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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549 **FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended July 15, 2006

OR

#### TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES 0 **EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to

> **Commission file number 1-16247** FLOWERS FOODS. INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### **GEORGIA**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1919 FLOWERS CIRCLE, THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA

(Address of principal executive offices) 31757

> (Zip Code) 229/226-9110

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code) N/A

# (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Large accelerated filer b

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

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

# **TITLE OF EACH CLASS**

# **OUTSTANDING AT AUGUST 18, 2006**

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58-2582379

Common Stock, \$.01 par value with Preferred Share Purchase Rights 61,268,500

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# FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this filing and certain other written or oral statements made from time to time by the company and its representatives that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements relate to current expectations regarding our future financial condition and results of operations and are often identified by the use of words and phrases such as anticipate. believe. could. intend. continue. estimate. expect. may. plan. predict. project. shou is expected to or will continue, or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These forward to, looking statements are based upon assumptions we believe are reasonable.

Forward-looking statements are based on current information and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected. Certain factors that may cause actual results, performance, and achievements to differ materially from those projected are discussed in this report and may include, but are not limited to:

unexpected changes in any of the following: (i) general economic and business conditions; (ii) the competitive setting in which we operate, including changes in pricing, advertising or promotional strategies by us or our competitors, as well as changes in consumer demand; (iii) interest rates and other terms available to us on our borrowings; (iv) energy and raw materials costs and availability and hedging counter-party risks; (v) relationships with our employees, independent distributors and third party service providers; and (vi) laws and regulations (including environmental and health-related issues), accounting standards or tax rates in the markets in which we operate;

the loss or financial instability of any significant customer(s);

our ability to execute our business strategy, which may involve integration of recent acquisitions or the acquisition or disposition of assets at presently targeted values;

our ability to operate existing, and any new, manufacturing lines according to schedule;

the level of success we achieve in developing and introducing new products and entering new markets;

changes in consumer behavior, trends and preferences, including health and whole grain trends;

our ability to implement new technology as required;

the credit and business risks associated with our independent distributors and customers which operate in the highly competitive retail food and foodservice industries, including the amount of consolidation in these industries:

customer and consumer reaction to pricing actions; and

any business disruptions due to political instability, armed hostilities, incidents of terrorism, natural disasters or the responses to or repercussions from any of these or similar events or conditions and our ability to insure such events.

The foregoing list of important factors does not include all such factors nor necessarily present them in order of importance. In addition, you should consult other disclosures made by the company (such as in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ( SEC ) or in company press releases) for other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected by the company. Please refer to Part I, Item 1A., Risk Factors, in the company s Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 for additional information regarding factors that could affect the company s results of operations, financial condition and liquidity.

We caution you not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, as they speak only as of the date made and are inherently uncertain. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly revise or update such statements, except as required by law. You are advised, however, to consult any further public disclosures by the company (such as in our filings with the SEC or in company press releases) on related subjects.

# FLOWERS FOODS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Amounts in thousands except share data) (Unaudited)

	յլ	ULY 15, 2006	DECEMBER 31, 2005	
ASSETS				
Current Assets: Cash and cash equivalents	\$	17,644	\$	11,001
Cash and cash equivalents	Ψ	17,044	Ψ	11,001
Accounts and notes receivable, net of allowances of \$913 and \$162,				
respectively		143,659		120,751
Inventories, net:				
Raw materials		12,177		11,042
Packaging materials		11,497		10,055
Finished goods		20,879		21,704
		44,553		42,801
Spare parts and supplies		24,302		23,241
Deferred taxes		8,311		7,561
Other		22,355		32,215
		260,824		237,570
Net Property, Plant and Equipment		464,356		451,921
Notes Receivable		71,412		70,357
Assets Held for Sale Distributor Routes		25,158		16,382
Other Assets		3,820		2,667
Goodwill		76,244		58,567
Other Intangible Assets, net		25,200		13,605
	\$	927,014	\$	851,069
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current Liabilities: Current maturities of long-term debt and capital leases	\$	4,942	\$	4,652
Accounts payable	Φ	4,942 94,732	φ	4,032 83,801
Other accrued liabilities		84,746		85,822
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		184,420		174,275
Long-Term Debt and Capital Leases		86,932		74,403
Other Liabilities:				
Post-retirement/post-employment obligations		10,134		9,728
Deferred taxes		44,427		42,569
Other		34,998		33,160
		89,559		85,457
Minority Interest in Variable Interest Entity		5,359		4,563
Commitments and Contingencies				
Stockholders Equity:				
Preferred stock\$100 par value, 100,000 authorized and none issuedPreferred stock\$.01 par value, 900,000 authorized and none issued				
Preferred stock\$.01 par value, 900,000 authorized and none issuedCommon stock\$.01 par value, 100,000,000 authorized shares,				
67,775,496 shares and 67,775,496 shares issued, respectively		678		678
Treasury stock 6,506,996 shares and 7,457,637 shares, respectively		(140,240)		(148,747)
Capital in excess of par value		479,388		474,708
Retained earnings		227,355		198,567
Unearned compensation				(898)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(6,437)		(11,937)
		560,744		512,371
	\$	927,014	\$	851,069
(See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolide	tad Eina	naial Statama	nta)	

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# FLOWERS FOODS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Amounts in thousands except per share data) (Unaudited)

	FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED			FOR THE TWENTY -EIGHT WEEKS ENDED				
	J	ULY 15, 2006	J	ULY 16, 2005		JULY 15, 2006	J	ULY 16, 2005
Sales Materials, supplies, labor and other production costs (exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown	\$	445,772	\$	405,300	\$	1,009,385	\$	911,340
separately below) Selling, marketing and administrative		224,025		202,511		503,360		455,275
expenses Depreciation and amortization Gain on insurance recovery		176,016 15,113 0		161,433 13,427 0		406,795 33,939 (654)		365,424 31,167 0
Income from operations Interest expense Interest income		30,618 987 (2,273)		27,929 855 (2,251)		65,945 2,412 (5,219)		59,474 1,849 (5,342)
Income from continuing operations before income taxes, minority interest and cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Income tax expense		31,904 11,566		29,325 10,843		68,752 25,335		62,967 24,113
Income from continuing operations before minority interest and cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Minority interest in variable interest entity		20,338 (614)		18,482 (825)		43,417 (1,433)		38,854 (1,200)
Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax of \$778		19,724 0		17,657 0		41,984 1,222		37,654 0
Income before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Cumulative effect of a change in		19,724		17,657		43,206		37,654
accounting principle, net of income tax benefit of \$362		0		0		(568)		0
Net income	\$	19,724	\$	17,657	\$	42,638	\$	37,654

Net Income Per Common Share: Basic: Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of income	\$	0.32 0.00	\$	0.29 0.00	\$	0.69 0.02	\$	0.60 0.00
tax benefit		0.00		0.00		(0.01)		0.00
Net income per share	\$	0.32	\$	0.29	\$	0.70	\$	0.60
Weighted average shares outstanding		61,195		60,937		61,008		62,634
Diluted: Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, net of income tax benefit	\$	0.32 0.00 0.00	\$	0.28 0.00 0.00	\$	0.68 0.02 (0.01)	\$	0.58 0.00 0.00
	\$		¢		¢		¢	
Net income per share	¢	0.32	\$	0.28	\$	0.69	\$	0.58
Weighted average shares outstanding		62,008		62,705		61,992		64,488
Cash dividends paid per common share	\$	0.125	\$	0.10	\$	0.225	\$	0.183
(See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements)								

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# FLOWERS FOODS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Unaudited)

	Comprehensi	Common S Wumber of Shares	Stock Par	Capital in Excess of Par		Accumulated Other Omprehensiv Income	l Treasury Number of		nearned
	Income	Issued	Value	Value	Earnings	(Loss) nds, except	Shares	Cost Cor	npensationTotal
Balances at December 31 2005 Reclassificat due to chang in accounting principle (No	ion e g	67,775,496	\$ 678					\$ (148,747)	\$(898) \$512,371
11) Net income Derivative	\$ 42,638			(898)	42,638				898 0 42,638
instruments	5,500					5,500			5,500
Comprehens: income	ive \$48,138								
Stock repurchases Exercise of stock options (includes income tax	3						(1,447,894)	(40,162)	(40,162)
benefits of \$8,046) Issuance and vesting of restricted sto awards (includes income tax				(5,110)			937,793	19,132	14,022
benefits of \$ Reversion of restricted sto				(3,160)			161,340	3,251	91
award Restricted stock award				13			(600)	(13)	
compensation Stock option				1,604					1,604
compensation				2,130					2,130
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Stock issued for acquisition Dividends paid \$0.225		10,101		1,300,002	26,299	36,400	
per common share			(13,850)			(13,850)	
Balances at July 15, 2006	67,775,496 \$0	578 \$479,388	\$227,355 \$ (6,4	37) (6,506,996)	\$(140,240) \$	0 \$560,744	
(See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements) 6							

# FLOWERS FOODS, INC. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Amounts in thousands) (Unaudited)

	FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED			
	JULY 15, 2006	JULY 16, 2005		
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (DISBURSED FOR)	с ,	<b>c</b> ,		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$ 42,638	\$ 37,654		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by				
operating activities:				
Cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	930			
Stock based compensation	5,025	1,777		
Income tax benefit related to stock awards		7,959		
Depreciation and amortization	33,939	31,167		
Deferred income taxes	(5,868)	13,030		
Provision for inventory obsolescence	422	336		
Allowances for accounts receivable	492	1,354		
Minority interest in variable interest entity	1,433	1,200		
Other	(793)	(244)		
Changes in assets and liabilities:				
Accounts and notes receivable, net	(19,363)	(8,133)		
Inventories, net	(1,184)	(3,112)		
Other assets	24,409	(14,674)		
Pension contributions	(14,000)	(25,000)		
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities	5,788	(13,517)		
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	73,868	29,797		
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (DISBURSED FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(32,296)	(17,029)		
(Purchase of) proceeds from notes receivable	(1,437)	972		
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(887)			
Other	(2,132)	604		
NET CASH DISBURSED FOR INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(36,752)	(15,453)		
CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (DISBURSED FOR) FINANCING				
ACTIVITIES:	(12.050)	(11,510)		
Dividends paid	(13,850)	(11,519)		
Exercise of stock options	5,981	5,519		
Income tax benefit related to stock awards	8,132	(105 000)		
Stock repurchases	(40,162)	(107,300)		
Change in book overdraft	751	13,045		
Payment of financing fees	(333)	70.000		
Proceeds from debt borrowings	216,300	79,000		

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Debt and capital lease obligation payments		(207,292)		(25,122)	
NET CASH DISBURSED FOR FINANCING ACTIVITIES			(46,377)		
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		6,643 11,001		(32,033) 47,458	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	17,644	\$	15,425	
(See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements)					

# FLOWERS FOODS, INC.

# NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Flowers Foods, Inc. (the company) have been prepared by the company s management in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and applicable rules and regulations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for annual financial statements. In the opinion of management, the unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements included herein contain all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly the company s financial position, the results of its operations and its cash flows. The results of operations for the twelve and twenty-eight week periods ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for a full year. The balance sheet at December 31, 2005 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. ESTIMATES The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The company believes the following critical accounting policies affect its more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements: revenue recognition, allowance for doubtful accounts, derivative instruments, valuation of long-lived assets, goodwill and other intangibles, self-insurance reserves, income tax expense and accruals, pension obligations and distributor accounting. These policies are summarized in the company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. In addition to these critical accounting policies, the company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123R, Share Based Payment (SFAS 123R) on January 1, 2006. SFAS 123R requires that the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, as permitted by SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation (SFAS 123), the company applied intrinsic value accounting for its stock option plans under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 ( APB 25 ), Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees. The company applied the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS 123 and SFAS No. 148, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123 (SFAS 148). **REPORTING PERIODS** Fiscal 2006 consists of 52 weeks, with the company s quarterly reporting periods as follows: first quarter ended April 22, 2006 (sixteen weeks), second quarter ended July 15, 2006 (twelve weeks), third quarter ending October 7, 2006 (twelve weeks) and fourth quarter ending December 30, 2006 (twelve weeks). SEGMENTS The company consists of two business segments: Flowers Foods Bakeries Group, LLC ( Flowers Bakeries ) and Flowers Foods Specialty Group, LLC ( Flowers Specialty ). Flowers Bakeries focuses on the production and marketing of bakery products to customers in the southeastern, southwestern and mid-Atlantic areas of the United States primarily through its direct store delivery system. Flowers Specialty produces snack cakes for sale to co-pack, retail and vending customers as well as frozen bread, rolls and buns for sale to retail and foodservice customers primarily through warehouse distribution.

SIGNIFICANT CUSTOMER Following is the effect our largest customer, Wal-Mart/Sam s Club, had on the company s sales for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005. No other customer accounted for 10% or more of the company s sales.

FOR THE	TWELVE	FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT			
WEEKS	ENDED	WEEKS ENDED			
JULY 15,	JULY 16,				
2006	2005	JULY 15, 2006	JULY 16, 2005		

	(Percent of Sales)		(Percent of Sales)		
Flowers Bakeries	16.8%	14.9%	16.2%	14.2%	
Flowers Specialty	2.5	2.9	2.6	2.6	
Total	19.3%	17.8%	18.8%	16.8%	
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STOCK BASED COMPENSATION In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS 123R. SFAS 123R requires that the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. The company adopted SFAS 123R on January 1, 2006 and applied the modified prospective transition method. This method requires the company to expense the remaining unrecognized portion of unvested awards outstanding at the effective date and any awards granted or modified after the effective date, but does not require restatement of prior periods. See Note 11 for information relating to the company s stock-based compensation. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, as permitted by SFAS No. 123, the company applied intrinsic value accounting for its stock option plans under APB 25. Compensation cost for stock options, if any, was measured as the excess of the market price of the company s common stock at the date of grant over the exercise price to be paid by the grantee to acquire the stock. The company applied the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS 123 and SFAS 148.

If the company had elected to recognize compensation expense based upon the fair value at the grant dates for stock options under these plans, the company s net income and net income per share would have been affected as follows (amounts in thousands except per share data):

	V	HE TWELVE WEEKS ED JULY 16 , 2005	FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED JULY 16 , 2005		
Net income, as reported	\$	17,657	\$	37,654	
Deduct: Stock-based employee compensation cost, net of income tax, that would have been included in net income					
under fair value method		(375)		(1,170)	
Pro forma net income	\$	17,282	\$	36,484	
Basic net income per share					
as reported	\$	0.29	\$	0.60	
pro forma	\$	0.28	\$	0.58	
Diluted net income per share					
as reported	\$	0.28	\$	0.58	
pro forma	\$	0.28	\$	0.57	

#### 2. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

On January 30, 2003, the company entered into an agreement to sell its Mrs. Smith s Bakeries frozen dessert business (Mrs. Smith s) to The Schwan Food Company (Schwan). Included in those assets were the Stilwell, Oklahoma and Spartanburg, South Carolina production facilities and a portion of the company s Suwanee, Georgia property. On that date, the assets and liabilities related to Mrs. Smith s were classified as held for sale in accordance with SFAS No. 144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets and recorded at estimable fair value less costs to dispose. On April 24, 2003, the company completed the sale of substantially all the assets of Mrs. Smith s. Subsequent to the sale, the company paid various expenses related to its operation of Mrs. Smith s, no single one of which was material to the financial condition or results of operations of the company. During the first quarter of fiscal 2004, based on claim activity, the company established a reserve of \$5.1 million (\$3.1 million, net of income tax) as an estimate of future expenses likely to be incurred by the company in connection with Mrs. Smith s. The balance of this reserve as of July 15, 2006 and December 31, 2005 was \$0.1 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. Included in this reserve was \$1.8 million, net of income tax benefit, regarding a settlement of a class action lawsuit related to pie shells produced by Mrs. Smith s. Additional costs of \$0.2 million, net of income tax benefit, were recorded as part of discontinued operations during the third quarter of fiscal 2005 relating to this settlement. During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, the company received an insurance recovery of \$2.0 million (\$1.2 million, net of income tax) relating to this settlement. Activity related to Mrs. Smith s, including the insurance

recovery is recorded as Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax.

The company is under audit by the Internal Revenue Service for tax years 2000, 2001 and 2003. Finalization of the 2000 and 2001 audit may result in the reversal of previously established tax reserves, which will be recorded as discontinued operations in the period the audit is finalized.

There were no revenues or results of operations recorded for the discontinued operations in the twelve or twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005.

# 3. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

Other comprehensive income (loss) results from derivative financial instruments and additional minimum pension liabilities. Total comprehensive income, determined as net income adjusted by other comprehensive income (loss), was \$20.6 million and \$48.1 million for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, respectively. Total comprehensive income was \$21.0 million and \$42.8 million for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005, respectively.

During the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, changes to accumulated other comprehensive loss, net of income tax, were as follows (amounts in thousands):

	2006
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, December 31, 2005	\$(11,937)
Derivative transactions:	
Net deferred gains on closed contracts, net of income tax of \$360	574
Reclassified to earnings, net of income tax benefit of \$(516)	(825)
Effective portion of change in fair value of hedging instruments, net of income tax of \$3,600	5,751
Accumulated other comprehensive loss, July 15, 2006	\$ (6,437)

# 4. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The change in the carrying amount of goodwill for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 is as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Flowers Bakeries			Flowers Specialty	Total	
Balance as of December 31, 2005 Acquisition (1) Segment restructuring (2)	\$	54,891 17,677 (1,896)	\$	3,676 1,896	\$ 58,567 17,677	
Balance as of July 15, 2006	\$	70,672	\$	5,572	\$76,244	

- The company acquired Derst Baking Company in Savannah, Georgia on February 18, 2006. See Note 14 for further information regarding this acquisition.
- (2) Effective January 1, 2006, the company s Ft. Smith, Arkansas and

Texarkana, Arkansas facilities were transferred to Flowers Specialty from Flowers Bakeries.

The changes in the carrying amount of intangible assets, which consist primarily of trademarks, customer-related intangibles and non-compete agreements, for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	Flowers Bakeries			lowers becialty	Total	
Balance as of December 31, 2005 Amortization expense Acquisition (1) Reclassification (2)	\$	8,373 (708) 13,602 (902)	\$	5,232 (397)	\$ 13,605 (1,105) 13,602 (902)	
Segment restructuring (3)		(1,074)		1,074		
Balance as of July 15, 2006	\$	19,291	\$	5,909	\$25,200	

- (1) As part of the acquisition of **Derst Baking** Company, the company acquired a trademark, which is valued at \$7.0 million and is being amortized straight-line over 40 years, and customer relationships valued at \$6.6 million, which are being amortized over 15 years using an accelerated amortization method.
- (2) Relates to distribution routes that were reclassified

from intangible assets to assets held for sale, in connection with the acquisition of Derst Baking Company, as the company expects to sell these routes to independent distributors in early 2007.

(3) Effective

January 1, 2006, the company s Ft. Smith, Arkansas and Texarkana, Arkansas facilities were transferred to Flowers Specialty from Flowers Bakeries.

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In October 2002, the company acquired Ideal Baking Company in Batesville, Arkansas. As part of this acquisition, the *Ideal* trademark was recorded as an indefinite-lived intangible asset, with a carrying value of \$1.9 million. In September 2001, the company acquired Kotarides Baking Company in Norfolk, Virginia, which distributes breads and buns under the *Mary Jane* brand. The company recorded this trademark as an indefinite-lived intangible asset, with a carrying value of \$3.3 million. In December 2005, as a result of the company s growth of its *Nature s Own* trademark, the company determined that these trademarks should be recorded as definite-lived intangibles with estimated lives of 20 years for the *Ideal* trademark and 25 years for the *Mary Jane* trademark. Amortization of these trademarks began in the first quarter of fiscal 2006.

Estimated amortization expense for fiscal 2006, fiscal 2007, fiscal 2008, fiscal 2009 and fiscal 2010 is \$2.1 million, \$2.0 million, \$1.5 million, \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million, respectively.

#### 5. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

*Inventory Costs.* In November 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 151, *Inventory Costs* an Amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4. (SFAS 151) SFAS 151 clarified the accounting for abnormal amounts of idle facility expense, freight, handling costs and wasted material (spoilage). SFAS 151 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005, the company s fiscal 2006, which began January 1, 2006. This pronouncement did not have a material effect on the company s results of operations or financial condition.

*Stock Based Compensation.* As discussed in Note 1, in December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS 123R, which requires the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. The company adopted the standard on January 1, 2006, and applied the modified prospective transition method. This method requires the company to expense the remaining unrecognized portion of unvested awards outstanding at the effective date and any awards granted or modified after the effective date but does not require restatement of prior periods. See Note 11 for information relating to the company s stock-based compensation.

Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. (SFAS 154) SFAS 154 requires that, when a company changes its accounting policies, it must apply the change retrospectively to all prior periods presented instead of a cumulative effect adjustment in the period of the change. SFAS 154 may also apply when the FASB issues new rules requiring changes in accounting. However if the new rule allows cumulative effect treatment, it would take precedence over SFAS 154. This statement is effective for accounting changes and error corrections for the company s fiscal year 2006 which began on January 1, 2006.

Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes. In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an Interpretation of FASB Statement No.109. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes in an enterprise s financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006, which will be the company s fiscal 2007 beginning December 31, 2006. The company is currently assessing the impact FIN 48 will have on its financial statements.

*Employers* Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and other Postretirement Plans. On July 26, 2006, the FASB affirmed its previous decision to make the recognition provisions of its proposed standard, *Employers* Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132(R), effective for public companies for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006. This standard will be effective for the company s fiscal 2006 ending December 30, 2006. The FASB is expected to issue its final standard on or before September 29, 2006.

# 6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The company enters into commodity derivatives, designated as cash-flow hedges of existing or future exposure to changes in commodity prices. The company s primary raw materials are flour, sugar and shortening, along with pulp, paper and petroleum-based packaging products. Natural gas, which is used as oven fuel, is also an important commodity input to production.

As of July 15, 2006, the company s hedge portfolio contained commodity derivatives with a fair value of \$13.0 million, which is recorded in other current and long-term assets and liabilities. The positions held in the portfolio are used to hedge economic exposure to changes in various raw material prices and effectively fix the price, or limit increases in prices, for a period of time extending into fiscal 2007. Under SFAS 133, these instruments are designated as cash-flow hedges. The effective portion of changes in fair value for

these derivatives is recorded each period in other comprehensive income (loss), and any ineffective portion of the change in fair value is recorded to current period earnings in selling, marketing and administrative expenses. The company held no commodity derivatives at July 15, 2006 or December 31, 2005 that did not qualify for hedge accounting under SFAS 133.

# 7. DEBT AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS

Long-term debt and capital leases consisted of the following at July 15, 2006 and December 31, 2005 (amounts in thousands):

	յլ	JLY 15, 2006	DEC	EMBER 31, 2005
Unsecured credit facility	\$	56,400	\$	50,000
Capital lease obligations		28,696		24,866
Other notes payable		6,778		4,189
		91,874		79,055
Less current maturities		4,942		4,652
Total long-term debt and capital leases	\$	86,932	\$	74,403

On June 6, 2006, the company further amended and restated its credit facility (the new credit facility ), which was previously amended and restated on October 29, 2004 (the former credit facility). The new credit facility is a five-year, \$250.0 million unsecured revolving loan facility that provides for lower rates on future borrowings than the company s former credit facility through June 6, 2011. The company may request to increase its borrowings under the new credit facility up to an aggregate of \$350.0 million upon the satisfaction of certain conditions.

Interest is due quarterly in arrears on any outstanding borrowings at a customary Eurodollar rate or the base rate plus the applicable margin. The underlying rate is defined as either rates offered in the interbank Eurodollar market or the higher of the prime lending rate or federal funds rate plus 0.5%. The applicable margin ranges from 0.0% to 0.20% for base rate loans and from 0.40% to 1.075% for Eurodollar loans. In addition, a facility fee ranging from 0.10% to 0.30% is due quarterly on all commitments under the new credit facility. Both the interest margin and the facility fee are based on the company s leverage ratio. There were \$56.4 million in outstanding borrowings under the new credit facility at July 15, 2006.

The new credit facility includes certain customary restrictions, which among other things, require maintenance of financial covenants and limit encumbrance of assets and creation of indebtedness. Restrictive financial covenants include such ratios as a minimum interest coverage ratio and a maximum leverage ratio. The company believes that, given its current cash position, its cash flow from operating activities and its available credit capacity, it can comply with the current terms of the new credit facility and can meet presently foreseeable financial requirements. As of July 15, 2006, the company was in compliance with all restrictive financial covenants under the new credit facility.

The company paid financing costs of \$0.4 million in connection with its new credit facility. These costs were deferred and, along with unamortized costs of \$0.5 million relating to the company s former credit facility are being amortized over the term of the new credit facility.

On October 29, 2004, the company amended and restated its then existing credit facility. The former credit facility was in effect at December 31, 2005 and was a five-year, \$150.0 million unsecured revolving loan facility. The company could request to increase its borrowings under the former credit facility up to an aggregate of \$225.0 million upon the satisfaction of certain conditions. Interest on the former credit facility was due quarterly in arrears on any outstanding borrowings at a customary Eurodollar rate or the base rate plus the applicable margin. The underlying rate was defined as either rates offered in the interbank Eurodollar market or the higher of the prime lending rate or federal funds rate plus 0.5%. The applicable margin ranged from 0.0% to 0.20% for base rate loans and from 0.625% to 1.20% for Eurodollar loans. In addition, a facility fee ranging from 0.125% to 0.30% was due quarterly on all commitments under the former credit facility. Both the interest margin and the facility fee were based on the

company s leverage ratio. Financial covenants and other restrictions under the former credit facility were the same as those under the new credit facility.

Included in accounts payable in the condensed consolidated balance sheets are book overdrafts of \$20.4 million and \$19.6 million as of July 15, 2006 and December 31, 2005, respectively.

# 8. VARIABLE INTEREST ENTITY

The company maintains a transportation agreement with a thinly capitalized entity. This entity transports a significant portion of the company s fresh bakery products from the company s production facilities to outlying distribution centers. The company represents a significant portion of the entity s revenue. This entity qualifies as a Variable Interest Entity (VIE), but not a Special Purpose Entity and under FASB Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities*, the company is the primary beneficiary. In accordance with FIN 46, the company consolidated this entity effective with the first quarter of fiscal 2004. The VIE has collateral that is sufficient to meet its capital lease and other debt obligations, and the owner of the VIE personally guarantees the obligations of the VIE. The VIE is creditors have no recourse against the general credit of the company.

Following is the effect of the VIE during the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005:

					TWENTY	-EIGHT	TWENTY	<b>-EIGHT</b>
	TWELVE	WEEKS	TWELVE	WEEKS	WEI	EKS	WEI	EKS
	ENDED J	IULY 15.	ENDED .	ENDED JULY 16,		ULY 15,	ENDED JULY 16,	
	20	,	20	· · ·	20	· · · ·	2005	
		% OF		% OF		% OF		% OF
	VIE	TOTAL	VIE	TOTAL	VIE	TOTAL	VIE	TOTAL
				(Dollars in	thousands)			
Assets as of				× ·	,			
respective quarter								
ends	\$32,547	3.5%	\$23,569	2.8%	\$32,547	3.5%	\$23,569	2.8%
Sales	\$ 3,599	0.8%	\$ 3,460	0.9%	\$ 6,514	0.6%	\$ 6,541	0.7%
Income from								
continuing								
operations before								
income taxes,								
minority interest								
and cumulative								
effect of a change								
in accounting								
principle	\$ 614	1.9%	\$ 825	2.8%	\$ 1,433	2.1%	\$ 1,200	1.9%
The assets consi								
	I							,

respectively, of transportation equipment recorded as capital lease obligations.

# 9. LITIGATION

The company and its subsidiaries from time to time are parties to, or targets of, lawsuits, claims, investigations and proceedings, including personal injury, commercial, contract, environmental, antitrust, product liability, health and safety and employment matters, which are being handled and defended in the ordinary course of business. While the company is unable to predict the outcome of these matters, it believes, based upon currently available facts, that it is remote that the ultimate resolution of any such pending matters will have a material adverse effect on its overall financial condition, results of operations or cash flows in the future. However, adverse developments could negatively impact earnings in a particular future fiscal period.

# **10. EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The following table calculates basic earnings per common share and diluted earnings per common share at July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005 (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

# FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED

# FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED

	JI	JLY 15, 2006			JULY 15, 2006		JI	JLY 16, 2005	
<b>Basic Earnings Per Common Share:</b> Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in	\$	19,724		\$	17,657	\$	41,984	\$	37,654
accounting principle	Ф	19,724		Ф	17,037	Ф	41,984	φ	57,054
Basic weighted average shares outstanding		61,195			60,937		61,008		62,634
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.32		\$	0.29	\$	0.69	\$	0.60
<b>Diluted Earnings Per Common</b> <b>Share:</b> Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	\$	19,724		\$	17,657	\$	41,984	\$	37,654
Basic weighted average shares outstanding Add: Shares of common stock assumed issued upon exercise of stock		61,195			60,937		61,008		62,634
options and vesting of restricted stock		813			1,768		984		1,854
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		62,008			62,705		61,992		64,488
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.32		\$	0.28	\$	0.68	\$	0.58
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Stock options to purchase 435,400 shares of common stock were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 because their effect would have been anti-dilutive.

#### **11. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION**

Effective January 1, 2006, the company adopted SFAS 123R, which requires that the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. SFAS 123R applies to any unvested awards that were outstanding on the effective date and to all new awards granted or modified after the effective date. The company adopted SFAS 123R using the modified prospective transition method. This method requires the company to expense the remaining unrecognized portion of unvested awards outstanding at the effective date and any awards granted or modified after the effective date, but does not require restatement of prior periods. Therefore, the company s income statement for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005 have not been restated to reflect the impact of SFAS 123R. See Note 1 for disclosure of pro forma results for these reporting periods. Under this transition method, compensation expense for share-based awards granted prior to, but not vested as of, December 31, 2005, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the original provisions of SFAS 123, and (ii) compensation expense for share-based awards granted subsequent to December 31, 2005, based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS 123R.

In accordance with FASB Staff Position FAS 123R-3, *Transition Election to Accounting for the Tax Effects of Share Based Payment Awards*, the company applied the short-cut method for determining its Capital in Excess of Par Value Pool ( APIC Pool ). This includes simplified methods to establish the beginning balance of the APIC Pool related to the tax effects of share-based compensation, and to determine the subsequent impact on the APIC Pool and consolidated statements of cash flows of the tax effects of share-based awards that are outstanding upon adoption of SFAS 123R.

Flowers Foods 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan as amended and restated as of February 11, 2005 (EPIP) authorizes the compensation committee of the Board of Directors to make awards of options to purchase our common stock, restricted stock, performance stock and performance units and deferred stock. Our officers, key employees and non-employee directors (whose grants are generally approved by the full board of directors) are eligible to receive awards under the EPIP. The aggregate number of shares that may be issued or transferred under the EPIP is 9,750,000 shares. Over the life of the EPIP, the company has only issued options and restricted stock. Options granted prior to January 1, 2006 may not be exercised later than ten years after the date of grant and become exercisable four years from the date of grant and generally vest at that time or upon change in control of Flowers Foods. Options granted on January 3, 2006 may not be exercised later than seven years after the date of grant and become exercisable three years from the date of grant and generally vest at that time or upon change in control of Flowers Foods. Non-employee director options generally become exercisable one year from the date of grant and vest at that time. The following is a summary of each of the stock-based awards outstanding under the EPIP: *Stock Options* 

On January 3, 2006 and during fiscal 2003 and fiscal 2001, non-qualified stock options ( NQSOs ) to purchase 437,300 shares, 2,138,175 shares and 3,445,200 shares, respectively were granted to eligible employees pursuant to the EPIP. In fiscal 2001, NQSOs to purchase 303,750 shares were granted to non-employee directors. The optionees are required to pay the market value, determined as of the grant date, which was \$28.02 for the fiscal 2006 grant, \$14.01 for the fiscal 2003 grant and \$6.31 for the fiscal 2001 grant, to exercise these options. During fiscal 2005, the employee options awarded in fiscal 2001 vested. As of July 15, 2006, there were 302,388 NQSOs outstanding with an exercise price of \$6.31, 2,055,000 NQSOs outstanding with an exercise price of \$14.01, which will vest in July 2007, and 435,400 NQSOs outstanding with an exercise price of \$28.02, which will vest in January 2009.

The stock option activity for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 pursuant to the EPIP is set forth below (amounts in thousands except price data):

Weighted Average

	Options	Exer	cise Price
Outstanding at December 31, 2005	3,306	\$	11.14
Granted	437	\$	28.02
Exercised	(937)	\$	6.37
Forfeitures	(13)	\$	9.58
Outstanding at July 15, 2006	2,793	\$	15.36
Exercisable at July 15, 2006	661		
Weighted average exercise price of options granted during the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006	\$ 28.02		
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As of July 15, 2006, all options outstanding under the EPIP had an average exercise price of \$15.36 and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 6.7 years.

During the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005, the company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$0.9 million and \$0 million, respectively, and \$2.1 million and \$0 million, respectively relating to stock options using the *Black-Scholes* option-pricing model applying the following assumptions:

	<b>2003</b> Grant	2006 Grant
Weighted average fair value per share (\$)	6.15	9.30
Dividend yield (%)	1.61	1.60
Expected volatility (%)	36.89	36.00
Risk-free interest rate (%)	4.35	4.25
Expected option life (years)	10.00	5.00

The following is a description of the methods used to arrive at the above assumptions:

# 2003 Grant:

Dividend yield estimated dividend yield based on an annual dividend of \$0.27.

Expected volatility based on historical volatility over two years using daily stock prices.

Risk-free interest rate United States Treasury Constant Maturity rates as of July 16, 2003 (grant date).

Expected option life equals expected life of grant.

# 2006 Grant:

Dividend yield estimated yield based on the historical dividend payment for the four most recent dividend payments prior to the grant date.

Expected volatility based on historical volatility over five years using daily stock prices.

Risk-free interest rate United States Treasury Constant Maturity rates as of January 3, 2006 (grant date).

Expected option life assumption is based on simplified formula determined in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 107, *Share-Based Payment*.

As of July 15, 2006, there was \$5.9 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to stock options. This cost is expected to be recognized on a straight-line basis over a weighted-average period of 1.8 years.

Cash received from option exercises for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005 was \$6.0 million and \$5.5 million, respectively. The cash tax benefit realized for the tax deductions from option exercises was \$8.1 million and \$8.0 million, respectively, for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005. The total intrinsic value of stock options exercised was \$20.6 million and \$20.4 million for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005.

# Restricted Stock

On January 4, 2004, the effective date of his election as Chief Executive Officer, George Deese was granted 75,000 shares of restricted stock pursuant to the EPIP. The fair value of these restricted shares on the date of grant was approximately \$1.3 million. These shares become fully vested on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant. The company recorded \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million in compensation expense during the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, respectively, and \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005, respectively, related to this restricted stock.

During the second quarter of fiscal 2006, the second quarter of fiscal 2005 and the first quarter of fiscal 2005 non-employee directors were granted an aggregate of 25,640 shares, 29,340 shares and 1,404 shares, respectively, of restricted stock. The fair value

of these restricted shares on the date of grant was \$0.7 million, \$0.6 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. These shares become fully vested on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The company recorded \$0.2 million and \$0.2 million in compensation expense during the twelve weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005, respectively, and \$0.4 million and \$0.3 million of compensation expense during the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 and July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005, respectively, related to this restricted stock.

On January 3, 2006, certain key employees were granted 135,700 shares of restricted stock, which contain certain performance and market conditions, at a grant date price of \$28.02. These shares vest on January 3, 2008. In order for these shares to vest and become nonforfeitable on this date, the following performance measure must be achieved by the company: the company s average return on invested capital calculated on continuing operations for the cumulative two year vesting period (fiscal 2006 and fiscal 2007) must equal or exceed its weighted average cost of capital for the same two year period. In the event this performance measure is achieved, the awards vest. However the number of awards exercisable will be adjusted according to achievement of a management objective based on the relative performance of the company s total return to shareholders ( company s TSR ) determined for its 2006 and 2007 fiscal years compared to the total return to shareholders of the Standard & Poor s 500 Packaged Food and Meat Index (S&P TSR ) for the same, or approximately the same, period (a market condition). Based on this comparison, the grant will be modified as follows: (i) if the company s TSR is equal to the fiftieth percentile S&P TSR, there will be no adjustment; (ii) if the company s TSR is less than the S&P TSR, the grant will be reduced by 1.3% for each percentile below the fiftieth by which the company s TSR is less than the S&P TSR at the fiftieth percentile, but in no event will the reduction exceed twenty percent; and (iii) if the company s TSR exceeds the S&P TSR at the fiftieth percentile, the grant will be increased by 1.3% for each percentile above the fiftieth by which the company s TSR exceeds the S&P TSR at the fiftieth percentile, but in no event will the increase exceed twenty percent. The estimated fair value of this restricted stock is \$29.16, and the company recorded expense of \$0.5 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, for the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 related to this restricted stock. The fair value estimate was determined using a *Monte Carlo* simulation model, which utilizes multiple input variables to determine the probability of the company achieving the market condition discussed above. Inputs into the model included the following for the company and comparator companies: (i) total stockholder return from the beginning of the performance cycle through the measurement date; (ii) volatility; (iii) risk-free interest rates; and (iv) the correlation of the comparator companies total stockholder return. The inputs are based on historical capital market data.

The restricted stock activity for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 is set forth below (amounts in thousands, except price data):

	Number of shares	Weighted average fair value		
Beginning balance at December 31, 2005	106	\$	18.67	
Granted	162	\$	29.17	
Forfeited	(1)	\$	29.16	
Vested	(31)	\$	22.09	
Ending balance at July 15, 2006	236	\$	25.39	

As of July 15, 2006, there was \$4.0 million of total unrecognized compensation expense related to restricted stock. This cost is expected to be recognized on a straight-line basis over a weighted-average period of 1.4 years. *Stock Appreciation Rights* 

The company previously awarded stock appreciation rights (rights) to key employees throughout the company. These rights vest at the end of four years and are payable in cash equal to the difference between the grant price and the fair market value of the rights on the vesting date. In accordance with SFAS 123R, the company records compensation expense for these rights on measurement dates based on changes between the grant price and an estimated fair value of the rights using the *Black-Scholes* option-pricing model. During the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, the company recorded expense of \$0.3 million and \$1.1 million, respectively, and during

the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005, the company recorded expense of \$1.4 million and \$0.8 million, respectively, related to these rights.

The company also allows non-employee directors to convert their retainers and committee chairman fees into rights. These rights vest after one year and can be exercised over nine years. The company records compensation expense for these rights at a measurement date based on changes between the grant price and an estimated fair value of the rights using the *Black-Scholes* option-pricing model. During the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 the company recorded a credit of \$0.1 million and expense of \$0.1 million, respectively, and during the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2005, the company recorded expense of \$0.6 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, related to these rights.

The fair value of the rights at July 15, 2006 ranged from \$29.80 to \$41.25. The following assumptions were used to determine fair value of the rights discussed above using the *Black-Scholes* option-pricing model at July 15, 2006: dividend yield 1.60%; expected volatility 36.00%; risk-free interest rate 5.09% and expected life of 1.00 years to 5.40 years.

The rights activity for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 is set forth below (amounts in thousands, except price data):

Beginning balance at December 31, 2005 Rights granted Rights exercised	623 25 (29)
Ending balance at July 15, 2006	619
Weighted average grant date fair value	\$14.68

As a result of the adoption of SFAS 123R on January 1, 2006, the company recorded as an expense a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle of \$0.9 million (\$0.6 million, net of income tax benefit) relating to its stock appreciation rights. This was a result of the liability as of January 1, 2006 (the day of adoption of SFAS 123R) as computed using the *Black-Scholes* pricing model being greater than the recorded liability on that day. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, the company computed expense on the vested portion of the rights as the difference between the grant date market value of its stock and the market value of its stock at the end of the respective reporting period. *Stock-Based Compensation Expense Summary under SFAS 123R* 

Stock-based compensation expense recognized during the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 is set forth below (amounts in thousands, except per share data):

		VELVE /EEKS	TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS	
Total stock-based compensation expense included in selling, marketing and administrative expenses Income tax effect	\$	1,855 673	\$	5,025 1,849
Total stock-based compensation expense included in income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	\$	1,182	\$	3,176
Impact on earnings per share on income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle:				
Basic	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.05)
Diluted	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.05)
12. POST-RETIREMENT PLANS				

#### **Defined Benefit Plans**

The company has trusteed, noncontributory defined benefit pension plans covering certain employees. The benefits are based on years of service and the employees career earnings. The plans are funded at amounts deductible for income tax purposes but not less than the minimum funding required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). As of July 15, 2006, the assets of the plans included certificates of deposit, marketable equity securities, mutual funds, corporate and government debt securities, private and public real estate partnerships, other diversifying strategies and annuity contracts. The company uses a September 30 measurement date for its plans.

Effective January 1, 2006, the company curtailed the defined benefit plan that covers the majority of its workforce. Benefits under this plan were frozen, and no future benefits will accrue under this plan. The company continues to maintain a plan that covers a small number of certain union employees.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, the company made a voluntary cash contribution to its defined benefit pension plan of \$14.0 million. This contribution was not required to be made by the minimum funding requirements of ERISA, but the company believed, due to its strong cash flow and balance sheet, it was an appropriate time to make the contribution to reduce the amount of future contributions. The company does not intend to make further contributions to the pension plan for the remainder of fiscal 2006.

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The net periodic pension cost for the company s plans include the following components (amounts in thousands):

	FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED				FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED				
	JULY 15, 2006		JULY 16, 2005		JULY 15, 2006		JULY 16, 2005		
Service cost	\$	58	\$	1,444	\$	1,696	\$	3,370	
Interest cost		3,615		3,698		8,525		8,628	
Expected return on plan assets		(4,798)		(4,220)		(11,196)		(9,846)	
Amortization of prior service cost				11				25	
Amortization of net loss		6		460		14		1,074	
Total net periodic benefit costs	\$	(1,119)	\$	1,393	\$	(961)	\$	3,251	

#### **Post-retirement Benefit Plan**

The company provides certain medical and life insurance benefits for eligible retired employees. The medical plan covers eligible retirees under the active medical plan. The plan incorporates an up-front deductible, coinsurance payments and retiree contributions at COBRA premium levels. Eligibility and maximum period of coverage is based on age and length of service. The life insurance plan offers coverage to a closed group of retirees.

The net periodic postretirement benefit expense for the company includes the following components (amounts in thousands):

	FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED				FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED				
	JULY 15, 2006		JULY 16, 2005		JULY 15, 2006		JULY 16, 2005		
Service cost	\$	74	\$	62	\$	174	\$	146	
Interest cost		91		80		207		186	
Amortization of prior service cost		77		77		179		179	
Amortization of net loss		5				11			
Total net periodic benefit costs	\$	247	\$	219	\$	571	\$	511	

# 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

The Flowers Foods 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan ( the Plan ) covers substantially all of the company s employees who have completed certain service requirements. Generally, the cost and contributions for those employees who also participate in the defined benefit pension plan is 25% of the first \$400 contributed by the employee. Prior to January 1, 2006, the costs and contributions for employees who do not participate in the defined benefit pension plan was 2% of compensation and 50% of the employees contributions, up to 6% of compensation. Effective January 1, 2006, the costs and contributions for employees who do not participate in the defined benefit pension plan was 2% of compensation and 50% of the employees contributions, up to 6% of compensation. Effective January 1, 2006, the costs and contributions for employees who do not participate in the defined benefit pension plan increased to 3% of compensation and 50% of the employees contributions, up to 6% of compensation. During the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, the total cost and contributions were \$2.9 million and \$6.9 million, respectively. During the twelve and twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005 the total cost and contributions were \$1.4 million and \$3.4 million, respectively. The increase in the cost of the Plan year over year is due to increased participation in the Plan as a result of the curtailment of the defined benefit plan discussed above, and the increase in the company s contribution from 2% to 3%.

# **13. SEGMENT REPORTING**

Flowers Bakeries produces fresh and frozen packaged bread and rolls and Flowers Specialty produces frozen bread and rolls and snack products. The company evaluates each segment s performance based on income or loss before

interest and income taxes, excluding unallocated expenses and charges which the company s management deems to be an overall corporate cost or a cost not reflective of the segments core operating businesses. Information regarding the operations in these reportable segments is as follows (amounts in thousands):

	F	FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED				FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED				
	յլ	JULY 15 , 2006		JULY 16 , 2005		JULY 15 , 2006		JULY 16 , 2005		
SALES:										
Flowers Bakeries	\$	363,900	\$	325,127	\$	820,339	\$	727,700		
Flowers Specialty		102,614		97,850		237,130		223,756		
Eliminations: Sales from Flowers										
Specialty to Flowers Bakeries		(15,304)		(12,479)		(35,822)		(29,019)		
Sales from Flowers Bakeries To										
Flowers Specialty		(5,438)		(5,198)		(12,262)		(11,097)		
	\$	445,772	\$	405,300	\$	1,009,385	\$	911,340		
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		FOR THE WEEKS		FOR THE TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED			
DEPRECIATION AND	JL	ULY 15, 2006	ULY 16 , 2005	Л	JLY 15 , 2006	JU	ULY 16 , 2005
AMORTIZATION:							
Flowers Bakeries Flowers Specialty Unallocated	\$	12,113 3,030 (30)	\$ 10,627 2,752 48	\$	26,991 7,070 (122)	\$	25,020 6,095 52
	\$	15,113	\$ 13,427	\$	33,939	\$	31,167
INCOME (LOSS) FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INCOME TAXES, MINORITY INTEREST AND CUMULATIVE EFFECT OF A CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE: Flowers Bakeries Flowers Specialty Unallocated Interest income, net	\$	32,121 3,736 (5,239) 1,286	\$ 28,651 5,967 (6,689) 1,396	\$	71,006 8,715 (13,776) 2,807	\$	58,262 15,551 (14,339) 3,493
	\$	31,904	\$ 29,325	\$	68,752	\$	62,967

Sales by product category in each reportable segment are as follows (amounts in thousands):

	For the 12 Weeks Ended July 15, 2006					For the 12 Weeks Ended July 16, 2005					
		owers		owers		<b>T</b> ( )		owers		owers	<b>T</b> ( )
	ва	ıkeries	Spe	ecialty		Total	ва	lkeries	Spe	ecialty	Total
Branded Retail	\$	213,394	\$	22,242	\$	235,636	\$	188,926	\$	20,503	\$ 209,429
Store Branded											
Retail		47,605		6,080		53,685		41,800		5,543	47,343
Foodservice and											
Other		97,463		58,988		156,451		89,203		59,325	148,528
Total	\$	358,462	\$	87,310	\$	445,772	\$	319,929	\$	85,371	\$ 405,300

	For the 28 Weeks Ended July 15, 2006						For the 28 Weeks Ended July 16, 2005				
	_	Flowers Bakeries		Flowers Specialty		Total		Flowers Bakeries		Flowers Specialty	Total
Branded Retail Store Branded	\$	477,062	\$	51,028	\$	528,090	\$	419,698	\$	43,523	\$ 463,221
Retail		101,024		14,173		115,197		86,627		11,933	98,560
		229,991		136,107		366,098		210,278		139,281	349,559

Foodservice and						
Other						
Total	\$ 808,077	\$ 201,308	\$ 1,009,385	\$ 716,603	\$ 194,737	\$ 911,340

### **14. ACQUISITIONS**

On February 18, 2006, the company acquired Derst Baking Company ( Derst ), a Savannah, Georgia-based bakery. Derst, with annual sales of approximately \$50 million, produces breads and rolls distributed to customers and consumers in South Carolina, eastern Georgia and north Florida. (See Note 4)

# ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

The following discussion of the financial condition and results of operations of the company as of and for the twelve and twenty-eight week periods ended July 15, 2006 should be read in conjunction with the company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

#### **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These principles are numerous and complex. Our significant accounting policies are summarized in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. In many instances, the application of GAAP requires management to make estimates or to apply subjective principles to particular facts and circumstances. A variance in the estimates used or a variance in the application or interpretation of GAAP could yield a materially different accounting result. In our Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, we discuss the areas where we believe that the estimates, judgments or interpretations that we have made, if different, would have yielded the most significant differences in our financial statements and we urge you to review that discussion. In addition to these critical accounting policies, the company adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 123R, *Share Based* 

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Payment (SFAS 123R) on January 1, 2006. SFAS 123R requires that the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, as permitted by SFAS No. 123, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation (SFAS 123), the company applied intrinsic value accounting for its stock option plans under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees. The company applied the disclosure-only provisions of SFAS 123 and SFAS No. 148, Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation Transition and Disclosure an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 123. **MATTERS AFFECTING ANALYSIS:** 

Insurance Proceeds from Losses Incurred from Hurricane Katrina. On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina struck the gulf coast of the United States and caused catastrophic damage to the area, particularly New Orleans, Louisiana. The company operates a bakery in New Orleans that was affected by the hurricane. The New Orleans bakery was out of operation until December 8, 2005 due to the many problems in the New Orleans area that were not within the company s control.

The company received insurance payments of \$5.5 million during fiscal 2005 relating to damage associated with Hurricane Katrina. During the second quarter of fiscal 2006, the company received additional insurance proceeds of \$1.7 million primarily for business interruption during the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006. Of these proceeds, \$1.0 million and \$0.7 million were allocated to materials, supplies, labor and other production costs and to selling, marketing and administrative expenses, respectively. The company has filed additional insurance claims with its insurance provider relating to losses incurred from Hurricane Katrina. At this time, the company is unable to determine the amount and timing of any additional proceeds to be received.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS:**

Results of operations, expressed as a percentage of sales, for the twelve and twenty-eight-week periods ended July 15, 2006 and July 16, 2005, are set forth below:

	FOR THE TWELVE WEEKS ENDED			ENTY-EIGHT ENDED
	JULY 15, 2006	JULY 16, 2005	JULY 15, 2006	JULY 16, 2005
Sales	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Gross margin	49.74	50.03	50.13	50.04
Selling, marketing and administrative				
expenses	39.48	39.83	40.30	40.10
Depreciation and amortization	3.39	3.31	3.36	3.42
Gain on insurance recovery			(0.06)	
Interest income, net	(0.29)	(0.34)	(0.28)	(0.38)
Income from continuing operations				
before income taxes, minority interest				
and cumulative effect of a change in				
accounting principle	7.16	7.24	6.81	6.90
Income tax expense	2.59	2.68	2.51	2.65
Minority interest in variable interest				
entity	(0.14)	(0.20)	(0.14)	(0.13)
Discontinued operations			0.12	
Cumulative effect of a change in				
accounting principle			(0.06)	
Net income	4.43%	4.36%	4.22%	4.12%
CONSOLIDATED AND SEGMENT F	RESULTS			
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TWELVE WEEKS ENDED JULY 15, 2006 COMPARED TO TWELVE WEEKS ENDED JULY 16, 2005 Consolidated Sales.

	For the 12 Weeks Ended July 15, 2006		For the 12 Wee July 16, 2	%	
	\$ (Amounts in thousands)	%	\$ (Amounts in thousands)	%	% Increase
Branded Retail	\$ 235,636	52.9%	\$ 209,429	51.7%	12.5%
Store Branded Retail	53,685	12.0	47,343	11.7	13.4%
Foodservice and Other	156,451	35.1	148,528	36.6	5.3%
Total	\$ 445,772	100.0%	\$ 405,300	100.0%	10.0%
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The 10.0% increase in sales was attributable to price increases of 6.4% and favorable product mix shifts of 5.0%, partially offset by unit volume declines of 1.4%. The 3.6% increase in mix, net of the decrease in volume, resulted from the expansion of the company s DSD system into new markets and new products, which contributed 0.5%, the February 2006 acquisition of Derst Baking Company, which contributed 2.9%, and the September 2005 acquisition of Royal Cake Company, which contributed 0.9%, partially offset by a volume decrease in the company s core business of 0.7%. The increase in branded retail sales was due primarily to the acquisitions and increases in volume and pricing. The company s branded white bread labels and its *Nature s Own* products were the key components of these sales. The increase in store branded retail sales was due to volume and price increases. The increase in foodservice and other sales was primarily due to price increases and favorable product mix shifts, partially offset by a decrease in volume, primarily contract manufacturing.

Flowers Bakeries Sales.

	For the 12 Weeks Ended July 15, 2006		For the 12 Wee July 16, 2	61	
	\$ (Amounts in	%	\$ (Amounts in	%	% Increase
	thousands)		thousands)		
Branded Retail	\$ 213,394	59.5%	\$ 188,926	59.1%	13.0%
Store Branded Retail	47,605	13.3	41,800	13.1	13.9%
Foodservice and Other	97,463	27.2	89,203	27.8	9.3%
Total	\$ 358,462	100.0%	\$ 319,929	100.0%	12.0%

The 12.0% increase in sales was attributable to volume increases and favorable product mix shifts of 7.1%, while price increases contributed 4.9%. 3.6% of the total increase is related to the February 2006 acquisition of Derst Baking Company. The increase in branded retail sales was due to the Derst acquisition as well as price and volume increases. Flowers Bakeries branded white bread labels and its *Nature s Own* products were the key components of these sales. The increase in store branded retail sales was primarily due to increased volume and favorable pricing. The increase in foodservice and other sales was primarily due to price increases and increased volume. *Flowers Specialty Sales*.

	For the 12 Endec		For the 12 Endec	%	
	July 15, 2	2006	July 16, 2	2005	Increase
	\$	%	\$	%	(Decrease)
	(Amounts in	(Amounts in			
	thousands)		thousands)		
Branded Retail	\$ 22,242	25.5%	\$ 20,503	24.0%	8.5%
Store Branded Retail	6,080	7.0	5,543	6.5	9.7%
Foodservice and Other	58,988	67.5	59,325	69.5	(0.6)%
Total	\$ 87,310	100.0%	\$ 85,371	100.0%	2.3%

The 2.3% increase in sales was attributable to price increases of 10.1%, partially offset by volume declines, net of favorable product mix shifts, of 7.8%. 4.0% of the total increase is related to the acquisition of Royal Cake Company.

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The increase in branded retail sales was primarily the result of favorable pricing and positive mix shifts, partially offset by volume declines. The increase in store branded retail sales was primarily due to price increases. The decrease in foodservice and other sales, which include contract production and vending, was due to decreased volume, partially offset by favorable product mix shifts and pricing. The decrease in volume was due to the expected decline in contract snack cake sales. The company expects the decline in contract snack cake sales to continue as the company moves to a more favorable mix with its branded products.

*Gross Margin (defined as sales less materials, supplies, labor and other production costs, excluding depreciation, amortization and distributor discounts).* Gross margin for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 was \$221.7 million, or 9.3% higher than gross margin reported for the same period of the prior year of \$202.8 million. As a percent of sales, gross margin decreased to 49.7% as compared to 50.0% in the second quarter of fiscal 2005. This decrease was primarily due to start-up costs associated with two new production lines, costs related to the decline in contract snack cake production discussed above and start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer. These negative items were partially offset by pricing gains, lower ingredient costs and receipt of the insurance proceeds discussed above.

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Flowers Bakeries gross margin decreased to 54.8% of sales for the second quarter of fiscal 2006, compared to 55.3% of sales for the prior year s second quarter. This decrease as a percent of sales was primarily due to start-up costs associated with two new production lines, partially offset by increased sales, receipt of the insurance proceeds discussed above, and lower ingredient costs.

Flowers Specialty s gross margin decreased to 29.1% of sales for the second quarter of fiscal 2006, compared to 30.1% of sales for the same period of fiscal 2005. This decrease as a percent of sales was primarily a result of higher ingredient, labor, inbound freight and freezer storage costs, start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer and the decline in contract snack cake production discussed above. These negative items were partially offset by decreased packaging costs and less outsourcing of production.

*Selling, Marketing and Administrative Expenses.* For the second quarter of fiscal 2006, selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$176.0 million, or 39.5% of sales as compared to \$161.4 million, or 39.8% of sales reported for the second quarter of fiscal 2005. This decrease as a percent of sales was due to increased sales and lower pension and advertising costs and receipt of the insurance proceeds discussed above. Partially offsetting these positive items was income of \$1.4 million received during the second quarter of fiscal 2005 as a result of a settlement of a class action lawsuit against several of the company s high fructose corn syrup suppliers as a result of pricing irregularities.

Flowers Bakeries selling, marketing and administrative expenses include discounts paid to the independent distributors utilized in our DSD system. Flowers Bakeries selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$152.1 million, or 42.4% of sales during the second quarter of fiscal 2006, as compared to \$137.8 million, or 43.1% of sales during the same period of fiscal 2005. The decrease as a percent of sales was primarily due to increased sales and lower distribution, advertising and labor costs. The receipt of the insurance proceeds discussed above also contributed to the decrease. These positive items were partially offset by the income during the second quarter of fiscal 2005 from the class action lawsuit discussed above.

Flowers Specialty s selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$18.7 million, or 21.4% of sales during the second quarter of fiscal 2006, as compared to \$17.0 million, or 19.9% of sales during the second quarter of fiscal 2005. This increase as a percent of sales was primarily attributable to higher distribution and labor costs. The higher distribution costs were due primarily to increased fuel costs and the continued shift of business from contract to mass merchandisers and convenience stores. Contract customers normally pick up the product sold, whereas the company delivers product to mass merchandisers and convenience store customers.

*Depreciation and Amortization.* Depreciation and amortization expense was \$15.1 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2006, an increase of 12.6% from the second quarter of fiscal 2005, which was \$13.4 million.

Flowers Bakeries depreciation and amortization expense increased to \$12.1 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 from \$10.6 million in the same period of fiscal 2005. This increase was primarily the result of increased depreciation expense due to capital expenditures placed in service subsequent to the second quarter of fiscal 2005 and the amortization of a trademark and customer relationships associated with the acquisition in February of 2006 of Derst Baking Company. See Note 4 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further information regarding these intangibles.

Flowers Specialty s depreciation and amortization expense increased to \$3.0 million for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 as compared to \$2.8 million for the same period of fiscal 2005. This increase was primarily the result of increased depreciation expense due to capital expenditures placed in service subsequent to the second quarter of fiscal 2005.

*Net Interest Income.* For the second quarter of fiscal 2006, net interest income was \$1.3 million, a decrease of \$0.1 million from the second quarter of fiscal 2005, which was \$1.4 million. The decrease was related to an increase in interest expense as a result of a higher average amount of debt outstanding under the company s credit facility.

*Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes and Minority Interest.* Income from continuing operations before income taxes and minority interest for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 was \$31.9 million, an increase of \$2.6 million from the \$29.3 million reported for the second quarter of fiscal 2005.

The improvement was primarily the result of improvements in the operating results of Flowers Bakeries of \$3.5 million and a decrease in unallocated corporate expenses of \$1.4 million. These positive items were partially

offset by a decrease in the operating results of Flowers Specialty of \$2.2 million and a decrease in net interest income of \$0.1 million. The increase at Flowers Bakeries was primarily attributable to higher sales and lower ingredient, advertising and distribution costs and the insurance proceeds discussed above, partially offset by start-up costs associated with two new production lines and the settlement of the class action lawsuit during

the second quarter of fiscal 2005 discussed above. The decrease at Flowers Specialty was primarily a result of higher labor, ingredient and in-bound freight costs, as well as costs associated with the shift of business from contract to mass merchandisers and convenience stores as discussed above. Start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer also contributed to the decrease. These negative items were partially offset by decreased packaging costs and less outsourcing of production. The decrease in unallocated corporate expenses was primarily due to lower pension costs. See *Net Interest Income* above for a discussion of the decrease in this area.

*Income Taxes.* The effective tax rate for the second quarter of fiscal 2006 was 36.3% compared to 37.0% for the same period of fiscal 2005. This difference was primarily due to a deferred tax benefit of approximately \$0.3 million due to a change in the Texas state tax law, which was signed into effect in May 2006. The difference in the effective rate and the statutory rate is primarily due to state income taxes, the non-taxable earnings of the consolidated variable interest entity and the Section 199 qualifying production activities deduction.

*Minority Interest.* Minority interest represents all the earnings of the company s variable interest entity (VIE) under the consolidation provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities.* All the earnings of the VIE are eliminated through minority interest due to the company not having any equity ownership in the VIE. The company is required to consolidate this VIE due to the VIE being capitalized with a less than substantive amount of legal form capital investment and the company accounting for a significant portion of the VIE s revenues. See Note 8 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further information regarding the company s VIE.

TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED JULY 15, 2006 COMPARED TO TWENTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED JULY 16, 2005

Consolidated Sales.

	For the 28 Wee July 15, 2		For the 28 Endec July 16, 2		
	\$ (Amounts in	%	\$ (Amounts in	%	% Increase
	thousands)		thousands)		
Branded Retail	\$ 528,090	52.3%	\$ 463,221	50.8%	14.0%
Store Branded Retail	115,197	11.4	98,560	10.8	16.9%
Foodservice and Other	366,098	36.3	349,559	38.4	4.7%
Total	\$ 1,009,385	100.0%	\$ 911,340	100.0%	10.8%

The 10.8% increase in sales was attributable to price increases of 6.9% and favorable product mix shifts of 4.8%, partially offset by unit volume declines of 0.9%. The 3.9% increase in mix, net of the decrease in volume, resulted from the expansion of the company s DSD system into new markets and new products, which contributed 0.7%, the February 2006 acquisition of Derst Baking Company, which contributed 2.2%, and the September 2005 acquisition of Royal Cake Company, which contributed 1.0%. The increase in branded retail sales was due primarily to the acquisitions and increases in volume and pricing. The company s branded white bread labels and its *Nature s Own* products were the key components of these sales. The increase in store branded retail sales was due to price and volume increases. The increase in foodservice and other sales was primarily due to price increases and favorable product mix shifts, partially offset by a decrease in volume, primarily contract.

Flowers Bakeries Sales.

For the 28 Weeks Ended<br/>July 15, 2006For the 28 Weeks Ended<br/>July 16, 2005

	\$ (Amounts in thousands)	%	\$ (Amounts in thousands)	%	% Increase
Branded Retail Store Branded Retail Foodservice and Other	<b>thousands</b> ) \$ 477,062 101,024 229,991	59.0% 12.5 28.5	<b>thousands</b> ) \$ 419,698 86,627 210,278	58.6% 12.1 29.3	13.7% 16.6% 9.4%
Total	\$ 808,077	100.0% 23	\$ 716,603	100.0%	12.8%

The 12.8% increase in sales was attributable to volume increases and favorable product mix shifts of 7.5%, while price increases contributed 5.3%. 2.8% of the total increase is related to the February 2006 acquisition of Derst Baking Company. The increase in branded retail sales was due to the Derst acquisition as well as volume and price increases. Flowers Bakeries branded white bread labels and its *Nature s Own* products were the key components of these sales. The increase in store branded retail sales was primarily due to increased volume and favorable pricing. The increase in foodservice and other sales was primarily due to price increases and increased volume.

Flowers Specialty Sales.

	For the 28 Ended		For the 28 Endec	%		
	July 15, 2	006	July 16, 2	2005	Increase	
	\$	%	\$	%	(Decrease)	
	(Amounts in		(Amounts in			
	thousands)		thousands)			
Branded Retail	\$ 51,028	25.4%	\$ 43,523	22.3%	17.2%	
Store Branded Retail	14,173	7.0	11,933	6.1	18.8%	
Foodservice and Other	136,107	67.6	139,281	71.6	(2.3)%	
Total	\$ 201,308	100.0%	\$ 194,737	100.0%	3.4%	

The 3.4% increase in sales was attributable to price increases of 11.4%, partially offset by volume declines, net of favorable product mix shifts, of 8.0%. 4.5% of the total increase is related to the acquisition of Royal Cake Company. The increase in branded retail sales was primarily the result of favorable pricing and positive mix shifts. The increase in store branded retail sales was due to increased volume and price increases. The decrease in foodservice and other sales, which include contract production and vending, was due to decreased volume, partially offset by favorable product mix shifts and pricing. The decrease in volume was due to Flowers Specialty experiencing a decline in contract snack cake sales, as expected. The company expects the decline from prior year in contract snack cake sales to continue, as the company moves to a more favorable mix with its branded products. During the first quarter of fiscal 2005, Flowers Specialty began producing a new product for a foodservice customer. Sales of this product decreased approximately \$2.1 million year over year due to strong sales promotion by the foodservice customer during the product introduction in 2005.

*Gross Margin (defined as sales less materials, supplies, labor and other production costs, excluding depreciation, amortization and distributor discounts).* Gross margin for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 was \$506.0 million, or 11.0% higher than gross margin reported for the same period of the prior year of \$456.1 million. As a percent of sales, gross margin increased slightly to 50.1% as compared to 50.0% in the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2005. This increase as a percent of sales was primarily due to pricing gains and lower ingredient and packaging costs, partially offset by start-up costs associated with two new production lines, costs related to the decline in contract snack cake production discussed above and start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer.

Flowers Bakeries gross margin decreased to 55.2% of sales for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, compared to 55.3% of sales for the same period of the prior year. This slight decrease as a percent of sales was due to start-up costs associated with two new production lines, partially offset by higher sales and lower ingredient costs.

Flowers Specialty s gross margin decreased to 29.6% of sales for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, compared to 30.7% of sales for the same period of fiscal 2005. This decrease as a percent of sales was primarily a result of higher ingredient, labor, inbound freight and freezer storage costs, start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer and the decline in contract snack cake production. These negative items were partially offset by decreased packaging costs and less outsourcing of production.

*Selling, Marketing and Administrative Expenses.* For the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$406.8 million, or 40.3% of sales as compared to \$365.4 million, or 40.1% of sales reported for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2005. This slight increase as a percent of sales was due to higher stock-based compensation costs, the income from the class action lawsuit in fiscal 2005 discussed above and higher distribution costs. These increases were partially offset by increased sales and lower advertising and pension costs. As a result of the company s adoption of SFAS 123R on January 1, 2006 and an increase in stock-based compensation costs related to awards previously expensed, \$3.2 million more stock-based compensation expense, or \$0.03 per share, was recorded during the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 as compared to the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2005. See

Note 11 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for information regarding the company s stock-based compensation.

Flowers Bakeries selling, marketing and administrative expenses include discounts paid to the independent distributors utilized in our DSD system. Flowers Bakeries selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$348.4 million, or 43.1% of sales during the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, as compared to \$312.9 million, or 43.7% of sales during the same period of fiscal 2005. The decrease as a percent of sales was primarily due to increased sales and lower distribution and advertising costs. These positive items were partially offset by increased stock-based compensation costs of \$1.2 million discussed above and the income during fiscal 2005 relating to the class action lawsuit discussed above.

Flowers Specialty s selling, marketing and administrative expenses were \$43.8 million, or 21.8% of sales during the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, as compared to \$38.2 million, or 19.6% of sales during the same time period of fiscal 2005. This increase as a percent of sales was primarily attributable to higher distribution, labor and freezer storage costs. The higher distribution costs were due primarily to costs associated with the transition to a new centralized distribution center, increased fuel costs and the continued shift of business from contract to mass merchandisers and convenience stores. Contract customers normally pick up the product sold, whereas the company delivers product to mass merchandisers and convenience store customers.

*Depreciation and Amortization.* Depreciation and amortization expense was \$33.9 million for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, an increase of 8.9% from the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2005, which was \$31.2 million.

Flowers Bakeries depreciation and amortization expense increased to \$27.0 million for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 from \$25.0 million in the same period of fiscal 2005. This increase was primarily the result of increased depreciation expense due to capital expenditures placed in service subsequent to the second quarter of fiscal 2005 and the amortization of a trademark and customer relationships associated with the acquisition in February of 2006 of Derst Baking Company. See Note 4 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further information regarding these intangibles.

Flowers Specialty s depreciation and amortization expense increased to \$7.0 million for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 as compared to \$6.1 million for the same period of fiscal 2005. This increase was primarily the result of increased depreciation expense due to capital expenditures placed in service subsequent to the second quarter of fiscal 2005.

*Gain on Insurance Recovery.* During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, certain equipment was destroyed by fire at the company s Montgomery, Alabama production facility (a part of Flowers Specialty). Property damage insurance proceeds of \$1.1 million were received during the first quarter of fiscal 2006 under the company s insurance policy. The net book value of the equipment at the time of the fire was \$0.4 million, resulting in a gain of \$0.7 million. This equipment was replaced during the first quarter and is fully operational. The company has also filed insurance claims for business interruption, but at this time, these claims have not been settled or recorded in the company s consolidated financial statements at July 15, 2006.

*Net Interest Income.* For the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006, net interest income was \$2.8 million, a decrease of \$0.7 million from the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2005, which was \$3.5 million. The decrease was primarily related to an increase in interest expense of \$0.6 million primarily as a result of a higher average amount of debt outstanding under the company s credit facility.

Income From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes, Minority Interest and Cumulative Effect of a Change in Accounting Principle. Income from continuing operations before income taxes, minority interest and a change in accounting principle for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 was \$68.8 million, an increase of \$5.8 million from the \$63.0 million reported for the first quarter of fiscal 2005.

The improvement was primarily the result of improvements in the operating results of Flowers Bakeries of \$12.7 million and a decrease in unallocated corporate expenses of \$0.6 million, partially offset by a decrease in the operating results of Flowers Specialty of \$6.8 million and a decrease in net interest income of \$0.7 million. The increase at Flowers Bakeries was primarily attributable to higher sales and lower ingredient, advertising and distribution costs, partially offset by higher stock-based compensation costs, start-up costs associated with two new production lines and the income in fiscal 2005 from `proceeds received from the class action lawsuit. The decrease at

Flowers Specialty was primarily a result of higher labor, ingredient, in-bound freight and freezer storage costs, as well as costs associated with the transition to a new centralized distribution center and the shift of business from contract to mass merchandisers and convenience stores as discussed above. Start-up costs associated with the introduction of a new product for a foodservice customer also contributed to the decrease. These negative items were partially offset by decreased packaging costs, less outsourcing of production and the gain on the insurance recovery discussed above. The decrease in unallocated corporate expenses

was primarily due to lower pension costs, partially offset by higher stock-based compensation expense. See *Net Interest Income* above for a discussion of the decrease in this area.

*Income Taxes.* The effective tax rate for the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006 was 36.8% compared to 38.3% for the same period of fiscal 2005. This decrease is primarily the result of an increase in the benefit of the Section 199 qualifying production activities deduction and \$0.6 million, net of the federal benefit of \$0.3 million, of state tax expense accrued in the first quarter of fiscal 2005 based on the outcome of a state tax audit that was settled in the first quarter of fiscal 2005. Also contributing to the decrease was a deferred tax benefit of approximately \$0.3 million due to a change in the Texas state tax law, which was signed into effect in May 2006. The difference in the effective rate and the statutory rate is primarily due to state income taxes, the non-taxable earnings of the consolidated variable interest entity and the Section 199 qualifying production activities deduction.

*Minority Interest.* Minority interest represents all the earnings of the company s VIE under the consolidation provisions of FIN 46. All the earnings of the VIE are eliminated through minority interest due to the company not having any equity ownership in the VIE. The company is required to consolidate this VIE due to the VIE being capitalized with a less than substantive amount of legal form capital investment and the company accounting for a significant portion of the VIE s revenues. See Note 8 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for further information regarding the company s VIE.

*Discontinued Operations.* During fiscal 2004, the company announced an agreement to settle a class action lawsuit related to pie shells produced by a former operating facility. The costs of this settlement, \$1.8 million, net of income tax benefit were recorded by the company as part of discontinued operations. During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, the company received an insurance recovery of \$2.0 million (\$1.2 million, net of income tax) relating to this settlement. The recovery is recorded as *Income from discontinued operations, net of income tax*, in the condensed consolidated statement of income for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006.

The company is under audit by the Internal Revenue Service for tax years 2000, 2001 and 2003. Finalization of the 2000 and 2001 audit may result in the reversal of previously established tax reserves, which will be recorded as discontinued operations in the period the audit is finalized.

*Cumulative Effect of a Change in Accounting Principle.* As a result of the adoption of SFAS 123R on January 1, 2006, the company recorded as an expense a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle of \$0.9 million (\$0.6 million, net of income tax benefit) relating to its stock appreciation rights. This was a result of the liability as of January 1, 2006 (the day of adoption of SFAS 123R) as computed using the *Black-Scholes* pricing model being greater than the recorded liability on that day. Prior to the adoption of SFAS 123R, the company computed expense on the vested portion of the rights as the difference between the grant date market value of its stock and the market value of its stock at the end of the respective reporting period.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES:

Liquidity represents our ability to generate sufficient cash flows from operating activities to meet our obligations and commitments as well as our ability to obtain appropriate financing and convert into cash those assets that are no longer required to meet existing strategic and financing objectives. Therefore, liquidity cannot be considered separately from capital resources that consist primarily of current and potentially available funds for use in achieving long-range business objectives. Currently, the company s liquidity needs arise primarily from working capital requirements, capital expenditures and stock repurchases. The company s strategy for use of its cash flow includes paying dividends to shareholders, making acquisitions, growing internally and repurchasing shares of its common stock when appropriate.

#### **Cash Flows**

Flowers Foods cash and cash equivalents increased to \$17.6 million at July 15, 2006 from \$11.0 million at December 31, 2005. The increase resulted from \$73.9 million provided by operating activities, partially offset by \$36.8 million and \$30.5 million disbursed for investing activities and financing activities, respectively.

Net cash of \$73.9 million provided by operating activities during the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 consisted primarily of \$42.6 million in net income, adjusted for certain non-cash items of \$35.6 million. Cash disbursed for working capital and other activities was \$4.3 million. Included in the cash disbursed for working capital and other activities was a pension contribution of \$14.0 million and a federal income tax refund of \$10.5 million.

Net cash disbursed for investing activities during the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 of \$36.8 million consisted primarily of capital expenditures of \$32.3 million. The capital expenditures were \$15.3 million higher than the same period of the prior year due primarily to certain projects planned for the last half of fiscal 2005 being delayed until the first half of fiscal 2006. Capital expenditures at Flowers Bakeries and Flowers Specialty were \$24.3 million and \$6.0 million, respectively. The company also leases certain production machinery and equipment through various operating leases.

Net cash disbursed for financing activities of \$30.5 million during the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 consisted primarily of stock repurchases and dividends paid of \$40.2 million and \$13.9 million, respectively, partially offset by net debt borrowings of \$9.0 million and proceeds of \$6.0 million from the exercise of stock options. In accordance with SFAS 123R, cash income tax benefits of \$8.1 million related to stock award activity during the first and second quarters of fiscal 2006 are classified as cash inflows from financing activities. Because the company applied the modified prospective transition method in adopting SFAS 123R, prior period cash flow statements are not restated. Therefore, cash income tax benefits of \$8.0 million related to stock award activity during the first and second quarters of fiscal 2005 are classified as cash inflows from operating activities.

#### **Credit Facility**

On June 6, 2006, the company further amended and restated its credit facility (the new credit facility ). The new credit facility is a five-year, \$250.0 million unsecured revolving loan facility that expires June 6, 2011 and provides for lower rates on future borrowings than the company s former credit facility. The company may request to increase its borrowings under the new credit facility up to an aggregate of \$350.0 million upon the satisfaction of certain conditions. Proceeds from the new credit facility may be used for working capital and general corporate purposes, including acquisition financing, refinancing of indebtedness and share repurchases. The new credit facility includes certain customary restrictions, which among other things, require maintenance of financial covenants and limit encumbrance of assets and creation of indebtedness. Restrictive financial covenants include such ratios as a minimum interest coverage ratio and a maximum leverage ratio. The company believes that, given its current cash position, its cash flow from operating activities and its available credit capacity, it can comply with the current terms of the new credit facility and can meet presently foreseeable financial requirements. As of July 15, 2006 and December 31, 2005, the company was in compliance with all restrictive financial covenants under its credit facility.

Interest is due quarterly in arrears on any outstanding borrowings at a customary Eurodollar rate or the base rate plus the applicable margin. The underlying rate is defined as either rates offered in the interbank Eurodollar market or the higher of the prime lending rate or federal funds rate plus 0.5%. The applicable margin ranges from 0.00% to 0.20% for base rate loans and from 0.40% to 1.075% for Eurodollar loans. In addition, a facility fee ranging from 0.10% to 0.30% is due quarterly on all commitments under the new credit facility. Both the interest margin and the facility fee are based on the company s leverage ratio. Outstanding borrowings under the new credit facility were \$56.4 million at July 15, 2006. Subsequent to the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2006, the company repaid \$2.9 million of these borrowings. As excess funds become available, the company may, from time to time during the remainder of fiscal 2006 repay a portion or all of these borrowings.

The company paid financing costs of \$0.4 million in connection with its new credit facility. These costs were deferred and, along with unamortized costs of \$0.5 million relating to the company s former credit facility are being amortized over the term of the new credit facility.

Currently, the company s credit ratings by Standard and Poor s, Moody s Investor Service and Fitch Ratings are BBB-, Baa3, and BBB, respectively. Changes in the company s credit ratings do not trigger a change in the company s available borrowings or costs under the new credit facility, but could affect future credit availability. **Uses of Cash** 

On June 2, 2006, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.125 per share on the company s common stock that was paid on June 30, 2006 to shareholders of record on June 16, 2006. This dividend payment was \$7.7 million, bringing dividends paid to \$13.9 million for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, the company made a voluntary cash contribution to its defined benefit pension plan of \$14.0 million. This contribution was funded with borrowings under the credit facility and is tax deductible. Although this contribution was not required to be made by the minimum funding requirements of the

Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the company believed, due to its strong cash flow and balance sheet, it was an appropriate time to make the contribution to reduce the amount of future contributions. The company does not intend to make further contributions to the pension plan for the remainder of

fiscal 2006. In assessing different scenarios, the company believes its strong cash flow and balance sheet will allow it to fund future pension needs without adversely affecting the business strategy of the company.

On December 19, 2002, the Board of Directors approved a plan that authorized stock repurchases of up to 11.3 million shares of the company s common stock. On November 18, 2005, the Board of Directors increased the number of authorized shares to 15.3 million shares. Under the plan, the company may repurchase its common stock in open market or privately negotiated transactions at such times and at such prices as determined to be in the company s best interest. These purchases may be commenced or suspended without prior notice depending on then-existing business or market conditions and other factors. During the second quarter of fiscal 2006, 0.3 million shares at a cost of \$9.1 million were purchased under the plan. During the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006, 1.4 million shares at a cost of \$40.1 million were purchased under the plan. From the inception of the plan through July 15, 2006, 10.9 million shares at a cost of \$223.6 million have been purchased under the plan.

During the first quarter of fiscal 2006, the company paid \$16.6 million related to fiscal 2005 bonuses. **NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS:** 

*Inventory Costs.* In November 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 151, *Inventory Costs* an Amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4 (SFAS 151). SFAS 151 clarified the accounting for abnormal amounts of idle facility expense, freight, handling costs and wasted material (spoilage). SFAS 151 is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005, the company s fiscal 2006, which began January 1, 2006. This pronouncement did not have a material effect on the company s results of operations or financial condition.

Stock Based Compensation. In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS 123R, which requires the value of stock options and similar awards be expensed. SFAS 123R applies to any unvested awards that are outstanding on the effective date and to all new awards granted or modified after the effective date. The remaining unrecognized portion of the original fair value of the unvested awards will be recognized in the income statement at their fair value that the company estimated for purposes of preparing its SFAS 123 pro forma disclosures. The company adopted SFAS 123R on January 1, 2006 and applied the modified prospective transition method. This method requires the company to expense the remaining unrecognized portion of unvested awards outstanding at the effective date and any awards granted or modified after the effective date but does not require restatement of prior periods. Stock-based compensation expense related to all stock-based awards for the twelve weeks ended July 15, 2006 was approximately \$1.2 million, net of income tax, or \$0.02 per diluted share and for the twelve weeks ended July 16, 2005 was approximately \$1.4 million, net of income tax, or \$0.02 per diluted share. Stock-based compensation expense related to all stock-based awards for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 15, 2006 was approximately \$3.2 million, net of income tax, or \$0.05 per diluted share and for the twenty-eight weeks ended July 16, 2005 was approximately \$1.1 million, net of income tax, or \$0.02 per diluted share. Total pre-tax unrecognized compensation expense at July 15, 2006 related to non-vested stock options and restricted stock awards of \$9.9 million will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.7 years. See Note 11 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this Form 10-Q for information relating to the company s stock-based compensation.

Accounting Changes and Error Corrections. In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections (SFAS 154). SFAS 154 requires that, when a company changes its accounting policies, it must apply the change retrospectively to all prior periods presented instead of a cumulative effect adjustment in the period of the change. SFAS 154 may also apply when the FASB issues new rules requiring changes in accounting. However if the new rule allows cumulative effect treatment, it would take precedence over SFAS 154. This statement is effective for accounting changes and error corrections for the company s fiscal year 2006 which began on January 1, 2006.

Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes. In June 2006, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an Interpretation of FASB Statement No.109. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes in an enterprise s financial statements in accordance with FASB Statement No 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. FIN 48 also provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006, which will be the company s fiscal 2007 beginning December 31, 2006. The company is currently assessing the impact FIN 48 will have on its financial statements.

*Employers* Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans. On July 26, 2006, the FASB affirmed its previous decision to make the recognition provisions of its proposed standard, *Employers* Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106 and 132(R), effective for public companies for

fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006. This standard will be effective for the company s fiscal 2006 ending December 30, 2006. The FASB is expected to issue its final standard on or before September 29, 2006. ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The company uses derivative financial instruments as part of an overall strategy to manage market risk. The company uses forward, futures, swap and option contracts to hedge existing or future exposure to changes in interest rates and commodity prices. The company does not enter into these derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. If actual market conditions are less favorable than those anticipated, raw material prices could increase significantly, adversely affecting the margins from the sale of our products.

#### **COMMODITY PRICE RISK**

The company enters into commodity forward, futures and option contracts and swap agreements for wheat and, to a lesser extent, other commodities in an effort to provide a predictable and consistent commodity price and thereby reduce the impact of volatility in its raw material and packaging prices. At July 15, 2006, the fair market value of the company s commodity derivative portfolio was \$13.0 million. Of this fair value, \$8.5 million is based on quoted market prices and \$4.5 million is based on models and other valuation methods. \$8.0 million and \$5.0 million of this fair value relates to instruments that will be utilized in fiscal 2006 and 2007, respectively. A sensitivity analysis has been prepared to estimate the company s exposure to commodity price risk. Based on the company s derivative portfolio as of July 15, 2006, a hypothetical ten percent increase in commodity prices under normal market conditions could potentially have an \$11.7 million effect on the fair value of the derivative portfolio. The analysis disregards changes in the exposures inherent in the underlying hedged item; however, the company expects that any gain in fair value of the portfolio would be substantially offset by increases in raw material and packaging prices.

# **ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

#### Management s Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We have established and maintain a system of disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that material information relating to the company, which is required to be timely disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), is accumulated and communicated to management in a timely fashion and is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the SEC s rules and forms. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Exchange Act was performed as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. This evaluation was performed under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer ( CEO ) and Chief Financial Officer ( CFO ). Based upon that evaluation, our CEO and CFO have concluded that these disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report.

# **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during our last fiscal quarter ended July 15, 2006 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

# PART II. OTHER INFORMATION **ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

The company and its subsidiaries from time to time are parties to, or targets of, lawsuits, claims, investigations and proceedings, including personal injury, commercial, contract, environmental, antitrust, product liability, health and safety and employment matters, which are being handled and defended in the ordinary course of business. While the company is unable to predict the outcome of these matters, it believes, based upon currently available facts, that it is remote that the ultimate resolution of any such pending matters will have a material adverse effect on its overall financial condition, results of operations or cash flows in the future. However, adverse developments could negatively impact earnings in a particular future fiscal period.

The company s facilities are subject to various federal, state and local laws and regulations regarding the discharge of material into the environment and the protection of the environment in other ways. The company is not a party to any material proceedings arising

under these regulations. The company believes that compliance with existing environmental laws and regulations will not materially affect the consolidated financial condition or the competitive position of the company. The company is currently in substantial compliance with all material environmental regulations affecting the company and its properties.

#### **ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS**

Please refer to Part I, Item 1A., *Risk Factors*, in the company s Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005 for information regarding factors that could affect the company s results of operations, financial condition and liquidity. There have been no changes to our risk factors during the twenty-eight weeks of fiscal 2006.

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

On December 19, 2002, the Board of Directors approved a plan that authorized stock repurchases of up to 11.3 million shares of the company s common stock. On November 18, 2005, the Board of Directors increased the number of authorized shares to 15.3 million shares. Under the plan, the company may repurchase its common stock in open market or privately negotiated transactions at such times and at such prices as determined to be in the company s best interest. These purchases may be commenced or suspended without prior notice depending on then-existing business or market conditions and other factors. The following chart sets forth the amounts of our common stock purchased by the company during the second quarter of fiscal 2006 under the stock repurchase plan (amounts in thousands, except price data).

		Total Number of Shares Purchased	] Pa	verage Price aid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan or Programs	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
April 23, 2006	May 20, 2006		\$		C	4,699
May 21, 2006	June 17, 2006		\$			4,699
June 18, 2006	July 15, 2006	327	\$	27.90	327	4,372
Total		327	\$	27.90	327	

### ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

The company s Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on June 2, 2006 in Thomasville, Georgia for the following purposes and with the following results:

(1) To elect three nominees as directors of the company to serve for a term of three years:

	For	Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
Class II Directors:			
Joe E. Beverly	47,172,756	10,537,218	
Amos R. McMullian	47,174,187	10,535,788	
J.V. Shields, Jr.	47,180,913	10,529,062	
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(2) To ratify the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP to serve as the independent registered public accounting firm for Flowers Foods for the fiscal year ending December 30, 2006:

For Against	56,104,088 1,581,215
Abstain	24,669
Broker Non-Votes	0

Director-nominees received a plurality of votes cast in the election of directors and were elected to serve until 2009. Proposal 2 received a majority of votes cast and passed.

# **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

Exhibits filed as part of this report are listed in the Exhibit Index attached hereto.

# 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.

FLOWERS FOODS, INC.

By: /s/ George E. Deese

Name: George E. Deese Title: Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Jimmy M. Woodward

Name: Jimmy M. Woodward Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer Date: August 24, 2006

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# EXHIBIT INDEX

# Name of Exhibit Exhibit No. 2.1 Distribution Agreement by and between Flowers Industries, Inc. and Flowers Foods, Inc., dated as of October 26, 2000 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Registration Statement on Form 10, dated February 9, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 2.2 Amendment No. 1 to Distribution Agreement, dated as of March 12, 2001, between Flowers Industries, Inc. and Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 2.3 Asset Purchase Agreement dated January 29, 2003 by and among The Schwan Food Company, Flowers Foods, Inc. and Mrs. Smith s Bakeries, LLC (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 9, 2003). 2.4 First Amendment to Asset Purchase Agreement dated April 24, 2003 by and among The Schwan Food Company, Flowers Foods, Inc. and Mrs. Smith s Bakeries, LLC (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 9, 2003). 3.1 Restated Articles of Incorporation of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 7, 2006, File No. 1-16247). 4.1 Share Certificate of Common Stock of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 4.2 Rights Agreement between Flowers Foods, Inc. and First Union National Bank, as Rights Agent, dated March 23, 2001 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 4.3 Amendment No. 1, dated November 15, 2002, to Rights Agreement between Flowers Foods, Inc. and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (as successor in interest to First Union National Bank), as rights agent, dated March 23, 2001. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated November 18, 2002, File No. 1-16247). 10.1 Employee Benefits Agreement by and between Flowers Industries, Inc. and Flowers Foods, Inc., dated as of October 26, 2000 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Registration Statement on Form 10, dated February 9, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 10.2 First Amendment to Employee Benefits Agreement by and between Flowers Industries, Inc. and Flowers Foods, Inc., dated as of February 6, 2001 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Registration Statement on Form 10, dated February 9, 2001, File No. 1-16247). 10.3 Flowers Foods, Inc. Retirement Plan No. 1 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247).

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Flowers Foods, Inc. 2001 Equity and Performance Incentive Plan, as amended and restated as of February 11, 2005 (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated April 29, 2005, File No. 1-16247).

- 10.5 Debenture Tender Agreement, dated as of March 12, 2001, by and among Flowers Industries, Inc., Flowers Foods, Inc. and the Holders (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 30, 2001, File No. 1-16247).
- 10.6 Employment Agreement, effective as of December 31, 2001, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and G. Anthony Campbell. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 27, 2002, File No. 1-16247).
- 10.7 Flowers Foods, Inc. Stock Appreciation Rights Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 27, 2002, File No. 1-16247).

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Exhibit No.	Name of Exhibit
10.8	Flowers Foods, Inc. Annual Executive Bonus Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 27, 2002, File No. 1-16247).
10.9	Flowers Foods, Inc. Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 27, 2002, File No. 1-16247).
10.10	Form of Indemnification Agreement, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc., certain executive officers and the directors of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K, dated March 28, 2003, File No. 1-16247).
10.11	Form of Separation Agreement, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and certain executive officers of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 1, 2006, File No. 1-16247).
10.12	Restricted Stock Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2004, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and George E. Deese. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 18, 2004, File No. 1-16247).
10.13	Consulting Agreement by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and Amos R. McMullian dated as of January 1, 2005. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 3, 2005, File No. 1-16247).
10.14	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of October 29, 2004, among Flowers Foods, Inc., the Lenders party thereto from time to time, Fleet National Bank, Harris Trust and Savings Bank and Cooperative CentraleRaiffeisen-Boerenleen Bank, B.A., New York Branch, as co-documentation agents, SunTrust Bank, as syndication agent and Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch, as administrative agent. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated November 2, 2004, File No. 1-16247).
10.15	Ninth Amendment dated November 7, 2005 to the Flowers Foods, Inc. Retirement Plan No. 1 as Amended and restated effective as of March 26, 2001. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q dated November 17, 2005, File No. 1-16247).
10.16	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and certain executive officers of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 1, 2006, File No. 1-16247).
10.17	Form of Option Agreement, by and between Flowers Foods, Inc. and certain executive officers of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 1, 2006, File No. 1-16247).
10.18	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of June 6, 2006, among Flowers Foods, Inc., the Lenders Party thereto from time to time, Bank of America N.A., Harris N.A. and Cooperative Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleen Bank, B.A., Rabsbank International, New York Branch, as co-documentation agents, Suntrust Bank, as syndication agent, and Deutsche Bank AG, New York Branch, as administrative agent. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Current Report on Form 8-K dated June 7, 2006, File No. 1-16247).

- 21 Subsidiaries of Flowers Foods, Inc. (Incorporated by reference to Flowers Foods Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 1, 2006, File No. 1-16247).
- \*31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- \*31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
  - \*32 Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, by George E. Deese, Chief Executive Officer, and Jimmy M. Woodward, Chief Financial Officer, for the Quarter Ended July 15, 2006.
- \* Filed herewith

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