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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

	SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
	Washington, D.C. 20549
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	FORM 10-Q
X	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the quarterly period ended April 2, 2005
	OR
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
	For the transition period from to
	Commission file number 1-3246
	ProQuest Company
	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of 36-3580106 (I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization)

Identification No.)

777 Eisenhower Parkway, Ann Arbor, Michigan (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

48106-1346 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (734) 761-4700

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

Indicate by checkmark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). x

The number of shares of the Registrant s Common Stock, \$.001 par value, outstanding as of May 10, 2005 was 29,850,530.

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ProQuest Company and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Operations

For the Thirteen Week Periods Ended April 2, 2005, and April 3, 2004

(In thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	April 2,	April 3,
	2005	2004
Net sales	\$ 121,120	\$ 110,850
Cost of sales (a)	(57,165)	(53,965)
Gross profit	63,955	56,885
Research and development expense	(4,789)	(4,399)
Selling and administrative expense (a)	(40,381)	(31,642)
Earnings from continuing operations before interest and income taxes	18,785	20,844
Net interest expense:		
Interest income	395	261
Interest expense	(7,148)	(4,397)
Net interest expense	(6,753)	(4,136)
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes	12,032	16,708
Income tax expense	(4,274)	(5,834)
Earnings from continuing operations	7,758	10,874
Earnings from discontinued operations (less applicable income taxes of \$0 and \$349)	1,150	610
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Net earnings	\$ 7,758	\$ 11,484
Net earnings per common share:		
Basic:		
Earnings from continuing operations	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.38
Earnings from discontinued operations		0.02
Basic net earnings per common share	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.40
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Diluted:		
Earnings from continuing operations	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.38
Earnings from discontinued operations		0.02

Diluted net earnings per common share	\$	0.26	\$	0.40
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Weighted average number of common shares and equivalents outstanding:				
Basic	2	29,377	2	28,406
Diluted	2	29,778	2	28,799

(a) See Part II. Item 5. of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

The accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

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ProQuest Company and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Balance Sheets

As of April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004

(In thousands)

AGGERG	April 2, 2005 (Unaudited)	January 1, 2005	April 3, 2004 (Unaudited)
ASSETS			
Current assets:	ф	ф 4.212	Φ (13
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	\$ 4,313	\$ 642
Accounts receivable, net	80,431	95,279	79,506
Inventory, net	13,106	5,312	5,090
Other current assets	58,081	50,133	52,106
Total current assets	151,618	155,037	137,344
Property, plant, equipment and product masters, at cost	448,204	422,803	410,892
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(234,715)	(222,806)	(224,273)
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Net property, plant, equipment and product masters	213,489	199,997	186,619
Long-term receivables	8,476	8,084	4.009
Goodwill	587,029	311,279	304,469
Identifiable intangibles, net	24,035	15,379	9,754
Curriculum, net	96,266	10,0.5	۶,.۰۰
Purchased and developed software, net	40,338	41,699	53,799
Other assets	23,182	21,454	19,348
Other assets	23,102	21,434	17,540
Total assets	\$ 1,144,433	\$ 752,929	\$ 715,342
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY			
Current liabilities:			
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 5,165	\$ 5,000	\$
Checks issued in excess of funds on deposit	1,208		
Accounts payable	39,683	49,364	38,968
Accrued expenses	27,230	35,303	21,256
Current portion of monetized future billings	22,572	24,331	25,352
Deferred income	79,397	100,480	106,383
Total current liabilities	175,255	214,478	191,959
Long-term liabilities:			
Long-term debt, less current maturities	512,351	150,000	214,250
Monetized future billings, less current portion	31,173	36,197	44,933
Other liabilities	119,809	82,533	63,543

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Total long-term liabilities	663,333	268,730	322,726
Shareholders equity:			
Common stock (\$.001 par value, 50,000 shares authorized, 30,539 shares issued and 29,850			
shares outstanding at April 2, 2005, 29,389 shares issued and 28,731 shares outstanding at			
January 1, 2005, and 29,038 shares issued and 28,453 shares outstanding at April 3, 2004)	30	29	28
Capital surplus	354,093	320,033	312,080
Unearned compensation on restricted stock	(3,736)	(236)	
Notes receivable arising from stock purchases	(194)	(194)	(283)
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	(28,261)	(36,019)	(91,528)
Treasury stock, at cost (689 shares at April 2, 2005, 658 shares at January 1, 2005 and 585			
shares at April 3, 2004)	(17,424)	(16,276)	(14,515)
Other comprehensive income/(loss):			
Accumulated foreign currency translation adjustment	3,915	4,562	(3,107)
Unrealized (loss) from derivatives, net of tax	(939)	(536)	(771)
Minimum pension liability, net of tax	(1,970)	(1,970)	(1,247)
Net unrealized gain on securities, net of tax	331	328	
Accumulated other comprehensive income/(loss)	1,337	2,384	(5,125)
Total shareholders equity	305,845	269,721	200,657
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 1,144,433	\$ 752,929	\$ 715,342

The accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

ProQuest Company and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the Thirteen Week Periods Ended April 2, 2005, and April 3, 2004

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	April 2, 2005	April 3, 2004
Operating activities:		
Net earnings	\$ 7,758	\$ 11,484
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	18,361	16,365
Deferred income taxes	(227)	4,838
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable, net	32,539	15,350
Inventory, net	(407)	(69)
Other current assets	(5,997)	(7,759)
Long-term receivables	(393)	1,097
Other assets	360	96
Accounts payable	(12,543)	(10,389)
Accrued expenses	(13,779)	(15,013)
Deferred income	(24,544)	(15,755)
Other long-term liabilities	(1,427)	(1,246)
Other, net	222	425
Net cash used in operating activities	(77)	(576)
Investing activities:		
Expenditures for property, plant, equipment, product masters, curriculum costs, and software	(24,235)	(20,744)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(340,705)	(1,246)
Purchases of equity investments available for sale	(2,127)	(1,453)
Proceeds from disposals of equity investments available for sale	1,374	708
Expenditures associated with discontinued operations	(27)	(2,367)
Net cash used in investing activities	(365,720)	(25,102)
Financing activities:		
Net increase (decrease) in short-term debt	15	(303)
Proceeds from long-term debt	630,000	144,650
Repayment of long-term debt	(268,000)	(121,400)
Checks issued in excess of funds on deposit	1,208	
Principal payments under capital lease obligations	(27)	
Cash paid for settlement of treasury locks	(490)	
Debt issuance costs	(2,013)	
Monetized future billings	(6,783)	(2,133)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	7,845	1,469
Net cash provided by financing activities	361,755	22,283
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Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(271)	14
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	(4,313) 4,313	(3,381) 4,023
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	\$ 642

The accompanying Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

ProQuest Company and Subsidiaries

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(Dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

Note 1 Basis of Presentation

The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of ProQuest Company and its subsidiaries, including ProQuest Information & Learning (PQIL) and ProQuest Business Solutions (PQBS), and are unaudited.

As permitted under the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) requirements for interim reporting, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been omitted. Certain reclassifications to the 2004 Consolidated Financial Statements have been made to conform to the 2005 presentation. We believe that these financial statements include all necessary and recurring adjustments for the fair presentation of the interim period results. These financial 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 fiscal year ended January 1, 2005.

In June 2004, we sold our Dealer Management System (DMS) business. For periods prior to June 2004, the operating results of this business have been segregated from our continuing operations in our Consolidated Statements of Operations.

Note 2 Significant Accounting Policies

Accounts Receivable. Accounts receivable are stated net of the allowance for doubtful accounts which was \$2,039, \$1,452, and \$1,703 at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004, respectively.

 $\underline{\text{Inventory.}} \text{ Inventory costs include material, labor, and overhead. Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method) or market, net of reserves.}$

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The components of inventory are shown in the table below as of the dates indicated:

	April 2,	January 1,	April 3,
	2005	2005	2004
Finished products	\$ 11,010	\$ 3,411	\$ 2,782
Products in process and materials	2,096	1,901	2,308
Total inventory, net	\$ 13,106	\$ 5,312	\$ 5,090

Property, Plant, Equipment, and Product Masters. Property, plant, equipment, and product masters are recorded at cost. The straight-line method of depreciation is primarily used, except for PQIL product masters (which represent the cost to create electronic and microform master document copies which are subsequently used in the production process to fulfill customers information requirements), which are depreciated on the double declining balance method. The carrying value of the product masters is \$184,388 (net of \$169,082 of accumulated depreciation), \$171,368 (net of \$161,321 of accumulated depreciation), and \$161,950 (net of \$154,462 of accumulated depreciation) at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004, respectively.

As of April 2, 2005, fixtures and equipment held under capital leases totaled \$516. There were no capital leases as of January 1, 2005 or April 3, 2004.

<u>Curriculum.</u> Curriculum includes the acquired curriculum in the amount of \$97,000 resulting from the acquisition of Voyager in the first quarter of 2005, as well as additional ongoing curriculum development costs. The curriculum that was acquired with Voyager is being amortized over 10 years on a straight-line basis. New curriculum development costs for programs that have an estimated life of more than one year are capitalized and amortized over the expected lives of the programs, typically 3 years. Curriculum development costs on programs with a one year shelf life are expensed as incurred. The carrying value of curriculum is \$96,266 (net of \$1,616 of accumulated amortization) at April 2, 2005.

Stock Option Plan. As permitted by Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123, Accounting for Stock Based Compensation, we account for our stock option plan using the intrinsic method prescribed in Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees and related interpretations. Accordingly, compensation expense is recorded on the date of grant only if the current market price of the underlying stock exceeds the exercise price of the stock option. Pro forma net earnings and earnings per share disclosures for employee stock option grants based on the fair value-based method (defined in SFAS No. 123), whereby

the fair value of stock-based awards at the date of grant would be subsequently expensed over the related vesting periods, are indicated below:

	Thirteen weeks ended	
	April 2, 2005	April 3, 2004
Net earnings, as reported	\$ 7,758	\$ 11,484
Deduct: Total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value-based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	(1,254)	(1,078)
Pro forma net earnings	\$ 6,504	\$ 10,406
Earnings per share:		
Basic - as reported	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.40
Basic - pro forma	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.37
Diluted - as reported	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.40
Diluted - pro forma	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.36

The fair value of each option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model or a binomial model. The assumptions for the Black-Scholes option-pricing model are as follows:

	Thirteen we	Thirteen weeks ended	
	April 2,	April 3,	
	2005	2004	
Expected stock volatility	37.35%	38.84%	
Risk-free interest rate	3.86%	2.79%	
Expected years until exercise	4	4	
Dividend yield	0.00%	0.00%	

On February 4, 2004, the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors granted 1,961.5 nonqualified stock options with an exercise price of \$30.97 to six members of our senior executive team. These stock options are intended to serve as a long-term incentive consistent with the Board s desire that management deliver long-term sustainable stockholder value.

Based on the complexity of this plan, we have utilized a binomial model to estimate the fair value of the options, utilizing the following assumptions:

Expected stock volatility	31.50%
Risk-free interest rate	3.07%
Expected years until exercise	5
Dividend yield	0.00%

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We also issued 108 shares of restricted stock to certain employees and non-employees. These shares are valued at the market price at their respective award dates, recorded in Unearned compensation on restricted stock on our Consolidated Balance Sheets, and recognized as expense over the vesting period, typically 3 years. The amount of compensation cost related to these equity awards that was recognized into income was \$169 and \$0 for the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005 and April 3, 2004, respectively.

<u>Derivative Financial Instruments and Hedging Activities.</u> All derivative instruments are recognized as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet at fair value.

Net Earnings per Common Share. Basic net earnings per common share is computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net earnings per common share is computed by dividing net earnings by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period, and reflects the potential dilution that could occur if all of our outstanding stock options that are in-the-money were exercised and the restricted stock was fully vested, using the treasury stock method. Under the treasury stock method, the proceeds that would be received from the exercise of all in-the-money options are assumed to be used to repurchase shares. A reconciliation of the weighted average number of common shares and equivalents outstanding in the calculation of basic and diluted net earnings per common share is shown in the table below for the periods indicated:

	Thirteen W	eeks Ended
	April 2, 2005	April 3, 2004
Basic	29,377	28,406
Dilutive effect of stock options	401	393
Diluted	29,778	28,799

Options to purchase 495 shares and 867 shares were outstanding at April 2, 2005 and April 3, 2004, respectively, but were not included in the computation of diluted net earnings per share because the options exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares and, therefore, would be antidilutive.

Note 3 Discontinued Operations

In June 2004, we sold our DMS business, which was a component of PQBS. The DMS business was a software business, which did not fit with our core electronic publishing strategy.

Results for discontinued operations are shown in the table below for the periods indicated:

	-	rter Ended April 3,
		2004
Net sales	\$	5,390
Earnings before interest and income taxes		1,077
Interest expense, net		(118)
Income tax expense		(349)
Earnings from discontinued operations	\$	610

We will continue to provide parts and service products for powersports, recreational vehicles, and marine dealers. In addition, we entered into an exclusive distributor agreement with the DMS buyer. Approximately \$5,100 has been recorded as deferred revenue related to this agreement, and will be recognized as revenue over the sixty-month contract. During the first quarter of 2005, \$255 was recognized as revenue related to this contract.

Note 4 Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income or loss includes net earnings, net unrealized (loss)/gain on derivative instruments related to interest rate hedging, foreign currency translation adjustments, minimum pension liability, and net unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities.

Comprehensive income is shown in the table below for the periods indicated:

	Thirteen V	Veeks Ended
	April 2, 2005	April 3, 2004
Net earnings Other comprehensive income/(loss):	\$ 7,758	\$ 11,484
Net unrealized (loss)/gain on derivative instruments	(403)	35

Foreign currency translation adjustments	(647)	124
Net unrealized gain on securities	3	
Comprehensive income	\$ 6,711	\$ 11,643

The net unrealized (loss)/gain on derivative instruments, foreign currency translation adjustments, minimum pension liability, and net unrealized gain on securities does not impact our current income tax expense.

Note 5 Segment Reporting

Information concerning our reportable business segments is shown in the tables below for the periods indicated:

	As of and for the thirteen weeks ended April 2,		1 2, 2005				
		PQIL	PQBS	C	orporate		Total
Net sales	\$	76,773	\$ 44,347	\$		\$	121,120
Earnings from operations before interest and income taxes	\$	11,467	\$ 11,648	\$	(4,330)	\$	18,785
Expenditures for property, plant, equipment, product masters, curriculum costs, and software	\$	23,843	\$ 18	\$	374	\$	24,235
Depreciation and amortization	\$	16,985	\$ 1,297	\$	79	\$	18,361
Total assets	\$ 1	,009,330	\$ 112,032	\$	23,071	\$ 1	1,144,433
		As of and fo	PQBS		eks ended A	Apri	1 3, 2004 Total
Net sales	\$	68,576	\$ 42,274	\$		\$	110,850
Earnings from operations before interest and income taxes	\$	14,041	\$ 11,006	\$	(4,203)	\$	20,844
Expenditures for property, plant, equipment, product masters, curriculum costs, and software	\$	19,350	\$ 1,384	\$	10	\$	20,744
Depreciation and amortization	\$	14,125	\$ 2,164	\$	76	\$	16,365
Total assets	\$	570,588	\$ 120,540	\$	24,214	\$	715,342

Note 6 Investments in Affiliates

On December 4, 2000, we entered into a Limited Liability Company Agreement with DaimlerChrysler Corporation, Ford Motor Company, and General Motors Corporation to form OEConnection (OEC).

For reporting purposes, OEC s balance sheet and statement of operations are not consolidated with our results. Beginning January 1, 2003 until December 31, 2007, we earn a royalty on OEC s net revenues, which is recorded in Net sales in our Consolidated Statement of Operations. The royalty recognized was \$331 and \$302 for the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005 and April 3, 2004, respectively.

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Note 7 Goodwill, Software, Curriculum, and Other Intangible

Assets

We follow SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* . SFAS No. 142 requires that goodwill no longer be amortized to earnings, but instead be reviewed for impairment on an annual basis. We perform this annual analysis during the second fiscal quarter, based on the goodwill balance as of the end of the first fiscal quarter.

The following table summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment for the periods indicated:

	PQIL	PQBS	Total
Balance as of January 3, 2004	\$ 255,332	\$ 48,361	\$ 303,693
Goodwill acquired (1)	776		776
Balance as of April 3, 2004	\$ 256,108	\$ 48,361	\$ 304,469
Goodwill acquired (1)	16,813	1,991	18,804
Goodwill disposed of in fiscal 2004		(11,036)	(11,036)
Reclassification of goodwill to other assets	(958)		(958)
Balance as of January 1, 2005	\$ 271,963	\$ 39,316	\$ 311,279
Goodwill acquired (1)	270,003	5,747	275,750
Balance as of April 2, 2005	\$ 541,966	\$ 45,063	\$ 587,029
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⁽¹⁾ Changes in goodwill consist primarily of current acquisitions and disposals as well as the finalization of our preliminary purchase price allocations for prior acquisitions.

We follow the guidance in Statement of Position (SOP) 98-1 Accounting for the Costs of Computer Software Developed or Obtained for Internal Use for capitalizing software projects. We follow SFAS No. 86 Accounting for Costs of Computer Software to be Sold, Leased or Otherwise Marketed for software projects related to external use. Included in depreciation and amortization expense was \$3,543 and \$4,042 of software amortization expense for the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005 and April 3, 2004, respectively. Software amortization expense was \$16,919 for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005.

Curriculum includes the acquired curriculum in the amount of \$97,000 resulting from the acquisition of Voyager in the first quarter of 2005, as well additional ongoing curriculum development costs. Included in depreciation and amortization expense was \$1,616 of curriculum amortization expense for the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005.

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The following table summarizes our Identifiable intangible assets and related accumulated amortization at the dates indicated:

	Bala	nce a	s of April 2,	200	5
	Gross		cumulated ortization		Net
Customer lists	\$ 21,813	\$	(5,601)	\$:	16,212
Trademark	6,240		(768)	•	5,472
Acquired software	1,794		(207)		1,587
Non-compete agreement	960		(196)		764
Total intangibles	\$ 30,807	\$	(6,772)	\$ 2	24,035
			of January	1, 20	
	Gross		cumulated ortization		Net
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Customer lists Trademark	\$ 17,250	\$	(4,860)	\$.	12,390
Acquired software	2,641 211		(576) (98)		2,065 113
Non-compete agreement	960		(149)		811
Total intangibles	\$ 21,062	\$	(5,683)	\$:	15,379
	Bala	nce a	s of April 3,	200)4
	Gross		cumulated ortization		Net
Customer lists	\$ 9,796	\$	(2,397)	\$	7,399
Trademark	2,300	Ψ	(2,397) (166)	Ψ	2,134
Acquired software	2,300		(36)		175
Non-compete agreement	50		(4)	_	46
Total intangibles	\$ 12,357	\$	(2,603)	\$	9,754

We recorded \$1,423 and \$559 of intangible amortization expense during the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005 and April 3, 2004, respectively. Intangible amortization expense was \$3,639 for the fiscal year ended January 1, 2005. Based on the current amount of intangible assets subject to amortization, the estimated amortization expense for each of the succeeding five years is as follows:

Remainder of 2005	\$ 4,286
2006	5,485

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2007	5,188
2008	3,263
2009	3,263 1,542
2010 and thereafter	4,271
	\$ 24,035

These amounts may vary as acquisitions and dispositions occur in the future, and as purchase price allocations are finalized.

During the thirteen weeks ended April 2, 2005, we acquired the following intangible assets:

	Weighted Average Amortization Period
\$ 4,800	10 years
3,600	10 years
1,583	3 years
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\$ 9,983	
	3,600 1,583

Note 8 Other Current Assets

Other current assets at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004 consisted of the following:

		As of		
	April 2, 2005	January 1, 2005	April 3, 2004	
Short-term deferred tax asset	\$ 8,402	\$ 7,705	\$ 9,549	
Prepaid taxes	325	602	4,894	
Prepaid royalties	19,490	17,793	20,792	
Commissions	9,853	7,472	4,110	
Available-for-sale securities	7,823	7,172	4,034	
Maintenance agreements	4,424	3,063	2,778	
Other	7,764	6,326	5,949	
Total	\$ 58,081	\$ 50,133	\$ 52,106	

Note 9 Other Assets

Other assets at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004 consisted of the following:

	As of	
April 2,	January 1,	April 3,
2005	2005	2004

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Long-term deferred tax asset	\$ 3,218	\$ 3,218	\$ 2,195
Licenses, net	7,253	7,728	9,059
Long-term commissions	5,029	4,893	4,397
Deferred financing costs	3,102	1,173	1,071
Other	4,580	4,442	2,626
Total	\$ 23,182	\$ 21,454	\$ 19,348

Note 10 Accrued Expenses

Accrued expenses at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004 consisted of the following:

	As of			
	April 2, January 1, 2005 2005		1, April 3, 2004	
Salaries, wages and bonuses	\$ 15,771	\$ 21,861	\$ 13,357	
Profit sharing	1,010	2,002	968	
Discontinued operations reserve	382	409	1,024	
Accrued income taxes	1,341	3,577	552	
Accrued interest	2,599	2,171	139	
Other	6,127	5,283	5,216	
Total	\$ 27,230	\$ 35,303	\$ 21,256	

Note 11 Other Liabilities

Other liabilities at April 2, 2005, January 1, 2005, and April 3, 2004 consisted of the following:

		As of			
	April 2, J	January 1, 2005	April 3, 2004		
Deferred compensation and pension benefits	\$ 44,780 \$	46,503	\$ 43,744		
Deferred income taxes	45,657	6,846			
Other	29,372	29,184	19,799		
Total	\$ 119,809	82,533	\$ 63,543		
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Note 12 Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans

Components of net periodic benefit costs are:

Thirteen Weeks Ended

	U.S. Plans Pension Benefits			Non-U.S. Plans Pension Benefits				Other Postretirement Benefits			
	April 2, 2005	•	oril 3, 2004	•	oril 2, 2005	•	oril 3, 2004	•	ril 2,)05	•	ril 3,)04
Service cost	\$	\$	68	\$	45	\$	56	\$	7	\$	21
Interest cost	313		324		896		838		13		29
Expected return on plan assets					(775)		(692)				
Amortization of prior service cost	10				4		59				
Amortization of plan amendment								(234)		
Recognized net actuarial loss / gain				_	161		109	_		_	
Net pension and other postretirement benefit											
cost	\$ 323	\$	392	\$	331	\$	370	\$ (214)	\$	50

As previously disclosed in our annual report on form 10-K for the year ended January 1, 2005, in November 2004 we announced that effective January 1, 2006 we will no longer offer a retiree medical program. This resulted in a negative plan amendment which is being recognized ratably in 2005.

Note 13 Acquisitions

On January 31, 2005, we completed our acquisition of all the outstanding ownership interest in Voyager Expanded Learning Inc. (Voyager). Voyager is part of our ProQuest Information & Learning segment. The results of Voyager s operations subsequent to the acquisition on January 31, 2005 are included in our Consolidated Financial Statements. Had Voyager been acquired effective on the first day of our 2004 fiscal year, pro forma unaudited consolidated net sales, net earnings, and net earnings per common share would have been as follows:

		na for the eeks ended
	April 2, 2005	April 3, 2004
Net sales	\$ 128,805	\$ 116,861
Net earnings	7,988	4,337
Net earnings per common share:		
Basic	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.15
Diluted	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.15

Voyager provides research-based reading curriculum and professional development programs for school districts throughout the United States. Voyager s research-based reading intervention programs integrate all of the vital components necessary for teaching every child to read and are currently used in over 500 school districts, including Dallas, New York City, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Miami, Las Vegas, and Washington, D.C. Voyager s programs meet the requirements of the Federal No Child Left Behind Act. Voyager also provides professional development for teachers.

Growing our kindergarten through twelfth grade educational business (K-12) is an important part of our long-term strategy. The acquisition of Voyager is a major step in advancing that strategy. Combining the ProQuest name with the strengths of the Voyager products as well as their market position and strong sales force will allow us to reach more customers in the K-12 market. The acquisition creates opportunities for synergies that will come from offering more products and services across more customer segments.

The following table summarizes the preliminary estimated fair values of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of the acquisition:

At January 31, 2005

Cash	\$ 7,064
Current assets	25,239
Property, plant and equipment	1,722
Curriculum	97,000
Other assets	784
Intangibles	8,400
Goodwill	268,188
Total assets acquired	408,397
Current liabilities	\$ 8,032
Capital lease obligations	543
Deferred income	3,236
Long-term deferred taxes	37,195
Total liabilities assumed	49,006
Net assets acquired	\$ 359,391

We have not finalized the allocation of the purchase price. There is a pending working capital adjustment which is expected to be an incremental cost of approximately \$10 million. We expect this assessment to be completed by the end of the second quarter of 2005.

The total consideration paid for all the issued and outstanding common stock of Voyager was approximately \$360 million which included \$21 million in our restricted common stock which was approximately 683 thousand shares. The number of restricted common stock shares was determined based on the closing price of our common stock on January 31, 2005. We also agreed to pay up to an additional \$20 million in the aggregate to the shareholders of Voyager based upon Voyager s revenue performance during the period from April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006.

We financed our acquisition of Voyager through a new issuance of private-placement notes and a new revolving line of credit (see Note 14). The 5.38 percent fixed notes mature in January 2015. Our previous revolving credit agreement was replaced with a new agreement with capacity of \$275 million in total borrowings and an expiration of January 2010.

Note 14 Debt and Lines of Credit

The following table summarizes our debt as of the dates indicated:

		As of		
	April 2, 2005	January 1, 2005	April 3, 2004	
Long-term debt:				
5.45% senior notes due 10/01/12	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	
5.38% senior notes due 01/31/15	175,000			
Revolving credit agreement	192,000	5,000	64,250	
Capital lease obligations	516			
Long-term debt	517,516	155,000	214,250	
Less: current maturities	(5,165)	(5,000)		
Long-term debt, less current maturities	\$ 512,351	\$ 150,000	\$ 214,250	

5.45% Senior Notes

On January 31, 2005, we entered into a first amendment to the 2002 Note Purchase Agreement dated as of October 1, 2002, under and pursuant to which we originally issued and sold our 5.45% senior notes (the 2002 Notes) due October 1, 2012, in an aggregate principal amount of \$150 million. The first amendment, among other things, amended the financial covenants under the 2002 Note Purchase Agreement to give effect to the acquisition of Voyager. Specifically, the consolidated adjusted net worth covenant and the consolidated debt covenants were adjusted to be consistent with the terms of the 2005 Note Purchase Agreement.

5.38% Senior Notes

On January 31, 2005, we entered into the 2005 Note Purchase Agreement providing for, among other things, the issue and sale by us to the 2005 Note Purchasers of the Company s 5.38% Senior Notes due January 31, 2015, in the aggregate principal amount of \$175 million (the 2005 Notes). We are required to make six equal annual principal payments on the 2005 Notes commencing on January 31, 2010. The applicable annual interest on the 2005 Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

Revolving Credit Agreement

On January 31, 2005, we replaced our previous revolving credit agreement with a new variable interest rate facility. The new Credit Agreement is a five-year, unsecured revolving credit facility in an amount up to \$275 million, with a subfacility for letters of credit (in an amount not to exceed \$20 million) and a subfacility for swingline loans (in an amount not to exceed \$15 million). The aggregate maximum principal amount of the revolver may be increased by an amount up to \$75 million during the term of the Credit Agreement, provided that the lenders are willing to grant such increase, no default exists, and certain other

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conditions are satisfied. Borrowings and letters of credit under the Credit Agreement bear interest, at our option, at either the London Interbank Offered Rate plus a spread ranging from 0.75% to 1.75% or 0% to 0.25% over an alternative base rate. The alternative base rate is the greater of the Standard Federal Bank, N.A. prime rate or the Federal Funds rate plus 0.50%.

Capital Lease Obligations

With the acquisition of Voyager, we acquired property under capital leases. These capital leases expire in 2008.

Note 15 Capital Leases

We lease certain fixtures and equipment under capital leases. The aggregate future minimum lease payments related to these capital leases at April 2, 2005 are as follows:

Remainder of 2005	\$ 122
2006	174
2007	165
2008	55
Total minimum lease payments	516
Less amounts representing interest	(70)
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$ 446
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Item 2.

Management s Discussion and Analysis of

Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This section should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements of ProQuest Company and Subsidiaries (collectively the Company) and the notes thereto included in the annual report on form 10-K for the year ended January 1, 2005, as well as the accompanying interim financial statements for the period ending April 2, 2005.

Safe Harbor for Forward-looking Statements

Some of the statements contained herein constitute forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or our future financial performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our or our markets—actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These risks and other factors you should specifically consider include, among other things, the company—s ability to successfully integrate acquisitions and reduce costs, global economic conditions, product demand, financial market performance, and other risks listed under—Risk Factors—in our regular filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as—may—, should—, expects—, plans—, anticipates—, believes—, estimates—potential—, continue—, projects—, intends—, prospects—, priorities—, or the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements only predictions. Actual events or results may differ materially.

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Results of Operations

First Quarter of Fiscal 2005 Compared to the First Quarter of Fiscal 2004

Thi	Thirteen Weeks Ended						
April 2,	April 2, 2005		April 3, 2004		ec)		
	% of		% of				
Amount	sales	Amount	sales	\$	%		
\$ 121.1	100.0	\$ 110.8	100.0	\$ 10.3	9.3		
(57.2)	(47.2)	(54.0)	(48.7)	3.2	5.9		
63.9	52.8	56.8	51.3	7.1			