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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of December, 2010

Commission File Number 000-22286

Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

14 Hakitor Street, Haifa Bay 26110, Israel
(Address of principal executive office)

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The Company is filing the attached audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Item 308 of Regulation S-K requires a company's Annual Report to include management's annual report on internal control over financial reporting that contains, among other items, management's assessment of the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting as of the end of the company's most recent fiscal year, including a statement as to whether or not the company's internal control over financial reporting is effective. The Company is currently not providing the full disclosures required in an Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2008, however, the Company's management has performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008. In connection with its assessment, management has determined that there were material weaknesses in the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 primarily related to (1) financial reporting and closing procedures, (2) certain revenue recognition procedures and (3) inventory valuation. Accordingly, management concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was not effective as of December 31, 2008. The Company has instituted control procedures in order to remediate these material weaknesses and ensure that the consolidated financial statements are in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles.

SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Certain statements in this filing are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements include, but are not limited to, statements that do not describe historical facts and statements that refer or relate to events or circumstances the Company "estimates," "believes," or "expects" to happen or similar language, and statements with respect to the Company's financial performance, including its financial performance during the years discussed in this filing, availability of financial information, completion of the 2009 audit, and estimates of financial results and financial information for 2009. Although Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. believes the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements to be based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurances that its expectations will be attained. Factors that could cause actual results to differ include the possible unavailability of financial information, completion of the aforesaid audit, actions of the Company's lenders and creditors, general domestic and international economic conditions, industry and market conditions, changes in the Company's financial position, litigation brought by any party in any court in Israel, the United States, or any country in which Taro operates, regulatory actions and legislative actions in the countries in which Taro operates, and other risks as detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports, including its Annual Reports on Form 20-F. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. The Company undertakes no obligations to update, change or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, additional or subsequent developments or otherwise.

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.

Date: December 23, 2010

TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

By: /s/ James Kedrowski

Name: James Kedrowski

Title: Interim Chief Executive Officer

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of
Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 2.q to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" - an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109, effective January 1, 2007.

Tel Aviv, Israel

December 23, 2010

/s/ Ziv Haft
Ziv Haft
Certified Public Accountants (Isr)
BDO Member Firm

TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of
TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the Standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of December 31, 2006, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the period ended December 31, 2006, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 2.u. to the consolidated financial statements, the Company adopted the provision of Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 123(R), "Share-Based Payment," effective January 1, 2006.

Tel-Aviv, Israel

March 25, 2010

/s/ Kost Forer Gabbay & Kasierer
KOST FORER GABBAY & KASIERER
A Member of Ernst & Young Global

TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

U.S. dollars and shares in thousands

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$68,828	\$45,187
Short-term bank deposits	10,000	-
Accounts receivable and other:		
Trade, net	62,098	70,017
Other receivables, prepaid expenses and other	19,605	26,260
Inventories	66,099	66,957
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	226,630	208,421
LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS	27,856	26,576
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET	186,543	211,929
GOODWILL	7,217	7,287
INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND DEFERRED COSTS, NET	23,756	26,368
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	1,096	2,772
TOTAL ASSETS	\$473,098	\$483,353

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

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

U.S. dollars and shares in thousands

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Short-term bank credit and short-term loans	\$100,116	\$108,992
Current maturities of long-term debt	29,888	31,348
Accounts payable:		
Trade payables	25,877	20,326
Other current liabilities	83,522	72,203
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	239,403	232,869
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:		
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	58,019	76,361
Deferred income taxes	3,793	5,586
Other long-term liabilities	7,666	15,299
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	69,478	97,246
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	308,881	330,115
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Share capital:		
Ordinary shares of NIS 0.0001 par value:		
Authorized at December 31, 2008 and 2007: 200,000,000 shares; Issued at December 31, 2008 and 2007: 39,460,509 shares.		
Outstanding at December 31, 2008 and 2007: 39,200,082 and 39,195,869 shares, respectively	679	679
Founders' shares of NIS 0.00001 par value:		
Authorized, issued and outstanding at December 31, 2008 and 2007: 2,600 shares	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	222,138	221,814
Accumulated other comprehensive income	7,722	27,620
Treasury stock (260,175 and 264,640 shares at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively)	(1,329)	(1,361)
Accumulated deficit	(64,994)	(95,515)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	164,217	153,238
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$473,098	\$483,353

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TARO PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

U.S. dollars and shares in thousands (except per share data)

	Year ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Sales, net	\$329,036	\$319,554	\$252,269
Cost of sales	148,317	133,229	123,516
Impairment	27	170	25,862
Gross profit	180,692	186,155	102,891
Operating expenses:			
Research and development, net	35,044	29,817	36,273
Selling, marketing, general and administrative	99,025	97,274	109,048
Impairment	2,820	-	27,923
	136,889	127,091	173,244
Operating income (loss)	43,802	59,064	(70,353)
Financial expenses, net	795	22,816	11,454
Other gain, net	1,055	4,300	-
Income (loss) before income taxes	44,062	40,548	(81,807)
Tax expense	13,541	6,212	872
Net income (loss)	\$30,521	\$34,336	\$(82,679)
Basic net income (loss) per ordinary share	\$0.78	\$0.99	\$(2.82)
Diluted net income (loss) per ordinary share	\$0.76	\$0.98	\$(2.82)
Weighted-average number of ordinary shares used to compute basic income (loss) per share	39,200	34,725	29,347
Weighted-average number of ordinary shares used to compute diluted income (loss) per share	40,423	35,215	29,347

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

U.S. dollars and shares in thousands

	Number of Shares	Share Capital	Additional Paid-in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (loss)	Treasury Shares	Retained Earnings (Accumulated Deficit)	Total Comprehensive Income (loss)	Total Shareholders' Equity
Balance at January 1, 2006	29,301	\$ 680	\$ 163,899	\$ 10,847	\$ (1,398)	\$ (45,959)		\$ 128,069
Exercise of options and issuance of shares of ESPP	57		560					560
Share-based compensation			599					599
Purchase of treasury shares	(12)				(196)			(196)
Release of treasury shares to employees under ESPP	12				206	(35)		171
Comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments				3,281			3,281	3,281
Unrealized gain from available for sale marketable securities				(22)			(22)	(22)
Net (loss)				-		(82,679)	(82,679)	(82,679)
Total comprehensive (loss):							\$ (79,420)	
Balance at December 31, 2006	29,358	680	165,058	14,106	(1,388)	(128,673)		49,783
Release of treasury shares to employees under ESPP	1				27			27
Cumulative effect adjustment upon adoption of FIN 48						(1,178)		(1,178)
Exercise of options and issuance of shares of ESPP	49		183					183
	6,788		39,189					39,189

Issuance of shares and warrants to Sun, net								
Exercise of Sun warrants	3,000		17,100					17,100
Share-based compensation			284					284
Comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments				13,597			13,597	13,597
Unrealized gain from available for sale marketable securities				11			11	11
Reclassification of unrealized gains from marketable securities to earnings				(94)			(94)	(94)
Net income						34,336	34,336	34,336
Total comprehensive income:							\$ 47,850	
Balance at December 31, 2007	39,196	680	221,814	27,620	(1,361)	(95,515)		153,238
Exercise of options and issuance of shares of ESPP	4		2		32			34
Share-based compensation			322					322
Comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments				(19,898)			(19,898)	(19,898)
Net income						30,521	30,521	30,521
Total comprehensive income:							\$ 10,623	
Balance at December 31, 2008	39,200	\$ 680	\$ 222,138	\$ 7,722	\$ (1,329)	\$ (64,994)		\$ 164,217

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

U.S. dollars in thousands

	Year ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income (loss)	\$30,521	\$34,336	\$(82,679)
Adjustments required to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	21,187	22,614	25,112
Change in deferred charges and other assets	101	244	842
Impairment of long-lived assets	2,847	170	53,785
Share-based compensation expense	322	284	599
Accrued severance pay and other long-term liabilities, net	571	(1,492)	(527)
(Gain) loss on sale of long-lived assets	(56)	(3,727)	1,641
Realized gain on sale of marketable securities	-	(94)	-
Change in derivative instruments, net	13,066	(6,948)	(4,638)
Effect of exchange differences on inter-company balances	(13,328)	7,259	(60)
Increase in long-term debt due to currency fluctuation	3,736	7,714	4,967
Deferred income taxes, net	(115)	2,197	(3,231)
Class action liabilities, net	-	-	3,000
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables, net	6,606	(29,626)	(3,794)
Decrease in short-term other receivables, prepaid expenses and other	1,187	730	3,533
(Increase) decrease in long-term other receivables, prepaid expenses and other	(718)	2,125	(426)
Decrease in interest receivable	-	-	588
(Increase) decrease in inventories, net	(2,912)	(7,430)	3,923
Increase (decrease) in trade payables	7,459	882	(3,664)
Decrease in other accounts payable and accrued expenses	(5,412)	(28,361)	(23,959)
Increase in income tax payable	9,815	275	229
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	74,877	1,152	(24,759)

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

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	Year ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and capitalization of related direct incremental costs	(3,572)	(5,984)	(21,913)
Proceeds from restricted short-term bank deposits	-	-	6,326
Investment in other intangible assets	(594)	(229)	(301)
Investment in short-term bank deposits	(10,000)	-	-
Investment in restricted bank deposits	(6,250)	-	-
Proceeds from long-term deposits and other assets	70	-	14,000
Proceeds from sale of marketable securities	-	125	-
Proceeds from sale of long-lived assets	65	10,151	272
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(20,281)	4,063	(1,616)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from issuance of shares, net	34	56,499	731
Proceeds (repayments) of short-term bank debt, net	2,818	(6,388)	(1,996)
Purchase of treasury shares related to ESPP	-	-	(196)
Repayment of long-term debt	(31,776)	(26,373)	(26,700)
Repayment of other intangible assets purchased in prior years	-	-	(2,200)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(28,924)	23,738	(30,361)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(2,031)	94	48
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	23,641	29,047	(56,688)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	45,187	16,140	72,828
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	\$68,828	\$45,187	\$16,140
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow transactions:			
Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest	\$12,039	\$14,793	\$12,989
Income taxes	\$3,197	\$3,644	\$3,465
(a) Non-cash investing and financing transactions:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment on credit	\$288	\$317	\$1,582
Investment in intangible assets on credit	\$-	\$14	\$-

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NOTE 1: — GENERAL

- a. Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. (the “Company” or “Taro”) is an Israeli corporation, which operates in Israel and elsewhere through its Israeli, North American, and European subsidiaries (the “Group”). The principal business activities of the Group are the production, research, development and marketing of pharmaceutical products. The Company’s ordinary shares are quoted on the Pink Sheets Electronic Quotation Service (“Pink Sheets”) under the symbol TAROF. As used herein, the terms "we," "us," "our," “Taro” and the "Company" mean Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. and its subsidiaries, unless otherwise indicated.

The activities of the Group in North America are performed by Taro Pharmaceuticals Inc., Taro Pharmaceuticals North America, Inc. and Taro Pharmaceuticals U.S.A., Inc. (“Taro U.S.A.”). Taro Research Institute Ltd. in Israel provides research and development services to the Group. Taro International Ltd. in Israel, Taro Pharmaceuticals Ireland Ltd. and Taro Pharmaceuticals Europe B.V. are engaged in the pharmaceutical activities of the Group outside North America.

The Group manufactures generic and proprietary drug products in facilities located in Israel and Canada, and manufactures bulk active pharmaceutical ingredients in its facilities located in Israel. The Group’s research facilities are located in Israel and Canada. The majority of the Group’s sales are in North America.

In North America, the Company sells and distributes its products principally to drug industry wholesalers, drug store chains and mass merchandisers. In Israel, the Group sells and distributes its products principally to healthcare institutions and private pharmacies.

In the generic pharmaceutical industry, selling prices and related profit margins tend to decrease as products mature due to increased competition from other generic pharmaceutical manufacturers as they gain approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (the “FDA”), the Canadian Health Products and Food Branch Inspectorate, and the Israeli and other Ministries of Health (“Government Agencies”) to manufacture equivalent products. The Group’s future operating results are dependent on, among other things, its ability to introduce new products and maintain its approvals to market existing drugs.

While non-compliance with Government Agencies’ regulations can result in refusal to allow entry, seizure, fines or injunctive actions to prevent the sale of products, no such actions against the Group or its products have ever occurred. The Group believes that it is in material compliance with all Government Agencies’ regulations. In February 2009, our Canadian manufacturing facility received a warning letter from the FDA (the “Warning Letter”) expressing concern identified during a July 2008 inspection about certain of the quality control systems, including failure to complete investigations of quality issues in a timely manner. The Company responded to the Warning Letter on March 17, 2009, submitted and discussed a full compliance work plan with the FDA, and is committed to working with the FDA to resolve all issues. The Company has corrected the specific observations cited during the July 2008 inspection and in the Warning Letter, and, to ensure its products meet all requirements, has improved its ability to adhere to current good manufacturing practices (“cGMPs”) by adding additional qualified personnel, engaging outside experts and adding new procedures to resolve any systemic issues and prevent recurrence. The observations cited in the Warning Letter do not relate to any of the Company's other facilities. Until remedial action is complete and the FDA has confirmed

compliance with cGMPs, new applications listing the Canadian facility as a manufacturing location of finished dosage forms may not be approved. However, one new product made at the Company's Canadian facility was approved by the FDA in May 2009 after the issuance of the Warning Letter. Other Federal agencies take the Warning Letter into account when considering the awards of contracts and in some cases may have the right to terminate any agreement they have with us or remove products from their pricing schedule as one agency has done. The Company does not expect this will have a material impact on its financial condition.

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While the majority of the Company's products are either synthesized by the Company itself or are derived from multiple source materials, some raw materials and certain products are currently obtained from single domestic or foreign suppliers. The Company does not believe that any interruption of supply from a single supplier would have a material adverse effect on the Company's results of operations and financial position. To date, the Group has not experienced difficulties in obtaining raw materials.

b. The Company successfully addressed its past liquidity issues by implementing initiatives to improve revenues and cash collections. During 2006, our cash flows were negatively impacted by operating losses, capital expenditures and a reduction in wholesaler inventory. During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Company's cash on hand increased \$29,047 from \$16,140 to \$45,187 primarily due to \$56,499 of equity issuances, net of issuance costs, and \$10,151 of long-lived asset sales offset by \$32,761 of debt repayments and \$5,984 of capital investments. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company's cash on hand (including short-term bank deposits) increased \$33,641 from \$45,187 to \$78,828 due to \$74,877 of cash provided by operating activities, which was offset by cash used in investing and financing activities of \$20,281 and \$28,924, respectively. At September 30, 2010, consolidated cash on hand (including short-term bank deposits) increased to \$126,727, primarily due to higher operating cash flows from increased sales volumes and cash management activities. At September 30, 2010, debt decreased to \$131,802, primarily due to scheduled principal payments and the pay-down of several credit lines. As of September 30, 2010, \$81,692 of the Company's total debt is callable on-demand due to covenant violations. Consolidated cash at September 30, 2010 exceeds callable debt by approximately \$45,035. In addition, the Company is current with all of its debt service payments. As a result of the Company's cash position at September 30, 2010 and the expected cash flows from operations, the Company has the ability to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

Subsequent to September 30, 2010, the Company retired approximately \$43,771 of the callable debt.

c. On May 18, 2007, the Company, Alkaloida Chemical Company Exclusive Group Ltd. ("Alkaloida"), a subsidiary of Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. (together with its affiliates "Sun") (Reuters: SUN.BO, Bloomberg: SUNP IN, NSE: SUNPHARMA, BSE: 524715) and Aditya Acquisition Company Ltd. ("Aditya") entered into a merger agreement (the "Merger Agreement"). In addition, Taro entered into a Share Purchase Agreement with Alkaloida, pursuant to which Taro issued Alkaloida 6,787,500 ordinary shares at \$6.00 per share, for a total of \$40,725 (the "Share Purchase Agreement"). Under the terms of the Share Purchase Agreement, Sun also received a three-year warrant to purchase additional ordinary shares at \$6.00 per share. On August 2, 2007, Sun exercised a portion of its warrant in favor of Alkaloida, as assignee, and purchased 3,000,000 additional shares at an exercise price of \$6.00 per share, or \$18,000. This additional investment, together with its original purchase of Taro's newly issued shares, brought Sun's investment in Taro to \$58,725. Taro paid \$2,436 in stock issuance costs and therefore retained \$56,289 of the proceeds. The net proceeds were recorded within shareholders' equity on the consolidated balance sheet in accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force ("EITF") Issue No. 00-19, "Accounting for Derivative Financial Instruments Indexed to, and Potentially Settled in, a Company's Own Stock" ("EITF 00-19") as the Company did not meet the criteria of a derivative under EITF 00-19.

On May 28, 2008, the Company terminated the Merger Agreement. On the same day, the Company and its directors other than the members of the Levitt and Moros families (the "Independent Directors") brought a lawsuit against Sun

and its affiliates in the Tel-Aviv District Court (the “District Court”) seeking a declaratory judgment that, under the Israeli Companies Law, a “Special Tender Offer” was required. On June 25, 2008, Sun gave notice that it was exercising its option under the May 18, 2007 option agreement entered into by Sun, with Dr. Barrie Levitt, Dr. Daniel Moros, Ms. Tal Levitt, Dr. Jacob Levitt and Taro Development Corporation (“TDC”) (the “Option Agreement”). Pursuant to the Option Agreement, Sun was granted the option to acquire certain ordinary shares owned by Dr. Barrie Levitt, Dr. Moros, Ms. Levitt, and TDC for \$7.75 per share, as well as all of the founders’ shares, which represented one third of the voting power of all of the Company’s shares, for no consideration (the “Options”). A condition to the exercise of the Options required Sun to commence a tender offer to purchase any and all ordinary shares owned by all other shareholders for \$7.75 per share. According to the terms of the Option Agreement, the transactions contemplated would be consummated contemporaneously with the expiration of the tender offer.

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On June 30, 2008, Sun commenced a regular tender offer for any and all ordinary shares at a price of \$7.75 per share (the "Sun Offer"). On August 26, 2008, the District Court ruled that Sun was not required to comply with the Special Tender Offer rules. On August 28, 2008, the Company and its Independent Directors filed an appeal to the Supreme Court of the State of Israel (the "Israeli Supreme Court") and requested a temporary injunction to prevent Sun from acquiring additional ordinary shares which would result in its voting power being more than 45% of the Company's voting power during the pendency of the appeal. On September 1, 2008, the Israeli Supreme Court granted the temporary injunction.

On September 7, 2010, the Supreme Court denied the Company's appeal and ordered the revocation of the temporary injunction which had prohibited the closing of the Sun Offer.

On the same day, Sun announced the decision of the Israeli Supreme Court and the expiration date of the Sun Offer (the "Announcement Date") as the fifth business day following the Announcement Date which was 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, September 14, 2010.

On September 21, 2010, the Company announced that the controlling shareholders of the Company, the Levitt and Moros families (together with their affiliated entities, the "Levitt/Moros Shareholders"), executed a letter agreement (the "Letter Agreement") on September 20, 2010 with Sun. Pursuant to the Letter Agreement, the Levitt/Moros Shareholders transferred certain beneficial interests in the Company to Sun in accordance with the Option Agreement. Among the interests transferred was beneficial ownership of the founders' shares of Taro, which represent one-third of the voting power of Taro's capital stock.

Concurrent with the execution of the Letter Agreement, Sun and the members of Taro's Board of Directors (the "Board"), including the Levitt/Moros Shareholders, entered into a settlement agreement and release, pursuant to which Sun and the incumbent members of Taro's Board agreed, among other things, to release each other from, and covenanted not to sue based on, certain claims related generally to the acquisition of Taro by Sun and litigation arising therefrom.

Also, on September 20, 2010, Taro's Board passed a resolution appointing Dilip Shanghvi, Sudhir Valia, Aalok Shanghvi, Hasmukh Shah and Ilan Leviteh as members of the Board, and the incumbent members of Taro's Board submitted their resignations as directors and officers of the Company and its subsidiaries, as applicable. At a subsequent Board meeting, Mr. Dilip Shanghvi was elected Chairman of Taro's Board.

In addition to the foregoing, the Company issued a letter dated September 20, 2010, to Sun and Alkaloida acknowledging the valid exercise by Alkaloida of a certain Warrant No. 2 issued August 1, 2007, for the purchase of 3,787,500 Ordinary Shares of Taro for an aggregate price of \$22,725. With the exercise of Warrant No. 2 as well as the completion of the acquisition of the shares from the Levitt/Moros Shareholders and the acquisition of the shares from Templeton Asset Management Ltd. ("Templeton") on November 1, 2010, Sun currently owns, or controls, 28,072,933 (or 65.2%) of Taro's Ordinary Shares and, with Taro's Founders' Shares, 76.8% of the vote attributable to the share equity of the Company.

d.

In July 2004, Taro U.S.A. entered into a license agreement with Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation (“Medicis”) for four product lines used in the treatment of skin disorders, including the Lustra® product line and two previously unmarketed products in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. The entire purchase price of \$35,565 was treated as a product rights purchase and therefore, was recorded on the balance sheet under the line item “other intangible assets and deferred charges, net.” The Company allocated \$23,165 for the Lustra® product family. Lustra® and Lustra-AF® were marketed by Medicis for a number of years. One of the previously unmarketed products, from the Lustra® product family, was subsequently launched by Taro under the name Lustra-Ultra™. Taro allocated \$12,400 for the second previously unmarketed product, which was subsequently launched by Taro under the name U-Kera™. During 2006, the Company recorded an impairment charge of \$10,023, to write off the remaining carrying value of the U-Kera™ intangible asset and recorded an impairment charge of \$13,236 to reduce the carrying value of the Lustra® intangible asset to \$6,298. These charges were the result of competitive market pressures and were recorded in cost of sales. The impairments were determined by conducting valuation studies and employing a discounted cash flow analysis. The remaining carrying value is being amortized to cost of sales over the weighted-average life of the product rights. See Note 2.k.

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As part of the agreement, the Company received \$20,000 from Medicis, which the Company estimated was its returns exposure for these products, and with which the Company established a reserve. This return reserve is presented together with the reserve for returns in current liabilities. The Company also agreed to accept expired returned goods in the future, even though the product returned may not have been sold by Taro. The reserve was established anticipating that customers will deduct, from their cash payments to the Company, the price that they originally paid to Medicis for the goods being returned. This reserve was utilized for the return exposure related to the acquired products. During 2006, \$8,300 of the reserve was recorded as income based on a determination that the reserve exceeded the requirements for such returns as a result of the near-term expiration of the customer right of return.

- e. In March 2005, the Company, through its subsidiaries, entered into multi-year agreements with Alterna-TCHP, LLC (“Alterna”) to license the Company’s over-the-counter ElixSure® and Kerasal® products in North America.

The terms of the agreements include, among other things, the license of rights to distribute ElixSure® and Kerasal® products and an option to acquire the ownership rights for additional consideration, multi-year manufacturing and supply arrangements and the sale of ElixSure® inventory on-hand at the outset of the arrangement. At the time of signing the agreements, the Company received \$10,000 and there were to be additional payments due over the term of the agreements. In addition, the Company receives payments from Alterna for ongoing manufacturing and supply of the products during the agreement term.

The Company accounted for this transaction in accordance with EITF Issue No.00-21, “Revenue Arrangement with Multiple Deliverable” (“EITF 00-21”). The Company has concluded that the entire arrangement should be considered as one unit of accounting mainly because the Company could not establish fair value for all undelivered elements in the transaction. Accordingly, the total up-front consideration is being recognized as revenue over the three-year term of the arrangement. Revenue recognition is limited to cash received. In addition, the Company recorded deferred inventory cost in the amount of \$2,037 related to the costs of ElixSure® products that were sold to Alterna at the outset of the agreement. The cost is amortized over the three-year term of the manufacturing and supply services under the agreements.

In June 2006, the Company and Alterna signed an amendment to the above agreements. Pursuant to the terms of the amendment, Alterna exercised its option to purchase the full rights to the Kerasal® products and settled all outstanding balances with the Company for products shipped under the manufacturing and supply arrangement in consideration for a cash payment of \$12,000. According to the amendment, the Company will continue to manufacture and supply the products to Alterna. Consistent with its original accounting treatment, the Company has concluded that all of the deliverables under the amendment should be considered as one unit of accounting, therefore the consideration is being amortized over the remaining term of the agreement. As of December 31, 2008, the Company had no deferred revenue. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had \$1,176 of deferred revenue related to this agreement, which was recorded in other current liabilities. Subsequently, Alterna discontinued purchasing the ElixSure® products. However, Alterna has continued to purchase Kerasal® in limited quantities.

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The Company determined that Alterna is a Variable Interest Entity (“VIE”) in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Interpretation No. 46 (Revised December 2003), “Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities.” However, the Company has concluded that it is not the primary beneficiary of the VIE, therefore Alterna has not been consolidated into the Company’s results of operations. The Company concluded that the amendment to the agreements in June 2006 should not change this conclusion, primarily since the Company does not have exposure to losses from its involvement with Alterna.

f. The Company, through its Irish subsidiary, owns a pharmaceutical manufacturing and research facility in Ireland, designed primarily for the manufacture of sterile products. As a result of the delay in receiving regulatory approval for the manufacture of new products, the inability to pursue the launch of certain approved products, and further financial constraints during 2006 which significantly reduced the level of additional investment in the Irish facility, the Company recorded an impairment charge related to its Irish facility during 2006.

The Company used the market approach in determining the fair value of the group of assets. The Company recorded an impairment charge, in operating expenses, aggregating \$27,023 during 2006. In addition, during 2006, the Company recorded approximately \$900 of loss on purchase commitments of \$3,945 due to the decline in value of additional equipment that the Company committed to purchase at December 31, 2006. During 2008, the Company recorded further impairment charges on land, building and machinery of \$2,820. In November 2009, the Company’s Irish subsidiary sold certain equipment, net of transaction costs, for \$1,485.

During 2010, the Company announced the closure of the manufacturing facility in Ireland and is exploring its options related to the facility. The Company is currently analyzing the impact of that event on subsequent years’ financial statements and any possible additional impairment that may be required in future years.

NOTE 2: — SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements are prepared according to United States generally accepted accounting principles (“U.S. GAAP”).

a. Use of estimates:

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates, judgments and assumptions. The Company’s management believes that the estimates, judgments and assumptions used are reasonable based upon information available at the time they are made. These estimates, judgments and assumptions can affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The Company’s most critical estimates are used in its determination of its sales incentives reserves (see Note 4 for details), inventory reserves, income taxes, fixed assets, intangible assets, derivative instruments and contingencies.

b. Financial statements in U.S. dollars:

A majority of the revenue of the Company and certain of its subsidiaries (exclusive of its Canadian, Irish, and U.K. subsidiaries – see below) is generated in U.S. dollars (“dollars”). In addition, a substantial portion of the costs of the Company and these subsidiaries is incurred in dollars. The Company’s management believes that the dollar is the primary currency of the economic environment in which the Company and these subsidiaries operate. Thus, the functional and reporting currency of the Company and its subsidiaries is the dollar, requiring re-measurement from the local currency into the dollar for each of these entities. All exchange gains and losses resulting from the re-measurement are reflected in the statement of operations as financial income or expenses, as appropriate.

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The functional currency of the Company's Canadian, Irish, and U.K. subsidiaries are the Canadian Dollar, the Euro, and the British Pound, respectively.

Accordingly, the financial statements of the Canadian, Irish and the U.K. subsidiaries have been translated into dollars. All balance sheet accounts have been translated using the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. Amounts recorded in the statements of operations have been translated using the average exchange rate prevailing during the year. The resulting translation adjustments are reported as a component of shareholders' equity under accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

c. Principles of consolidation:

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its subsidiaries. Inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. A private corporation, TDC, owns 50% of the shares that have voting rights in Taro U.S.A., with the Company owning the other 50%. In 1993, TDC signed an agreement with the Company to assign its voting rights in Taro U.S.A. in all elections of directors of Taro U.S.A. as the Company may designate. TDC may terminate the agreement upon one year written notice. As of December 31, 2008, no such notice of termination has been provided. TDC is a minority shareholder in the Company by way of owning 3.1% of Taro U.S.A. shares that have economic rights. Since losses applicable to TDC exceed its interest in Taro U.S.A. equity, such excess and any further losses applicable to TDC are charged against the Company as TDC has no obligation to fund such losses.

d. Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash equivalents are short-term, highly-liquid investments that are readily convertible into cash with original maturities of three months or less at the date acquired.

e. Marketable securities:

Marketable securities are comprised primarily of shares of stock in other publicly-traded companies and auction rate securities. These marketable securities covered by Statement of Financial Accounting Standard ("SFAS") No. 115, "Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities," were designated as available-for-sale. Accordingly, these securities are stated at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses reported in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), a separate component of shareholders' equity.

f. Allowance for doubtful accounts:

The allowance for doubtful accounts is calculated primarily with respect to specific balances, which, in the opinion of the Company's management, are doubtful of collection. The allowance, in the opinion of the Company's management, is sufficient to cover probable uncollectible balances. See Note 3.

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g. Inventories:

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Inventory reserves are provided to cover risks arising from slow-moving items, short-dated inventory, excess inventory or obsolescence. Changes in these provisions are charged to cost of goods sold. Cost is determined as follows:

Raw and packaging materials – average cost basis.

Finished goods and work in progress – average production costs including materials, labor and direct and indirect manufacturing expenses.

Purchased products for commercial purposes – average cost basis.

The amounts of inventory reserves recorded as cost of sales were \$5,704, \$2,403, and \$4,859, for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively.

h. Property, plant and equipment:

- Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Payroll and other costs that are direct incremental costs necessary to bring an asset to the condition of its intended use incurred during the construction and validation period of property, plant and equipment are capitalized to the cost of such assets.
- Interest costs are capitalized in accordance with SFAS No. 34, “Capitalization of Interest Cost”.
- Depreciation is calculated by the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, from the date the assets are ready for their intended use, at the following annual rates:

	%
Buildings	2.5 - 10
Machinery and equipment	5 - 20 (mainly 10)
Motor vehicles	15 - 20
Furniture, fixtures, office equipment and computer equipment	6 - 33 (mainly 20)

Leasehold improvements are depreciated by the straight-line method over the shorter of their useful lives or the terms of the leases (generally 5-10 years).

- The Group accounts for costs of computer software developed or obtained for internal use in accordance with Statement of Position (“SOP”) No. 98-1, “Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use,” (“SOP No. 98-1”). SOP No. 98-1 requires the capitalization of certain costs incurred in connection with developing or obtaining internal use software during the application development stage. During the years 2008 and 2007, the Group capitalized \$76 and \$56 of software costs, respectively. Software costs are amortized by the

straight-line method over their estimated useful life of three years.

5. On February 7, 2007, the Company, in an effort to improve liquidity, sold a car park adjacent to its Irish facility, net of transaction costs, for \$4,050, and recorded in 2007 a pre-tax gain on this transaction of \$3,721.

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i. Lease of land from Israel Land Administration:

The Company leases land from the Israel Land Administration (“ILA”), which is accounted for pursuant to SFAS 13, as amended by SFAS 98. Taro leases several parcels from the ILA. The lease period of the industrial parcel ends between 2018 and 2058. The Company has the right to extend each of the lease agreements for an additional period of 49 years. The ILA lease agreements are standard agreements covering substantial portions of the land of Israel. The standard agreements call for a Lease Period of 49 years, with an option for one additional Lease Period (i.e., total of 98 years). The ownership of the land is not transferred at the end of the lease period and there is no option to buy the land at the end of such period. The expectation, based on practice and accumulated experience is that the renewal price would be substantially below fair market value. Since such leases do not qualify as a capital lease, they are being accounted for as operating leases. The prepaid lease amount is included in long-term receivables and other assets and amortized over the term of the lease.

j. Goodwill:

The Company follows the provisions of SFAS No. 142, “Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets” (“SFAS 142”). Goodwill is not amortized, but rather is subject to an annual impairment test (or more frequently if impairment indicators arise).

SFAS 142 prescribes a two-phase process for impairment testing of goodwill. The first phase screens for impairment; while the second phase (if necessary) measures impairment.

In the first phase of impairment testing, goodwill attributable to one reporting unit is tested for impairment by comparing the fair value of the reporting unit with the carrying value of the reporting unit. When the carrying value exceeds the fair value, the second phase of the goodwill impairment test compares the implied fair value of the reporting unit’s goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit’s goodwill exceeds the implied fair value of that goodwill, an impairment loss is recognized in an amount equal to that excess.

The Company operates in one operating segment, and this segment comprises its only reporting unit. Fair value of the reporting unit is determined using market capitalization. The Company performs its annual impairment test during the fourth fiscal quarter of each year. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, no impairment loss had been identified.

k. Impairment of long-lived assets, intangible assets and deferred charges:

Intangible assets and deferred charges:

Acquired intangible assets and product rights to be held and used are not considered to have an indefinite useful life and are amortized over their useful life of a weighted-average amortization period of 14 years using a straight-line method of amortization that reflects the pattern in which the economic benefits of the intangible assets are consumed or otherwise used up, in accordance with SFAS 142.

Debt issuance costs in respect to long-term loans from institutional investors and bondholders are deferred and amortized under the effective interest method over the term of the loans from institutional investors and bondholders.

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Impairment of long-lived assets:

The Group's long-lived assets, excluding goodwill, are reviewed for impairment in accordance with SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-lived Assets" ("SFAS 144"), whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment exists when the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the aggregate future undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. The impairment to be recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the asset. In the year ended December 31, 2006, the Company recorded, in operating expenses, a \$27,923 impairment loss primarily related to the fixed assets in its Irish facility. In the year ended December 31, 2006, the Company also recorded impairment charges of \$25,862 in cost of sales, which is mainly comprised of a \$23,259 impairment loss, primarily for its product rights for Lustra® and U-Kera™ and a \$2,531 impairment loss related to one of its warehouses and certain equipment in Canada. In the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company recorded, in operating expenses, a \$2,820 impairment loss primarily related to the fixed assets of its Irish facility. No impairment loss was recorded on these assets in the year ended December 31, 2007. See also Notes 1.d, 1.e and 1.f.

l. Treasury shares:

The Company repurchases its ordinary shares from time to time on the open market and holds such shares as treasury stock. The Company presents the cost to repurchase treasury stock as a reduction of shareholders' equity.

From time to time the Company reissues treasury shares under the stock purchase plan, upon exercise of options and upon vesting of restricted stock units. When treasury stock is reissued, the Company accounts for the re-issuance in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion ("APB") No. 6, "Status of Accounting Research Bulletins" and charges the excess of the purchase cost, including related stock-based compensation expenses, over the re-issuance price (loss) to retained earnings. The purchase cost is calculated based on the specific identification method.

In cases where the purchase cost is lower than the re-issuance price, the Company credits the difference to additional paid-in capital.

m. Revenue recognition:

The Company recognizes revenue from product sales when title and risk of loss have transferred to its customers and when the criteria in the Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") Staff Accounting Bulletin ("SAB") No. 104, "Revenue Recognition" ("SAB 104"), and SFAS No. 48, "Revenue Recognition When Right of Return Exists" ("SFAS 48"), have been satisfied. Those criteria generally require that (i) persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists; (ii) product delivery has occurred; (iii) the price to customers is fixed or determinable; (iv) collectability is reasonably assured, and (v) the amount of product returns, chargebacks, rebates and other sales deductions can be reasonably estimated. The Company ships products to its customers only in response to, and to the extent of, the orders that customers submit to the Company. Depending on the terms of our customer arrangements, revenue is recognized when the product is received by the customer ("FOB Destination Point") or at the time of shipment ("FOB Shipping Point").

When the Company recognizes and records revenue from the sale of its pharmaceutical products, the Company, in the same financial reporting period, records an estimate of various future deductions related to the sale. This has the effect of reducing the amount of reported product sales. These deductions include the Company's estimates, which may require significant judgment of chargebacks, product returns, rebates, cash discounts and other sales deductions.

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Chargebacks result from pricing arrangements the Company has with end-user customers establishing contract prices which are lower than the wholesalers' acquisition costs or invoice prices. When these customers buy the Company's products from their wholesaler of choice, the wholesaler issues a credit memo (chargeback) to the Company for the difference between the invoice price and the end-user contract price. Chargeback reserves are estimated using current wholesaler inventory data beyond the Company's control, and historical data. Due to the passage of time from the balance sheet date to the issuance of these financial statements, the Company has considered actual wholesaler returns and reverse chargebacks received in estimating its chargeback reserve.

Product returns result from agreements allowing the Company's customers to return unsold inventory that is expired or close to expiration. Product return reserves are calculated using the average lag period between sales and product expiry, historical product returns experience, and specific return exposures to estimate the potential obligation for returns of inventory in the distribution channel.

Rebates result from contractual agreements with the Company's customers and are earned based on the Company's direct sales to customers or the Company's customers' sales to third parties. Rebate reserves from the Company's direct sales to customers and the Company's customers' sales to third parties are estimated using historical and contractual data.

The Company generally offers discounts to its customers for payments within a certain period of time. Cash discount reserves are calculated by multiplying the specified discount percentage by the outstanding receivable at the end of each period.

Reserves for returns, Medicaid and indirect rebates are included in current liabilities. All other sales deductions allowances are recorded as accounts receivable reserves. The reserve for returns is included in current liabilities as substantially all of these returns will not be realized until after the year-end accounts receivable balances are settled. Medicaid and indirect rebates are included in current liabilities because the Company does not have direct customer relationships with any of the payees. See Notes 4 and 12 for more details.

The Company offers incentives to certain resellers and retailers through various marketing programs where the Company agrees to reimburse them for advertising costs incurred to include the Company's products. The Company accounts for these in accordance with EITF Issue No. 01-09 "Accounting for Consideration Given by a Vendor to a Customer (Including a Reseller of Vendor's Product)", as reductions of revenue unless the customer receives an identifiable benefit in exchange for the consideration that is sufficiently separable from the customer's purchase of the products and the fair value of the benefits can be reasonably estimated.

With respect to revenue recognition policies in the Alterna transaction, see also Note 1.e.

n. Research and development:

Research and development expenses, net of grants received, are charged to expense as incurred.

o. Royalty-bearing grants:

Royalty-bearing grants from the government of Israel through the Office of the Chief Scientist for funding approved research and development projects are recognized at the time the Company is entitled to such grants, on the basis of the related costs incurred. The Company earned grants in the amounts of \$0, \$0, and \$430 during the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, respectively. Such grants are included as deductions from research and development costs.

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p. Advertising expenses:

The Group expenses advertising costs as incurred. Product samples are recorded within prepaid expense on the consolidated balance sheet and recorded within advertising expenses when provided to potential customers. Advertising expenses were \$6,979, \$6,473 and \$11,741 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

q. Income taxes:

Income taxes are accounted for in accordance with SFAS No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes" ("SFAS 109"). SFAS 109, prescribes the use of the liability method, whereby deferred tax asset and liability account balances are determined for temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax basis of assets and liabilities, and for carryforward losses and credits. Deferred taxes are measured using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. As of each balance sheet date, management determined that it was more likely than not that the Company will not benefit from the deferred tax asset in the U.S., Ireland and certain other subsidiaries. Therefore, for these locations a full valuation allowance was provided against deferred tax assets. In future years, if it is more likely than not that the Company will be in a position to utilize its deferred tax asset, the valuation allowance for such assets may be modified.

Effective January 1, 2007, the Company adopted FASB Interpretation ("FIN") No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes – an Interpretation of FAS 109" ("FIN 48"), which was issued in June 2006. FIN 48 requires that the tax effect of a position be recorded only if it is more likely than not to be sustained based solely on the tax position's technical merits at the reporting date. If a tax position is not considered more likely than not to be sustained based solely on its technical merits, no benefits of the tax position are recorded. The Company's accounting policy, pursuant to the adoption of FIN 48, is to classify interest and penalties recognized in the financial statements relating to uncertain tax positions as income tax expense. See Note 17. The following table presents the impact at January 1, 2007 on the consolidated balance sheet as a result of implementing FIN 48:

Increase to short-term accrued taxes	\$1,178
Decrease to valuation allowance	\$6,220
Decrease to deferred tax assets	\$6,220
Increase to accumulated deficit	\$1,178

r. Sales and other taxes collected and remitted to governmental authorities:

The Company collects various taxes from customers and remits them to governmental authorities. These taxes are recorded on a net basis and therefore do not impact the statement of operations.

s. Basic and diluted net income (loss) per share:

Basic net income (loss) per share is calculated based on the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding during each year. Diluted net income (loss) per share is calculated based on the weighted-average number of ordinary

shares outstanding during each year, plus dilutive potential ordinary shares considered outstanding during the year (except where anti-dilutive), in accordance with SFAS No. 128, "Earnings per Share."

The total weighted-average number of options excluded from the calculations of diluted net earnings per share, as a result of their anti-dilutive effect, was 1,012,359, 1,126,528 and 1,578,387 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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t. Freight and distribution costs:

In accordance with EITF 00-10, "Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs", the Company's accounting policy is to classify shipping and handling costs as a part of sales and marketing expense. Freight and distribution costs and distribution warehousing costs related to shipping and handling to customers, primarily through the use of common carriers or external distribution services amounted to \$9,420, \$9,436 and \$9,090 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

u. Accounting for stock-based compensation:

On January 1, 2006, the Company adopted SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), "Share-Based Payment" ("SFAS No. 123(R)"), which requires the measurement and recognition of compensation expense based on estimated fair values for all share-based payment awards made to employees and directors. SFAS No. 123(R) supersedes APB No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees" ("APB No. 25"), for periods beginning in fiscal year 2006. In March 2005, the SEC issued SAB No. 107 ("SAB 107") relating to SFAS No. 123(R). The Company has applied the provisions of SAB 107 in its adoption of SFAS No. 123(R). SFAS No. 123(R) requires companies to estimate the fair value of equity-based payment awards on the date of grant using an option pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest is recognized as an expense over the requisite service periods in the Company's consolidated income statement.

The Company adopted SFAS No. 123(R) using the modified prospective transition method, which requires the application of the accounting standard starting from January 1, 2006, the first day of the Company's fiscal year 2006. Under that transition method, compensation cost recognized in the year ended December 31, 2006, includes: (a) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted prior to, but not yet vested as of January 1, 2006, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of SFAS No. 123, and (b) compensation cost for all share-based payments granted subsequent to January 1, 2006, based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123(R). Results for prior periods have not been restated. The Company selected the Black-Scholes option pricing model as the most appropriate fair value method for its stock option awards and values restricted stock based on the market value of the underlying shares at the date of grant.

The Company recognizes compensation expense for the value of its awards granted subsequent to January 1, 2006, based on the straight-line method over the requisite service period of each of the awards, net of estimated forfeitures. SFAS No. 123(R) requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Estimated forfeitures are based on actual historical pre-vesting forfeitures. For awards granted prior to January 1, 2006, the Company recognizes compensation expense based on the straight line-method over the requisite service period of each of the awards. Forfeitures were previously accounted for as they occurred, but have been estimated with the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) for those awards not yet vested. Upon the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) the expected life of the option is estimated using the "simplified" method as provided in SAB 107. Under this method, the expected life equals arithmetic average of the vesting term and the original contractual term of the option. On December 21, 2007, the SEC issued SAB No. 110 ("SAB 110"), which, effective January 1, 2008, amends and replaces SAB 107. The Company currently uses the simplified method as adequate historical experience is not available to provide a reasonable estimate. The Company adopted SAB 110

effective January 1, 2008 and will continue to apply the simplified method until sufficient historical experience is available to provide a reasonable estimate of the expected term for stock option grants.

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As a result of adopting SFAS No. 123(R) on January 1, 2006, the Company's operating income, income before income taxes, and net income for year ended December 31, 2006, were \$599 lower than if the Company had continued to account for stock-based compensation under APB No. 25. Basic and diluted net loss per share for the year ended December 31, 2006, were \$0.02 lower than if the Company had continued to account for stock-based compensation under APB No. 25.

Stock Options: The fair value of options granted under the Stock Incentive Plan in 2008, 2007 and 2006 is amortized over their vesting period on a straight-line basis and estimated at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes options pricing model with the following weighted-average assumptions:

	2008	2007	2006
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%
Expected volatility	48.4%	53.1%	58.5%
Risk-free interest rate	3.1%	4.7%	4.4%
Expected life of up to	6.9 years	6.9 years	6.9 years

The risk-free interest rate is based upon the yields of U.S. Treasury Bills with maturity terms similar to those of the expected lives of the options at the time of grant. The expected volatility is based upon daily movements in the Company's stock price.

Employee Stock Purchase Plan: The fair value of the incentive rewards granted under the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, in 2006, is amortized over their vesting period on a straight-line basis and estimated at the date of the grant using a Black-Scholes options pricing model with the following weighted assumptions: 0% dividend yield, 72.7% volatility, 3.7% risk free weighted-average interest rate and expected life of six months.

Estimated forfeitures are based on actual historical pre-vesting forfeitures.

The Company applies SFAS No. 123(R) and EITF No. 96-18 "Accounting for Equity Instruments That are Issued to Other Than Employees for Acquiring, or in Conjunction with Selling Goods or Services", with respect to options issued to non-employees. SFAS No. 123(R) requires the use of option valuation models to measure the fair value of the options granted. Compensation expensed to non-employees was not material.

v. Concentrations of credit risk:

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Group to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents, bank deposits and trade receivables. Cash and cash equivalents and bank deposits are invested in major banks in Israel, the United States, Canada and the Cayman Islands. Such deposits in the United States may be in excess of insured limits and are not insured in other jurisdictions. Management believes that the financial institutions that hold the Group's cash and cash equivalents and bank deposits are financially sound and that low credit risk therefore exists with respect to these financial instruments. Generally, these deposits may be redeemed upon demand and, therefore, bear minimal risk.

The Group's trade accounts receivables are mainly derived from sales to customers in the United States, Canada, Europe and Israel. At December 31, 2008, three different wholesale customers in the United States represented approximately 15.0%, 12.5% and 11.2% of the trade accounts receivable, net. The Group has adopted credit policies and standards intended to mitigate inherent risk while accommodating sales growth. The Group performs ongoing credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition when deemed necessary, but does not generally require collateral for its customers' accounts receivable.

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w. Fair value of financial instruments:

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, bank deposits, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables approximate their fair value, due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.

The carrying amount of long-term bank deposits approximates their fair value because such deposits bear market interest rates.

The carrying amounts of the Group's borrowing arrangements under its short-term and long-term debt agreements approximate their fair value since the loans bear interest at rates that approximate the Group's incremental borrowing rates for similar types of borrowing arrangements.

The fair value of currency and interest rate contracts is determined by discounting to the present all future cash flows of the currencies to be exchanged at interest rates prevailing in the market for the period the currency exchanges are due and expressing the results in U.S. dollars at the current spot foreign currency exchange rate.

x. Accounting for derivatives:

SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities", requires companies to recognize all of their derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities in the statement of financial position at fair value. The accounting for changes (i.e., gains or losses) in the fair value of a derivative instrument depends on whether the instrument has been designated and qualifies as part of a hedging relationship and on the type of hedging relationship. For derivative instruments that are designated and qualify as hedging instruments, a company must designate the hedging instrument as a fair value hedge, cash flow hedge or a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. The designation is based upon the nature of the exposure being hedged. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, no derivative instruments were designated as hedging instruments.

For derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments, the gain or loss is recognized in financial income/expense in current earnings during the period of change. For additional information see Note 9.

y. Fair value measurements:

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS 157"). SFAS 157 provides a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between assumptions based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and those based on an entity's own assumptions (unobservable inputs). SFAS 157 also requires additional disclosure about fair value measurements. The adoption of SFAS 157 did not impact the Company's consolidated balance sheet or consolidated statement of operations.

z. Impact of recently issued accounting standards:

In February 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115" ("SFAS 159"). SFAS 159 permits companies to value

many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The adoption of SFAS No. 159 did not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements.

In November 2007, EITF issued EITF Issue No. 07-1, "Accounting for Collaborative Arrangements Related to the Development and Commercialization of Intellectual Property" ("EITF 07-1"). Companies may enter into arrangements with other companies to jointly develop, manufacture, distribute and market a product. The consensus requires collaborators in such an arrangement to present the result of activities for which they act as the principal on a gross basis and report any payments received from (made to) other collaborators based on other applicable GAAP or, in the absence of other GAAP, based on analogy to authoritative accounting literature or a reasonable, rational and consistently applied accounting policy election. EITF 07-1 is effective for collaborative arrangements in place at the beginning of the annual period beginning after December 15, 2008. The adoption of EITF 07-1 will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141 (revised 2007) "Business Combinations" ("SFAS 141R"). SFAS 141R will change how business acquisitions are accounted for and will impact financial statements both on the acquisition date and in subsequent periods. Key changes include: acquired in-process research and development will no longer be expensed on acquisition, but capitalized and amortized over its useful life; fair value will be based on market participant assumptions; acquisition costs will generally be expensed as incurred; and restructuring costs will generally be expensed in periods after the acquisition date. Early adoption is not permitted. This statement will be effective for us as of the year beginning January 1, 2009. The impact of the adoption of SFAS 141R on the Company's consolidated financial statements would depend on the nature, terms and magnitude of acquisitions it may consummate in the future.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, "Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements—an amendment of Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51," ("SFAS 160"). SFAS 160 establishes accounting and reporting standards for non-controlling interests in a subsidiary and deconsolidation of a subsidiary. Early adoption is not permitted. These statements will be effective for the Company as of the year beginning January 1, 2009. The Company believes that the adoption of SFAS No. 160 will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position ("FSP") No. FAS 157-1, "Application of FASB Statement No. 157 to FASB Statement No. 13 and Other Accounting Pronouncements That Address Fair Value Measurements for Purposes of Lease Classification or Measurement under Statement 13" ("FAS 157-1") and FSP No. FAS 157-2, "Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 157". Collectively, the Staff Positions defer the effective date of Statement 157 to fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2008, for nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities except for items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value on a recurring basis at least annually, and amend the scope of Statement 157. The Company believes that the adoption of FAS 157-1 will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, "Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities - an amendment of FASB No. 133" ("SFAS 161"). This statement changes the disclosure requirements for derivative instruments and hedging activities. Entities are required to provide enhanced disclosures about (a) how and why an entity uses derivative instruments, (b) how derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under Statement 133 and its related interpretations, and (c) how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows. This statement is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008. The Company does not expect the adoption of SFAS 161 to have a material impact on its financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2008, the FASB ratified the consensus reached on EITF Issue No. 07-05, "Determining Whether an Instrument (or Embedded Feature) Is Indexed to an Entity's Own Stock" ("EITF No. 07-05"). EITF No. 07-05 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. Early adoption is not permitted. The Company does not currently expect EITF 07-05 to have a material impact on its financial statements.

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In May 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 165, "Subsequent Events" ("SFAS 165"). SFAS 165 establishes general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur between the balance sheet date and the date financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. This statement is effective for interim or annual periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of SFAS 165 will not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, "Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46 (R)" ("SFAS 167"), which amends existing accounting rules for consolidation of variable interest entities. Under SFAS 167, the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity is determined by a qualitative rather than a quantitative test previously required under FIN 46 (R). In addition, SFAS 167 requires an ongoing assessment of whether an entity is a primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and additional disclosure. SFAS 167 is effective at the beginning of the first annual reporting period that begins after November 15, 2009. SFAS 167 will not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 168, "The FASB Accounting Standards Codification and the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles – a replacement of FASB Statement No. 162" ("SFAS 168"). With this statement, the FASB Accounting Standards Codification ("Codification") becomes the single source of GAAP recognized by FASB in the United States. The Codification is effective for financial statements issued for interim and annual periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption of this standard will not affect our results of operations or our financial position. However, because the Codification replaces any existing GAAP standards, it will affect the way we reference US GAAP within our financial statements.

In October 2009, the FASB issued Accounting Standard Update ("ASU") No. 2009-13, "Revenue Recognition (Topic 605): Multiple-Deliverable Revenue Arrangements" ("ASU 2009-13"). ASU 2009-13 revises the current model for recording revenue from multiple element arrangements and expands disclosure requirements. This standard requires entities to allocate revenue in an arrangement at inception using estimated selling prices of the delivered goods and services based on a selling price hierarchy. The amendments eliminate the residual method of revenue allocation and require revenue to be allocated using the relative selling price method. ASU 2009-13 will be effective for arrangements entered into or materially modified in fiscal years beginning on or after June 15, 2010, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect adoption of ASU 2009-13 to have a material impact on the results of operations or financial condition.

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NOTE 3: — ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND OTHER

a. Trade, net:

The following tables summarize the impact of accounts receivable reserves and allowance for doubtful accounts on the gross trade accounts receivable balances at each balance sheet date:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Trade accounts receivable, gross	\$ 126,668	\$ 117,557
Reserves for sales deductions:		
Chargebacks	(23,904)	(18,525)
Customer rebates	(17,544)	(12,421)
Other sales deductions	(22,492)	(15,853)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(630)	(741)
Trade accounts receivable, net	\$ 62,098	\$ 70,017

b. Other receivables, prepaid expenses and other:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Prepaid expenses	\$ 6,277	\$ 5,804
Deferred income taxes	3,815	3,221
Government authorities	1,343	3,207
Advances to suppliers	473	551
Derivative instruments	299	12,953
Office of the Chief Scientist	-	269
Receivable related to class action lawsuit (1)	7,000	-
Other	398	255
	\$ 19,605	\$ 26,260

(1) See Note 15.c.4.iii.

NOTE 4: — SALES INCENTIVES

When the Company recognizes and records revenue from the sale of its pharmaceutical products, it records an estimate in the same financial reporting period for product returns, chargebacks, rebates and other sales deductions, which are reflected as reductions of the related gross revenue. Beginning in 2006, the Company regularly monitors customer inventory information at its three largest wholesale customers to assess whether any excess product inventory levels may exist. The Company reviews this information together with historical product and customer

experience, third-party prescription data, industry and regulatory changes and other relevant information and revises its estimates as necessary.

The Company's estimates of inventory in the distribution channel are based on inventory information reported to it by its major wholesale customers, historical shipment and return information from its accounting records, and third-party data on prescriptions filled. The Company's estimates are subject to inherent limitations pertaining to reliance on third-party information.

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The Company considers any information available subsequent to the balance sheet date, but before the issuance of the financial statements, that provides additional evidence with respect to conditions existing at the balance sheet date and adjusts the reserves accordingly.

Product returns:

Consistent with industry practice, the Company generally offers its customers the right to return inventory within three to six months prior to product expiration and up to 12 months thereafter (the “return period”). Product returns are identified by their manufacturing lot number. Because the Company manufactures in bulk, lot sizes are generally large and, therefore, shipments of a particular lot may occur over a one-to-three month period. As a result, although the Company cannot associate a product return with the actual shipment in which such lot was included, the Company can reasonably estimate the period (in months) over which the entire lot was shipped and sold. The Company uses this information to estimate the average time period between lot shipment (and sale) and return for each product, which the Company refers to as the “return lag”. The shelf life of most of the Company’s products ranges between 18-36 months. Because returns of expired products are heavily concentrated during the return period, and given the Company’s historical data, it is able to reasonably estimate return lags for each of its products. These return lags are periodically reviewed and updated, as necessary, to reflect the Company’s best knowledge of facts and circumstances. Using sales and return data (including return lags), the Company determines a rolling average monthly return rate to estimate its returns reserve. The Company supplements this calculation with additional information including customer and product specific channel inventory levels, competitive developments, external market factors, the Company’s planned introductions of similar new products and other qualitative factors in evaluating the reasonableness of the returns reserve. The Company continuously monitors factors that could affect its estimates and revises the reserves as necessary. The Company’s estimates of expected future returns are subject to change based on unforeseen events and uncertainties.

The Company’s product returns reserve at December 31, 2008 and 2007 and related statement of operations impact for the years then ended, considered actual product returns experienced subsequent to the balance sheet dates to validate the product returns reserve estimate based on the methodology described above.

Beginning in 2006, the Company monitors the levels of inventory in its distribution channels to assess the adequacy of the product returns reserve and to identify potential excess inventory on hand that could have an impact on its revenue recognition. The Company does not ship products to its wholesalers when it appears they have an excess of inventory on hand, based on demand and other relevant factors, for that particular product. Additionally, as a general practice, the Company does not ship products that have less than 12 months until expiration (i.e., “short-dated sales”).

Chargebacks:

The Company has arrangements with certain customers that allow them to buy its products directly from its wholesalers at specific prices. Typically these price arrangements are lower than the wholesalers’ acquisition costs or invoice prices. In exchange for servicing these third party contracts, the Company’s wholesalers can submit a “chargeback” claim to the Company for the difference between the price sold to the third party and the price at which they purchased the product from us. The Company generally pays chargebacks on generic products, whereas branded

proprietary products are typically not eligible for chargeback claims. The Company considers many factors in establishing its chargeback reserves including inventory information from its largest wholesale customers (beginning in 2006) and the completeness of their reports, estimates of Taro inventory held by smaller wholesalers and distributors, processing time lags, contract and non-contract sales trends, average historical contract pricing, actual price changes, actual chargeback claims received from the wholesalers, Taro sales to the wholesalers and other relevant factors. The Company's chargeback provision and related reserve varies with changes in product mix, changes in pricing, and changes in estimated wholesaler inventory. The Company reviews the methodology utilized in estimating the reserve for chargebacks in connection with analyzing its product returns reserve each quarter and makes revisions as considered necessary to reasonably estimate its potential future obligation. Due to the passage of time from the balance sheet date to the issuance of these financial statements, the Company has considered actual wholesaler returns and reverse chargebacks received in estimating its chargeback reserve.

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Rebates and other deductions:

The Company offers its customers various rebates and other deductions based primarily on their volume of purchases of its products. Chain wholesaler rebates are rebates that certain chain customers claim for the difference in price between what the chain customer paid a wholesaler for a product purchase and what the chain customer would have paid if such customer had purchased the same product directly from the Company. Cash discounts, which are offered to the Company's customers, are generally 2% of the gross sales price, and provide the Company's customers an incentive for paying within invoice terms (30 to 90 days). Medicaid rebates are earned by states based on the amount of the Company's products dispensed under the Medicaid plan. Billbacks are special promotions or discounts provided over a specific time period to a defined customer base and for a defined product group. Distribution allowances are a fixed percentage of gross purchases for inventory shipped to a national distribution facility that the Company pays to its top wholesalers on a monthly basis. Administration fees are paid to certain wholesalers, buying groups, and other customers for stocking the Company's products and managing contracts and servicing other customers. Shelf-stock adjustments, which are customary in the generic pharmaceutical industry, are based on customers' existing levels of inventory and the decrease in the market price of the related product. When market prices for the Company's products decline, the Company may, depending on its contractual arrangements, elect to provide shelf-stock adjustments and thereby allow its customers with existing inventories to compete at the lower product price. The Company uses these shelf-stock adjustments to support its market position and to promote customer loyalty.

The Company establishes reserves for rebates and these other various sales deductions based on contractual terms and customer purchasing activity, tracking and analysis of rebate programs, processing time lags, the level of inventory in the distribution channel and other relevant information. Based on the Company's historical experience, substantially all claims for rebates and other sales deductions are received within 24 months. Therefore, at December 31, 2008 and 2007, and for the years then ended, the Company considered subsequent actual claims submitted by its customers in determining the Company's reserves and related statements of operations impact for rebates and other sales deductions.

As discussed above, Taro believes it has the experience and information that it believes are necessary to reasonably estimate the amounts of reserves for its sales incentives programs. Several of the assumptions used by the Company for certain estimates are based on information received from third parties, such as wholesale customer inventory levels, market data, and other factors beyond Taro's control. The most critical estimates in determining these reserves, and the ones therefore that would have the largest impact if these estimates were not accurate, are related to contract sales volumes, average contract pricing, customer inventories and return volumes. Taro regularly reviews the information related to these estimates and adjusts its reserves accordingly, if and when actual experience differs from previous estimates.

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Use of estimates in reserves:

The Company believes that its reserves, allowances and accruals for items that are deducted from gross revenue are reasonable and appropriate based on current facts and circumstances. Changes in actual experience or changes in other qualitative factors could cause the Company's allowances and accruals to fluctuate, particularly with newly launched or acquired products. The Company regularly reviews the rates and amounts in its reserve estimates. If future estimated rates and amounts are significantly greater than those reflected in the Company's recorded reserves, the resulting adjustments to those reserves would decrease the Company's reported net revenue; conversely, if actual product returns, rebates and chargebacks are significantly less than those reflected in the Company's recorded reserves, the resulting adjustments to those reserves would increase the Company's reported net revenue. If the Company were to change its assumptions and estimates, its reserves would change, impacting the net revenue that the Company reports. The Company regularly reviews the information related to these estimates and adjusts its reserves accordingly, if and when actual experience differs from previous estimates.

The following tables summarize the activities for sales deductions and product returns for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007:

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2008			
	Beginning balance	Provision recorded for current period sales	Credits processed/ Payments	Ending balance
Accounts Receivable Reserves				
Chargebacks	\$ (18,525)	\$ (172,582)	\$ 167,203	\$ (23,904)
Rebates and Other	(29,015)	(65,572)	53,921	(40,666)
Total	\$ (47,540)	\$ (238,154)	\$ 221,124	\$ (64,570)
Current Liabilities				
Returns	\$ (25,101)	\$ (13,898)	\$ 16,720	\$ (22,279)
Other (1)	(10,556)	(13,509)	14,368	(9,697)
Total	\$ (35,657)	\$ (27,407)	\$ 31,088	\$ (31,976)

	For the Year Ended December 31, 2007			
	Beginning balance	Provision recorded for current period sales	Credits processed/ Payments	Ending balance
Accounts Receivable Reserves				
Chargebacks	\$ (40,211)	\$ (170,447)	\$ 192,133	\$ (18,525)

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Rebates and Other	(38,792)	(63,005)	72,782	(29,015)
Total	\$ (79,003)	\$ (233,452)	\$ 264,915	\$ (47,540)

Current Liabilities

Returns	\$ (34,144)	\$ (9,243)	\$ 18,286	\$ (25,101)
Other (1)	(23,271)	(14,498)	27,213	(10,556)
Total	\$ (57,415)	\$ (23,741)	\$ 45,499	\$ (35,657)

(1) Includes indirect rebates.

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NOTE 5: — INVENTORIES

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Raw and packaging materials	\$ 19,768	\$ 21,292
Finished goods	23,927	23,806
Work in progress	17,842	17,162
Purchased products for commercial purposes and other	4,562	4,697
	\$ 66,099	\$ 66,957

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, reserves recorded against inventories for slow-moving, short-dated, excess and obsolete inventory totaled \$15,726 and \$12,435, respectively.

As for pledges, see Note 14.

NOTE 6: — PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

a. Composition of assets grouped by major classifications are as follows:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Cost:		
Land	\$ 12,090	\$ 12,840
Buildings	158,570	163,755
Leasehold improvements	3,010	3,263
Machinery and equipment	145,212	151,878
Computer equipment	30,339	30,901
Motor vehicles	304	281
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	8,402	8,854
Advances for property and equipment	160	290
	358,087	372,062
Accumulated depreciation and impairment charges:		
Buildings	47,177	42,503
Leasehold improvements	2,709	2,733
Machinery and equipment	86,647	81,417
Computer equipment	28,645	27,543
Motor vehicles	284	272
Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	6,082	5,665
	171,544	160,133
Depreciated cost	\$ 186,543	\$ 211,929

Depreciation expenses were \$18,374, \$19,874, and \$20,098 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. For related impairment charges, see Note 2.k.

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- b. Cost of property, plant and equipment includes capitalized interest expenses, capitalized direct incremental costs (such as payroll and related expenses) and other internal costs incurred in order to bring the assets to their intended use in the amount of \$16,826 as of December 31, 2008 and 2007. Capitalized interest and other costs were \$76, \$56, and \$8,670 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.
- c. Cost of computer equipment includes capitalized development costs of computer software developed for internal use in the amount of \$4,507 and \$4,497 as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.
- d. As for pledges – see Note 14.

NOTE 7: —INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND DEFERRED COSTS

a. Composition:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Cost:		
Product rights	\$ 67,958	\$ 68,852
Deferred charges in respect of loans and bonds from institutional investors	1,277	1,246
Other deferred cost	1,541	1,541
	70,776	71,639
Accumulated amortization and impairment charges:		
Product rights	44,338	42,689
Deferred charges in respect of loans and bonds from institutional investors	1,226	1,144
Other deferred cost	1,456	1,438
	47,020	45,271
Amortized cost	\$ 23,756	\$ 26,368

- b. Amortization expenses related to product rights were \$2,813, \$2,740 and \$5,014 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.
- c. As of December 31, 2008, the estimated amortization expense of product rights for 2009 to 2013 is as follows: 2009 - \$2,899; 2010 - \$2,763; 2011 - \$2,730; 2012 - \$2,557 and 2013 - \$2,513.
- d. The weighted-average amortization period for product rights is approximately 9 years.

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NOTE 8: — LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Prepayment of land leased from Israel Land Administration (1)	\$ 14,838	\$ 15,065
Restricted bank deposits (2)	6,250	-
Receivable related to class action lawsuit	-	7,000
Derivative instruments (3)	1,470	659
Severance pay fund (4)	4,221	3,649
Employee escrow (5)	967	-
Other	110	203
	\$ 27,856	\$ 26,576

(1) The land is leased for a period of 49 years and is subject to renewal. This amount was prepaid. For more details see Note 2.i.

(2) Amount represents restricted bank deposits pursuant to an interest rate swap agreement associated with loan agreements in Israel (see Note 9).

(3) See Note 9.

(4) Under Israeli law, the Company and its Israeli subsidiaries are required to make severance or pension payments to dismissed employees and to employees terminating employment under certain other circumstances. Deposits are made with a pension fund or other insurance plans to secure pension and severance rights for the employees in Israel. These amounts represent the balance of the deposits in those funds (including profits) that will be used to cover the Company's severance obligations. See Note 12.b.

(5) In 2008, the Company established an escrow account for certain deferred payments to the Company's General Manager, following a change in control.

The Company's non-Israeli subsidiaries maintain defined contribution retirement savings plans covering substantially all of their employees. Under the plans, contributions are based on specific percentages of pay and are subject to statutory limits. The subsidiaries' matching contribution to the plan was approximately \$903, \$910 and \$913 for the years-ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

	December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Pension, retirement savings and severance expenses	\$ 4,928	\$ 3,902	\$ 4,763

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NOTE 9: — DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's operations are exposed to market risks from changes in interest rates and currency exchange rates. Exposure to these risks is managed through normal operating and financing activities and, when appropriate, through derivative instruments.

a. Interest rates:

The Company manages its risk to fluctuating interest rates by opportunistically using interest rate swaps to convert its floating rate debt into fixed rate obligations. These interest rate swaps are not designated as hedges and changes in the fair value of these instruments are reflected in earnings. The Company's interest rate swaps are as follows.

In June 2005, the Company entered into a mortgage agreement for its New Jersey facility. Subsequently, in September 2005, the Company entered into an interest rate swap to mitigate variable mortgage interest rate risk by effectively establishing the mortgage rate at a fixed rate of 4.66%. In November 2008, the Company paid \$344 to terminate the swap and recorded a \$190 loss within financial expenses, net for year ended December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2007, the fair market value of the swap was a \$154 liability, and was recorded in other long-term liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. The Company recorded an unrealized (loss) gain of (\$291) and \$111 within financial expenses, net for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively. The swap matured on November 28, 2008. See Note 13.a.6.

In September 2005, the Company also entered into a mortgage agreement for its New York facility and concurrently entered into an interest rate swap with the intention to mitigate the variable mortgage interest rate risk by effectively establishing the mortgage rate at a fixed rate of 6.16%. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the fair market value of the swap was a \$1,647 liability and \$269 liability, respectively, and was recorded in other long-term liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. The Company recorded an unrealized (loss) gain of (\$1,379), (\$446) and \$207 within financial expenses, net for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively. See Note 13.a.6.

b. Currency exchange rates:

The Company manages its exposure to debt obligations denominated in currencies other than its functional currency by opportunistically using cross-currency swaps to convert its foreign currency debt payments into its functional currency. These cross-currency swaps are not designated as hedges and changes in fair value of these derivatives are reflected in earnings.

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The following table sets forth the annual rate of inflation, the devaluation (appreciation) rate of the NIS and the Canadian dollar against the United States dollar and the exchange rates between the United States dollar and each of the NIS and the Canadian dollar at the end of the year indicated:

Year	Rate of Inflation		Rate of Devaluation (Appreciation) Against U.S. Dollar		Rate of Exchange of U.S. Dollar	
	Israel (1)	Canada (2)	Israel (1)	Canada (2)	Israel (1)	Canada (2)
2007	3.40%	2.20%	-8.97%	-15.21%	3.85	0.99
2008	3.80%	2.33%	-1.14%	23.93%	3.80	1.22

(1) Bank of Israel

(2) Statistics of Canada

From July 1999 to November 2000, the Company issued approximately \$24,000 of CPI plus 8.25% bonds denominated in NIS with terms of 10 years. At the same time, the Company entered into 9-10 year cross currency swaps in which the Company receives CPI plus 6% to 8.25% in NIS and pays LIBOR plus 0.6% to 3.3% in USD based on the outstanding amount of the bonds. At December 31, 2008, the fair market value of these swaps was a \$513 asset and was recorded in other receivables, prepaid expenses and other (\$278 short-term portion) and long-term receivables and other assets (\$235 long-term portion). At December 31, 2007, the fair market value of these swaps was a \$1,169 asset and was recorded in other receivables, prepaid expenses and other (\$510 short-term portion) and long-term receivables and other assets (\$659 long-term portion). For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006, net gains of approximately \$556, \$883 and \$628 were recorded within financial expenses, net for these swaps.

In November 2003, the Company entered into loan agreements to borrow, in Israel, NIS 210,800 for an eleven-year term at an annual interest rate of 5.8%. At the same time the Company entered into a USD/NIS, 5-year, CPI-adjusted currency swap in which it will receive at the end of the period the NIS amount linked to the CPI plus interest equal to 5.8% of the outstanding NIS balance, and will pay \$47,190 plus a fixed rate of 5.9%. This swap matured on November 28, 2008 and was replaced on the maturity date by a USD/NIS, CPI-adjusted, 6-year currency swap. According to this swap agreement, the Company will receive NIS 201,270 in six annual payments (equivalent of the remaining debt balance as of November 28, 2008), which is linked to the CPI plus additional interest equal to 5.8% of the outstanding NIS balance. The Company is required to pay \$51,344 plus a fixed rate of 6.59%. At December 31, 2008, the fair market value of the swap was \$1,013 comprised of a \$1,235 asset (recorded in long-term receivables and other assets) offset by a \$222 payable (recorded in other current liabilities). At December 31, 2007, the fair market value of this swap was a \$12,271 asset and was recorded in other receivables, prepaid expenses and other. The Company recorded net gains of \$2,412, \$7,597 and \$4,101 within financial expenses, net for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

NOTE 10: — FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

As described in Note 2, the Company adopted SFAS 157 as of January 1, 2008. SFAS 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability, from a selling party's perspective, in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. SFAS 157 requires that assets and liabilities carried at fair value be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

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Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Active market means a market in which transactions for assets or liabilities occur with “sufficient frequency” and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing unadjusted basis. The Company has no Level 1 assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. The Company’s Level 2 assets primarily include derivative instruments. The Level 2 asset values are determined using valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to the extent possible and consider counterparty credit risk in the assessment of fair value.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data. The Company has no Level 3 assets or liabilities.

The fair value of the Company’s financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2008 were as follows:

	Quoted Market Prices of Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Assets			
Cross-currency swaps	\$ -	\$ 1,748	\$ -
Liabilities			
Interest rate swap	\$ -	\$ 1,647	\$ -
Cross-currency swaps		222	
	\$ -	\$ 1,869	\$ -

NOTE 11: — SHORT-TERM BANK CREDIT AND SHORT-TERM LOANS

Classified by currency, linkage terms and interest rates, the credit and loans are as follows:

	Weighted-				Amount	
	average interest rate December 31,				December 31,	
	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Short-term bank credit and short-term loans:						
In, or linked to, U.S. dollars						
(1) (2) (3) (4)	4.18	% 6.92	% \$ 81,886	% \$ 80,841		
In NIS (5)	5.25	% 7.07	% 6,465	% 10,759		

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In Canadian dollars (6) (7)	4.35	%	6.97	%	11,765	17,392
					100,116	108,992
Reclass from long-term debt, included in the above amounts (8)					29,352	35,181
Total utilized credit lines and short-term loans					\$ 70,764	\$ 73,811
Total authorized credit lines and short-term loans					\$ 72,748	\$ 76,042
Unutilized credit lines					\$ 1,984	\$ 2,231
Weighted-average interest rates at the end of the year for all loans	4.27	%	6.91	%		

(1) Includes approximately \$28,100 of outstanding debt under a \$40,000 Taro U.S.A. credit facility at December 31, 2008 and 2007. This credit facility bears interest at a rate of LIBOR plus 2.75% and is secured by a first lien on Taro U.S.A.'s accounts receivable, inventory and all products and proceeds thereof. Additional borrowings are currently not available under this facility due to covenant defaults. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the Company amended this credit agreement to extend the maturity date to October 5, 2010. On October 5, 2010, the Company retired the \$28,100 of outstanding debt and \$264 of accrued interest.

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- (2) This amount includes approximately \$9,750 of outstanding debt under a \$10,000 Taro U.S.A. credit facility at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The Company entered into a letter agreement with this financial institution as described in Note 13.a.3. On October 28, 2010, the Company retired the \$9,750 of outstanding debt and \$109 of accrued interest.
- (3) This amount includes approximately \$23,250 and \$23,800 of outstanding debt under the Company's credit facilities in Israel at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. See Note 13.a.3 for a description of the covenants.
- (4) This amount includes approximately \$20,786 and \$19,191 of long-term debt reclassified as short-term due to covenant defaults at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.
- (5) This amount represents outstanding debt under the Company's credit facilities of \$4,734 and \$6,193 and a reclassification from long-term debt of \$1,731 and \$4,566 in Israel at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. See Note 13.a.3 for a description of the covenants.
- (6) This amount includes approximately \$4,930 and \$5,967 of outstanding debt at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, under a demand revolving line of credit to Taro Pharmaceuticals Inc, the Company's indirect Canadian subsidiary. The amount available under this line of credit was \$6,568 and \$8,070 at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. This facility is secured by a general security agreement over the Canadian subsidiary's assets. In addition, the agreement provides the lending institution a second lien on real property and other capital assets in Canada, and the United States. On November 1, 2010, the Company retired the remaining balance of this debt of \$5,710 plus \$11 of accrued interest and paid a \$171 prepayment fee.
- (7) This amount includes approximately \$6,835 and \$11,424 of long-term debt reclassified as short-term due to covenant defaults at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.
- (8) These amounts represent long-term debt classified as short-term debt due to covenant defaults described in Notes 13.a.1, 13.a.4 and 13.a.6.

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NOTE 12: — OTHER LIABILITIES

a. Other current liabilities:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Returns reserve	\$ 22,279	\$ 25,101
Due to customers (1)	1,377	1,626
Employees and payroll accruals	11,978	11,432
Deferred revenue	-	1,176
Medicaid and indirect rebates	8,320	8,930
Accrued income taxes	17,581	9,443
Class action lawsuit	10,000	-
Legal and audit fees	2,569	2,166
Accrued expenses	5,341	7,600
Interest payable	841	1,726
Derivative instruments	433	-
Deferred taxes	561	424
Other	2,242	2,579
	\$ 83,522	\$ 72,203

(1) Amount due to customers in excess of their outstanding balance as a result of chargebacks, rebates and other deductions.

b. Other long-term liabilities:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Class action lawsuit	\$ -	\$ 10,000
Accrued severance pay	5,632	4,642
Interest rate swap	1,647	424
Accrued taxes	382	-
Grant from Irish government	5	233
	\$ 7,666	\$ 15,299

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NOTE 13: — LONG-TERM DEBT

a. Composed as follows:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Loans from institutional investors and bonds (1)	\$ 5,322	\$ 8,313
Loans from institutional investors and bonds (2)	79,170	97,040
Banks (3)	-	1,577
Term loan from Canadian bank (4)	9,298	14,451
Mortgage for U.S. distribution facility (5) (6)	12,993	10,450
Mortgage for U.S. office facility (6)	10,475	11,059
	117,258	142,890
Less: current maturities	29,887	31,348
Less: long-term debt reclassified as short-term loans (1, 4, 6)	29,352	35,181
	\$ 58,019	\$ 76,361

- In 1999 and 2000, the Company entered into a series of debenture and loan agreements in Israel, secured by a floating charge on substantially all of its property, assets and rights. The debentures were issued in separate tranches during 1999 and 2000 for a term of 10 years, with the last tranche maturing in November 2010; most of the loan balance at December 31, 2008 and 2007 was linked to Israeli CPI plus 8.25%. Under the debentures, Taro provided certain undertakings that, among other things, as long as the loan is outstanding, (i) the ratio between long-term liabilities and shareholders' equity shall not exceed two and the current ratio (defined as current assets divided by current liabilities) shall not be less than one and (ii) the ratio of current assets and liabilities shall not exceed one. Such ratios are based on the Company's audited financial statements. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company was current with its payment obligations but not in compliance with other covenants. Since the Company was not in compliance with certain covenants as described above and since according to the provisions of the agreements, the lenders have the right to accelerate the obligations after notice and opportunity to cure, the Company has reclassified the long-term portion of its long-term debt to these lenders in the amount of \$1,870 and \$5,032, to short-term loans at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.
- In 2003, the Company entered into two series of loan agreements, subsequently amended, with multiple lenders in Israel. Approximately half of the amount of the loans was issued in U.S. dollars at an interest rate of 6.0 – 6.1%, maturing in 2010. The other half of the loans were issued in NIS at a rate of Israeli CPI plus 5.8%, maturing in 2014. The debentures, provided certain undertakings, including (i) not to encumber any of its assets, unless to secure indebtedness, as defined in such agreements, which in the aggregate does not exceed \$20,000, or unless to encumber newly acquired assets to secure financing provided to acquire such assets, and (ii) not to incur any additional indebtedness as long as the ratio of EBITDA to total net interest expense and current principal payable on long-term indebtedness is less than 2:1. The test is based on the Company's audited financial statements, and is performed on April 1 of each year with respect to the prior calendar year. Since the Company was not in

compliance with the above described covenants, no additional indebtedness has been incurred by the Company. Although additional borrowing by the Company is restricted, the lenders do not have the right to accelerate their obligations and, thus, these loans have not been reclassified as short-term debt.

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3. In 2004, in connection with the long and short-term loans provided by four banks, the Company provided each such bank with undertakings including provisions that it would: (i) not pledge any of its current or future assets without the prior written consent of such bank, provided that Taro is allowed to pledge any newly acquired assets to secure financing provided to acquire such assets and to pledge any fixed assets up to an aggregate of \$20,000, which includes the pledges in favor of the lenders under the 1999 and 2000 debenture and loan agreements; (ii) not sell or transfer any of the current or future assets of the Company (excluding current assets) without the prior written consent of such lender, provided that the Company is allowed to sell any asset without consent of such lender if the sale proceeds do not exceed 5% of the total assets (based on the audited financial statements) less the current assets and goodwill (based on the audited financial statements); (iii) comply with certain financial covenants, one of which requires that the Company's operating income will exceed 12% of sales, and another which requires that the Company maintain a ratio of debt to EBITDA not to exceed 3.5 over a rolling three-year average, and (iv) comply with certain financial reporting requirements. Excluding the mortgage relating to the distribution facility in New Jersey that is described in (6) below, the loans covered by the foregoing covenants and negative pledge undertakings matured in 2008 and bore interest ranging from LIBOR plus 0.9% to LIBOR plus 2%. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the Company repaid all outstanding balances of the long-term loans.
4. During 2004, Taro Pharmaceuticals Inc., the Company's indirect Canadian subsidiary, refinanced its mortgage payable and its plant expansion term loans with a new term loan. The new term loan is collateralized by a first lien on the Canadian subsidiary's land, buildings and certain manufacturing equipment, a lien covering all other assets, subject to prior liens indicated in Note 13 above, and a subordinated lien on the buildings and land securing the mortgage loans described in (6) below, as well as certain equipment of Taro U.S.A. Taro U.S.A. and two of its subsidiaries have provided guarantees to the lender for the full amount of the loan. The Canadian subsidiary provided undertakings in the relevant loan documentation that include certain (i) financial covenants, requiring the Canadian subsidiary to maintain a maximum ratio of debt to tangible net worth of 1.60:1 and a ratio of current assets to current liabilities of 1.5:1 or more and (ii) financial reporting covenants relating to the Company and certain subsidiaries, including the Canadian subsidiary. Since the Canadian subsidiary was not in compliance with certain covenants as described above, and in accordance with the agreement, the bank has the right to accelerate its obligation. The Company has reclassified the long-term portion of its long-term debt to this bank in the amount of \$6,835 and \$11,424, as short-term loans at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively. On November 1, 2010, the Company retired the remaining balance of this debt of \$5,710 plus \$11 of accrued interest and paid a \$171 prepayment fee.
5. On January 8, 2004, the Company's U.S. subsidiary expanded its distribution capacity with the purchase of a 315,000 square foot distribution center on 25 acres of land in South Brunswick, New Jersey. Taro acquired the facility for \$18,433, of which, \$13,200 was financed by a mortgage. This facility is subject to depreciation on a straight-line basis over a 40 year period.
6. In 2005, Taro U.S.A. and two of its subsidiaries entered into obligations, secured by mortgages on the Company's U.S. headquarters facility located in New York and distribution facility located in New Jersey. The Company guaranteed these obligations. The Canadian bank described in (4) above has a subordinated security position in the facilities which are the subject of the mortgages. The mortgage on the New York facility was \$10,475 and \$11,059,

as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, was for an original term of 15 years, bears interest at the rate of LIBOR plus 1.25%, and has a graduating debt service coverage ratio covenant of 1.90, which the Company failed to meet. The interest rate of this mortgage is effectively fixed at 6.16%, as the Company has an interest rate swap in place which is concurrent with the 15-year term of the mortgage. The mortgage on the New Jersey facility, as described in (5) above, was \$12,993 and \$10,450, as of December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, was for an original term of seven years, bearing interest at the rate of LIBOR plus 1.85% and has certain financial and reporting covenants. The interest rate of the mortgage was effectively fixed at 4.66%, as the Company had an interest rate swap in place through November 28, 2008. The mortgage holder is one of the banks with which the Company entered into a letter agreement, with similar covenants, as described in (3) above. On November 28, 2008, the principal amount of this mortgage was increased by \$4,743 to \$12,992, and the interest rate swap was terminated. Since the Company, with respect to each such mortgage, was not in compliance with certain financial and other covenants and because each lender has the right to accelerate its obligations, the Company has reclassified the long-term portion of each mortgage, in the amount of \$20,647 and \$18,725, respectively, as short-term loans at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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As discussed above, part of the undertakings also include financial reporting obligations that have not been met as a result of the delayed filing of the Company's Annual Reports on Form 20-F for the years 2008 and 2009. The Company is also not in compliance with certain financial, reporting, and administrative covenants. Additionally, most of the Company's debt instruments have cross-default provisions that provide for acceleration of payments in the event of failure to meet payment obligations or a breach or default of covenants included in other agreements. As a result, even though the Company has been current in its payment obligations, the loans, except the one described in Note 13a.2 above, are callable by the lenders until the Company is in compliance with its Form 20-F filing requirements as well as with all covenants. In addition, the covenants and undertakings described above restrict the Company's ability to incur additional debt.

As a result of the foregoing, various creditors have the right to elect to accelerate their indebtedness and pursue remedial action, including proceeding against collateral that has been granted to them. The financial statements presented herein do not reflect any adjustments for the impact of any such acceleration or remedial action if they were to be taken.

- b. Classified by currency, linkage terms and interest rates, the total amount of the liabilities (including current maturities and the reclassified short-term portion) is as follows:

	Weighted-Average Interest Rate				Amount	
	December 31, 2008		December 31, 2007		December 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
In, or linked to, U.S. dollars (1)	4.42	%	6.08	%	\$ 50,506	\$ 62,882
In Canadian dollars (subject to variable interest rates)	4.42	%	7.09	%	9,298	14,451
In Israeli currency – linked to CPI	6.01	%	6.08	%	57,454	65,557
					\$ 117,258	\$ 142,890

(1) Includes loans in the amount of \$30,178 and \$33,231 as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively, which are subject to variable interest rates linked to the LIBOR. The remaining outstanding debt is subject to fixed interest rates.

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c. The debt matures as follows:

	December 31, 2008
2009	29,887
2010	28,432
2011	14,560
2012	18,243
2013	9,989
Thereafter	16,147
	\$ 117,258

As of the date of these financial statements, the Company has met all of its scheduled debt obligations; however, has not been in compliance with certain financial and other covenants as described above.

For collateral, see Note 14.

NOTE 14: — LIABILITIES COLLATERALIZED BY PLEDGES

Balance of liabilities collateralized by pledges is as follows:

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Short-term bank credit and short-term loans (1)	\$ 33,030	\$ 34,067
Long-term debt (including current maturities) (2)	\$ 38,088	\$ 44,274

(1) Short-term bank credits and short-term loans primarily include \$28,100 of debt secured by accounts receivable, inventory and all products and proceeds thereof of Taro U.S.A. at December 31, 2008 and 2007. On October 28, 2010, the Company retired the \$28,100 of outstanding debt and \$264 of accrued interest.

(2) Long-term debt primarily includes mortgages secured by facilities in the U.S.A. and Canada.

For further discussion of collateralized assets see Notes 11 and 13.

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NOTE 15: — COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

- a. Companies of the Group have leased offices, warehouse space and equipment under operating leases for periods through 2013. The minimum annual rental payments, under non-cancelable lease agreements, are as follows:

	December 31, 2008
2009	\$ 1,920
2010	1,348
2011	219
2012	26
2013	5
Thereafter	-
	\$ 3,518

Total rent expenses were \$3,323, \$3,562 and \$2,935 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

b. Royalty commitments:

The Company is committed to pay royalties at the rate of 3% to 5% to the government of Israel through the Office of the Chief Scientist (“OCS”) on proceeds from sales of products in which the government participates in the research and development by way of grants. The obligation to pay these royalties is contingent on actual sales of the products and, in the absence of such sales, no payment is required. The commitment is on a product by product basis, in an amount not exceeding the total of the grants received by the Company, including interest accrued thereon, and is linked to the U.S. dollar. Commencing in 1999, grants are subject to interest at a rate of LIBOR (cost of borrowing funds in U.S. dollars). As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the aggregate contingent liability to the OCS was approximately \$12,274 and \$12,382, respectively.

Royalty payments to the OCS were \$588, \$485 and \$340 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

c. Legal proceedings:

From time to time the Company is subject to litigation arising in the ordinary course of business. Except for the accruals with respect to the Zwickel case (see Note 15.c.4.iii) and the Israeli taxation cases (see Note 15.c.3), no accruals for any lawsuits, to which the Company is party, are required in the financial statements. Additionally, the Company is party to certain lawsuits disclosed herein, whose outcome the Company does not believe will have a material adverse effect on its consolidated financial statements.

1. Legal actions commenced by the Company:

i. Company's lawsuit related to Special Tender Offer:

For a detailed description of the Company's lawsuit related to the Sun Offer, see Note 1.c.

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ii. Company's lawsuit related to Sun's failure to disclose information in the Sun Offer:

On September 29, 2009, the Company filed a lawsuit against Sun and certain of its affiliates in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York alleging, among other things, violations of the federal securities laws for failing to disclose material information in the Sun Offer. On October 1, 2010, the Court entered a So-ordered Stipulation of Dismissal without prejudice which ended the matter in its entirety and dismissed all pending motions as moot.

iii. Company's lawsuit related to Ireland:

On June 15, 2008, the Company brought a lawsuit in the District Court seeking a declaratory ruling and permanent injunction against Sun from taking actions to hinder the Company's efforts to sell its Irish operations. This case is pending before the District Court. As legacy litigation from the change in control of the Company in September 2010, the Company intends to take the appropriate steps to dismiss or otherwise resolve this matter shortly.

iv. Company's lawsuit related to Ovide® (malathion) lotion:

On July 27, 2009, the Company filed a lawsuit against Synerx Pharma, LLC, DPT Laboratories, Ltd. and Karalex Pharma, LLC (a subsidiary of Eagle Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) in the United States District Court for New Jersey for infringement of its United States Patent No. 7,560,445 covering its Ovide® (malathion) Lotion, 0.5%. The suit alleges that the defendants' generic malathion lotion, 0.5%, directly or indirectly infringes on Taro's patent. The Company seeks injunctive relief as well as damages for infringement.

2. Legal actions by certain shareholders:

i. Templeton's lawsuits related to proposed merger agreement with Sun:

Between May and August 2007, Templeton filed three opening motions in the District Court related to the transactions contemplated by the Share Purchase and Merger Agreements. All of these lawsuits were dismissed by the District Court. Templeton filed an appeal with the Israeli Supreme Court with respect to one of the suits that was dismissed. On November 15, 2010, the Supreme Court dismissed Templeton's appeal.

ii. Sun's lawsuit related to the termination of the Merger Agreement and enforcement of the Option Agreement:

On June 25, 2008, Sun filed a lawsuit in New York State Court against, among others, the Company and all of its directors. The lawsuit addressed matters related to the termination of the Merger Agreement and alleged breach of the Option Agreement by defendants. On September 29, 2010, Sun discontinued this action against all defendants.

iii. Sun's lawsuit related to the issuance of audited financial statements:

On May 14, 2009, Sun and Alkaloida brought a lawsuit against the Company and its directors at the time (including Mr. Ben Hod and Mr. Haim Fainaro, who served as the Company's statutory external directors up until July and

August 2009, respectively, but were struck as respondents from the lawsuit on May 5, 2010) in the District Court related to the issuance of audited financial statements for the years 2006 and thereafter. On October 6, 2010, Sun and Alkoloida moved to dismiss all claims against all defendants. The Court dismissed all claims on October 10, 2010.

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iv. Sun's litigation relating to the Company's engagement of Guggenheim Securities, LLC ("Guggenheim"):

On July 27, 2010, certain affiliates of Sun that hold shares in the Company filed an originating motion against the Company with the Haifa District Court requesting a declaratory ruling that, among other things, the engagement of Guggenheim by the Company was an extraordinary transaction in which a controlling shareholder of Taro had a personal interest, thereby requiring special approvals under the Israel Companies Law. On October 6, 2010, Sun moved to dismiss its claims against the Company. On October 10, 2010, the District Court dismissed all claims against the Company.

3. Litigations related to Israeli taxation:

- i. The Company has challenged a tax assessment by the Israel Income Tax Authority ("ITA") on certain options granted in 1992 to certain officers of Taro U.S.A. The ITA claimed that taxes should have been withheld by the Company and assessed a payment of approximately \$34,000 nominal amount of tax and approximately \$19,000 in interest and other charges to be paid by Taro. In January 2008, the Company filed an appeal against the assessment with the Haifa District Court. In addition, applications for the conduct of Mutual Agreement Proceedings ("MAP") pursuant to the Israel-United States tax treaty with respect to this matter have been filed both with the Israel Tax Authority and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. MAP proceedings are intended to resolve matters of double taxation; the Company itself is not a party to those MAP proceedings. Based on the opinion of counsel, the Company believes that no Israeli tax liability or withholding obligation arose as a result of the option exercise because both under Israeli tax law and under the Israel/U.S. Tax Treaty, no Israeli tax can be imposed on the employment or service income (including compensatory option gains) of United States residents derived from employment or services performed in the United States.
- ii. On December 31, 2009, the Company and the ITA reached an agreement related to a tax assessment for the Company's taxes for the years 2002 and 2003. The Company is fully reserved for the amounts agreed to with the ITA and believes that an unfavorable result is more likely than not. See Note 17 for further details.

4. Other Legal Actions:

- i. On November 10, 2004, the Company was sued in the Superior Court of New Jersey in Atlantic County along with defendants Wyeth, Inc. (and associated entities), Upsher-Smith Laboratories, Sandoz, Inc. (and its foreign affiliate), Par Pharmaceutical Companies, Inc., Alphapharm Party Ltd., Eon Labs, Ben Venue Laboratories and unnamed John Doe entities. This was a purported class action lawsuit seeking relief related to defendants' sale of amiodarone, which plaintiffs alleged was unsafe. Plaintiffs sought damages for alleged personal injuries. The plaintiffs alleged that all defendants improperly marketed amiodarone. The Company denied any marketing of amiodarone as alleged by plaintiffs. On June 9, 2010, the class action case was dismissed with prejudice, subject to a window of 150 days within which individual claimants could file individual lawsuits. To date, one individual suit has been commenced against the Company. At this time, it is impossible to predict the outcome of that litigation, or an estimate of the amount of potential damages, if any, for which the Company could be held liable.

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- ii. A group of former Israeli soldiers have filed three lawsuits for personal injury against the Municipality of Haifa, The Israel Oil Refineries Ltd., The Haifa Town Union Sewage and Haifa Chemicals Ltd. alleging that they contracted serious illnesses as a result of their military service which included diving in the Kishon River near Haifa Bay. In 2005, the Company and over 40 municipalities, governmental entities (including the State of Israel), cooperative villages (kibbutzim) and other companies, were named as third party defendants in these lawsuits. The hearing of the lawsuits was consolidated with the hearing of another lawsuit filed by a group of fishermen also claiming to suffer from serious illnesses as a result of their activities in the Kishon River. The proceedings are currently in different stages, during which the parties present the evidence in the cases to the court.
- iii. On April 28, 2008, the Company agreed to pay \$10,000, of which \$7,000 will be provided by its insurance company, as part of a settlement with plaintiffs in a class action suit, Zwickel v. Taro Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., 04-CV-5969 (S.D.N.Y.). The legal proceedings were initially filed in 2004, and a consolidated amended complaint was filed in 2007, against the Company and certain of its current and former officers and directors alleging claims under Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The settlement amount of \$10,000 owed by the Company was accrued as part of other long-term liabilities in the 2006 consolidated balance sheet. The receivable from the insurance company was recorded as part of other receivables, prepaid expenses and other as of December 31, 2008 and as part of long-term receivables and other assets as of December 31, 2007. On October 26, 2009, the Company fulfilled its obligation as per the terms of the settlement agreement and the Company's insurer paid its respective settlement amount as well.
- d. In 2003, the Company and its Irish subsidiary entered into an agreement with a government agency in Ireland to receive grants for the development and provision of employment for a manufacturing facility in Ireland. The obligation to repay these grants terminated in 2008 and 2009, subject to the continued operation and control by the Company's Irish subsidiary. The grants, or portions thereof, may be revoked if jobs related to the grants remain vacant for a period in excess of six calendar months. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the balance of grants received was \$5 and \$233, respectively, and is included in other long-term liabilities. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the Company fulfilled all of its obligations under the terms of the grant agreement and earned the full benefit of the grant. This grant was amortized as earned by the Company.
- e. In 2008, the Company entered into severance agreements tied to change in control, with certain executives whereby each executive would receive salary and benefits for a period of time if terminated after a change in control.

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NOTE 16: — SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

a. Pertinent rights and privileges of ordinary shares:

1. 100% of the rights to profits are allocated to the ordinary shares.
2. 100% of the dissolution rights are allocated to the ordinary shares.
3. Two-thirds of the voting power of the Company's shares is allocated to the ordinary shares.

b. Founders' Shares:

One-third of the voting power of all of the Company's shares is allocated to the founders' shares.

c. Stock option plans:

1. The Company's 1991 Stock Incentive Plan provided for the issuance of incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options, and stock appreciation rights to key employees and associates of the Group.

The options were granted with an exercise price equal to 100% of the fair market value of the stock on the date of grant. As of December 31, 2008, none of the options granted include stock appreciation rights. The options are granted to employees and associates, have a four-year graded vesting term and generally expire ten years after the date of the grant. Each option entitles its holder the right to purchase one ordinary share. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, an aggregate of 82,575 options in respect of the 1991 plan were outstanding and no further options in respect of the 1991 plan are available for future grants. The Company issues new shares to employees and associates exercising their stock options.

2. The Company's 1999 Stock Incentive Plan ("1999 plan") provides for the issuance of incentive stock options, non-qualified stock options, and stock appreciation rights to key employees and associates of the Group.

The options are substantially granted with an exercise price equal to 100% of the fair market value of the stock on the date of grant and the aggregate amount of the options granted may not exceed 2,100,000. As of December 31, 2008, none of the options granted include stock appreciation rights. The options are granted to employees and associates, have a four to five-year graded vesting term and generally expire ten years after the date of the grant. Each option entitles its holder the right to purchase one ordinary share of NIS 0.0001 par value (subject to adjustments). As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, an aggregate of 1,051,130 and 1,132,130 options in respect of the 1999 plan were outstanding, respectively, and, as of March 10, 2009, no further options in respect of the 1999 plan are available for future grants. The Company issues new shares to employees and directors exercising their stock options.

3. During December 2005, the Company accelerated the vesting period of 1,052,030 options outstanding with a weighted-average exercise price of \$35.23, which was higher than the market price at the time of the acceleration, and with remaining vesting periods prior to acceleration from one to five-years. The decision to

accelerate the vesting of those options was based primarily upon the issuance of SFAS 123(R) which required the Company to record compensation expense for all unvested stock options effective January 1, 2006. The Company believes that the acceleration of vesting of those options will enable the Company to avoid recognizing stock-based compensation expenses associated with these options in future periods. An additional reason for the acceleration of the vesting period was to make the options more attractive to the recipients.

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4. A summary of the Company's stock option activity (except options to non-employees) and related information for the year ended December 31, 2008 is as follows:

	Number of options	Exercise price \$	Weighted- average exercise price \$	Weighted- average remaining contractual terms (in years)	Aggregate intrinsic value \$
Outstanding at December 31, 2007	1,214,705	\$2.38 - \$69.26	\$ 24.31	5.66	
Forfeited	(100,000)	\$60.38	\$ 14.90		
Granted	19,000	\$7.66 - \$7.83	\$ 7.70		
Outstanding at December 31, 2008	1,133,705	\$2.38 - \$69.26	\$ 24.86	4.47	\$ 492
Exercisable at December 31, 2008	906,905		\$ 26.56	3.92	\$ 491
Vested and expected to vest at December 31, 2008	913,669		\$ 24.82	4.47	\$ 418

There were no options exercised for the year ended December 31, 2008. Total intrinsic value of options exercised for the year ended December 31, 2007 was approximately \$161.

As of December 31, 2008, there was \$895 of unrecognized compensation costs related to share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Company's stock option plan. The unrecognized cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.72 years for the year ended December 31, 2008. For the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 the Company recognized \$322, \$284 and \$599, respectively, in stock-based compensation expense.

The number of options exercisable as of December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 are 906,905, 863,455 and 1,037,379, respectively. The weighted-average exercise prices for the options exercisable as of December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 are \$26.56, \$26.83 and \$26.04, respectively.

The stock options outstanding and exercisable as of December 31, 2008 have been classified into ranges of exercise prices as follows:

Range of	Options outstanding		Options exercisable		
	Outstanding as of	Weighted- average remaining	Weighted- average	Exercisable as of	Weighted- average

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exercise price	December 31, 2008	contractual life (in years)	exercise price \$	December 31, 2008	exercise price \$
\$2.38 – \$10.00	136,325	1.81	\$ 4.09	117,325	\$ 3.47
\$10.01 – \$20.00	336,150	4.96	\$ 13.35	174,650	\$ 12.97
\$20.01 – \$30.00	237,900	5.26	\$ 24.67	221,100	\$ 24.53
\$30.01 – \$40.00	291,480	4.28	\$ 33.39	270,780	\$ 33.31
\$40.01 – \$69.26	131,850	5.00	\$ 57.20	123,050	\$ 56.69
	1,133,705	4.47	\$ 24.86	906,905	\$ 26.56

5. The weighted-average price and fair values for options granted were:

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	Granted below market price Year ended December 31,			Granted equal to market price Year ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006	2008	2007	2006
Weighted-average exercise price	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7.70	\$ 6.75	\$ 14.03
Weighted-average fair value on the date of grant	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4.10	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.64

6. There was no activity related to non-employees stock options as of December 31, 2008.

d. Dividends:

The Company may declare and pay dividends from retained earnings (as for restrictions on dividend distribution, see Note 17.d).

e. Net income (loss) per share:

	Year ended December 31, 2008			Year ended December 31, 2007			Year ended December 31, 2006		
	Per		Net income (numerator)	Per		Net income (numerator)	Per		Net (loss) (numerator)
Shares (denominator)	Share Amount	Shares (denominator)		Share Amount	Shares (denominator)		Share Amount		
Basic EPS:	\$ 30,521	39,200,342	\$ 0.78	\$ 34,336	34,724,702	\$ 0.99	\$ (82,679)	29,347,202	\$ (2.82)
Effect of dilutive securities:									
Stock options	76,399		-	78,496		-	-		-
Sun Stock Warrants	1,146,060			411,439					
Diluted EPS:	\$ 30,521	40,422,801	\$ 0.76	\$ 34,336	35,214,637	\$ 0.98	\$ (82,679)	29,347,202	\$ (2.82)

f. 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan:

In May 2000, the Company's Board approved and implemented the 2000 Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("2000 Plan"), which was approved at an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders held on May 2, 2001. The purpose of the 2000 Plan is to provide employees of the Company and those of its subsidiaries, designated by the Board, an

opportunity to purchase ordinary shares. The maximum number of shares issuable under the 2000 Plan is 500,000 ordinary shares, subject to adjustment.

Under the terms of the 2000 Plan, participating employees accrue funds in an account through payroll deductions during six month offering periods. Eligible employees can have up to 10% of their earnings withheld, up to a maximum of \$25,000 annually. The funds in this account are applied at the end of such offering periods to purchase ordinary shares at a 15% discount from the closing price of the ordinary shares on (i) the first business day of the offering period or (ii) the last business day of the offering period, whichever closing price is lower. As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, participating employees purchased an aggregate of \$4,465 and \$7,139 of newly issued ordinary shares, respectively, at weighted-average exercise prices of \$7.73 and \$7.72, respectively.

The amounts of consideration received from participating employees for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$35, \$55 and \$598, respectively.

In August 2006, the Company extended, by six months, the term of the March 2006 grant under the 2000 Plan. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the Company decided to suspend the 2000 Plan until it was in compliance with SEC regulations to issue shares and allowed employees to withdraw funds owed to them by the plan. The effect of the above modification was immaterial to the 2006 Company's consolidated financial statements. In accordance with SFAS No. 123(R), the 2000 Plan is compensatory, and as such, results in recognition of compensation costs. For the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company recognized \$6 and \$10, respectively, of compensation expenses in connection with the 2000 Plan.

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NOTE 17: — INCOME TAXES

a. Measurement of taxable income under the Income Tax (Inflationary Adjustments) Law, 1985 of Israel:

With respect to the Israeli entity, commencing in taxable year 2003, the Company has elected to measure its taxable income and file its tax return under the Israeli Income Tax Regulations, 1986 (Principles Regarding the Management of Books of Account of Foreign Invested Companies and Certain Partnerships and the Determination of Their Taxable Income). Such an elective obligates the Company for three years. Accordingly, commencing taxable year 2003, results for tax purposes are measured in terms of earnings in U.S. dollars. After the initial three-year term, the Company has to make the election on an annual basis. Through taxable year 2009, the Company has consistently elected, for tax purposes, to measure its earnings in U.S. dollars.

b. Tax rates applicable to the income of the Israeli companies in the Group:

1. Generally, Israeli companies are subject to “corporate tax” on their taxable income. On July 25, 2005, the Knesset (Israeli Parliament) approved the Law of the Amendment of the Income Tax Ordinance (No. 147), 2005, which prescribes, among others, a gradual decrease in the corporate tax rate in Israel to the following tax rates: in 2005 - 34%, in 2006 - 31%, in 2007 - 29%, in 2008 - 27%, in 2009 - 26% and in 2010 and thereafter - 25%. However, the effective tax rate payable by a company that derives income from an Approved Enterprise, as discussed below, may be considerably less.
2. On July 25, 2009, the Knesset approved new legislation which provides for lower tax rates in the years 2011-2016. According to the new legislation, the corporate tax rate is to be gradually reduced over the years 2010-2016. The top income tax rate will decrease from 25% in 2010 to 18% in 2016.
3. Pursuant to another amendment to the Income Tax Ordinance, which became effective in 2003, capital gains are taxed at a reduced rate of 25% from January 1, 2003, instead of the regular corporate tax rate at which such gains were taxed until the aforementioned date. This amendment stipulates that with regard to the sale of assets acquired prior to January 1, 2003, the reduced tax rate will be applicable only for the gain allocated to capital gains earned after the implementation of the amendment, which will be calculated as prescribed by the amendment.

c. Tax benefits under the Law for the Encouragement of Industry (Taxes), 1969:

The Company is an “industrial company” as defined by this law and, as such, is entitled to certain income tax benefits, mainly accelerated depreciation in respect of machinery and equipment (as prescribed by regulations published under the Inflationary Adjustments Law) and the right to claim public issuance expenses, amortization of patents and other intangible property rights as deductions for tax purposes.

d. Tax benefits under the Law for the Encouragement of Capital Investments, 1959 (“the Law”):

The Company's production facilities in Israel have been granted an "Approved Enterprise" status under the Law. The main benefits arising from such status are tax exempt income for a period of two to four years and reduction in tax rates on income derived from Approved Enterprises for the remaining benefit period. The Company is also a "foreign investors' company", as defined by the Law and, as such, is entitled to a 10 or 15-year period of benefits, based on the level of investment, and to a reduction in tax rates to 10% to 25% (based on the percentage of foreign ownership in each tax year) and to accelerated depreciation in respect of machinery and equipment.

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The period of tax benefits, described above, is subject to a limit of 12 years from commencement of production or 14 years from the date of receiving the Approved Enterprise status, whichever occurs earlier.

The Company has four "Approved Enterprise" plans. Under the approved plans, the undistributed income derived from the Approved Enterprise will be exempt from corporate tax for a period of two to four years, and the Company will be eligible for a reduced tax rate of between 10% and 25% for an additional six to eight years. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's undistributed income will be eligible for a reduced tax rate for an additional five years. Under the fourth plan, which was filed in January 2010, and is pending approval, the undistributed income will be exempt from corporate tax for a period of two years following implementation of the plan and the Company will be eligible for a reduced tax rate of between 10% and 25% (based on the percentage of foreign ownership in each tax year) for an additional eight years thereafter. The Company expects to receive approval for this plan.

The entitlement to these benefits is conditional upon the Company fulfilling the requirements of the Law, regulations published thereunder and the instruments of approval for the specific investments in Approved Enterprises. In the event of failure to comply with these requirements, the benefits may be canceled and the Company may be required to refund the amount of the benefits, in whole or in part, including interest. As of December 31, 2008, management believes that the Company is meeting all of the aforementioned requirements.

The income subject to reduced tax rates, attributable to the Approved Enterprises, cannot be distributed to shareholders without subjecting the Company to additional taxes. The Company has decided not to declare dividends out of such tax-exempt income. Accordingly, no deferred income taxes have been provided on income attributable to the Company's Approved Enterprises.

If the retained income subject to reduced tax rates is distributed, it will be taxed at the corporate tax rate applicable to such profits as if the Company had not chosen the alternative tax benefits (currently 10%).

If the Company pays a dividend out of income derived from the Approved Enterprises during the tax exemption period, the Company will be subject to corporate tax in the year the dividend is distributed in respect of the gross amount of dividend distributed, at the rate that would have been applicable had the Company not elected the Alternative Route (10% to 25%, depending on the level of foreign investment in the company, as explained below).

For 2008, income not eligible for Approved Enterprise benefits mentioned above is taxed at the regular rate of 27%. See Note 17.b.

On April 1, 2005, an amendment to the Investment Law came into effect ("the Amendment") and has significantly changed the provisions of the Investment Law. The Amendment limits the scope of enterprises which may be approved by the Investment Center by setting criteria for the approval of a facility as a Benefited Enterprise, such as provisions generally requiring that at least 25% of the Benefited Enterprise's income will be derived from export. Additionally, the Amendment enacted major changes in the manner in which tax benefits are awarded under the Investment Law so that companies no longer require Investment Center approval in order to qualify for tax benefits.

However, the Amendment provides that terms and benefits included in any certificate of approval already granted will remain subject to the provisions of the law as they were on the date of such approval. Therefore, the Company's existing Approved Enterprises will generally not be subject to the provisions of the Amendment. As a result of the Amendment, tax-exempt income generated under the provisions of the new law, will subject the Company to taxes upon distribution or liquidation and the Company may be required to record deferred tax liability with respect to such tax-exempt income. As of December 31, 2008, the Company did not generate income under the provisions of the new law. The amendment also added section 85a which gives the Minister of Finance the authority to legislate regulation which determines the price in international transactions between related parties (known as transfer pricing issue).

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- e. On July 24, 2002, Amendment 132 to the Israeli Income Tax Ordinance (“the Ordinance Amendment”) was approved by the Israeli Parliament and came into effect on January 1, 2003. The principal objectives of the Ordinance Amendment were to broaden the categories of taxable income and to reduce the tax rates imposed on employees’ income.

The material consequences of the Ordinance Amendment applicable to the Company include, among other things, imposing a tax on all income of Israeli residents, individuals and corporations, regardless of the territorial source of income, certain modifications in the qualified taxation tracks of employee stock options and the introduction of the “controlled foreign corporation” concept according to which an Israeli company may become subject to Israeli taxes on certain income of a non-Israeli subsidiary, if the subsidiary’s primary source of income is passive income (such as interest, dividends, royalties, rental income or capital gains). An Israeli company that is subject to Israeli taxes on the income of its non-Israeli subsidiaries will receive a credit for income taxes paid by the subsidiary in its country of residence. Since the Company benefits from lower tax rates of an “Approved Enterprise,” such credits are immaterial to its results of operations.

- f. Income (loss) before income taxes comprises of the following:

	Year ended December 31,		
	2008	2007	2006
Domestic (Israel)	\$ 23,605	\$ 20,728	\$ (17,098)
Foreign (North America, the Cayman Islands, Ireland and the U.K.)	20,457	19,820	(64,709)
	\$ 44,062	\$ 40,548	\$ (81,807)