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**FORM 10-Q**

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

For the quarterly period ended August 31, 2008

OR

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

For the transition period from            to

Commission File Number 0-22972

**CLST HOLDINGS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**17304 Preston Road, Dominion Plaza, Suite 420**  
**Dallas, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**75-2479727**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**75252**  
(Zip Code)

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(972) 267-0500, Extension 4101

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

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

On October 8, 2008, there were 20,553,205 outstanding shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share.

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(In thousands, except share and per share data)

|  | August 31,<br>2008<br>(unaudited) | November 30,<br>2007 |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>  |                                   |                      |
| Current assets:  |                                   |                      |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 16,149                         | \$ 11,799            |
| Accounts receivable - other  | 388                               | 5,697                |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets  | 210                               | 556                  |
| Total current assets   | 16,747                            | 18,052               |
| Property and equipment, net  | 10                                | 1                    |
| Deferred income taxes  | 4,786                             | 4,786                |
| Other assets   | 763                               | 1,136                |
|  | \$ 22,306                         | \$ 23,975            |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>   |                                   |                      |
| Current liabilities:   |                                   |                      |
| Accounts payable   | \$ 14,212                         | \$ 14,244            |
| Accrued expenses   | 287                               | 868                  |
| Total liabilities  | 14,499                            | 15,112               |
| Commitments and contingencies  |                                   |                      |
| Stockholders' equity:  |                                   |                      |
| Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued   |                                   |                      |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized; 21,187,229 shares issued and 20,553,205 shares outstanding | 212                               | 212                  |
| Additional paid-in capital   | 126,034                           | 126,034              |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income - foreign currency translation adjustments  | 217                               | 217                  |
| Accumulated deficit  | (117,009)                         | (115,953)            |
|  | 9,454                             | 10,510               |
| Less: Treasury stock (634,024 shares at cost)  | (1,647)                           | (1,647)              |
|  | 7,807                             | 8,863                |
|  | \$ 22,306                         | \$ 23,975            |

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See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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**CLST HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

(unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

|   | Three months ended<br>August 31, |           | Nine months ended<br>August 31, |           |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|
|   | 2008                             | 2007      | 2008                            | 2007      |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses                          | \$ 433                           | \$ 1,901  | \$ 1,402                        | \$ 14,009 |
| Operating loss  | (433)                            | (1,901)   | (1,402)                         | (14,009)  |
| Other income (expense):   |                                  |           |                                 |           |
| Interest expense  |                                  |           |                                 | (245)     |
| Loss on settlement of note receivable related to sale of Asia-Pacific |                                  |           |                                 | (537)     |
| Other, net  | 110                              | 559       | 331                             | 953       |
| Total other income  | \$ 110                           | \$ 559    | \$ 331                          | \$ 171    |
| Loss from continuing operations before income taxes                   | (323)                            | (1,342)   | (1,071)                         | (13,838)  |
| Benefit for income taxes  |                                  | (458)     | (5)                             | (13,084)  |
| Loss from continuing operations                                       | (323)                            | (884)     | (1,066)                         | (754)     |
| Discontinued operations, net of taxes                                 |                                  | 58        | 10                              | 25,628    |
| Net income (loss)   | \$ (323)                         | \$ (826)  | \$ (1,056)                      | \$ 24,874 |
| Net income (loss) per share:  |                                  |           |                                 |           |
| Basic and diluted:  |                                  |           |                                 |           |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations                              | \$ (0.02)                        | \$ (0.04) | \$ (0.05)                       | \$ (0.04) |
| Discontinued operations   |                                  |           |                                 | 1.25      |
| Net income (loss)   | \$ (0.02)                        | \$ (0.04) | \$ (0.05)                       | \$ 1.21   |
| Weighted average shares outstanding:                                  |                                  |           |                                 |           |
| Basic and diluted   | 20,553                           | 20,553    | 20,553                          | 20,558    |
| Cash dividends declared per share of common stock                     | \$                               | \$ 1.50   | \$                              | \$ 1.50   |

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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE

## INCOME (LOSS)

Nine months ended August 31, 2008 and 2007

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

|  | Common Stock |        | Treasury Stock |            | Additional      | Accumulated              | Accumulated  | Total     |
|--|--------------|--------|----------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|  | Shares       | Amount | Shares         | Amount     | paid-in capital | other comprehensive loss | deficit      |           |
| Balance at November 30, 2007                     | 21,187       | \$ 212 | (634)          | \$ (1,647) | \$ 126,034      | \$ 217                   | \$ (115,953) | \$ 8,863  |
| Comprehensive loss:                              |              |        |                |            |                 |                          |              |           |
| Net loss   |              |        |                |            |                 |                          | (1,056)      | (1,056)   |
| Total comprehensive loss                         |              |        |                |            |                 |                          |              | (1,056)   |
| Balance at August 31, 2008                       | 21,187       | \$ 212 | (634)          | \$ (1,647) | \$ 126,034      | \$ 217                   | \$ (117,009) | \$ 7,807  |
| Balance at November 30, 2006                     | 21,188       | \$ 212 | (29)           | \$ (94)    | \$ 124,346      | \$ (8,603)               | \$ (99,091)  | \$ 16,770 |
| Comprehensive income:                            |              |        |                |            |                 |                          |              |           |
| Net income                                       |              |        |                |            |                 |                          | 24,874       | 24,874    |
| Foreign currency translation adjustment          |              |        |                |            |                 | 9                        |              | 9         |
| Realized foreign currency translation adjustment |              |        |                |            |                 | 9,004                    |              | 9,004     |
| Total comprehensive loss                         |              |        |                |            |                 |                          |              | 33,887    |
| Cancellation of restricted stock                 | (1)          |        |                |            |                 |                          |              |           |
| Amortization of restricted stock                 |              |        |                |            | 1,677           |                          |              | 1,677     |
| Stock option expense                             |              |        |                |            | 11              |                          |              | 11        |
| Cash dividends (\$1.50 per common share)         |              |        |                |            |                 |                          | (30,830)     | (30,830)  |
| Treasury stock                                   |              |        | (605)          | (1,553)    |                 |                          |              | (1,553)   |



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|                               |        |    |     |       |    |         |    |         |    |     |    |           |    |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|----|-----|-------|----|---------|----|---------|----|-----|----|-----------|----|--------|
| Balance at August 31,<br>2007 | 21,187 | \$ | 212 | (634) | \$ | (1,647) | \$ | 126,034 | \$ | 410 | \$ | (105,047) | \$ | 19,962 |
|-------------------------------|--------|----|-----|-------|----|---------|----|---------|----|-----|----|-----------|----|--------|

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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**CLST HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**

Nine months ended August 31, 2008 and 2007

(Unaudited)

(In Thousands)

|   | 2008       | 2007      |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Cash flows from operating activities:   |            |           |
| Net income (loss)   | \$ (1,056) | \$ 24,874 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities |            |           |
| Stock based compensation  |            | 1,688     |
| Depreciation and amortization   | 1          | 95        |
| Fixed assets impairment   |            | 14        |
| Deferred taxes  |            | 2,786     |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:  |            |           |
| Accounts receivable-other   | 5,309      | (343)     |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets   | 346        | (1,566)   |
| Other assets  | 373        | 2,611     |
| Accounts payable  | (32)       | (1,417)   |
| Accrued expenses  | (581)      | (2,456)   |
| Income taxes payable  |            | (771)     |
| Discontinued operations - U.S., Miami, Mexico and Chile operations                      |            | (24,656)  |
| Net cash provided by operating activities   | 4,360      | 859       |
| Cash flows from investing activities:   |            |           |
| Purchases of property and equipment   | (10)       | (3)       |
| Proceeds from sale of U.S., Miami, Mexico and Chile operations                          |            | 72,410    |
| Discontinued operations - U.S., Miami, Mexico and Chile operations                      |            | (150)     |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities                                     | (10)       | 72,257    |
| Cash flows from financing activities:   |            |           |
| Borrowings on notes payable   |            | 190,225   |
| Payments on notes payable   |            | (223,694) |
| Borrowings on Term Loan   |            | 1,890     |
| Payments on Term Loan   |            | (12,050)  |
| Purchase of Treasury Stock  |            | (340)     |
| Redemption of 12% Senior Subordinated Notes   |            | (1,915)   |
| Dividend  |            | (30,830)  |
| Additions to deferred loan costs  |            | (2)       |

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|  |           |    |          |
|--|-----------|----|----------|
| Net cash used in financing activities  |           |    | (76,716) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents   | 4,350     |    | (3,600)  |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period   | 11,799    |    | 20,673   |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period   | \$ 16,149 | \$ | 17,073   |
| Non-Cash Investing Activity - accounts receivable other proceeds not yet received from U.S. Sale transaction | \$        | \$ | 11,734   |
| Non-Cash Financing Activity - Treasury Stock   | \$        | \$ | 1,213    |
| Cash paid during the period for:   |           |    |          |
| Income taxes   | \$        | \$ | 1,071    |

See accompanying notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements.

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**CLST HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*(a) Basis for Presentation*

Although the interim consolidated financial statements of CLST Holdings, Inc., formerly CellStar Corporation, and subsidiaries (the Company) are unaudited, Company management is of the opinion that all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of the results have been reflected therein. Net income (loss) for any interim period is not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the entire year.

These statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2007. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of all subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

We have reclassified to discontinued operations, for all periods presented, the results and related charges for the North American and Latin American Regions. (See footnote 2.)

*(b) Interest Expense*

In 2007 it was determined that 90% of interest expense should be allocated to discontinued operations based on the small amount of borrowings in the four months before the sale, where as before interest expense was allocated based on working capital and a percentage of revenues, by subsidiary based on large amounts of borrowings.

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During fiscal year 2007, we sold all of our U.S. operations, including our Miami-based Latin American operations (the U.S. Sale ), Mexico operations (the Mexico Sale ) and Chile operations (the Chile Sale ). For more information on these transactions, please see our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 12, 2008.

The results of discontinued operations for the U.S., Miami, Mexico and Chile for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows (in thousands):

|  | Three months ended<br>August 31, |      | Nine months ended<br>August 31, |      |         |
|--|----------------------------------|------|---------------------------------|------|---------|
|  | 2008                             | 2007 | 2008                            | 2007 |         |
| Revenues                                     | \$                               | \$   | \$                              | \$   | 276,334 |
| Cost of sales                                |                                  |      |                                 |      | 258,234 |
| Gross profit                                 |                                  |      |                                 |      | 18,100  |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses |                                  |      |                                 |      | 15,057  |
| Operating income (loss)                      |                                  |      |                                 |      | 3,043   |
| Other income (expense):                      |                                  |      |                                 |      |         |
| Interest expense                             |                                  |      |                                 |      | (2,201) |
| Loss on sale of accounts receivable          |                                  |      |                                 |      | (670)   |
| Minority interest                            |                                  |      |                                 |      | (1,420) |
| Gain on transactions                         |                                  |      |                                 | 549  | 44,837  |
| Other, net                                   |                                  |      |                                 | 15   | 126     |
| Total other income                           |                                  |      |                                 | 549  | 40,672  |
| Income before income taxes                   |                                  |      |                                 | 549  | 43,715  |
| Provision for income taxes                   |                                  |      |                                 | 491  | 18,087  |
| Total discontinued operations                | \$                               | \$   | \$                              | \$   | 25,628  |

**(3) Stock-Based Compensation**

We had granted stock options to directors, officers and key employees of the Company for purchase of the Company's common stock pursuant to the CellStar Corporation 2003 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the 2003 Plan ), the CellStar Corporation 1993 Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan and our 1994 Amended and Restated Director Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan. Options granted generally vested ratably over four year periods.

We used the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of all option grants. We did not grant any options during the nine months ended August 31, 2008 and 2007.

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For the nine months ended August 31, 2007, we recorded \$11,000 for stock-based compensation expense related to stock option grants made in prior years. This amount is included in selling, general and administrative expenses.

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During 2005 and 2006, we granted shares of restricted stock to our executive officers, directors and certain employees pursuant to the 2003 Plan. The shares of restricted stock vested in thirds over a three-year period, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. The restricted stock became 100% vested if any of the following occurred: (i) the participant's death; (ii) the termination of the participant's service as a result of disability; (iii) the termination of the participant without cause; (iv) the participant's voluntary termination after the attainment of age 65; or (v) a change in control. The total value of the awards, \$2.6 million, was expensed over the service period. The 2003 Plan permitted withholding of shares by the Company upon vesting to pay withholding tax. These withheld shares were considered as treasury stock and were available to be re-issued under the 2003 Plan. During the year ended November 30, 2006, 144,025 shares vested, of which 29,389 shares were withheld by the Company to pay withholding tax.

At March 29, 2007, the total remaining unearned compensation related to restricted stock awards was \$1.5 million which was to be amortized over the service periods through March 2009. However, as a result of the closing of the U.S. Sale transaction, all restricted stock vested and the expense of \$1.5 million was recognized in the quarter ended May 31, 2007, and 109,426 shares were withheld by the Company to pay withholding taxes. Included in selling general and administrative expense is \$1.7 million of expense related to the restricted stock grants for the nine months ended August 31, 2007.

We terminated our 2003 Plan in the fourth quarter of 2007.

**(4) Settlement of note receivable related to the sale of Asia-Pacific**

On March 5, 2007, we announced that we had signed an agreement, effective February 27, 2007, with Fine Day Holdings Limited ( "Fine Day" ) and Mr. Horng An-Hsien ( "Mr. Horng" ), the Chairman and sole shareholder of Fine Day, and formerly an executive officer of the Company, accepting a settlement of an outstanding note receivable related to the September 2005 sale of our Hong Kong and People's Republic of China ( "PRC" ) operations.

Since September 2, 2005, Fine Day had made timely interest payments to us on the promissory note. However, Fine Day informed us in February 2007 that it would not be able to pay quarterly interest payments or the principal amount of the note at maturity after the March 1, 2007 interest payment. In settlement of the outstanding note, we agreed to accept a \$650,000 cash payment, along with the transfer to the Company of all of Mr. Horng's shares of our common stock, approximately 474,000 shares. The carrying value of the note, prior to the agreement, was \$2.4 million. As a result of the settlement, we recorded a loss of \$0.5 million for the quarter ended February 28, 2007. The shares of stock were valued at \$2.56 per share based on the closing price on April 12, 2007. The transaction closed on April 12, 2007, and we recorded an additional loss of \$43,000 during the quarter ended May 31, 2007 to reflect the change in the value of the stock up to the time of closing. As of May 31, 2007, the shares of stock previously owned by Mr. Horng are included in treasury stock.

Table of Contents**(5) Net Loss Per Share**

Options to purchase 0.1 million for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2008, and 0.3 million and 0.4 million shares of common stock for the three and nine months ended August 31, 2007, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the exercise price was higher than the average market price (in thousands, except per share data).

|  | Three Months Ended<br>August 31, |           | Nine Months Ended<br>August 31, |           |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|
|  | 2008                             | 2007      | 2008                            | 2007      |
| Basic and diluted:                               |                                  |           |                                 |           |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations         | \$ (323)                         | \$ (884)  | \$ (1,056)                      | \$ (754)  |
| Discontinued operations                          |                                  | 58        |                                 | 25,628    |
| Net income (loss)                                | \$ (323)                         | \$ (826)  | \$ (1,056)                      | \$ 24,874 |
| Weighted average number of shares<br>outstanding |                                  |           |                                 |           |
|  | 20,553                           | 20,553    | 20,553                          | 20,558    |
| Income (loss) from continuing operations         | \$ (0.02)                        | \$ (0.04) | \$ (0.05)                       | \$ (0.04) |
| Discontinued operations                          |                                  |           |                                 | 1.25      |
| Net income (loss) per share                      | \$ (0.02)                        | \$ (0.04) | \$ (0.05)                       | \$ 1.21   |

**(6) Commitments and Contingencies**

We have an agreement with one employee to assist with the final wind down of our business. Under the agreement the employee is to receive her base salary as well as a bonus upon the completion of certain objectives during the liquidation process. The estimated commitment remaining under the agreement at August 31, 2008 is \$124,000.

We are party to various claims, legal actions and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. Our management believes that the disposition of these matters will not have a materially adverse effect on our consolidated financial condition or results of operations.



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We have been informed of the existence of an investigation that may relate to the Company or our South American operations. Specifically, we understand that authorities in a foreign country are reviewing allegations from unknown parties that remittances were made from South America to Company accounts in the United States in 1999. We do not know the nature or subject of the investigation, or the potential involvement, if any, of the Company or our former subsidiaries. We do not know if allegations of wrongdoing have been made against the Company, our former subsidiaries or any current or former Company personnel or if any of them are subjects of the investigation. However, the fact that we are aware of an allegation of transfer of money from South America to the United States and that authorities may have questioned witnesses about such alleged transfers means that the Company cannot predict whether or not the investigation will result in a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of our company.

On October 30, 2007, Ms. Sherrian Gunn, the former Chief Executive Officer, filed an Original Petition asserting a claim for breach of Employment Agreement. On April 9, 2008, we reached an agreement with Ms. Gunn to pay her \$447,500 to settle all claims in the matter. This amount has been paid.

**(7) New Accounting Pronouncements**

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 ( FIN 48 ), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 , which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions. This interpretation requires that we recognize in our financial statements the impact of a tax position, if that position is more likely than not of being sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. The provisions of FIN 48 were effective as of the beginning of our 2008 fiscal year, with the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle recorded as an adjustment to retained earnings. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting FIN 48 on our financial statements, and as such, have not analyzed our open tax returns. As a result, our auditors have not performed any review or testing related to our adoption of FIN 48.

In September 2006, the FASB issued FASB Statement No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( SFAS 157 ), which defines fair value, establishes a market-based framework or hierarchy for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS 157 is applicable whenever another accounting pronouncement requires or permits assets and liabilities to be measured at fair value and, while not expanding or requiring new fair value measurements, the application of this statement may change current practices. The requirements of SFAS 157 are effective for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2008. However, in February 2008 the FASB decided that an entity need not apply this standard to nonfinancial assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis until the subsequent year. Accordingly, the adoption of this standard on December 1, 2007 is limited to financial assets and liabilities, which did not have an impact on our financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB released Statement No. 141 R, Business Combinations ( SFAS 141R ), which establishes principles for how the acquirer shall recognize acquired assets, assumed liabilities and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, recognize and measure the acquired goodwill in the business combination, or gain from a bargain purchase, and determines disclosures associated with financial statements. This statement replaces SFAS 141 but retains the fundamental requirements in SFAS 141 that the acquisition method of accounting (which SFAS 141 called the purchase method) be used for all business combinations and for an acquirer to be identified for each business combination. The requirements of SFAS 141R apply to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Early application is not permitted.

From time to time, new accounting pronouncements are issued by the FASB or other standards setting bodies which we adopt as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, our management believes the impact of recently issued standards which are not yet effective will not

have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

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**Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section and audited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 12, 2008 and with the unaudited consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto presented in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

**Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This report includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this report that address activities, events or developments that we expect or anticipate will or may occur in the future, including such things as our plan of dissolution and alternate business strategies such as acquisitions and reference to intentions as to future matters and other such matters, are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on certain assumptions and analyses made by us in light of our experience and our perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments as well as other factors we believe are appropriate in the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will conform with our expectations and predictions is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, general economic, market or business conditions; the opportunities (or lack thereof) that may be presented to and pursued by us; changes in laws or regulations; and other factors, including those listed in the Risk Factors section of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 12, 2008, many of which are beyond our control. Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this report are qualified by these cautionary statements, and we cannot assure you that the actual results or developments anticipated by us will be realized or, even if realized, that they will have the expected consequences to or effects on us, our business or operations. We have no intention, and disclaim any obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future results or otherwise.

**Overview**

We recorded a loss of \$0.3 million or \$0.02 per share for the third quarter 2008, compared to a loss of \$0.8 million or \$0.04 per share for the same period in 2007. The results for the third quarter 2007 included income from discontinued operations of \$0.1 million net of taxes.

During fiscal year 2007 we sold all of our U.S. operations, including our Miami-based Latin American operations, Mexico operations and Chile operations. For more information on these transactions, please see our Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 12, 2008.

We have sold all of our major assets and only a small administrative staff remains. Our stockholders approved the U.S. Sale, the Mexico Sale, the plan of dissolution, and the name change to CLST Holdings, Inc. on March 28, 2007. Prior to the closing of the U.S. Sale, the Mexico Sale and the Chile Sale, our operating performance was subject to a variety of risks, which are more fully described in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the twelve months ended November 30, 2006, and our proxy statement filed February 20, 2007. The amount and timing of any distributions paid to stockholders in connection with the liquidation and dissolution of our company are subject to uncertainties and depend on the resolution of certain contingencies more fully described in the proxy statement and elsewhere in our Form 10-K. However, consistent with the plan of dissolution and its fiduciary duties, our Board of Directors (the Board) will continue to consider the

proper implementation of the plan of dissolution and the exercise of the authority granted to it thereunder, including the authority to abandon the plan of dissolution. Our Board has in the past year considered whether it is possible, and if it would be in the best

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interest of our company and its stockholders, to de-register with the SEC and thereby eliminate our company's responsibilities to file reports with the SEC. Due to the number of current stockholders and the steps we would need to take to reduce the number of stockholders, our Board is not currently considering de-registering with the SEC, but may reconsider doing so in the future.

On July 19, 2007, we paid a \$1.50 per share dividend under the plan of dissolution, resulting in the distribution to stockholders of approximately \$30.8 million. On November 1, 2007, we paid an additional \$0.60 per share dividend to stockholders; which brings the cumulative dividends paid to stockholders to \$2.10 per share or approximately \$43.2 million.

On December 21, 2007, we announced, consistent with its fiduciary duties, that our Board is now giving careful consideration to the strategic alternatives available to our company, with a view to maximizing stockholder value. Among other matters, our Board is giving consideration to the acquisition of an operating business or commencing a business similar to one of our historic lines of business. The Board has not agreed to acquire a business, nor has it decided to abandon our plan of liquidation and dissolution. Instead, the Board is exploring whether acquiring an operating business or commencing a business similar to one of our historic lines of business would be likely to present more economic value to our stockholders than completing the plan of liquidation and dissolution. In particular, the Board expects to consider opportunities that may present themselves as a result of current market conditions to acquire assets or businesses on favorable terms and hopes to focus on opportunities to utilize our historic business presence. If our Board determines that it is in the best interest of our company to pursue an acquisition, it will likely require our company to obtain debt and/or equity financing. Even if we are able to obtain access to the necessary capital, we may be unable to identify suitable acquisition opportunities, negotiate acceptable terms or successfully acquire identified targets. It is unlikely our Board will make any further distributions to our stockholders under the plan of dissolution while it considers the strategic alternatives available to our company. As a result of the on-going evaluation, we are not giving any guidance to stockholders regarding an expected range of cumulative distributions. It is possible that our Board will, in the exercise of its fiduciary duties, elect to abandon the plan of dissolution for a strategic alternative that it believes will maximize stockholder value, and that no further liquidating distributions will be made.

**Discussion of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations is based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting policies that are described in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. We continually evaluate our judgments and estimates in determination of our financial condition and operating results. Estimates are based on information available as of the date of the financial statements and, accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates, sometimes materially. Critical accounting policies and estimates are defined as those that are both most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and operating results and require management's most subjective judgments. The most critical accounting policies and estimates are described below. The following is applicable to our discontinued operations.

***Stock-Based Compensation.***

Prior to fiscal 2006, we accounted for our stock options under the recognition and measurement provisions of APB Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees, and related interpretations. Effective December 1, 2005, we adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 123 (Revised 2004), Share-Based Payments (SFAS 123(R)), and selected the modified prospective method to initially report stock-based compensation amounts in the consolidated financial statements. We used the Black-Scholes option pricing model to determine the fair value of all option grants. We did not grant any options during the years ended November 30, 2007 and 2006 or during the nine months ended August 31, 2008.



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During 2006, we granted shares of restricted stock to our executive officers, directors and certain employees pursuant to our 2003 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares of restricted stock vested in thirds over a three-year period, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. The restricted stock was to become 100% vested if any of the following occurred: (i) the participant's death; (ii) the termination of participant's service as a result of disability; (iii) the termination of the participant without cause; (iv) the participant's voluntary termination after the attainment of age 65; or (v) a change in control. The total value of the awards, \$2.6 million, was being expensed over the service period. The 2003 Long-Term Incentive Plan permitted withholding of shares by our company upon vesting to pay withholding tax. These withheld shares were considered as treasury stock and were available to be re-issued under the 2003 Long-Term Incentive Plan, prior its termination on September 25, 2007. Restricted stock issued under the 2003 Long-Term Incentive Plan vested upon the completion of the U.S. Sale and no new shares will be issued.

**Results of Operations**

As previously stated, we have sold all of our major assets and only a small administrative staff remains. We have no significant operations today other than the expenses associated with the small administrative staff. As discussed below, our selling, general and administrative expenses were \$0.4 million for the third quarter 2008 compared to \$1.9 million for the third quarter 2007. The reduction in expenses in 2008 is due to the fact that we reduced our staff, relocated our headquarters, eliminated our 401K and benefits plans, and in general reduced expenses in all categories as a result of the sale of our operations.

*Three Months Ended August 31, 2008, Compared to Three Months Ended August 31, 2007*

*Revenues and Gross Profit.* We do not have any revenues or gross profit to report due to the sale of our operations in 2007.

*Selling, General, and Administrative Expenses.* Our selling, general and administrative expenses were \$0.4 million for the third quarter 2008 compared to \$1.9 million for the third quarter 2007. The reduction in expenses in 2008 is due to the fact that we reduced our staff, relocated our headquarters, eliminated our 401K and benefits plans, and in general reduced expenses in all categories as a result of the sale of our operations.

*Total Other Income.* Our total other income for the third quarter 2008 was \$0.1 million, compared to \$0.6 million for the third quarter 2007. During the third quarter of 2008 and 2007, we had only interest income.

*Income taxes.* We had no net tax expense for the third quarter of 2008, compared to an income tax benefit of \$0.5 million for the third quarter of 2007. In the third quarter of 2007 we used the losses from our continuing operations as well as net operating losses from prior years that previously had valuation allowances to offset income from discontinued operations except for certain minimum taxes, withholding taxes and taxes related to Comunicación Inalámbrica Inteligente, S.A. de C.V., in which we held an interest prior to the sale of our Mexico operations. The benefit in 2007 was partially reduced by the closing of the Mexico Sale, which increases the deferred income tax

valuation allowance by approximately \$2.7 million as no future taxable income will be generated from the Mexico operations.

*Discontinued Operations.* We had no income from discontinued operations for the third quarter 2008. As discussed in Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, we sold our operations in the U.S., Miami, Mexico and Chile.



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*Nine Months ended August 31, 2008, Compared to the Nine Months Ended August 31, 2007*

*Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$1.4 million for the nine months ended August 31, 2008 compared to \$14.0 million for the same period in 2007. The reduction in expenses in 2008 is due to the fact that we reduced our staff, relocated our headquarters, eliminated our 401K and benefits plans, and in general reduced expenses in all categories as a result of the sale of our operations.

*Total Other Income.* Our total other income for the nine months ended August 31, 2008 was \$0.3 million, which consisted solely of interest income, compared to income of \$0.2 million for the same period in 2007, which included a \$0.5 million loss from a note receivable related to the sale of our Asia-Pacific operations, interest expense of \$0.2 million and \$0.9 million in income related to interest income.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources**

As of August 31, 2008 we had cash and cash equivalents of \$16.1 million. Historically we have invested our cash and cash equivalents in either money market accounts or shorter Certificate of Deposits with our primary bank, Texas Capital Bank. Although we remain confident with our bank, due to the current banking crisis, we have decided to move the majority of our cash to U.S. government backed securities through a repurchase agreement with Texas Capital Bank. We had no loans outstanding as of August 31, 2008. At November 30, 2007, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$11.8 million.

Prior to the sales of our operations, we were able to use funds generated from each of the respective operations, trade credit lines available from our suppliers, borrowings under our revolving credit facility, factoring of accounts receivable, and sale of assets to meet our operating needs. Subsequent to the sale of our operations, we will meet our needs with existing funds and interest and investment income generated by our cash and cash equivalents.

*Operating Activities.* The net cash we received from operating activities for the nine months ended August 31, 2008 was \$4.4 million compared to \$0.9 million for the same period in 2007. The primary reason for this increase was the collection of \$4.7 million of accounts receivable from Brightpoint, Inc. (the purchaser of our U.S. and Miami operations) and the escrow agent from our U.S. Sale, a payment of \$0.2 million related to the sale of our operations in Colombia, which took place in April 2004, and a \$0.9 million federal income tax refund payment, which was offset by operating expenses.

*Investing Activities.* We did not have any significant investing activities during the third quarter 2008.

*Financing Activities.* We did not have any financing activities during the third quarter 2008.

*Contractual Obligations.* We have an agreement with one employee to assist with the final wind down of our historic business. Under the agreement, the employee is to receive base salary as well as a bonus upon the completion of certain objectives during the liquidation process. The maximum payment remaining under this agreement at August 31, 2008 is \$124,000, and we expect to pay this amount out of our available cash. If we abandon our plan of liquidation and dissolution, our obligations to this employee will continue.

Included in accounts payable at August 31, 2008, is approximately \$14.2 million associated with liabilities which may be resolved in the liquidation process or in the ordinary course if we abandon our plan of liquidation and dissolution. In the event these liabilities are resolved for less than book value, net operating loss carryforwards will be used to offset any tax liability associated with reductions of the recorded liabilities.

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**New Accounting Pronouncements**

*Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Adopted*

In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 ( FIN 48 ), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 , which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in tax positions. This interpretation requires that we recognize in our financial statements the impact of a tax position, if that position is more likely than not of being sustained on audit, based on the technical merits of the position. The provisions of FIN 48 were effective as of the beginning of our 2008 fiscal year, with the cumulative effect of the change in accounting principle recorded as an adjustment to retained earnings. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting FIN 48 on our financial statements and as such has not analyzed our open tax returns. As a result, our auditors have not performed any review or testing related to our adoption of FIN 48.

In September 2006, the FASB issued FASB Statement No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ( SFAS 157 ), which defines fair value, establishes a market-based framework or hierarchy for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS 157 is applicable whenever another accounting pronouncement requires or permits assets and liabilities to be measured at fair value and, while not expanding or requiring new fair value measurements, the application of this statement may change current practices. The requirements of SFAS 157 are effective for the fiscal year beginning December 1, 2008. However, in February 2008 the FASB decided that an entity need not apply this standard to nonfinancial assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis until the subsequent year. Accordingly, the adoption of this standard on December 1, 2007 is limited to financial assets and liabilities, which did not have an impact on our financial statements.

In December 2007, the FASB released Statement No. 141 R, Business Combinations ( SFAS 141R ), which establishes principles for how the acquirer shall recognize acquired assets, assumed liabilities and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree, recognize and measure the acquired goodwill in the business combination, or gain from a bargain purchase, and determines disclosures associated with financial statements. This statement replaces SFAS 141 but retains the fundamental requirements in SFAS 141 that the acquisition method of accounting (which SFAS 141 called the purchase method) be used for all business combinations and for an acquirer to be identified for each business combination. The requirements of SFAS 141R apply to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. Early application is not permitted.

From time to time, new accounting pronouncements are issued by the FASB or other standards setting bodies which we adopt as of the specified effective date. Unless otherwise discussed, our management believes the impact of recently issued standards which are not yet effective will not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

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

This information has been omitted as our company qualifies as a smaller reporting company.



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**Item 4T. Controls and Procedures**

There were changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the year ended November 30, 2007 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. We completed the U.S. Sale on March 30, 2007 and the Mexico Sale on April 12, 2007. In conjunction with the U.S. and Mexico Sales, a substantial number of our employees either resigned or transferred to the acquiring entities. Also as a result of the U.S. Sale, the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Administrative Officer, and Chief Financial Officer resigned. To supplement controls, we used consultants to perform reviews of certain key reconciliations and accounting records that were previously performed by employees. Additionally on June 11, 2007, we completed the sale of our operations in Chile. There were no changes to our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended August 31, 2008 that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. However, we anticipate that changes will continue to be made to our internal controls as a result of the reduction of employees and consolidation of functions to reflect our new size. If we abandon our plan of liquidation and dissolution, and acquire or commence a business, we will need to modify our internal control over financial reporting in an appropriate fashion, and the cost of implementing and monitoring these controls may be significant.

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer has evaluated the effectiveness of the our company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer has concluded that our company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at August 31, 2008.

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**PART II OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

We have been informed of the existence of an investigation that may relate to our company or our South American operations. Specifically, we understand that authorities are reviewing allegations from unknown parties that remittances were made from South America to company accounts in the United States in 1999. We do not know the nature or subject of the investigation, or the potential involvement, if any, of our company or our former subsidiaries. We do not know if allegations of wrongdoing have been made against our company, our former subsidiaries or any current or former company personnel or if any of them are subjects of the investigation. However, the fact that the investigators are aware of an allegation of transfers of money from South America to the United States and that authorities may have questioned witnesses about such alleged transfers means that we can not predict whether or not the investigation will result in a material adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of our company.

We are party to various claims, legal actions and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. Our management believes that the disposition of these matters will not have a materially adverse effect on the consolidated financial condition or results of operations of our company.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

This information has been omitted as our company qualifies as a smaller reporting company. Please refer to Item 1A, Risk Factors, of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2007, filed with the SEC on March 12, 2008.

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

Not applicable.

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities**

Not applicable.

**Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

We did not submit any matters to a vote of security holders in the third quarter of 2008.

**Item 5. Other Information**

Not applicable.

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**Item 6. Exhibits**

- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of CellStar Corporation (the Certificate of Incorporation ). (1)
- 3.2 Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation. (2)
- 3.3 Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation dated as of February 20, 2002. (3)
- 3.4 Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated as of March 30, 2007. (4)
- 3.5 Amended and Restated Bylaws of CellStar Corporation, effective as of May 1, 2004. (5)
- 31.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. (6)
- 32.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(b) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and 18 U.S.C. Section 1350. (6)

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(1) Previously filed as an exhibit to our company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended August 31, 1995, and incorporated herein by reference.

(2) Previously filed as an exhibit to our company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended May 31, 1998, and incorporated herein by reference.

(3) Previously filed as an exhibit to our company's Annual Report Form on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2002 and incorporated herein by reference.

(4) Previously filed as an exhibit to our company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended May 31, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference.

(5) Previously filed as an exhibit to our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended May 31, 2004, and incorporated herein by reference.

(6) Filed herewith.



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**Signatures**

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

CLST HOLDINGS, INC.

By:

*/s/ Robert A. Kaiser*  
Robert A. Kaiser  
Chief Executive Officer, President,  
Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

October 14, 2008