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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 10-Q

x QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008
$\qquad$ to $\qquad$

Commission file number: 000-25867

## NAUTILUS, INC.

Washington
94-3002667
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

16400 S.E. Nautilus Drive

Vancouver, Washington 98683
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)
(360) 859-2900
(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 x 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.

## Large Accelerated Filer * Accelerated Filer x Non-Accelerated Filer * 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 x

Number of shares of issuer s common stock outstanding as of October 31, 2008: 30,614,336

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## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

## NAUTILUS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

## (Unaudited, in thousands)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { September 30, } \\ 2008 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |  |  |
| Current Assets: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 7,258 | \$ | 7,911 |
| Trade receivables, net of allowance of \$4,901 and \$4,490, respectively |  | 54,798 |  | 88,311 |
| Inventories |  | 50,376 |  | 58,910 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets |  | 7,864 |  | 17,820 |
| Income taxes receivable |  | 11,584 |  | 11,382 |
| Assets of discontinued operations |  |  |  | 73,771 |
| Deferred tax assets |  | 366 |  | 18,615 |
| Total current assets |  | 132,246 |  | 276,720 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$61,204 and \$59,673, respectively |  | 36,350 |  | 42,291 |
| Goodwill |  | 32,579 |  | 32,743 |
| Intangible assets, net |  | 36,129 |  | 37,917 |
| Other assets |  | 5,800 |  | 1,169 |
| Total assets | \$ | 243,104 | \$ | 390,840 |

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

| Current Liabilities: |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Trade payables | \$ | 37,700 | \$ | 46,918 |
| Accrued liabilities |  | 32,758 |  | 37,601 |
| Short-term borrowings |  | 10,458 |  | 79,000 |
| Liabilities of discontinued operations |  |  |  | 15,867 |
| Deferred tax liabilities |  | 1,875 |  |  |
| Total current liabilities |  | 82,791 |  | 179,386 |
| Other long-term liabilities |  | 3,918 |  | 6,919 |
| Long-term deferred tax liabilities |  | 8,740 |  | 5,123 |
| Income taxes payable |  | 3,047 |  | 2,958 |
| Total liabilities |  | 98,496 |  | 194,386 |
| Commitments and contingencies (Note 13) |  |  |  |  |
| Stockholders Equity: |  |  |  |  |
| Common stock no par value, 75,000 shares authorized, 30,614 and 31,557 shares respectively, issued and outstanding |  | 1,713 |  | 4,346 |
| Retained earnings |  | 135,667 |  | 185,021 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income |  | 7,228 |  | 7,087 |
| Total stockholders equity |  | 144,608 |  | 196,454 |

## See notes to consolidated financial statements

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## NAUTILUS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

## (Unaudited, in thousands, except per share amounts)

|  | Three Months <br> Ended September 30, <br> 2008 <br> 2007 |  |  | Ended Sep <br> 2008 | onths <br> mber 30, 2007 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net sales |  | 93,749 | \$ 115,257 | \$ 318,914 | \$ 354,764 |
| Cost of sales |  | 64,019 | 71,926 | 199,325 | 210,689 |
| Gross profit |  | 29,730 | 43,331 | 119,589 | 144,075 |
| Operation expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Selling and marketing |  | 29,852 | 49,872 | 103,566 | 138,288 |
| General and administrative |  | 11,011 | 14,150 | 45,717 | 37,036 |
| Research and development |  | 2,243 | 2,555 | 6,409 | 7,981 |
| Litigation settlement |  |  |  |  | $(18,300)$ |
| Total operating expenses |  | 43,106 | 66,577 | 155,692 | 165,005 |
| Operating loss |  | $(13,376)$ | $(23,246)$ | $(36,103)$ | $(20,930)$ |
| Other income (expense): |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income |  | 38 | 91 | 128 | 244 |
| Interest expense |  | (169) | $(1,606)$ | $(1,499)$ | $(3,357)$ |
| Other income (expense), net |  | (241) | 499 | (65) | 1,023 |
| Total other expense |  | (372) | $(1,016)$ | $(1,436)$ | $(2,090)$ |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes |  | $(13,748)$ | $(24,262)$ | $(37,539)$ | $(23,020)$ |
| Income tax expense (benefit) |  | 21,512 | $(9,818)$ | 14,236 | $(9,221)$ |
| Loss from continuing operations |  | $(35,260)$ | $(14,444)$ | $(51,775)$ | $(13,799)$ |
| Discontinued operations: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income from discontinued operations |  |  | 1,900 | 3,016 | 6,580 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) from discontinued operations |  | $(1,142)$ | 903 | 595 | 2,656 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax |  | 1,142 | 997 | 2,421 | 3,924 |
| Net loss |  | $(34,118)$ | \$ $(13,447)$ | \$ $(49,354)$ | \$ $(9,875)$ |
| Loss per share from continuing operations: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and Diluted |  | (1.15) | \$ (0.46) | \$ (1.66) | \$ (0.43) |
| Earnings per share from discontinued operations: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and Diluted |  | 0.04 | \$ 0.03 | \$ 0.08 | \$ 0.12 |
| Loss per share: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and Diluted |  | (1.11) | \$ (0.43) | \$ (1.58) | \$ (0.31) |
| Weighted average shares outstanding: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic and Diluted |  | 30,739 | 31,545 | 31,285 | 31,533 |

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## NAUTILUS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

## (In Thousands)

$\left.\begin{array}{lccccc} & \text { Common Stock } & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Accumulated } \\ \text { Other }\end{array} \\ \text { Comprehensive } \\ \text { Income }\end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { Stockholders } \\ \text { Equity }\end{array}\right)$

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## NAUTILUS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## (Unaudited, in thousands)

|  | Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008 2007 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |
| Net loss | \$ $(49,354)$ | \$ $(9,875)$ |
| Income from discontinued operations | 2,421 | 3,924 |
| Loss from continuing operations | $(51,775)$ | $(13,799)$ |
| Adjustments to reconcile loss from continuing operations to net cash provided by operating activities |  |  |
| Depreciation and amortization | 11,609 | 11,103 |
| Share-based compensation expense | 2,932 | 2,192 |
| Provision for long-term receivables |  | 4,770 |
| (Gain) loss on sale of property, plant and equipment | 68 | (19) |
| Loss on sale of assets held for sale | 439 |  |
| Excess tax benefit from exercise of employee stock options |  | (111) |
| Deferred income taxes | 22,927 | $(4,390)$ |
| Litigation settlement |  | $(18,300)$ |
| Foreign currency transaction gain | (107) | (822) |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: |  |  |
| Trade receivables | 34,032 | 56,386 |
| Inventories | 8,772 | $(14,418)$ |
| Prepaid expenses and other assets | 830 | 8,642 |
| Income taxes | (247) | $(9,909)$ |
| Trade payables | $(9,230)$ | $(12,597)$ |
| Accrued liabilities | $(7,237)$ | $(2,663)$ |
| Net cash provided by operating activities of continuing operations | 13,013 | 6,065 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations | $(1,617)$ | 2,514 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 11,396 | 8,579 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | $(4,373)$ | $(8,815)$ |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment | 141 | 32 |
| Proceeds from sale of assets held for sale | 1,238 |  |
| Refund of acquisition escrow deposit | 5,000 |  |
| Net increase in other intangibles and other assets | (285) | $(35,024)$ |
| Net (increase) decrease in short-term note receivable | 2,384 | (101) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities from continuing operations | 4,105 | $(43,908)$ |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities from discontinued operations | 58,411 | (845) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | 62,516 | $(44,753)$ |

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## NAUTILUS, INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

## (Unaudited, in thousands)



See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## NAUTILUS, INC.

## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

## 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying consolidated financial statements relate to Nautilus, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company ) as of September 30, 2008 and for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2008 and 2007. All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ( U.S. GAAP ) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. GAAP for complete financial statements. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007.

The financial information included herein reflects all adjustments of a normal recurring nature which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented. The results of operations for the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2008 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

On April 18, 2008, the Company completed the sale of its former fitness apparel business, DashAmerica, Inc. d/b/a PearlIzumI ( Pearl Izumi ). Accordingly, all assets and liabilities and results of operations associated with the fitness apparel business have been presented in the consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations separate from continuing operations.

## Use of Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Some of these more significant estimates relate to revenue recognition, allowance for doubtful accounts, inventory, product warranty, share based compensation, litigation and loss contingencies, goodwill and intangible assets and income taxes.

## Reclassifications

At December 31, 2007, we revised our prior presentation of royalty expense which was presented as a separate line within operating expenses. For all periods presented, we now report royalty expenses related to items manufactured and sold in cost of sales. Expenses incurred for preproduction royalties are included in research and development expense. Preproduction royalties represent costs incurred to utilize licensed patent technologies prior to a product being available for manufacture and sale. These misstatements did not materially impact any previously issued financial statements. However, in order to present such information on a consistent basis we have revised prior period comparative information presented herein.

Certain other immaterial reclassifications of amounts reported in the prior period financial statements have been made to conform to classifications used in the current period financial statements.

## Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill and Intangible Assets Goodwill and intangible assets primarily consist of license agreements, patents, trademarks and goodwill. Goodwill and intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives are not amortized but are subject to annual impairment tests or when impairment indicators exist in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, ( SFAS No. 142 ). Intangible assets that are deemed to have finite lives are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives.

Impairment of Long-lived and Intangible Assets Long-lived and intangible assets that are determined to have finite lives are measured for impairment in accordance with SFAS No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets, when events or circumstances

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indicate the carrying value may be impaired. In these cases, the Company estimates the future undiscounted cash flows to be derived from the asset to determine whether a potential impairment exists. If the carrying value exceeds the estimate of future undiscounted cash flows, the Company then calculates the amount of impairment charge as the excess of the carrying value of the asset over the estimate of its fair value.

The Company tests goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually, in the fourth quarter of each year or when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may be impaired, using the two-step process prescribed in SFAS No. 142. The first step is a screen for potential impairment, while the second step measures the amount of the impairment, if any.

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In the second quarter of 2008, the Company began reorganizing its internal structure to establish teams with authority and responsibility for the operations of the global direct, commercial and retail business units as well as the corporate functions. Each business unit is focusing on improving shareholder return with a particular focus currently on operating effectiveness and costs, market position and product innovation. As a result of the changes in the internal organization, the Company has changed its reportable segments and reports direct, commercial and retail businesses and the corporate functions.

As a result of the reorganization, the Company was required under SFAS No. 142 to assign goodwill to the new reportable segments and determine if goodwill was impaired. As of June 30,2008 , of the total goodwill of $\$ 32.7$ million previously assigned to the Fitness Equipment Business, the Company assigned $\$ 29.8$ million to the retail business and $\$ 2.9$ million to the direct business. Goodwill was assigned on the basis of the original acquisition that generated the goodwill. The Company acquired the assets of Schwinn Fitness in 2001 which generated $\$ 29.8$ million in goodwill and then acquired Nautilus Fitness Canada in 2005 which generated $\$ 2.9$ million in goodwill. Schwinn Fitness is primarily a retail brand. Nautilus Fitness Canada was acquired for the direct business. Based on the Company s updated evaluation, goodwill was not impaired at June 30, 2008.

The Company will complete a full analysis of impairment for goodwill and other intangible assets during the fourth quarter of 2008. Current market conditions, including a declining market capitalization, declining sales and accumulating operating losses may be indicators that goodwill and other intangible assets are impaired. Although our current analysis did not result in impairment charges during the third quarter of 2008, further changes in economic and market conditions may have an impact on the analysis which may result in the Company recording impairment charges in the future.

## Product Warranty

The Company s products carry limited warranty provisions for defects in materials and workmanship. A warranty reserve is established at the time of sale to cover estimated costs based on the Company s history of warranty repair costs and is recorded in cost of sales. The Company s warranty costs include the cost to manufacture or purchase warranty parts from suppliers as well as the related cost to ship those parts to customers and, for commercial products, the cost of labor to replace the warranty part. A summary of accrued warranties is as follows:

|  | Three months ended <br> September 30, | Nine months ended <br> September 30, |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (in thousands) | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ |  |
| Balance at beginning of period | $\$ 21,556$ | $\$ 8,370$ | $\$ 25,185$ | $\$ 9,699$ |  |
| Charged to costs and expenses | 2,045 | 3,107 | 7,245 | 7,016 |  |
| Claims paid | $(3,797)$ | $(3,104)$ | $(12,626)$ | $(8,342)$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Balance at end of period | $\$ 19,804$ | $\$ 8,373$ | $\$ 19,804$ | $\$ 8,373$ |  |

Warranty reserves of $\$ 3.6$ million and $\$ 6.9$ million are classified as non-current liabilities at September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively.

## Related Party Transactions

The Company s largest shareholder, Sherborne Investors LP ( Sherborne ) undertook a successful proxy contest to replace four of the Company s directors with its nominees in a December 2007 special meeting of shareholders. In May 2008, shareholders approved the reimbursement of up to $\$ 560,000$ of expenses incurred by Sherborne in connection with the proxy contest. Payment will be made upon approval of the disinterested members of the Company s Board of Directors which is anticipated after the Company returns to profitability. This is recorded as an accrued liability at September 30, 2008.

## New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2008, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued SFAS No. 162, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ( SFAS No. 162 ). This Statement identifies the sources of accounting principles and the framework for selecting the principles used in the preparation of financial statements of entities that are presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (the GAAP hierarchy). SFAS No. 162 will become effective 60 days following the Securities and Exchange Commission s approval of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board amendments to AU Section 411, The Meaning of Present Fairly in Conformity With Generally Accepted

Accounting Principles. The Company does not expect the adoption of SFAS No. 162 to have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, Disclosures About Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities ( SFAS No. 161 ). This Statement is intended to improve financial reporting about derivative instruments and hedging activities by requiring enhanced disclosures to enable investors to better understand their effects on an entity s financial position, financial performance and cash flows. The provisions of SFAS No. 161 are effective for the fiscal years and interim quarters beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company does not expect the adoption of this statement to have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51 ( SFAS No. 160 ). SFAS No. 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for ownership interests in subsidiaries held by parties other than the parent, the amount of consolidated net income attributable to the parent and to the noncontrolling interest, changes in a parent s ownership interest, and the valuation of retained, noncontrolling equity investments when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. SFAS No. 160 also establishes disclosure requirements that clearly identify and distinguish between the interests of the parent and the interests of the noncontrolling owners. SFAS No. 160 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company does not expect the adoption of this statement to have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities ( SFAS No. 159 ), which gives entities the option to measure eligible financial assets, and financial liabilities at fair value on an instrument by instrument basis, that are otherwise not permitted to be accounted for at fair value under other accounting standards. The election to use the fair value option is available when an entity first recognizes a financial asset or financial liability. Subsequent changes in fair value must be recorded in earnings. This statement was effective as of January 1, 2008, and had no impact on the Company s consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( SFAS No. 157 ). This statement defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in U.S. GAAP, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007, and had no impact on the Company s consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (revised 2007), Business Combinations ( SFAS No. 141(R) ), which establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, and the goodwill acquired. SFAS No. $141(\mathrm{R})$ also establishes disclosure requirements to enable the evaluation of the nature and financial effects of the business combination. SFAS No. $141(\mathrm{R})$ is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company does not expect the adoption of this statement to have a material effect on its consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

## 2. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The Company completed the sale of Pearl Izumi on April 18, 2008 for aggregate consideration of $\$ 69.4$ million, including assumption of $\$ 4.1$ million in debt, received net cash proceeds of $\$ 58.4$ million and $\$ 4.4$ million in an escrow account reflected in other assets. The assets, liabilities and results of operations of the fitness apparel division have been presented separately in the consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations.

Revenues, income before income taxes, income tax expense (benefit) and income from discontinued operations were as follows:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended September 30, 2008 2007 |  | Nine months ended <br> September 30, <br> $2008 \quad 2007$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | \$ | \$ 18,379 | \$ 27,616 |  | 54,784 |
| Income before income taxes | \$ | \$ 1,900 | \$ 3,016 | \$ | 6,580 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | $(1,142)$ | 903 | 595 |  | 2,656 |
| Income from discontinued operations | \$ 1,142 | \$ 997 | \$ 2,421 | \$ | 3,924 |

The Company adjusted the carrying value of the net assets of Pearl Izumi to the net sales proceeds from the sale which resulted in a pre-tax impairment charge of $\$ 1.3$ million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. No costs associated with exit or disposal activities as
contemplated by SFAS No. 146 Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities have been recorded for the sale of Pearl Izumi.

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The Company recorded an income tax benefit from discontinued operations of $\$ 1.1$ million during the quarter ended September 30, 2008 as a result of changes in the Company s consolidated taxes and an increase in the Company s annual estimated loss from continuing operations.

Assets and liabilities of the fitness apparel division have been segregated and presented as assets and liabilities of discontinued operations in the consolidated balance sheets for all periods presented. Depreciation and amortization related to assets held for sale ceased as of December 15, 2007. Assets and liabilities for the discontinued operations were zero at September 30, 2008 and as follows at December 31, 2007:

|  | December 31, <br> (in thousands) <br> 2007 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Current assets | $\mathbf{2 8 , 6 6 0}$ |  |
| Property and equipment, net | 1,411 |  |
| Goodwill | 19,743 |  |
| Intangible and other assets | 23,957 |  |
|  | $\$ 73,771$ |  |
| Assets of discontinued operations | $\$$ | 5,779 |
| Current liabilities | 3,797 |  |
| Long-term debt excluding current portion | 6,291 |  |
| Noncurrent deferred tax liabilities | $\$$ | 15,867 |

## 3. RESTRUCTURING ACTIVITIES

In 2008, the Company began an initiative to improve profitability including the establishment of separate responsibility for the leadership of each business. As a result, the Company has reorganized by business unit, including global commercial, retail and direct. The restructuring initiatives have included staffing reductions, closing its Australian direct sales operations in January 2008, closing its Canadian call center in March of 2008 and closing its Illinois distribution center in May of 2008.

In July 2008, the Company announced plans to consolidate its manufacturing and distribution facilities. The Company expects to close its Tulsa, Oklahoma facilities by the end of 2008. The Tulsa operations will primarily be moved to existing facilities in Independence, Virginia and Portland, Oregon.

The nature of the costs incurred under the Company s restructuring plans include:

Employee termination and other employee costs

Lease termination and facilities related costs

Inventory writedowns
Following is a summary of expenses associated with the restructuring activities:

| (in thousands) | Three months ended | Nine months ended <br> September 30, 2008 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Employee termination and other employee costs | September 30, 2008 | 5 | 532 |


| Current asset write-downs | 1,936 | 1,936 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Total restructuring charges | $\$$ | 2,753 | $\$$ | 7,349 |

Restructuring charges were included in the operating results for each reportable segment including $\$ 70,000$ in corporate and $\$ 2.7$ million in commercial for the quarter ended September 30, 2008. For the nine months ended September 30, 2008, restructuring charges for each reportable segment were $\$ 4.2$ million in corporate, $\$ 0.4$ million in direct, $\$ 40,000$ in retail and $\$ 2.8$ million in commercial.

The Company anticipates that it will incur additional restructuring costs of $\$ 4.6$ million through the first quarter of 2009 relating to the Tulsa closure. The anticipated charges for the Tulsa closure are estimated to include $\$ 1.0$ million for employee termination costs, $\$ 1.7$ million for lease termination and facilities related costs and $\$ 1.9$ million of asset write-downs and other costs. Management is continuing its strategic review of global operations which may result in additional restructuring costs which have not yet been determined.

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The following table summarizes activity associated with the Company s restructuring plans included in accrued liabilities on the balance sheet.

| (in thousands) | Severance and Benefits |  | Facilities |  | Accrued Liability |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance as of January 1, 2008 | S |  | \$ |  |  |
| Accruals |  | 4,794 |  | 624 | 5,418 |
| Payments |  | $(1,461)$ |  | (450) | $(1,911)$ |
| Non-cash charges |  | $(1,263)$ |  |  | $(1,263)$ |
| Balance as of September 30, 2008 | \$ | 2,070 | \$ | 174 | \$ 2,244 |

Restructuring liabilities due within one year of the balance sheet date are classified as accrued liabilities. Long-term liabilities included in the table above are $\$ 0.3$ million at September 30, 2008.

## 4. STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY

## Stock Options

A summary of the Company s stock option plan activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 is as follows:

| (in thousands, except exercise price) | Total Shares |  | -Average e Price | Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Life (in years) | Aggregate Intrinsic Value |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Outstanding at January 1, 2008 | 2,804 | \$ | 13.54 |  |  |  |
| Granted | 1,003 |  | 4.33 |  |  |  |
| Forfeited or cancelled | (599) |  | 11.28 |  |  |  |
| Expired | (631) |  | 11.97 |  |  |  |
| Exercised | (90) |  | 6.26 |  | \$ | 34 |
| Outstanding at September 30, 2008 | 2,488 | \$ | 11.03 | 4.27 | \$ | 240 |
| Vested and expected to vest at September 30, 2008 | 1,970 | \$ | 11.97 | 3.81 | \$ | 136 |
| Exercisable at September 30, 2008 | 1,215 | \$ | 13.67 | 2.53 | \$ | 0 |

The fair value of the Company s equity awards was estimated utilizing the following assumptions:

|  | Three months ended September 30, |  | Nine months ended September 30, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 |
| Expected life (years) | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.8 |
| Risk-free interest rate | 3.2\% | 4.6\% | 3.2\% | 4.7\% |
| Expected dividend yield | 0\% | 3.9\% | 0\% | 3.1\% |
| Expected volatility | 51\% | 44\% | 51\% | 44\% |

Share based compensation expense for stock options for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 was $\$ 0.8$ million and $\$ 2.5$ million, respectively compared to $\$ 0.7$ million and $\$ 2.1$ million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007. The weighted average grant-date fair value of stock options granted during the nine month periods ended September 30, 2008 and 2007 was $\$ 1.96$ and $\$ 5.26$, respectively for stock options granted. Unrecognized costs related to stock options totaled approximately $\$ 3.5$ million at September 30, 2008 and
are expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.46 years.
During the first quarter of 2008, the Company was contractually obligated to accelerate vesting of certain stock options related to the termination of the former Chief Executive Officer and incurred $\$ 1.0$ million of share based compensation charges which are recorded in general and administrative expenses.

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In the fourth quarter of 2007, the Board of Directors suspended the payment of quarterly dividends. Payment of any future dividends is at the discretion of our Board of Directors, which considers various factors such as our financial condition, operating results, current and anticipated cash needs and future expansion plans. The Company s loan agreement contains covenants that include limitations on paying dividends when certain ratios are not met. Based on the covenants, the Company is currently precluded from paying dividends.

## Restricted Stock

A summary of the Company s restricted stock activity is as follows:
$\left.\begin{array}{lcc} & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Weighted Average } \\ \text { Grant Date } \\ \text { Fair }\end{array} \\ \text { Value }\end{array}\right\}$
(1) Outstanding awards of restricted stock are all nonvested at September 30, 2008.

Service-based restricted stock is granted at no cost to key employees and generally vests over two years from the date of grant. The fair value of service-based restricted stock was determined based on the number of units granted and the closing price of the Company s common stock on the date of the grant.

Restricted stock compensation expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 was $\$ 0.1$ million and $\$ 0.4$ million, respectively, compared to $\$ 0.1$ million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2007. Unrecognized costs related to restricted stock totaled approximately $\$ 0.5$ million at September 30, 2008 and are expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 0.87 years. At September 30, 2008 and 2007, the restricted stock had an intrinsic value of $\$ 0.7$ million and $\$ 2.3$ million, respectively.

## Performance Units

The Company has 34,000 performance units outstanding with a weighted average grant date fair value of $\$ 15.62$ at September 30, 2008 compared to 48,000 performance units outstanding with a weighted average grant date fair value of $\$ 15.68$ at December 31, 2007. The performance units vest if the Company meets certain earnings per share targets set by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors through December 31, 2009. None of the performance units were vested at September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007. Compensation expense has not been recognized for the performance units as it is unlikely the performance targets that trigger vesting will be met. At September 30, 2008 there was approximately $\$ 0.5$ million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to the performance units.

## 5. INVENTORIES

Inventories consisted of the following:

|  | September 30, | December 31, |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| (in thousands) | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ |
| Finished goods | 34,970 | $\$$ |
| Work-in-process | 1,438 | 3,143 |
| Parts and components | 6,695 | 1,261 |
| Raw materials | 7,273 | 8,422 |

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. The Company evaluates the need for inventory valuation adjustments associated with obsolete, slow-moving and not saleable inventory by reviewing current transactions and forecasted product demand on a monthly basis.

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## 6. OTHER INTANGIBLES ASSETS

Intangible assets, exclusive of goodwill, consisted of the following:

| (in thousands) | Estimated <br> Useful Life (in years) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & \mathbf{3 0 , 2 0 0 8} \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { December 31, } \\ 2007 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intangible assets: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Indefinite life trademarks | N/A | \$ | 17,519 | \$ | 17,519 |
| Patents | 1 to 16 |  | 23,209 |  | 23,007 |
| Non-compete agreement | 3 |  |  |  | 1,957 |
| Total intangible assets |  |  | 40,728 |  | 42,483 |
| Accumulated amortization: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Patents |  |  | $(4,599)$ |  | $(2,826)$ |
| Non-compete agreements |  |  |  |  | $(1,740)$ |
| Total accumulated amortization |  |  | $(4,599)$ |  | $(4,566)$ |
| Intangible assets, net |  | \$ | 36,129 | \$ | 37,917 |

Identifiable intangible assets such as license agreements, patents, and trademarks are recorded at cost, or when acquired as part of a business combination, at estimated fair value and are amortized straight-line over the period they are expected to provide the Company with economic benefit. The amortization expense for the next five full succeeding years is estimated at $\$ 2.5$ million each year.

## 7. ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accrued liabilities consisted of the following:

|  | September 30, <br> (in thousands) | December 31, <br> 2007 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Restructuring accruals | $\mathbf{1 , 9 3 5}$ | $\$$ |
| Warranty reserve, current portion | 16,194 | 18,266 |
| Payroll and benefit accruals | 4,826 | 7,052 |
| Sales returns reserves | 1,131 | 1,634 |
| Royalty accruals | 1,990 | 1,537 |
| Related party payable | 560 |  |
| Other | 6,122 | 9,112 |
|  |  |  |
| Accrued liabilities | $\$$ | 32,758 |

## 8. LINE OF CREDIT AND OTHER DEBT

On January 16, 2008 the Company and its subsidiary Nautilus International S.A. entered into a Loan and Security Agreement (the Loan Agreement ) with Bank of America N.A., as agent for the lenders who were party thereto. The Loan Agreement, as amended, provides for a $\$ 40$ million revolving secured credit line. The Loan Agreement is available for letters of credit, working capital and general business purposes, including acquisition financing. The Loan Agreement contains minimum Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortization ( EBITDA ) covenants excluding certain agreed upon non-cash charges and unusual expense items from the calculation of EBITDA. The Loan Agreement, as amended, contains a provision to increase the loan amount to $\$ 65$ million under certain circumstances. At September 30, 2008, the Company had borrowings of $\$ 10.5$ million outstanding on the Loan Agreement. The interest rate under the Loan Agreement is either prime rate plus zero to 75 basis points or LIBOR plus 150 to 325 basis points depending on the Company s fixed charge coverage ratio. The use of
prime or LIBOR is at the discretion of management. The interest rate on the Company s outstanding borrowings at September 30, 2008 was 5.5\%.

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The Company completed the sale of Pearl Izumi on April 18, 2008 and received net cash proceeds of $\$ 58.4$ million. Upon receipt of these proceeds, the Company paid off all amounts then outstanding under the Loan Agreement, as required by the Loan Agreement.

On May 5, 2008, the Company entered into a Third Amendment to the Loan Agreement ( Third Amendment ). Pursuant to the Third Amendment, the lender consented to the repurchase by the Company of up to $\$ 10.0$ million of its common stock.

On August 27, 2008, the Company entered into a Fourth Amendment to the Loan Agreement ( Fourth Amendment ). The Fourth Amendment reduces the aggregate borrowings under the agreement from $\$ 70$ million to $\$ 40$ million to better match the Company s anticipated borrowing needs.

## 9. COMPREHENSIVE LOSS

Accounts of the Company s foreign operations are measured using the local currency as the functional currency. These accounts are then translated into U.S. dollars using the current rate method with translation gains and losses accumulated as the comprehensive income (loss) component of stockholders equity. Transaction gains or losses incurred by conducting business in other currencies are recorded as part of other income/expense in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Comprehensive loss was as follows:

|  | Three Months Ended <br> September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |  | Nine Months Ended <br> September 30, |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (in thousands) | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Net loss | $\$(34,418)$ | $\$(13,447)$ | $\$(49,354)$ | $\$(9,875)$ |  |  |  |  |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments | $(1,348)$ | 1,414 | 141 | 2,279 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Comprehensive loss | $\$(35,766)$ | $\$(12,033)$ | $\$(49,213)$ | $\$(7,596)$ |  |  |  |  |

## 10. STOCK REPURCHASE PROGRAM

In May 2008, the Company s Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to $\$ 10$ million of the Company s common stock in open-market transactions, at times and in such amounts as management deems appropriate, depending on market conditions and other factors. The authorization continues until such date as the Board of Directors shall terminate such authorization; provided, the aggregate amount spent on such repurchases does not exceed $\$ 10$ million. The repurchase program does not obligate the Company to acquire any specific number of shares or acquire shares over any specified period of time. The Company repurchased 618,068 shares and $1,032,800$ shares for $\$ 3.1$ million and $\$ 5.3$ million during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively.

## 11. INCOME TAXES

The Company recognized an income tax provision for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, despite losses before taxes for each of the periods. The provision is primarily due to uncertainty concerning the realization of certain net deferred tax assets, as prescribed by SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. A valuation allowance of $\$ 26.8$ million was recorded during the third quarter of 2008 to reduce certain net deferred tax assets to their anticipated realizable value. The remaining value was determined by evaluating the potential to recover the value of these assets through certain tax planning strategies.

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## 12. LOSS PER SHARE

SFAS No. 128 Earnings per Share requires dual presentation of basic and diluted earnings per share ( EPS ). Basic EPS is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted EPS reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. For the calculation of diluted EPS, the basic number of weighted average shares is increased by the dilutive effect of stock options and restricted stock determined using the treasury stock method. The calculation of the number of weighted average shares outstanding is as follows:

| (in thousands, except per share amounts) | Three months ended September 30, 20082007 |  | Nine months ended September 30, 2008 2007 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basic weighted average shares outstanding | 30,739 | 31,545 | 31,285 | 31,533 |
| Dilutive effect of stock options and restricted stock |  |  |  |  |
| Diluted weighted average shares outstanding | 30,739 | 31,545 | 31,285 | 31,533 |
| Loss from continuing operations | \$ $(35,260)$ | \$ $(14,444)$ | \$ $(51,775)$ | \$ $(13,799)$ |
| Loss per share from continuing operations: |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ (1.15) | \$ (0.46) | \$ (1.66) | \$ (0.43) |
| Diluted | \$ (1.15) | \$ (0.46) | \$ (1.66) | \$ (0.43) |

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, there were $2,366,000$ and $2,882,000$ weighted average shares of stock options, respectively, for which the exercise price was higher than the market price of the Company s shares for the periods. These options were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share because the effect would have been antidilutive. This compares to $2,518,000$ and $1,794,000$ weighted average shares outstanding anti-dilutive options that were excluded from the corresponding periods ended September 30, 2007. As common stock equivalents have an anti-dilutive effect on the net loss from continuing operations, the equivalents were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007.

During the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008, there were 67,000 and 55,000 weighted average shares of restricted stock that were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share because the effect would have been anti-dilutive. This compares to 8,000 and 11,000 weighted average shares outstanding of restricted stock that were excluded from the corresponding periods ended September 30, 2007. As common stock equivalents have an anti-dilutive effect on the loss from continuing operations, the equivalents were not included in the computation of diluted loss per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007.

## 13. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

## Legal Matters

The Company is involved in various claims, lawsuits and other proceedings from time to time. Such litigation involves uncertainty as to possible losses the Company may ultimately realize when one or more future events occur or fail to occur. We accrue and charge to income estimated losses from contingencies when it is probable that a liability had been incurred and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated. Differences between estimates recorded and actual amounts determined in subsequent periods are treated as changes in accounting estimates. The Company estimates the probability of losses on legal contingencies based on the advice of internal and external counsels, outcomes from similar litigation, the status of the lawsuits (including settlement initiatives), legislative developments, and other factors. Due to numerous variables associated with these judgments and assumptions, both the precision and reliability of the resulting estimates of the related loss contingencies are subject to substantial uncertainties. The Company regularly monitors its estimated exposure to these contingencies and, as additional information becomes known, may change its estimates significantly. A significant change in the estimates, or a result that materially differs from the estimates, could have a significant impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

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In connection with the sale of Pearl Izumi to Shimano American Corporation, the Company agreed to indemnify Shimano American Corporation in connection with a lawsuit filed by Salomon S.A. against Pearl Izumi arising out of a claim of alleged patent infringement regarding the use of ventilated fabric in certain shoes manufactured by Pearl Izumi. The lawsuit was filed in Mannheim, Germany and the relief sought by Salomon includes monetary damages and injunctive relief. The Company does not expect to incur material liability related to this lawsuit.

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## BioSig

In 2004 the Company was sued in the Southern District of New York by BioSig Inc. for alleged patent infringement in connection with the Company s incorporation of heart rate monitors into certain of its cardio products. The Company does not manufacture monitors, but purchases them from third party manufacturers for use on its cardio products. From 2004 through the middle of 2008 no significant activity occurred and the litigation was essentially dormant. The Company does not believe that its use of heart rate monitors purchased from third parties infringe the BioSig patents.

In and around April 2008, following BioSig s hiring of new counsel and the re-assignment of the case to a new federal judge, the litigation activity in the matter has increased. No settlement has occurred or can be predicted to occur at this time.

In addition to the matters described above, from time to time the Company is subject to litigation, claims and assessments that arise in the ordinary course of business, including disputes that may arise from intellectual property related matters. Many of our legal matters are covered in whole or in part by insurance. Management believes that any liability resulting from such matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

## Guarantees and Commitments

At September 30, 2008, the Company had approximately $\$ 4.3$ million in outstanding commercial letters of credit with $\$ 0.3$ million expiring on December 6, 2008 and $\$ 4.0$ million expiring on June 30, 2009.

The Company has long lead times for inventory purchases and therefore needs to secure factory capacity from its vendors in advance. At September 30, 2008, the Company had approximately $\$ 15.2$ million in purchase obligations, all of which was for inventory purchases.

## 14. REPORTABLE SEGMENTS AND RELATED INFORMATION

In the second quarter of 2008, the Company began reorganizing its internal structure to establish teams with authority and responsibility for the operations of the global direct, commercial and retail business units as well as the corporate functions. Each business unit is focusing on improving shareholder return with a particular focus currently on operating effectiveness and costs, market position and product innovation. As a result of the changes in the internal organization, the Company has changed its reportable segments and will report direct, commercial and retail businesses and the corporate functions. Income statement data has been restated for previous periods to correspond with the current segment definitions.

Net sales to external customers for the Company s continuing operations were as follows:

|  | Three Months Ended <br> September 30, | Nine Months Ended <br> September 30, |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| (in thousands) | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ |

(*) Revenue in the corporate function is royalty income derived from the Company licensing patents, technologies or trademarks.

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Following is a reconciliation of the Company s segment operating income (loss) to loss before income taxes, from continuing operations:

| (in thousands) | Three Months Ended September 30, 2008 2007 |  | Nine Months Ended September 30, $2008 \quad 2007$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Direct | \$ $(1,264)$ | \$ $(1,002)$ | \$ 4,585 | \$ 5,872 |
| Retail | 4,199) | $(7,756)$ | 6,627 | $(10,281)$ |
| Commercial | $(8,657)$ | $(4,218)$ | $(14,364)$ | $(9,098)$ |
| Corporate | $(7,654)$ | $(10,270)$ | $(32,951)$ | $(7,423)$ |
| Operating loss | $(13,376)$ | $(23,246)$ | $(36,103)$ | $(20,930)$ |
| Other expense, net | (372) | $(1,016)$ | $(1,436)$ | $(2,090)$ |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes | \$ $(13,748)$ | \$ $(24,262)$ | \$ $(37,539)$ | \$ $(23,020)$ |

The Company has not yet completed the accounting processes to capture and report balance sheet data by reportable segment for the current period and the prior comparative periods. The Company s reportable segments in the last annual report on Form 10-K filed in March 2008 were reported on a geographical basis with two reportable segments, the Fitness Equipment Business and the International Equipment Business.

The following table presents assets based on the Company s operating segments as reported at December 31, 2007:

| (in thousands) | September 30, <br> $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | December 31, <br> 2007 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fitness Equipment Business, including corporate and other centralized functions | $\$$ | 204,427 | $\$$ |
| International Equipment Business | 38,677 | 346,268 |  |
|  |  |  | 44,572 |
| Total Assets | $\mathbf{2 4 3 , 1 0 4}$ | $\$$ | 390,840 |

(*) Assets for the Fitness Equipment Business included $\$ 73.8$ million of assets for the Pearl Izumi business which was classified as discontinued operations at December 31, 2007. Pearl Izumi was sold on April 18, 2008. See additional information regarding the sale of the Pearl Izumi business in Note 2.

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## Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include any statements related to our expectations regarding future performance or conditions, including any statements regarding anticipated sales growth across markets, distribution channels, and product categories, expenses and gross margins, expense as a percentage of revenue, anticipated earnings, new product introductions, future capital expenditures, anticipated tax benefits, financing and working capital requirements and resources. These forward-looking statements, and others we make from time to time, are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. Many factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in forward-looking statements, including the risks described in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K which are summarized below.

Availability of media time and fluctuating advertising rates;

Ability to successfully transfer products to alternative manufacturing facilities;

Manufacturing quality issues resulting in increased warranty costs;

Our ability to effectively restructure the business and reduce costs;

A decline in consumer spending due to unfavorable economic conditions;

A change in the availability of credit for our customers who finance their purchases;

Our ability to effectively develop, market and sell future products;

Our ability to get foreign-sourced product through customs in a timely manner;

Our ability to effectively identify, negotiate and integrate any future strategic acquisitions;

Our ability to protect our intellectual property;

The introduction of lower-priced competing products, unpredictable events and circumstances relating to international operations including the use of foreign manufacturers; and

Government regulatory action.
We do not undertake any duty to update forward-looking statements after the date they are made or to conform them to actual results or to changes in circumstances or expectations.

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This Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation (the MD\&A ) should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and related notes located at Item 1 of this Form 10-Q. We believe that period-to-period comparisons of our operating results are not necessarily indicative of future performance. You should consider our prospects in light of the risks, expenses and difficulties frequently encountered by companies that operate in evolving markets. We may not be able to successfully address these risks and difficulties and, consequently, we cannot assure you of any future growth or profitability.

## SUMMARY OF THE THIRD QUARTER 2008 RESULTS

We are aggressively seeking to improve the Company s operations and financial condition. Our balance sheet and liquidity have been strengthened by the sale of our apparel business, the termination of our proposed acquisition of Land America and the structural improvements we are making in our operations. We have realigned the Company by global commercial, retail and direct businesses and have established separate teams with accountability for each of our business units. Each of the business units is focused on improving shareholder returns with particular focus currently on working capital management to generate liquidity, operating effectiveness, cost reductions and product innovation. We believe that our brands are some of the strongest in the industry and we are focused on capitalizing on that brand recognition. Although our restructuring plan has not been entirely implemented, and in spite of the present difficult economic environment, we are seeing benefits from our efforts.

Net sales for the third quarter of 2008 were $\$ 93.7$ million, compared to $\$ 115.3$ million in the same quarter of 2007 , a decrease of $\$ 21.5$ million or $18.7 \%$. Gross profit margins decreased to $31.7 \%$ in the third quarter of 2008 , compared to $37.6 \%$ in the same quarter of 2007, as a result of changes in product and business unit mix as well as cost of goods charges primarily related to the closure of our Tulsa manufacturing facility. The decrease in sales is primarily weakness in our direct business due to the overall consumer environment and credit market disruptions, as well as an internal decision to reduce the level of discounting versus the prior year to improve product margins within the direct business.

Operating expenses for the third quarter of 2008 were $\$ 43.1$ million compared to $\$ 66.6$ million in the third quarter of 2007. The decrease in operating expenses is primarily the result of progress we are making on our restructuring plan and a $\$ 4.8$ million charge to bad debt expense in the prior year as a result of a former customer filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. The decrease in operating expenses was partially offset by a $\$ 1.1$ million non-cash write off of deferred financing fees in the third quarter 2008 related to the reduction of the borrowing limit in the Company s revolving credit agreement.

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In April 2008, the Company completed the sale of Pearl Izumi, its former fitness apparel business. Assets, liabilities and results of operations associated with the fitness apparel business have been presented in the consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND 2007

The following tables present certain consolidated financial data as a percentage of net sales and statement of operations data comparing results for the three months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:


## Net Sales

The Company is operating in a weak consumer and tight credit environment that we believe is contributing to softer domestic sales of our products. In the third quarter of 2008, we continued our efforts to restructure our organization to create teams accountable for profitability of the direct, retail and commercial global business units. Net sales were $\$ 93.7$ million compared to $\$ 115.3$ million in the third quarter of 2007 or a decline of $18.7 \%$. The decline in net sales is due to lower sales in the direct business of $\$ 20.1$ million and the commercial business of $\$ 1.4$ million.

In the direct business, net sales declined $\$ 20.1$ million to $\$ 38.7$ million compared to $\$ 58.8$ million in the third quarter of 2007 or a decrease of $34.2 \%$. Sales in the direct channel consist of our Bowflex branded products and primarily include our rod-based home gyms, certain TreadClimber products, SelectTech dumbbells, and the Bowflex Revolution home gym. The decrease in net sales was primarily the result of declines in all product lines as a result of lower advertising dollars in the current period, lower conversion rates for interested customers making a purchase and a reduction in discounting compared to the prior year. In the third quarter of 2007, the Company offered large discounts and free freight to encourage customers to purchase our home fitness equipment. In addition, in the 2008 quarter economic factors such as record high gas prices, rising food prices and the credit crisis had a direct impact on the credit approval rates for our customers who finance their purchases.

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We have experienced lower credit approval rates for our higher sales price products like the TreadClimber and Revolution and expect to focus on introducing lower priced products in the direct business in the future. In addition, the Revolution product lines received additional consumer financing support through the second quarter of 2008 which allowed more customers to qualify for financing of this product in the form of higher credit lines at higher costs to the Company. Discontinuation of the financing support led to lower sales of the Revolution product lines but should improve overall profitability in future periods.

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In the retail business, net sales remained flat at $\$ 26.4$ million, compared to the third quarter of 2007. Sales in this business are primarily to various sporting good stores, warehouse clubs, department stores, fitness retail stores and independent bicycle dealers that typically sell health club-quality equipment to the end consumer for home and small business use. Sales in this channel were led by increased distribution of Schwinn branded cardio products as we seek to increase our presence in the much larger cardio segment of the fitness business. About 70\% of fitness industry sales globally are cardio products while we have historically had stronger sales in the strength product category. We seek to expand our cardio presence in the future to be more aligned with consumer demand. Although sales in the retail channel were consistent with the prior year quarter, economic conditions deteriorated in the last part of the third quarter are likely to impact our retail customers which may have an impact on our net sales in this channel during the fourth quarter of 2008 and beyond.

In the commercial business, net sales declined $\$ 1.4$ million to $\$ 28.4$ million compared to $\$ 29.7$ million in the third quarter of 2007, or a decrease of $4.6 \%$. Sales in this channel are primarily to commercial dealers, health clubs and hotels. Sales declined in the third quarter of 2008 primarily due to the decision to suspend sales of the commercial TreadClimber product due to durability issues. The decline in TreadClimber sales was offset by increased sales of the Nautilus One and F3 strength products, as well as increased sales in our Stairmaster products which received product upgrades in early 2008. International sales represent approximately $42 \%$ of the total sales in this channel.

In the corporate function, royalty income was $\$ 0.3$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $\$ 0.3$ million in the same period of 2007. Royalty income represents the revenue the Company receives for licensing certain owned patents and trademarks to other companies.

## Gross Profit

As a result of lower net sales and lower gross margins, total gross profit decreased $\$ 13.6$ million to $\$ 29.7$ million compared to $\$ 43.3$ million in the third quarter of 2007 , or a decrease of $31.4 \%$. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit margins decreased to $31.7 \%$ in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $37.6 \%$ in the comparable period of 2007. Direct business sales, which have a substantially higher gross profit margin, declined $34.2 \%$ from the prior year quarter leading the decline in gross profit. Additional reasons for the decline in gross profit include $\$ 4.1$ million of charges related to closing the Tulsa manufacturing facility and transferring operations, a $\$ 1.8$ million charge to inventory reserves related to excess parts and accessories as the Company is working to consolidate warehouse and distribution space. Excluding these charges, our adjusted gross profit margin was $38 \%$. We will continue to face gross margin pressure until the sales mix shifts back towards the direct business.

## Operating Expenses

## Selling and Marketing

Selling and marketing expenses were $\$ 29.9$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $\$ 49.9$ million in the same period of 2007, a decrease of $\$ 20.0$ million or $40.1 \%$. The reduction in marketing expense is primarily a result of a $\$ 5.1$ million decline in advertising and media as we seek to obtain a better return on our advertising investment; a $\$ 4.8$ million bad debt expense related to the third quarter 2007 bankruptcy filing by a former customer; a $\$ 1.7$ million reduction in personnel costs due to reductions in headcount; a $\$ 1.0$ million reduction in financing fees due to lower sales in the direct business; a $\$ 0.5$ million decrease in catalog costs due to reduced focus on use of catalogs as a selling tool; a $\$ 0.8$ million reduction in fees for use of a third party to sell discontinued and refurbished products over the internet; and over $\$ 2.0$ million in reductions for various promotions, tradeshows and other discretionary services received in 2007 that have been scaled back or eliminated in 2008. In addition, the Company closed its operations in Australia which reduced selling and marketing expenses by $\$ 0.6$ million compared to the prior year.

## General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses were $\$ 11.0$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $\$ 14.1$ million in the same period of 2007, a decrease of $\$ 3.1$ million or $22.2 \%$. The 2008 total includes a $\$ 1.1$ million charge in banking fees as the Company reduced the borrowing capacity under its revolving line of credit agreement offset by a $\$ 1.9$ million reduction in personnel costs. The 2007 total includes $\$ 2.3$ million of severance costs related to our former chief executive officer.

## Research and Development

Research and development expenses were $\$ 2.2$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $\$ 2.6$ million in the same period of 2007, a decrease of $\$ 0.3$ million or $12.2 \%$. The decrease in research and development expenses was the result of a $\$ 0.5$ million decrease in personnel expenses compared with the third quarter of 2007; a $\$ 0.2$ million decrease in prototype expenses related to the Nautilus One product launch in 2007; and general decreases in discretionary expenses such as travel and use of consultants due to the restructuring efforts; offset by a $\$ 0.4$ million charge in preproduction royalties related to a new product being developed.

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## Other Income (Expense)

## Interest expense

Interest expense decreased to $\$ 169,000$ in the third quarter of 2008 compared to $\$ 1.6$ million in the same period of 2007, as proceeds from the sale of the Company s fitness apparel business were used to reduce borrowings.

## Other Income, net

Other Income, net decreased to an expense of $\$ 0.2$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to income of $\$ 0.5$ million in the comparable period of 2007. The decrease is due to foreign currency losses realized by the Company in 2008 based on currency fluctuations.

## Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

The provision for income tax from continuing operations was an expense of $\$ 21.5$ million in the third quarter of 2008 compared to a benefit of $\$ 9.8$ million in the same period of 2007. During the third quarter of 2008, the Company concluded that an overall valuation allowance in the amount of $\$ 26.8$ million is required for substantially all deferred tax assets due to the accounting requirements of SFAS 109.The recording of a tax asset valuation allowance will substantially eliminate tax benefit in a period of losses but similarly will substantially eliminate tax expense upon a return to profitability. Accordingly, the Company will record minimal income tax expense or benefit in future periods until the valuation allowance is fully utilized or reversed. We have a twenty year carry forward period for our net operating losses.

## Discontinued Operations

The Company designated the financial results of its fitness apparel business, Pearl Izumi, as discontinued operations during 2007. This resulted in recording the financial results as income from discontinued operations. The income from discontinued operations (net of tax) during the third quarter of 2008 was $\$ 1.1$ million compared to $\$ 1.0$ million during the prior year quarter.

## SUMMARY OF RESULTS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

Net sales for the first nine months of 2008 were $\$ 318.9$ million, compared to $\$ 354.8$ million for the same period of 2007, a decrease of $10.1 \%$. Gross profit margins decreased to $37.5 \%$ in the first nine months of 2008 , compared to $40.6 \%$ in the same period of 2007. This decline is a result of changes in product and channel mix primarily driven by lower sales within the direct channel due to a soft North American home market for home exercise strength products and reduced promotions offered in the current year; charges related to the closing the Tulsa, Oklahoma manufacturing facility; transferring certain manufacturing and distribution operations to Independence, Virginia; and right sizing our parts and finished goods inventory as we eliminate products to simplify our business, reduce the number of distribution centers being utilized and reduce overall product handling costs.

Operating expenses for the first nine months of 2008 were $\$ 155.7$ million compared to $\$ 165.0$ million (which included an $\$ 18.3$ million reduction in operating expenses in 2007 for access to intellectual property as settlement of a lawsuit). The decrease in operating expenses is primarily the result of an ongoing review of global operations to restructure the Company to improve profitability. Restructuring activities have resulted in $\$ 4.8$ million of severance charges in the first nine months of 2008 as the Company reduced headcount and reorganized along channels of business. In addition, the Company incurred a number of additional charges including an $\$ 8.0$ million payment in settlement of all claims arising out of or related to the termination of the agreement with Land America to purchase their China based manufacturing assets; $\$ 1.5$ million charge for contracts related to licensing matters in the second quarter 2008 and a $\$ 1.1$ million charge for reducing the revolving line of credit during the third quarter 2008.

In April 2008, the Company completed the sale of Pearl Izumi, its former fitness apparel business. Assets, liabilities and results of operations associated with that business have been presented in the consolidated financial statements as discontinued operations.

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## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2008 AND 2007

The following tables present certain consolidated financial data as a percentage of net sales and statement of income data comparing results for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 and 2007:

| (In Thousands) | Nine Months Ended September 30, |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2008 | $\%$ of net sales | 2007 | $\%$ of net sales | \$ change | \% change |
| Net sales | \$ 318,914 | 100.0\% | \$ 354,764 | 100.0\% | \$ $(35,850)$ | (10.1\%) |
| Cost of sales | 199,325 | 62.5\% | 210,689 | 59.4\% | $(11,364)$ | (5.4\%) |
| Gross profit | 119,589 | 37.5\% | 144,075 | 40.6\% | $(24,486)$ | (17.0\%) |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Selling and marketing | 103,566 | 32.5\% | 138,288 | 39.0\% | $(34,722)$ | (25.1\%) |
| General and administrative | 45,717 | 14.3\% | 37,036 | 10.4\% | 8,681 | 23.4\% |
| Research and development | 6,409 | 2.0\% | 7,981 | 2.2\% | $(1,572)$ | (19.7\%) |
| Litigation settlement |  | 0.0\% | $(18,300)$ | (5.2\%) | 18,300 | 100.0\% |
| Total operating expenses | 155,692 | 48.8\% | 165,005 | 46.5\% | $(9,313)$ | (5.6\%) |
| Operating loss | $(36,103)$ | (11.3\%) | $(20,930)$ | (5.9\%) | $(15,173)$ | (72.5\%) |
| Other income (expense): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income | 128 | 0.0\% | 244 | 0.1\% | (116) | (47.5\%) |
| Interest expense | $(1,499)$ | (0.5\%) | $(3,357)$ | (0.9\%) | 1,858 | 55.3\% |
| Other income (expense), net | (65) | 0.0\% | 1,023 | 0.3\% | $(1,088)$ | (106.4\%) |
| Total other expense | $(1,436)$ | (0.5\%) | $(2,090)$ | (0.6\%) | 654 | 31.3\% |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes | $(37,539)$ | (11.8\%) | $(23,020)$ | (6.5\%) | $(14,519)$ | (63.1\%) |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | 14,236 | 4.5\% | $(9,221)$ | (2.6\%) | 23,457 | (254.4\%) |
| Loss from continuing operations | $(51,775)$ | (16.2\%) | $(13,799)$ | (3.9\%) | $(37,976)$ | (275.2\%) |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax | 2,421 |  | 3,924 |  | $(1,503)$ |  |
| Net income (loss) | \$ $(49,354)$ |  | \$ (9,875) |  | \$ $(39,479)$ |  |

## Net Sales

The Company is operating in an uncertain consumer environment that we believe is contributing to softer domestic sales. In 2008, we began an aggressive restructuring effort focused on profitability and cash flows of the direct, retail and commercial global business units. Net sales were $\$ 318.9$ million compared to $\$ 354.8$ million for the first nine months of 2007 or a decline of $10.1 \%$. The decline in net sales is due to lower sales in the direct business of $\$ 37.5$ million and the commercial business of $\$ 3.9$ million, offset by an increase in net sales of $\$ 4.9$ million in the retail business. The remainder of net sales consists of revenue from royalty agreements.

In the direct business, net sales declined $\$ 37.5$ million to $\$ 149.6$ million compared to $\$ 187.1$ million in the first nine months of 2007 or a decrease of $20.1 \%$. The decrease in net sales was primarily the result of declines in the sales of rod-based home gyms and the home version of certain TreadClimber products partially offset by an increase in sales of the Revolution product lines. The decline in rod-based home gym sales are partially explained by a decrease in advertising dollars in 2008 along with a reduction in discounting compared to the prior year. We believe TreadClimber revenue was adversely impacted by less efficient marketing activity due to the need to update our advertisements, a decrease in advertising dollars and a difficult financial market as most customers finance their purchase of this product. In addition, sales of TreadClimber products in the first quarter of 2007 were affected by a lack of product availability in the fourth quarter of 2006 which led to higher shipments in the first quarter of 2007. The introduction of the Revo XP model helped drive growth in Revolution product family revenue in 2008.

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In the retail business, net sales increased $\$ 4.9$ million to $\$ 78.2$ million compared to $\$ 73.3$ million in the first nine months of 2007, an increase of $6.7 \%$. Increased sales in this business were led by SelectTech dumbbells and Schwinn ellipticals as we increased our presence in large sporting goods stores during 2008. These increases were offset by a decline in sales of rod-based home gyms as the Company has reduced the number of rod-based products offered in this channel.

In the commercial business, net sales declined $\$ 3.9$ million to $\$ 88.8$ million compared to $\$ 92.7$ million in the first nine months of 2007, a decrease of $4.2 \%$. Sales declined in the first nine months of 2008 primarily due to the decision to suspend sales of the commercial TreadClimber products due to durability issues. In addition, the Company s restructuring efforts and focus on channel profitability are expected to improve profitability in future periods as we focus on selling higher margin products. We launched the Nautilus One product line in the third quarter of 2007 which added revenue during 2008 and refreshed the Stairmaster products which have increased demand. International sales represent approximately $45 \%$ of the total sales in this channel and the international business benefited in 2007 as a result of currency fluctuations.

In the corporate function, royalty income increased to $\$ 2.3$ million compared to $\$ 1.7$ million in the first nine months of 2007. The increase is a result of having more companies utilizing our patents and trademarks. Royalty income represents the revenue the Company receives for licensing certain owned patents, trademarks and brands to other companies.

## Gross Profit

As a percentage of net sales, gross profit margin decreased to $37.5 \%$ in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $40.6 \%$ in the comparable period of 2007. The decline in gross profit was primarily the result of a change in sales mix and an overall $10.0 \%$ decline in sales. Direct business sales, which have a substantially higher gross profit margin, declined $20.0 \%$ from the prior period leading the decline in overall gross profit margin. In addition, overall sales declined faster than the Company could reduce fixed costs of manufacturing and distribution. In July 2008 the Company made the decision to close its manufacturing facility in Tulsa, Oklahoma and transfer certain functions to another owned facility in Virginia. This decision has resulted in charges of $\$ 4.1$ million. Additional reasons for the decline in gross profit include a decrease in vendor rebates of $\$ 2.4$ million due to termination of the Land America acquisition agreement; and increased freight expenses related to higher fuel costs and backorders on a new commercial strength product line which required additional shipping and handling costs to deliver to our customers. In addition, we have identified products that will no longer be sold, resulting in increased inventory reserves for parts and finished goods inventories of approximately $\$ 3.2$ million.

## Operating Expenses

Selling and Marketing
Selling and marketing expenses were $\$ 103.6$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 138.3$ million in the same period of 2007, a decrease of $\$ 34.7$ million or $25.1 \%$. The reduction in marketing expense is a result of a $\$ 9.8$ million decline in advertising and media expenses as the Company adjusted media spend in an attempt to be more efficient and effective with advertising dollars; a $\$ 3.6$ million reduction in personnel costs due to reduced headcount; a $\$ 4.8$ million bad debt expense related to the third quarter 2007 bankruptcy filing by a former customer; a $\$ 1.6$ million decrease in catalog and direct channel mailing costs due to a reduction of use in catalogs as a selling tool; a $\$ 1.7$ million reduction in fees for use of a third party to sell discontinued and refurbished products over the internet; a $\$ 1.6$ million reduction in financing fees due to lower sales in the direct business; a $\$ 2.2$ million reduction in various promotional activities; and a $\$ 1.0$ million reduction as a result of termination of certain marketing contracts. In addition, the Company closed its operations in Australia which reduced selling and marketing expenses by $\$ 1.5$ million compared to the prior year.

## General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses were $\$ 45.7$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 37.0$ million in the same period of 2007, an increase of $\$ 8.7$ million or $23.4 \%$. The increase includes a $\$ 1.7$ million increase in severance charges as the Company reorganized by sales channels and an $\$ 8.0$ million payment in settlement of all claims arising out of or related to the termination of the purchase agreement with LandAmerica. In addition, the Company incurred $\$ 1.2$ million for contracts related to licensing matters and $\$ 0.6$ million for reimbursement of costs related to the special meeting of shareholders in December 2007 and $\$ 1.1$ million for reducing the borrowing capacity on its revolving line of credit. These expenses were partially offset by reductions in personnel costs of $\$ 3.8$ million.

## Research and Development

Research and development expenses were $\$ 6.4$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 8.0$ million in the same period of 2007, a decrease of $\$ 1.6$ million or $19.7 \%$. The decrease in research and development expenses was the result of a $\$ 1.0$ million decrease in personnel
expenses; a $\$ 0.7$ million decrease in prototype expenses related to the Nautilus One product; and general decreases in discretionary expenses such as travel and use of consultants due to the restructuring efforts; offset by increased facility charges for using leased space in Colorado and a $\$ 0.4$ million charge in preproduction royalties related to a new product in development. During 2008, the research and development team has focused on executing on fewer projects with more effective execution than in 2007 which has helped reduce overall expenses.

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## Litigation Settlement

During the first nine months of 2007, we settled a lawsuit with ICON Health \& Fitness, Inc. and as a result we received the rights to utilize a variety of fitness equipment related patents and technologies. We estimated the value of those assets to be $\$ 18.3$ million which were recorded as a reduction to 2007 operating expenses.

## Other Income (Expense)

## Interest Expense

Interest expense decreased to $\$ 1.5$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 3.4$ million in the same period of 2007 as proceeds from sale of the Company s fitness apparel business were used to reduce borrowings.

## Other Income (Expense), net

Other Income, net decreased to an expense of $\$ 65,000$ in the first nine months of 2008 compared to income of $\$ 1.0$ million in the comparable period of 2007. The decrease is due to foreign currency losses realized by the Company in 2008 based on the strengthening dollar in 2008 compared with the decline in the dollar in 2007.

## Income Tax Expense

The provision for income tax from continuing operations was an expense of $\$ 14.2$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to a benefit from continuing operations of $\$ 9.2$ million in the same period of 2007. During the third quarter of 2008, the Company concluded that an overall valuation allowance in the amount of $\$ 26.8$ million is required for substantially all deferred tax assets due to the accounting requirements of SFAS 109. The recording of a tax asset valuation allowance will substantially eliminate tax benefit in a period of losses but similarly will substantially eliminate tax expense upon a return to profitability. Accordingly, the Company will record minimal income tax expense or benefit in future periods until the valuation allowance is fully utilized or reversed.

## Discontinued Operations

The Company designated its fitness apparel business as discontinued operations during 2007. This resulted in recording the financial results as income from discontinued operations. The income from discontinued operations (net of tax) for the nine month period ending September 30 2008 was $\$ 2.4$ million compared to $\$ 3.9$ million during the prior year period. The decline is a result of closing the operations in April 2008 and was impacted by the tax impact of recording discontinued operations.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our liquidity has been strengthened by the sale of our fitness apparel business, the termination of our proposed acquisition of the China-based manufacturing operations of Land America and the structural improvements we are making in our operations.

During the first nine months of 2008, our operating activities from continuing operations generated $\$ 13.0$ million in net cash compared to $\$ 6.1$ million in the same period of the prior year. The generation of operating cash in the first nine months of 2008 was primarily from collection of accounts receivable and a reduction of inventory. In addition, the Company received tax refunds of $\$ 8.7$ million in the first nine months of 2008. The Company paid $\$ 8.0$ million in the second quarter of 2008 in connection with the settlement of all claims related to the termination of the Land America agreements.

Cash provided by investing activities from continuing operations was $\$ 4.1$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to cash used in investing activities of $\$ 43.9$ million in the same period of 2007. The change is primarily due to the return of a $\$ 5$ million deposit in escrow related to the abandoned Land America transaction and the collection of a note receivable from a previous business partnership with a nutrition company. In addition, the Company invested $\$ 4.4$ million in capital improvements during 2008 which is an intentional reduction from historical capital spend levels. We received $\$ 58.4$ million from the sale of Pearl Izumi which is included in investing activities from discontinued operations.

Net cash used in financing activities from continuing operations was $\$ 73.3$ million in the first nine months of 2008 compared to $\$ 52.9$ million of net cash provided in the same period of the prior year. The increase in cash used in financing activities was primarily due to increased
repayments of short-term borrowings as a result of the Company s sale of its fitness apparel business. In the fourth quarter

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of 2007, the Board of Directors suspended the quarterly dividend. Payment of any future dividends is at the discretion of our Board of Directors, which considers various factors such as our financial condition, operating results, current and anticipated cash needs and future expansion plans. The Company s loan agreement contains covenants that include limitations on paying dividends when certain ratios are not met. Based on the covenants, the Company is currently precluded from paying dividends. On May 5, 2008, the Board of Directors authorized the expenditure of up to $\$ 10.0$ million to repurchase outstanding shares of the Company s common stock. During the nine months ended September 30, 2008 the Company used $\$ 5.3$ million to repurchase stock.

The Company has a Loan and Security Agreement (the Loan Agreement ) with Bank of America N.A., as agent for the lenders party thereto, providing for a $\$ 40$ million revolving secured credit line. Current economic and financial conditions make it difficult for companies to obtain financing. In the event of default or loan covenant violation, the current economic and financial conditions would make it difficult to obtain an alternative source of financing. The Company relies on its current banking relationship to meet cash needs due to the Company s cyclical cash flow needs. Subject to the foregoing, we believe our existing cash and cash equivalents, cash generated from operations and borrowings available under our credit facilities will be sufficient to meet our operating and capital requirements in the foreseeable future.

## OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

As described in the Company s 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, from time to time, we arrange for leases or other financing sources with third parties to enable certain of our commercial customers to purchase our products. While most of these financings are without recourse, in certain cases we may offer a guarantee or other recourse provisions. At September 30, 2008 and December 31, 2007, the maximum contingent liability under all recourse provisions was approximately $\$ 1.0$ million and $\$ 1.3$ million, respectively.

The Company no longer provides guarantees on consumer financing contracts and has no contingent liability for consumer finance contracts.

## INFLATION AND PRICE CHANGES

We have experienced cost increases for products and components manufactured in China reflecting unfavorable foreign currency exchange rates and increases in Chinese wages, taxes and raw material costs which our third party sourcing partners seek to pass along to the Company. Raw material costs have also increased for products manufactured by Company owned facilities in the United States. Gross margins have been and may continue to be negatively impacted if these conditions persist and the Company is unable to find other cost savings or increase selling prices sufficiently to offset the cost increases.

Transportation costs have fluctuated due to changing fuel prices. To the extent these costs continue to increase and we are unable to pass these costs to the customer, our gross margins will continue to be negatively impacted.

## SEASONALITY

In general, based on historical trends, we expect our sales from fitness equipment products both in the U.S. and internationally to vary seasonally with sales typically the strongest in the fourth quarter, followed by the first and third quarters, and the weakest in the second quarter. We believe that such factors as the broadcast of national network season finales and seasonal weather patterns influence television viewership and cause our television commercials on national cable television to be less effective in the second quarter than in other periods of the year. In addition, during the spring and summer consumers tend to do more activities outside, including exercise, which impacts sales of fitness equipment used indoors. We expect the fluctuation in our net sales between our highest and lowest quarters to be approximately $35 \%$.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements. As described by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC ), critical accounting estimates and assumptions are those that may be material due to the levels of subjectivity and judgment necessary to account for highly uncertain matters or the susceptibility of such matters to change, and that have a material impact on the financial condition or operating performance of the company. Based on this definition, we believe the items listed below are our critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

Allowance for doubtful accounts

Inventory valuation

Product warranty

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Stock compensation

Litigation and loss contingencies

Goodwill and other intangible assets valuation

Income tax provision
Management regularly discusses with our audit committee each of our critical accounting estimates and assumptions, as well as critical accounting policies presented in the Company s 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, and the development and selection of these accounting estimates and the disclosure about each estimate in the MD\&A. These discussions typically occur at our quarterly audit committee meetings and include the basis and methodology used in developing and selecting these estimates, the trends in and amounts of these estimates, specific matters affecting the amount of and changes in these estimates, and any other relevant matters related to these estimates, including significant issues concerning accounting principles and financial statement presentation.

The Company will complete a full analysis of impairment for goodwill and other intangible assets during the fourth quarter of 2008. Current market conditions, including a declining market capitalization, declining sales and accumulating operating losses may be indicators that goodwill and other intangible assets are impaired. Although our current analysis did not result in impairment charges during the third quarter of 2008, further changes in economic and market conditions may have an impact on the analysis which may result in the Company recording impairment charges in the future.

## NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

For a description of the new accounting standards that affect us, refer to Note 1 to our Consolidated Financial Statements included under Part I, Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

## Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

There have been no material changes in our reported market risks since the filing of our 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 17, 2008.

We hold our cash and cash equivalents primarily in bank deposits and in liquid debt instruments with maturity dates of less than three months. We are subject to concentration of credit risk as bank deposits may exceed federally insured limits

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RISK

We are exposed to foreign exchange risk from currency fluctuations, mainly in Canada, China and Europe, due to sourcing of our products in U.S. dollars and selling them primarily in Canadian dollars, RMB, British pounds, Swiss Francs and Euros. Given the relative size of our current foreign operations, the exposure to the exchange risk could have a material impact on the results of operations. Management estimates the maximum impact on stockholders equity of a ten percent change in all applicable foreign currency to be approximately $\$ 1.5$ million.

## INTEREST RATE RISK

Fluctuations in the general level of interest rates on our current variable rate credit agreements expose us to market risk. As of September 30, 2008, our outstanding borrowings under the credit facilities were $\$ 10.5$ million. To the extent that the Company needs to rely on indebtedness to finance its operations, a material change in interest rates could have a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

## Item 4. Controls and Procedures

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## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management has evaluated, under the supervision and with the participation of our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and Chief Financial Officer the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), as amended) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation and the material weakness described below, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, the Company s disclosure controls and procedures were ineffective.

As previously disclosed under Item 9A. Controls and Procedures in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for our 2007 fiscal year, our management identified a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2007 as described below. Management concluded that the controls around the review of significant non-routine transactions and the review of significant management estimates and reserves did not operate effectively, resulting in audit adjustments to the 2007 consolidated financial statements. These deficiencies, if left unremediated, could result in the failure to prevent or detect a material misstatement in the Company s consolidated financial statements.

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Notwithstanding management s evaluation that our internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of December 31, 2007, we believe that the consolidated financial statements included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q fairly present our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows for the periods covered thereby in all material respects.

Our management does not expect that our disclosure controls and procedures will prevent or detect all errors and fraud. Any control system, no matter how well designed and operated, is based on certain assumptions and can provide only reasonable, not absolute assurance, that its objectives will be met. Further, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that misstatements due to error or fraud will not occur or that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, within the Company have been detected.

## Changes in Internal Controls

Remediation Efforts on the Internal Controls Surrounding Management s Review of Significant Non-Routine Transactions and Review of Significant Estimates and Reserves.

The following remedial actions have or will be undertaken to address the material weakness in the controls around the review of significant non-routine transactions and the review of significant management estimates and reserves:

The accounting and finance organization is being restructured to allow key personnel to focus on corporate accounting and external reporting.

Additional training has been or will be provided to accounting personnel for specific technical areas of high risk.

Key accounting personnel have been assigned to perform monthly review of all significant non-routine transactions and significant management estimates and reserves.

The external reporting timeline is being adjusted to allow adequate time for management review and analysis, including significant non-routine transactions and significant management estimates and reserves.
Management has made significant progress in remediating the material weakness identified at December 31, 2007 and is continuing to closely monitor the effectiveness of our processes, procedures and controls, and will make any further changes as management determines appropriate.

Except in connection with actions we are taking to remediate the material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting discussed above, there was no change in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the fiscal quarter covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. The material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting that existed as of December 31, 2007, as described above and as disclosed in Item 9A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K, has not yet been fully remediated as of September 30, 2008.

## PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. Legal Proceedings

For a description of the legal proceedings that affect us, refer to Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements located at Item 1 of this Form 10-Q.

## Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors identified in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year-ended December 31, 2007, except that the following risk factor is added to supplement the risk factors identified in our annual report:

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## Our business may be disrupted by the closure of our Tulsa manufacturing facility.

If we are unable to transition the manufacture of certain products from our Tulsa manufacturing facility, which we are closing, to other manufacturing facilities without significant disruption, certain products might not be available for us to sell and gross profits and overall income from operations may be adversely affected.

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## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Registrant s Purchases of Equity Securities:
$\left.\begin{array}{lccccc} & & & \begin{array}{c}\text { Total Number of } \\ \text { Shares Purchased } \\ \text { as Part of } \\ \text { Publically }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Approximate Dollar } \\ \text { Value of Shares that } \\ \text { May Yet Be }\end{array} \\ \text { Purchased Under } \\ \text { the Plans or } \\ \text { Programs }\end{array}\right]$
(1) On May 4, 2008, the Company s Board of Directors announced the authorized repurchase of up to $\$ 10$ million of the Company s common stock in open-market transactions, at times and in such amounts as management deems appropriate, depending on market conditions and other factors. The authorization continues until such date as the Board of Directors shall terminate such authorization; provided, the aggregate amount spent on such repurchases does not exceed $\$ 10$ million. The repurchase program does not obligate the Company to acquire any specific number of shares or acquire shares over any specified period of time. In second quarter of 2008, the Company repurchased 414,732 shares for $\$ 2.2$ million.
As further discussed in Note 8, the Company entered into a Third Amendment to the Loan Agreement ( Third Amendment ) on May 5, 2008.
Pursuant to the Third Amendment, the lenders consented to the repurchase by the Company of up to $\$ 10.0$ million of its common stock.

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## Item 6. Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed herewith.

## Exhibit No. Description

10.1 Fourth Amended and Restated Merchant Agreement dated as of October 27, 2008 by and between Nautilus, Inc. and HSBC Bank Nevada, N.A. (Confidential treatment has been requested with respect to a portion of this agreement.)
31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended
31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14 (a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended
32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

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## SIGNATURES

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

November 10, 2008
Date

November 10, 2008
Date

NAUTILUS, INC.

By: /s/ Edward J. Bramson
Edward J. Bramson,
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)
By: /s/ William D. Meadowcroft
William D. Meadowcroft,
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