors. The Company also distributes some of its products to Eastern Europe.

Note 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows:

Basis of presentation

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with the instructions to Form 10-Q. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. However, such information reflects all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring adjustments), which are, in the opinion of Management, necessary for fair statement of results for the interim periods.

Principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, LFI Enterprises, Inc., Helios Nutrition, Ltd., Pride of Main Street, L.L.C., Starfruit, L.L.C., Fresh Made, Inc and Starfruit Franchisor, L.L.C. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated. The financial statements include the results of operations from Fresh Made, Inc from February 6, 2009 through the end of the period (see Note 3).

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 that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates made in preparing the consolidated financial statements include the allowance for doubtful accounts and discounts, the valuation of investment securities, the valuation of goodwill, intangible assets, and deferred taxes.

Revenue Recognition

Sales of Company produced dairy products are recorded at the time of shipment and the following four criteria have been met: (i) The product has been shipped and the Company has no significant remaining obligations; (ii) Persuasive evidence of an agreement exists; (iii) The price to the buyer is fixed or determinable and (iv) Collection is probable. In addition, shipping costs invoiced to the customers are included in net sales and the related cost in cost of sales.

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LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements  
September 30, 2010 and 2009  
and December 31, 2009

Note 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Cash and cash equivalents

All highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less are considered to be cash equivalents.

The Company maintains cash deposits at several institutions located in the greater Chicago, Illinois and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania metropolitan areas.

Investments

All investment securities are classified as available-for-sale and are carried at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity. Amortization, accretion, interest and dividends, realized gains and losses, and declines in value judged to be other-than-temporary on available-for-sale securities are recorded in other income. All of the Company's securities are subject to a periodic impairment evaluation. This evaluation depends on the specific facts and circumstances. Factors that we consider in determining whether an other-than-temporary decline in value has occurred include: the market value of the security in relation to its cost basis; the financial condition of the investee; and the intent and ability to retain the investment for a sufficient period of time to allow for possible recovery in the market value of the investment.

Accounts receivable

Credit terms are extended to customers in the normal course of business. The Company performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and generally requires no collateral.

Accounts receivable are recorded at invoice amounts, and reduced to their estimated net realizable value by recognition of an allowance for doubtful accounts and net of anticipated discounts. The Company's estimate of the allowance for doubtful accounts is based upon historical experience, its evaluation of the current status of specific receivables, and unusual circumstances, if any. Accounts are considered past due if payment is not made on a timely basis in accordance with the Company's credit terms. Accounts considered uncollectible are charged against the allowance.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market, cost being determined by the first-in, first-out method.

Property and equipment

Property and equipment is stated at depreciated cost or fair value where depreciated cost is not recoverable. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. When assets are retired or otherwise disposed of, the cost and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and any resulting gain or loss is recognized in income for the period. The cost of maintenance and repairs is charged to income as incurred; significant renewals and betterments are capitalized.

Property and equipment is being depreciated over the following useful lives:

| Category | Years |
|----------|-------|
|----------|-------|

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|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Buildings and improvements | 31 and 39 |
| Machinery and equipment    | 5 – 12    |
| Office equipment           | 5 – 7     |
| Vehicles                   | 5         |

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Note 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

Intangible assets

The Company accounts for intangible assets at historical cost. Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recorded under the purchase method of accounting at their estimated fair values at the date of acquisition. Goodwill represents the excess purchase price over the fair value of the net tangible and other intangible assets acquired. Goodwill is not amortized, but is reviewed for impairment at least annually. Brand assets represent the fair value of brands acquired. Brand assets have an indefinite life and therefore are not amortized, rather are reviewed periodically for impairment. The Company amortizes other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives, as disclosed in the table below.

The Company reviews intangible assets and their related useful lives at least once a year to determine if any adverse conditions exist that would indicate the carrying value of these assets may not be recoverable. The Company conducts more frequent impairment assessments if certain conditions exist, including: a change in the competitive landscape, any internal decisions to pursue new or different strategies, a loss of a significant customer, or a significant change in the market place including changes in the prices paid for the Company's products or changes in the size of the market for the Company's products.

If the estimate of an intangible asset's remaining useful life is changed, the remaining carrying amount of the intangible asset is amortized prospectively over the revised remaining useful life.

Intangible assets are being amortized over the following useful lives:

| Category  | Years |
|---|-------|
| Recipes   | 4     |
| Customer lists and other customer related intangibles | 7-10  |
| Lease agreement                                       | 7     |
| Trade names   | 15    |
| Formula   | 10    |
| C u s t o m e r relationships                         | 12    |

Income taxes

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences resulting from income and expense items reported for financial accounting and tax purposes in different periods. Deferred taxes are classified as current or non-current, depending on the classification of the assets and liabilities to which they relate. Deferred taxes arising from temporary differences that are not related to an asset or liability are classified as current or non-current depending on the periods in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse.

The principal sources of temporary differences are different depreciation and amortization methods for financial statement and tax purposes, unrealized gains or losses related to investments, capitalization of indirect costs for tax

purposes, purchase price adjustments, and the recognition of an allowance for doubtful accounts for financial statement purposes.

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Note 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

The Company has analyzed filing positions in all of the federal and state jurisdictions where it is required to file income tax returns, as well as all open tax years in these jurisdictions. The only periods subject to examination for the Company's federal return are the 2006 through 2009 tax years. The Company believes that its income tax filing positions and deductions would be sustained on audit and does not anticipate any adjustments that would result in a material change to its financial position. Therefore, no reserves for uncertain income tax positions have been recorded.

During the three months ended September 30, 2010, the IRS completed a review of the Company's 2007 and 2008 federal tax return filings, resulting in a liability of approximately \$220,000 being recognized as of September 30, 2010. The Company's policy for recording interest and penalties associated with audits is to record such items as a component of income before taxes. There were no such items during the periods covered in this report.

Treasury stock

Treasury stock is recorded using the cost method.

Advertising costs

The Company expenses advertising costs as incurred. During the year ended December 31, 2009 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, approximately \$1,689,540, \$3,377,757 and \$1,288,844 of such costs respectively, were expensed.

Earnings per common share

Earnings per common share were computed by dividing net income available to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. For the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2009, diluted and basic earnings per share were the same, as the effect of dilutive securities options outstanding was not significant.

Reclassification

Certain 2009 balance sheet amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2010 presentation.

Note 3 – ACQUISITION

On February 6, 2009, we completed a Stock Purchase Agreement (the "Stock Agreement") under which Lifeway purchased all of the issued and outstanding stock (the "Shares") of Fresh Made, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation ("Fresh"). The consideration for the Shares was an aggregate of \$8,048,000 in cash, a note in the principal amount of \$2,735,000, due on August 1, 2010 as amended and restated, 128,948 shares of common stock of Lifeway valued at a total of \$980,000 ("Lifeway's Common Stock"), the cancellation of a loan in the principal amount of \$265,000. The issuance of Lifeway's Common Stock was exempted from registration pursuant to Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Also on February 6, 2009, we entered into and consummated a Real Property Purchase Agreement (the "Real Property Agreement") under which we acquired 1.1355 acres of land in Philadelphia, PA (the "Property"). The consideration for

the Property was approximately \$2,000,000.

The acquisition was consummated to expand the geographic footprint of Lifeway as well as grow market share. The acquisition was accounted for using the purchase accounting method of accounting, and accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to assets acquired and the liabilities assumed based on the

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Note 3 – ACQUISITION - Continued

fair value as of the merger date. Acquisition costs for legal and professional fees have been included in General and Administrative costs. None of the goodwill resulting from the acquisition is tax deductible.

The estimated fair value of assets acquired, including the real property, and liabilities assumed consisted of the following:

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                                    | \$226,000     |
| Accounts receivable (contractual amounts totaling \$545,958) | 546,000       |
| Other current assets   | 361,000       |
| Building and other fixed assets                              | 2,617,000     |
| Customer list  | 4,000,000     |
| Non amortizable goodwill and brand asset                     | 8,391,000     |
| Current liabilities  | (461,000 )    |
| Deferred tax liability associated with purchase adjustments  | (1,652,000 )  |
| Total fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed  | \$ 14,028,000 |

The following pro forma disclosures, including the effect of purchase accounting adjustments, depict the results of operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and the year ended December 31, 2009 as though the merger with Fresh had taken place as of January 1, 2009:

|                    | For the Nine<br>Months Ended<br>September 30,<br>2009 | For the Year<br>Ended December<br>31, 2009 |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Gross revenue      | \$ 44,764,966   | \$ 59,231,461                              |
| Net income         | \$ 5,498,878  | \$ 5,618,471                               |
| Earnings per share | \$ 0.33   | \$ 0.33                                    |

Note 4 – INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets, and the related accumulated amortization, consist of the following:

|   | September 30, 2010 |                             | September 30, 2009 |                             | December 31, 2009 |                             |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | Cost               | Accumulated<br>Amortization | Cost               | Accumulated<br>Amortization | Cost              | Accumulated<br>Amortization |
| Recipes   | \$ 43,600          | \$ 43,600                   | \$ 43,600          | \$ 43,600                   | \$ 43,600         | \$ 43,600                   |
| Customer lists<br>and other<br>customer related | 4,305,200          | 911,919                     | 4,305,200          | 486,280                     | 4,305,200         | 587,393                     |

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|                       |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| intangibles           |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| L e a s e             |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| acquisition           | 87,200       | 76,824       | 87,200       | 64,359       | 87,200       | 67,473       |
| Other                 | 6,638        | 6,638        | 6,638        | 6,638        | 6,638        | 6,638        |
| C u s t o m e r       |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| relationship          | 985,000      | 342,008      | 985,000      | 259,932      | 985,000      | 280,454      |
| C o n t r a c t u a l |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| backlog               | 12,000       | 12,000       | 12,000       | 12,000       | 12,000       | 12,000       |
| Trade names           | 1,980,000    | 550,000      | 1,980,000    | 418,000      | 1,980,000    | 451,000      |
| Formula               | 438,000      | 182,500      | 438,000      | 138,700      | 438,000      | 149,650      |
|                       | \$ 7,857,638 | \$ 2,125,489 | \$ 7,857,638 | \$ 1,429,509 | \$ 7,857,638 | \$ 1,598,208 |



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## Note 4 – INTANGIBLE ASSETS - Continued

Amortization expense is expected to be as follows for the 12 months ending September 30:

|            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| 2011       | 700,964      |
| 2012       | 685,133      |
| 2013       | 657,883      |
| 2014       | 657,883      |
| 2015       | 657,883      |
| Thereafter | 2,372,403    |
|            | \$ 5,732,149 |

Amortization expense during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$527,281, \$508,086 and \$676,786, respectively.

## Note 5 – INVESTMENTS

The cost and fair value of investments classified as available for sale are as follows:

| September 30, 2010            | Cost         | Unrealized<br>Gains | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair<br>Value |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Equities                      | \$ 689,639   | \$ 27,867           | \$ (55,041 )         | \$ 662,465    |
| Mutual Funds                  | 96,537       | 6,323               | (1,014 )             | 101,846       |
| Preferred Securities          | 243,264      | 10,020              | (11,764 )            | 241,520       |
| Corporate Bonds               | 2,313,081    | 127,867             | (19,777 )            | 2,421,171     |
| Government Agency Obligations | 60,005       | 1,495               | –                    | 61,500        |
| Total                         | \$ 3,402,526 | \$ 173,572          | \$ (87,596 )         | \$ 3,488,502  |

| September 30, 2009            | Cost         | Unrealized<br>Gains | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair<br>Value |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Equities                      | \$ 1,383,083 | \$ 127,024          | \$ (137,790 )        | \$ 1,372,317  |
| Mutual Funds                  | 178,166      | 2,018               | (25,885 )            | 154,299       |
| Preferred Securities          | 388,705      | 7,080               | (135,301 )           | 260,484       |
| Corporate Bonds               | 1,559,094    | 48,181              | (9,246 )             | 1,598,029     |
| Government Agency Obligations | 933,760      | 9212                | (6,764 )             | 936,208       |
| Total                         | \$ 4,442,808 | \$ 193,515          | \$ (314,986 )        | \$ 4,321,337  |



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## Note 5 – INVESTMENTS - Continued

| December 31, 2009             | Cost         | Unrealized<br>Gains | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair<br>Value |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Equities                      | \$ 1,385,524 | \$ 177,024          | \$ (128,547 )        | \$ 1,434,001  |
| Mutual Funds                  | 172,543      | 7,453               | (22,833 )            | 157,163       |
| Preferred Securities          | 388,705      | 6,700               | (95,753 )            | 299,652       |
| Corporate Bonds               | 1,569,245    | 65,226              | (6,772 )             | 1,627,699     |
| Government Agency Obligations | 893,755      | 2,989               | (23,134 )            | 873,610       |
| Total                         | \$ 4,409,772 | \$ 259,392          | \$ (277,039 )        | \$ 4,392,125  |

Proceeds from the sale of investments were \$6,928,321, \$2,868,975 and \$6,792,962 during the year ended December 31, 2009 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Gross gains of \$351,419, \$245,890 and \$346,407 and gross losses of \$629,893, \$193,333 and \$620,702 were realized on these sales during the year ended December 31, 2009 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

The following table shows the gross unrealized losses and fair value of the Company's investments with unrealized losses that are not deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at September 30, 2010 and 2009 and at December 31, 2009:

| September 30,<br>2010               | Less Than 12 Months |                      | 12 Months or Greater |                      | Total        |                      |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|
|                                     | Fair Value          | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value           | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value   | Unrealized<br>Losses |
| Equities                            | \$ 59,879           | \$ (5,726 )          | \$ 79,962            | \$ (49,315 )         | \$ 139,841   | \$ (55,041 )         |
| Mutual Funds                        | –                   | –                    | 17,970               | (1,014 )             | 17,970       | (1,014 )             |
| Preferred<br>Securities             | –                   | –                    | 216,750              | (11,764 )            | 216,750      | (11,764 )            |
| Corporate Bonds                     | 625,104             | (17,357 )            | 176,352              | (2,420 )             | 801,456      | (19,777 )            |
| Government<br>Agency<br>Obligations | –                   | –                    | –                    | –                    | –            | –                    |
|                                     | \$ 684,983          | \$ (23,083 )         | \$ 491,034           | \$ (64,513 )         | \$ 1,176,017 | \$ (87,596 )         |

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## Note 5 – INVESTMENTS - Continued

| September 30,<br>2009         | Less Than 12 Months |                      | 12 Months or Greater |                      | Total        |                      |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|
|                               | Fair Value          | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value           | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value   | Unrealized<br>Losses |
| Equities                      | \$ 304,784          | \$ (82,750 )         | \$ 87,596            | \$ (55,040 )         | \$ 392,380   | \$ (137,790 )        |
| Mutual Funds                  | 86,194              | (17,854 )            | 39,061               | (8,031 )             | 125,255      | (25,885 )            |
| Preferred Securities          | 3,264               | (1,101 )             | 235,390              | (134,200 )           | 238,654      | (135,301 )           |
| Corporate Bonds               | 409,307             | (6,405 )             | 101,403              | ( 2,841 )            | 510,710      | ( 9,246 )            |
| Government Agency Obligations | 259,936             | (5,085 )             | 76,297               | (1,679 )             | 336,233      | (6,764 )             |
|                               | \$ 1,063,485        | \$ (113,195 )        | \$ 539,747           | \$ (201,791 )        | \$ 1,603,232 | \$ (314,986 )        |
|                               |                     |                      |                      |                      |              |                      |
| December 31,<br>2009          | Less Than 12 Months |                      | 12 Months or Greater |                      | Total        |                      |
|                               | Fair Value          | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value           | Unrealized<br>Losses | Fair Value   | Unrealized<br>Losses |
| Equities                      | \$ 128,959          | \$ (27,142 )         | \$ 230,502           | \$ (101,405 )        | \$ 359,461   | \$ (128,547 )        |
| Mutual Funds                  | 1,694               | (321 )               | 131,870              | (22,512 )            | 133,564      | (22,833 )            |
| Preferred Securities          | –                   | –                    | 278,202              | (95,753 )            | 278,202      | (95,753 )            |
| Corporate Bonds               | 178,874             | (3,176 )             | 124,395              | (3,596 )             | 303,269      | (6,772 )             |
| Government Agency Obligations | 564,941             | (20,096 )            | 161,466              | (3,038 )             | 726,407      | (23,134 )            |
|                               | \$ 874,468          | \$ (50,735 )         | \$ 926,435           | \$ (226,304 )        | \$ 1,800,903 | \$ (277,039 )        |

Equities, Mutual Funds, Corporate Bonds and Government Agency Obligations - The Company's investments in equity securities, mutual funds, corporate bonds and government agency obligations consist of investments in common stock, preferred stock and debt securities of companies in various industries. The Company evaluated the near-term prospects of the issuer in relation to the severity and duration of the impairment. Based on that evaluation and the Company's ability and intent to hold these investments for a reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of fair value, the Company does not consider any material investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2010.

Preferred Securities - The Company's investments in preferred securities consist of investments in preferred stock of companies in various industries. The Company evaluated the continuing performance of the securities, the credit worthiness of the issuers as well as the near-term prospects of the security in relation to the severity and duration of the impairment. Based on that evaluation and the Company's ability and intent to hold these investments for a

reasonable period of time sufficient for a forecasted recovery of fair value, the Company does not consider any material investments to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2010.

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## Note 6 – INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

|                     | September 30, |              | December 31, |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
|                     | 2010          | 2009         | 2009         |
| Finished goods      | \$ 1,523,234  | \$ 1,626,092 | \$ 1,101,885 |
| Production supplies | 1,745,308     | 1,718,779    | 1,367,457    |
| Raw materials       | 1,240,611     | 761,760      | 827,634      |
| Total inventories   | \$ 4,509,153  | \$ 4,106,631 | \$ 3,296,976 |

## Note 7 – PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment consist of the following:

|                               | September 30, |               | December 31   |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                               | 2010          | 2009          | 2009          |
| Land                          | \$ 1,178,160  | \$ 1,178,160  | \$ 1,178,160  |
| Buildings and improvements    | 11,219,047    | 9,967,295     | 10,380,393    |
| Machinery and equipment       | 13,256,649    | 12,292,030    | 12,525,241    |
| Vehicles                      | 976,745       | 961,245       | 961,245       |
| Office equipment              | 299,823       | 238,029       | 255,616       |
| Construction in process       | 133,579       | –             | 81,608        |
|                               | 27,064,003    | 24,636,759    | 25,382,263    |
| Less accumulated depreciation | 12,133,694    | 10,824,720    | 11,100,081    |
| Total property and equipment  | \$ 14,930,309 | \$ 13,812,039 | \$ 14,282,182 |

Depreciation expense during the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and 2009 and for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$1,033,611, \$859,044, and \$1,134,404 respectively.

## Note 8 – ACCRUED EXPENSES

Accrued expenses consist of the following:

|                                   | September 30, |            | December 31, |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|
|                                   | 2010          | 2009       | 2009         |
| Accrued payroll and payroll taxes | \$ 303,436    | \$ 234,269 | \$ 191,744   |
| Accrued property tax              | 375,972       | 376,840    | 306,707      |
| Other                             | 60,574        | 72,576     | 115,893      |
|                                   | \$ 739,982    | \$ 683,685 | \$ 614,344   |



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Note 9 – NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable consist of the following:

|   | September 30,<br>2010 | September 30,<br>2009 | December 31<br>2009 |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Note payable to Private Bank in monthly installments of \$42,222, plus variable interest rate, currently at 2.756%, with a balloon payment of \$5,066,667 due February 6, 2014. Collateralized by substantially all assets of the Company.                  | \$ 6,735,556          | \$ 7,262,222          | \$ 7,135,556        |
| Line of credit with Private Bank at variable interest rate, currently at 2.781%, due on February 6, 2011. Collateralized by substantially all assets of the Company.  | 750,000               | 2,400,000             | 500,000             |
| Line of credit with Morgan Stanley at variable interest rate, currently at 2.23% due on demand. Collateralized by investments with a fair value of \$3,488,502 at September 30, 2010.   | 2,321,200             | 1,957,040             | 2,468,151           |
| Notes payable to Ilya Mandel & Michael Edelson, subordinated to Private Bank, payable in quarterly installments of \$341,875, plus interest at the floating rate per annum (3.25% at September 30, 2010). This balance was paid in full during August 2010. | –                     | 2,012,515             | 1,628,822           |
| Total notes payable   | 9,806,756             | 13,631,777            | 11,732,529          |
| Less current maturities   | 3,608,978             | 6,231,204             | 4,842,315           |
| Total long-term portion   | \$ 6,197,778          | \$ 7,400,573          | \$ 6,890,214        |

Maturities of notes payables are as follows:

For the Period Ended September 30,

|       |              |
|-------|--------------|
| 2011  | \$ 3,608,978 |
| 2012  | 506,664      |
| 2013  | 506,664      |
| 2014  | 5,184,440    |
| Total | \$ 9,806,756 |





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## Note 10 – PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes consists of the following:

|                            | For the Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |              | For the<br>Year Ended<br>December 31, |
|----------------------------|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|
|                            | 2010                                       | 2009         | 2009                                  |
| Current:                   |  |              |                                       |
| Federal                    | \$ 2,489,227                               | \$ 2,293,323 | \$ 2,045,904                          |
| State and local            | 861,024                                    | 494,875      | 443,592                               |
| Total current              | 3,350,251                                  | 2,788,198    | 2,489,496                             |
| Deferred                   | (392,966 )                                 | 236,063      | 389,754                               |
| Provision for income taxes | \$ 2,957,285                               | \$ 3,024,261 | \$ 2,879,250                          |

A reconciliation of the provision for income taxes and the income tax computed at the statutory rate is as follows:

|  | For the Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |              | For the<br>Year Ended<br>December 31, |
|--|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|
|  | 2010                                       | 2009         | 2009                                  |
| Federal income tax expense<br>computed at the statutory rate | \$ 2,317,207                               | \$ 2,881,286 | \$ 2,872,644                          |
| State and local tax expense, net                             | 327,135                                    | 406,770      | 405,550                               |
| Permanent differences  | 312,943                                    | (263,795 )   | (178,160 )                            |
| Tax credits and other  | —  | —            | (220,784 )                            |
| Provision for income taxes                                   | \$ 2,957,285                               | \$ 3,024,261 | \$ 2,879,250                          |

Amounts for deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

|  | September 30,  |                | December 31,   |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|  | 2010           | 2009           | 2009           |
| Non-current deferred tax assets (liabilities)<br>arising from: |                |                |                |
| Temporary differences -  |                |                |                |
| Accumulated depreciation                                       | \$ (1,872,114) | \$ (2,010,273) | \$ (2,129,680) |
| Purchase accounting adjustments                                | (1,585,334)    | (1,652,000)    | (1,652,000)    |
| Capital loss carry-forwards                                    | 337,016        | —              | 337,016        |
| Total non-current net deferred tax liabilities                 | (3,120,432)    | (3,662,273)    | (3,444,664)    |
| Current deferred tax assets arising from:                      |                |                |                |
| Unrealized (gains) losses on investments                       | (35,509 )      | 59,619         | 7,288          |
| Impairment of investments                                      | 4,234          | 59,003         | 59,003         |
| Inventory  | 190,958        | 174,013        | 139,730        |

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|   |                |                |                |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Allowance for doubtful accounts and discounts | 117,710        | 45,435         | 45,435         |
| Total current deferred tax assets             | 277,393        | 338,070        | 251,456        |
| Net deferred tax liability                    | \$ (2,843,039) | \$ (3,324,203) | \$ (3,193,208) |

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Note 11 – SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Cash paid for interest and income taxes are as follows:

|              | For the Nine Months Ended<br>September 30, |              | For the<br>Year Ended<br>December 31, |
|--------------|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|
|              | 2010                                       | 2009         | 2009                                  |
| Interest     | \$ 314,578                                 | \$ 330,095   | \$ 419,186                            |
| Income taxes | \$ 1,479,092                               | \$ 2,458,149 | \$ 3,432,228                          |

Note 12 – STOCK AWARD AND STOCK OPTION PLANS

The Company has a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with a Consulting Service Compensation Plan covering up to 1,200,000 of the Company's common stock shares. Pursuant to such Plan, the Company may issue common stock or options to purchase common stock to certain consultants, service providers, and employees of the Company. The option price, number of shares, grant date, and vesting terms are determined at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors.

As of December 31, 2009 and at September 30, 2010 and 2009, there were no stock options outstanding or exercisable. There were approximately 940,000 shares available for issuance under the Plan at September 30, 2010.

On May 28, 2009, Lifeway's Board of Directors approved awards of an aggregate amount of 18,000 shares to be awarded under its Employee and Consulting Services and Compensation Plan to certain key employees and consultants for services rendered to the Company. The stock awards were made on May 28, 2009 and have vesting periods of one year. The expense for the awards is measured as of July 14, 2009 at \$14.69 per share for 18,000 shares, or a total stock award expense of \$264,420. This expense was recognized as the stock awards vested in 12 equal portions of \$22,035, or 1500 shares per month for one year.

On June 13, 2008, Lifeway's Board of Directors approved awards of an aggregate amount of 10,500 shares to be awarded under its Employee and Consulting Services and Compensation Plan to certain key employees and consultants for services rendered to the Company. The stock awards were made on June 13, 2008 and had vesting periods of one year. The expense for the awards was measured as of July 1, 2008 at \$11.87 per share for 10,500 shares, or a total stock award expense of \$124,635. This expense was recognized as the stock awards vested in 12 equal portions of \$10,386, or 875 shares per month for one year.

Note 13 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Generally accepted accounting principles define fair value as the exchange price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell an asset or transfer a liability at the measurement date. The standards emphasize that fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement and establish the following fair value hierarchy used in fair value measurements:

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Level 1 – Inputs use quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs use other inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly. These inputs include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets, and other inputs such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals.

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## LIFEWAY FOODS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

September 30, 2010 and 2009

and December 31, 2009

## Note 13 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - Continued

Level 3 – Inputs are unobservable inputs, including inputs that are available in situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the related asset or liability.

In instances where inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels in the above fair value hierarchy, fair value measurements in their entirety are categorized based on the lowest level input that is significant to the valuation. The Company's assessment of the significance of particular inputs to these fair measurements requires judgment and considers factors specific to each asset or liability.

Disclosures concerning assets and liabilities measured at fair value are as follows:

|   | Quoted Prices<br>in Active<br>Markets for<br>Identical<br>Assets<br>(Level 1) | Significant<br>Other<br>Observable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 2) | Significant<br>Unobservable<br>Inputs<br>(Level 3) | Balance      |
|---|---|---|--|--------------|
| Assets  |   |   |  |              |
| Investment securities- available - for – sale |   |   |  |              |
| September 30, 2010                            | \$ 3,488,502  | –   | –  | \$ 3,488,502 |
| December 31, 2009                             | \$ 4,392,125  | –   | –  | \$ 4,392,125 |
| September 30, 2009                            | \$ 4,321,337  | –   | –  | \$ 4,321,337 |

## Note 14 – RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 2009, FASB issued FASB ASC 810, Consolidation. The objective of FASB ASC 810 is to improve financial reporting by enterprises involved with variable interest entities and to provide more relevant and reliable information to users of financial statements. FASB ASC 810 shall be effective as of the beginning of each reporting entity's first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009, for interim periods within that first annual reporting period, and for interim and annual reporting periods thereafter. The adoption of this standard did not have an impact on the Company's financial position or results of operation.

## Note 15 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On October 20, 2010, the Company completed the acquisition of the assets of First Juice, Inc., a producer of organic fruit and vegetable juice beverages designed for children, for a purchase price of approximately \$271,000. The acquisition was consummated to expand the Company's presence in the children's market, increase distribution channels for existing Lifeway products, and increase diversification of the Company's products. Assets acquired included all recipes, customer lists, trademarks, and other related intellectual property. No liabilities were assumed through this acquisition. Net sales of First Juice, Inc. (unaudited) were approximately \$290,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2010, \$910,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010, and \$1,720,000 for the year

ended December 31, 2009.

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ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Comparison of Quarter Ended September 30, 2010 to Quarter Ended September 30, 2009

The following analysis should be read in conjunction with the unaudited financial statements of the Company and related notes included elsewhere in this quarterly report and the audited financial statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis contained in our Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, and in the Management's Discussion and Analysis contained in our Form 10-Q, for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2010 and June 30, 2010.

Results of Operations

Total consolidated group sales increased by \$474,908 (approximately 3%) to \$15,908,784 during the three month period ended September 30, 2010 from \$15,433,876 during the three month period ended September 30, 2009. This increase is primarily attributable to increased sales and awareness of Lifeway's flagship line, Kefir, as well as ProBugs® Organic Kefir for kids.

Cost of goods sold as a percentage of sales, excluding depreciation, were approximately 62% during the third quarter 2010, compared to about 58% during the same period in 2009. The increase was primarily attributable to the higher cost of conventional milk, our largest raw material, and the cost of transportation and other petroleum based production supplies. The cost of milk was approximately 50% higher during the third quarter 2010 when compared to the same period in 2009. Gross profit decreased approximately 8% during the third quarter of 2010, when compared with the same period in 2009.

Operating expenses as a percentage of sales were approximately 24% during the third quarter of 2010 compared to approximately 20% during the same period in 2009. This increase is primarily attributable to an 88% increase in selling expenses. This is related to our increased advertising efforts. Advertising costs were \$2,272,520, a 117% increase compared to the same period in 2009.

Total operating income decreased by \$1,331,139 (approximately 41%) to \$1,908,293 during the third quarter 2010, from \$3,239,432 during the same period in 2009.

Interest expense during the third quarter 2010 decreased to \$86,167 compared to interest expense of \$99,864 during the same period a year ago. This lower interest expense is primarily attributable to the repayment of notes that were issued in February 2009 as part of the Fresh Made Dairy acquisition. Notes payable are discussed in Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Total income before taxes decreased by \$1,085,466 (approximately 36%) to \$1,922,186 during the third quarter 2010, from \$3,007,652 during the same period in 2009.



Provision for income taxes was \$1,017,349, or a 53% tax rate, for the 2010 third quarter compared with \$1,636,911, or a 54% tax rate, during the same period in 2009.

Total net income was \$904,837, or \$0.05 per share, for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010 compared to \$1,370,741, or \$0.08 per share, for the same period in 2009. This represents a 34% decrease in net income from the third quarter 2010 when compared to the same period in 2009.

Comparison of Nine-Month Period Ended September 30, 2010 to Nine-Month Period Ended September 30, 2009

#### Results of Operations

Sales increased by \$3,770,116, (approximately 9%) to \$47,419,499 during the nine month period ended September 30, 2010 from \$43,649,383 during the same nine-month period in 2009. This increase is primarily attributable to increased sales and awareness of Lifeway's flagship line, Kefir, as well as Lifeway's kids Kefir drink, ProBugs®.

Cost of goods sold as a percentage of sales, excluding depreciation expense, was approximately 58% during the nine month period ended September 30, 2010, this compares to about 57% for the same period in 2009. The increase was primarily attributable to the higher cost of conventional milk, our largest raw material, which was approximately 25% higher during the nine month period ended September 30, 2010 when compared to the same period in 2009. Lifeway was able to offset the increases in milk prices through other operational efficiencies.

Operating expenses as a percentage of sales for Lifeway Foods were approximately 25% during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2010, compared to 20% during the same period in 2009. This increase is primarily attributable to a 121% increase in selling expenses. This is related to our increased advertising efforts. Advertising costs were \$3,377,757, a 162% increase compared to the same period in 2009.

Total operating income decreased by \$2,126,564, (approximately 24%) to \$6,811,025, during the nine-month period ending September 30, 2010, from \$8,937,589 during the same period in 2009.

Total other income during the nine-month period ending September 30, 2010 was \$4,289 compared with total other expenses of \$463,219 during the same period in 2009. This increase is primarily attributable to a lower interest expense related to the February 6, 2009 Fresh Made Dairy acquisition. Interest expenses during the nine-month period ending September 30, 2010 were \$262,274 compared to \$364,337 in the year ago period. The company also had gains on the sale of marketable securities, which was \$53,097 during the nine-month period ending September 30, 2010, compared with a loss of \$274,296 during the same period in 2009. Marketable securities are discussed in Note 5 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Total income before taxes decreased by \$1,659,056, (approximately 20%) to \$6,815,314, during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2010, from \$8,474,370 during the same period in 2009.

Provision for income taxes was \$2,957,285, or a 43% tax rate, for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 compared to \$3,024,261, or a 36% tax rate, during the same period in 2009.

Total net income was \$3,858,029, or \$0.23 per share for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2010 compared to \$5,450,109, or \$0.32 per share, for the same period in 2009. This represents a 29% decrease in net income from the nine-month period ended September 30, 2010 when compared to the same period in 2009.

#### Sources and Uses of Cash

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$3,965,200 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, which is a decrease of \$1,538,944 when compared to the same period in 2009. This decrease is primarily attributable to the decrease in net income of \$1,592,080.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$419,391 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, which is a decrease of \$3,301,171 when compared to the same period in 2009. This decrease is primarily due to the Company's acquisition of Fresh Made Dairy, net of cash acquired in the previous year. The Company purchased \$1,681,740 of property, plant and equipment during the first nine months of 2010 when compared to the purchases of \$1,020,776 during the same period in 2009. This represents an increase of \$660,964 in the purchase of equipment during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, when compared to the same period in 2009.

Lifeway had a net increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$219,250 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, compared to a net increase in cash and cash equivalents of \$527,139 during the same period in 2009. Lifeway had cash and cash equivalents at the end September 30, 2010 of \$849,657, compared to cash and cash equivalents at the end September 30, 2009 of \$804,387.

#### Assets and Liabilities

Total assets were \$52,438,323 during the nine-months ended September 30, 2010, which is an increase of \$271,107 when compared to the same period in 2009. Additionally, the value of the Company's property, plant and equipment was \$14,930,309 as of September 30, 2010, which is an increase of \$1,118,270 from September 30, 2009.

Total current liabilities were \$8,627,521 during the nine months ended September 30, 2010, which is a decrease of \$467,665 when compared to the same period in 2009. This is primarily due to a decrease in current maturities of notes payable of \$2,622,226 when compared to September 30, 2009. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in checks written in excess of bank balances and accrued income taxes of \$1,002,101 and \$567,926, respectively, when compared to September 30, 2010.

Significant portions of our assets are held in marketable securities. All of our marketable securities are classified as available-for-sale on our balance sheet. All of these securities are stated thereon at market value as of the end of the applicable period. Gains and losses on the portfolio are determined by the specific identification method.

We anticipate being able to fund the Company's foreseeable liquidity requirements internally. We continue to explore potential acquisition opportunities in our industry in order to boost sales while leveraging our distribution system to consolidate and lower costs.

#### Other Developments

On August 24, 2010 the USDA ruled to exempt Kefir beverages from the Class I milk classification, which provides exemptions from the Class I definition for Kefir and other drinkable yogurt products containing at least 20 percent yogurt (by weight) as well as products intended to be meal replacements. The final rule will take effect January 01, 2011.

This change from Class 1 to Class 2 costing should have a positive impact on what Lifeway pays for its key milk ingredient, which is about 80 percent of the products' cost of goods sold.

In addition to having a positive effect on gross margins, the improved input costs will allow all of Lifeway's Kefir-based products to be more competitive with other non-Class I milk products, such as yogurts in the marketplace. This expected increase in cash flow will provide greater financial flexibility, enabling the Company to expand marketing efforts or retain cash for future initiatives. Lifeway expects to see this improvement in the 2011 first quarter.

The company reported that in September 2010, it purchased approximately 4.3 million pounds of Class 1 conventional milk at an average price of \$0.18 per pound. Under the new pricing structure, the company would have paid about \$0.16 per pound and saved approximately \$85,000. Historically, the price of Class 2 milk is typically 10-to-20 percent lower than the price of Class 1 milk.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

Not applicable.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of September 30, 2010, we carried out an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Accounting Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial and Accounting Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective at the reasonable assurance level as of September 30, 2010 in ensuring that information required to be disclosed by us under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified under the Exchange Act rules and forms due to the material weaknesses described in our Form 10-K filed on March 31, 2010. As a result, we performed additional analysis and other post-closing procedures to ensure our consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Accordingly, management believes the consolidated financial statements included in this Form 10-Q fairly present, in all material respects, our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

## PART II — OTHER INFORMATION

## ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

None.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS.

Not applicable.

## ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS.

## (c) PURCHASES OF THE COMPANY'S SECURITIES

| Period                            | (a) Total<br>Numbers of<br>Shares (or Units)<br>Purchased | (b) Average Price<br>Paid per Share<br>(or Unit) | (c) Total Number<br>of Shares (or<br>Units) Purchased<br>as Part of Publicly<br>Announced Plans<br>or Programs | (d) Maximum<br>Number (or<br>Approximate<br>Dollar Value) of<br>Shares (or Units)<br>that May Yet Be<br>Purchased Under<br>the Plans or<br>Programs |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| July 1, 2010 to July 31, 2010     | 18,500  | 10.14  | 18,500   | 151,659   |
| August 1, 2010 to August 31, 2010 | 35,465  | 10.57  | 35,465   | 116,194   |
| Sept. 1, 2010 to Sept. 30, 2010*  | 7,500   | 10.30  | 7,500  | 108,694   |
| *Total                            | 61,465  | 10.34  | 61,465   | 108,694   |

The Company established a share repurchase program approved December 17, 2009 (for 100,000 shares with a plan expiration date of one year) and on May 7, 2010, the Company approved a new share repurchase program of up to 200,000 shares with a plan expiration date of one year from the date of the first purchase.

## ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES.

None.

## ITEM 4. REMOVED AND RESERVED.

## ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION.

On November 15, 2010, the Company announced its financial results for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2010 and certain other information. A copy of the Company's press release announcing these financial results and certain other information is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto. The information contained in Exhibit 99.1 hereto is being furnished, and should not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities imposed by that Section. The information contained in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document or filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as may be expressly set forth in a specific filing. The press release filed as an exhibit to this report includes "safe harbor" language pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, indicating that certain statements about the Company's business and other matters contained in the press release are "forward-looking." The press release also cautions investors that "forward-looking" statements may be

different from actual operating results. Finally, the press release states that a more thorough discussion of risks and uncertainties which may affect the Company's operating results is included in the Company's reports on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS.

| Exhibit Number | Description of Document  |
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| 32.2           | Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 99.1           | Press Release dated November 15, 2010.   |

SIGNATURES

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

LIFEWAY FOODS, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: November 15, 2010

By: /s/ Julie Smolyansky  
Julie Smolyansky  
Chief Executive Officer,  
President  
and Director

Date: November 15, 2010

By: /s/ Edward P. Smolyansky  
Edward P. Smolyansky  
Chief Financial and  
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