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PROSPECTUS

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Ply Gem Industries, Inc.
Exchange Offer for \$800,000,000
8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 and Related Guarantees

The Notes and the Guarantees

- We are offering to exchange \$800,000,000 of our outstanding 8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 and certain related guarantees, which were issued on February 11, 2011 and which we refer to collectively as the initial notes, for a like aggregate amount of our registered 8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 and certain related guarantees, which we refer to collectively as the exchange notes. The exchange notes will be issued under an indenture dated as of February 11, 2011.
- The exchange notes will mature on February 15, 2018. We will pay interest on the exchange notes semi-annually on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing on August 15, 2011, at a rate of 8.25% per annum, to holders of record on the February 1 or August 1 immediately preceding the interest payment date.
 - The exchange notes will be guaranteed on a senior secured basis by our parent, Ply Gem Holdings, Inc., and substantially all of our subsidiaries located in the United States.
- The exchange notes and the related guarantees will be secured on a first-priority lien basis by substantially all of the assets (other than the assets securing our obligations under our senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility, or ABL Facility, which consist of accounts receivable, inventory, cash, deposit accounts, securities accounts, chattel paper and proceeds of the foregoing and certain assets such as contract rights, instruments and documents related thereto) of Ply Gem Industries, Inc. and the guarantors and on a second-priority lien basis by the assets that secure our ABL Facility, in each case as described in this prospectus. The exchange notes will rank equally with all of our existing and future senior indebtedness.

Terms of the exchange offer

- It will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on August 1, 2011, unless we extend it.
- If all the conditions to this exchange offer are satisfied, we will exchange all of our initial notes that are validly tendered and not withdrawn for the exchange notes.
- You may withdraw your tender of initial notes at any time before the expiration of this exchange offer.
- The exchange notes that we will issue you in exchange for your initial notes will be substantially identical to your initial notes except that, unlike your initial notes, the exchange notes will have no transfer restrictions or

registration rights.

• The exchange notes that we will issue you in exchange for your initial notes are new securities with no established market for trading.

Before participating in this exchange offer, please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "Risk Factors" commencing on page 16.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of those exchange notes. The letter of transmittal states that by so acknowledging and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for initial notes where those initial notes were acquired by that broker-dealer as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities. We have agreed that, for a period of 180 days after the expiration date, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resale. See "Plan of Distribution."

The date of this prospectus is June 30, 2011.

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MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

Market data and other statistical information used throughout this prospectus are based on independent industry publications, government publications, reports by market research firms or other published independent sources. Some data are also based on good faith estimates by our management, which are derived from their review of internal surveys, as well as the independent sources listed above. Although we believe these sources are reliable, we have not independently verified the information and cannot guarantee its accuracy or completeness. Gary E. Robinette, our President and Chief Executive Officer, is a member of the Policy Advisory Board of Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies, and we have relied, in part, on its study for the market and statistical information included in this prospectus.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary may not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should read this prospectus carefully in its entirety before making an investment decision. In particular, you should read the section entitled "Risk Factors" included elsewhere in this prospectus and the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus.

Unless otherwise specified or the context requires otherwise, (i) the term "Ply Gem Holdings" refers to Ply Gem Holdings, Inc.; (ii) the term "Ply Gem Industries" refers to Ply Gem Industries, Inc., our principal operating subsidiary; and (iii) the terms "we," "us," "our," "Ply Gem" and the "Company" refer collectively to Ply Gem Holdings and its subsidiars. The use of these terms is not intended to imply that Ply Gem Holdings and Ply Gem Industries are not separate and distinct legal entities. "Adjusted EBITDA" has the meaning set forth in the footnotes to "— Summary Historical Financial Information." References to the "Transactions" refer to the transactions described below under "The Transactions" as well as the offering of the initial notes and the use of proceeds from such offering. The term "initial notes" refers to the 8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 that were issued on February 11, 2011 in a private offering, and the term "exchange notes" refers to the 8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018 offered with this prospectus. The term "notes" refers to the initial notes and the exchange notes, collectively.

Our Company

We are a leading manufacturer of residential exterior building products in North America, operating in two reportable segments: (i) Siding, Fencing, and Stone and (ii) Windows and Doors, which comprised approximately 60% and 40% of our sales, respectively, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2010. These two segments produce a comprehensive product line of vinyl siding, designer accents and skirting, vinyl fencing, vinyl and composite railing, stone veneer and vinyl windows and doors used in both new construction and home repair and remodeling in the United States and Western Canada. Vinyl building products have the leading share of sales volume in siding and windows in the United States. We also manufacture vinyl and aluminum soffit and siding accessories, aluminum trim coil, wood windows, aluminum windows, vinyl and aluminum-clad windows and steel and fiberglass doors, enabling us to bundle complementary and color-matched products and accessories with our core products. We believe that our comprehensive product portfolio and geographically diverse, low cost manufacturing platform allow us to better serve our customers and provide us with a competitive advantage over other exterior building products suppliers. For the three months ended April 2, 2011, we had net sales of \$200.1 million, adjusted EBITDA of \$6.5 million and a net loss of \$70.9 million, including a loss on modification or extinguishment of debt of \$27.9 million. For the year ended December 31, 2010, we had net sales of \$995.9 million, adjusted EBITDA of \$120.6 million and net income of \$27.7 million.

Our Competitive Strengths

We believe the following competitive strengths differentiate us from our competitors and are critical to our continued success:

Leading Manufacturer of Exterior Building Products. Based on our internal estimates and industry experience, we believe we have established leading positions in many of our core product categories including: No. 1 in vinyl siding in the U.S.; No. 1 in aluminum accessories in the U.S.; No. 2 in vinyl and aluminum windows in the U.S.; and No. 2 in windows and doors in Western Canada. We achieved this success by developing a broad offering of high quality products and providing superior service to our customers. We are one of the few companies in our line of business that operate a geographically diverse manufacturing platform capable of servicing our customers across the entire

United States and Western Canada. The scale of our operations also positions us well as customers look to consolidate their supplier base. We believe our broad offering of leading products, geographically diverse manufacturing platform and long-term customer relationships make us the manufacturer of choice for our customers' exterior building products needs.

Comprehensive Product Portfolio with Strong Brand Recognition. We offer a comprehensive portfolio of over twenty exterior building product categories covering a full range of price points. Our broad product line gives us a competitive advantage over other exterior building product suppliers who provide a narrower range of products by enabling us to provide our customers with a differentiated value proposition to meet their own customers' needs. Our leading brands, such as Ply Gem®, Mastic® Home Exteriors, Variform®, Napco®, Georgia-Pacific (which we license) and Great Lakes® Window, are well recognized in the industry. Many of our customers actively support our brands and typically become closely tied to our brands through joint marketing and training, fostering long-term relationships under the common goal of delivering a quality product.

We believe a distinguishing factor in our customers' selection of Ply Gem as a supplier is the innovation and quality for which our brands are known. As a result, our customers' positive experience with one product or brand affords us the opportunity to cross-sell additional products and effectively introduce new products. Since 2007, we have successfully implemented a more unified brand strategy to expand our cross-selling opportunities between our siding and window product offerings. For instance, we recently consolidated certain window product offerings under the Ply Gem brand to offer a national window platform to our customers, which we believe represents a comprehensive line of new construction and home repair and remodeling windows in the industry. With our extensive product line breadth, industry-leading brands and national platform, we believe we can provide our customers with a more cost-effective, single source from which to purchase their exterior building products.

Multi-Channel Distribution Network Servicing a Broad Customer Base. We have a multi-channel distribution network that serves both the new construction and home repair and remodel end markets through our broad customer base of specialty and wholesale distributors, retail home centers, lumberyards, remodeling dealers and builders. Our multi-channel distribution strategy has increased our sales and penetration within these end markets, while limiting our exposure to any one customer or channel, such that our top ten customers only accounted for approximately 38.4% of our net sales in 2010. We believe our strategy enables us to minimize channel conflict, reduce our reliance on any one channel and reach the greatest number of end customers while providing us with the ability to increase our sales and to sustain our financial performance through economic fluctuations.

Balanced Exposure to New Construction and Home Repair and Remodeling. Our products are used in new construction and home repair and remodeling, with our diversified product mix reducing our overall exposure to any single sector. We operate in two reportable segments: (i) Siding, Fencing, and Stone, which has been weighted towards home repair and remodeling, and (ii) Windows and Doors, which has historically focused on new construction. We have recently begun to expand our presence in the home repair and remodel window sector through the launch of a new series of repair and remodel window products, focusing on the unique requirements of this sector while leveraging our existing customer relationships. This is one of several new initiatives that have been well received by our customers and that complement our established product offerings by utilizing our national sales force to sell multiple products in our portfolio. We believe the diversity of our end markets and products provides us with a unique opportunity to capitalize on the overall housing market recovery.

Highly Efficient, Low Cost Operating Platform. Since mid-2006, we have closed or consolidated eight plants, generating savings of over \$30 million annually, and reduced our workforce by approximately 50%. During this time, we also invested approximately \$62 million in capital expenditures, including new product introductions and upgrades to equipment, facilities and technology, to continue improving our vertically integrated manufacturing platform. For example, our multi-plant window manufacturing platform allows us to service our customers with less than one week lead times across a broad geographic coverage area, providing us a competitive advantage with the ability to operate in just-in-time fashion. This capability provides a unique service proposition to our customers while allowing us to maintain minimal inventory levels in our window product offerings. In addition, as a result of our Polyvinyl Chloride Resin (PVC) purchasing scale (we are one of the largest purchasers in North America based on industry estimates), we are able to secure favorable prices, terms and input availability through various cycles.

Through our strong cost controls, vertically-integrated manufacturing platform, continued investment in technology and significant purchasing scale, we have improved efficiency and safety in our manufacturing facilities while reducing fixed costs to approximately 21% of our total cost structure, which provides significant operating leverage as the housing market recovers. Furthermore, our manufacturing facilities are among the safest in all of North America with four of them having received the highest federal, state and/or provincial safety award and rating. We believe that we have one of the most efficient and safest operating platforms in the exterior building products industry, helping to drive our profitability.

Proven Track Record of Acquisition Integration and Cost Savings Realization. Our five acquisitions since early 2004 have enhanced our geographic diversity, expanded our product offerings and enabled us to enter new product categories. Most recently, our acquisition of United Stone Veneer (now branded Ply Gem Stone) in 2008 enabled us to enter the stone veneer product category, which is one of the fastest growing categories of exterior cladding products. We have maintained a disciplined focus on integrating new businesses, rather than operating them separately, and have created meaningful synergies as a result. Through facility and headcount rationalizations, strategic sourcing and other manufacturing improvements, we have permanently eliminated over \$50 million in aggregate costs. We view our ability to identify, execute and integrate acquisitions as one of our core strengths.

Strong Management Team with Significant Ownership. We are led by a committed senior management team that has an average of over 20 years of relevant industry experience. Our current senior management, with financial and advisory support from affiliates of CI Capital Partners LLC, has successfully transformed Ply Gem from operating as a holding company with a broad set of brand offerings to an integrated business model under the Ply Gem brand, positioning our Company to grow profitably and rapidly as the market recovers.

Our Business Strategy

We are pursuing the following business and growth strategies:

• Capture Growth Related to Housing Market Recovery. As a leading manufacturer of exterior building products, we intend to capitalize on the recovery in new construction and home repair and remodeling. The 2009 and 2010 levels of 445,000 and 472,000 single family housing starts, respectively, were approximately 60% and 57% below the 50-year average, respectively, representing a significant opportunity for growth as activity returns to historical levels. Furthermore, we believe that the underinvestment in homes during the recent recession and the overall age of the U.S. housing stock will drive significant future spending for home repair and remodeling.

We expect current and new homeowners' purchases to focus on including or replacing items that provide the highest return on investment, have positive energy efficiency attributes and provide potential cost savings. Our broad product offering addresses expected demand growth from all of these key trends, through our balanced exposure to the new construction and home repair and remodel end markets, diverse price points, the high recovery value for home improvements derived from our core product categories and the ability to provide products that qualify for many of the energy efficiency rebate and tax programs currently in effect or under consideration.

Continue to Increase Market Penetration. We intend to increase the market penetration of our siding, fencing and stone products and our window and door products by leveraging the breadth of our product offering and broad geographical footprint to serve customers across North America. Additionally, our continued investments in product innovation and quality, coupled with strong customer service, further enhance our ability to capture increased sales in each of our core product categories. For example, based on our internal estimates and industry experience, we believe that we have increased our penetration of the U.S. vinyl siding end market by approximately 370 basis points from 2008 to 2010. In addition, we believe that we have increased our share of total unit sales of U.S. vinyl and aluminum windows for new construction by approximately 330 basis points from 2008 to 2010. In 2010, we introduced a new line of vinyl windows under our Ply Gem brand as well as under our Mastic Home Exteriors brand, historically associated with vinyl siding products, that is marketed and sold by our vinyl siding sales force, a first for Ply Gem. We believe that this demonstrates the substantial opportunity across our product categories to continue to cross-sell and bundle products, thereby increasing revenues from our existing channel partners and industry relationships. We expect to build upon the approximate \$285 million in product share gains we have achieved since 2008, and as the market recovers from its current low levels we expect to further enhance our leading positions.

Expand Brand Coverage and Product Innovation. We will continue to increase the value of the Ply Gem brands by introducing new product categories for our customers and by developing innovative new products within our existing product categories. For example, we have developed a complete series of window products under the Ply Gem brand to target the higher margin home repair and remodeling window end market. Furthermore, our recent addition of stone veneer to our product offering in the Siding, Fencing, and Stone segment provides existing siding customers with access to the fastest growing category of exterior cladding products.

Our new products frequently receive industry recognition, as evidenced by our Ply Gem Mira aluminum-clad wood window, which was an International Builder's Show Product Pick in 2008. In addition, our Cedar Discovery designer accent product and our Ovation vinyl siding product were both named one of the top 100 products by leading industry publications. The result of our commitment to product development and innovation has been demonstrated in the \$190.3 million of incremental annualized sales that we recognized from new products introduced from 2008 to 2010.

Drive Operational Leverage and Further Improvements. While we reduced our production capacity during the past several years, we have retained the flexibility to bring back idled lines, facilities and/or production shifts in order to

increase our production as market conditions improve. This incremental capacity can be selectively restarted, providing us with the ability to match increasing customer demand levels as the housing market returns to historical levels of approximately one million or more single family housing starts without the need for significant capital investment. In our Windows and Doors segment, where we have historically focused on new construction, we believe that our new window products for home repair and remodeling will be able to drive increased volumes through these manufacturing facilities and enhance operating margins.

Over the past several years, we have significantly improved our manufacturing cost structure; however, there are opportunities for further improvements. We believe that the continued expansion of lean manufacturing and vertical integration in our manufacturing facilities, along with the further consolidation of purchases of key raw materials, supplies and services will continue to provide us with cost advantages compared to our competitors. In addition, the integration of our sales and marketing efforts across our product categories provides an ongoing opportunity to significantly improve our customer penetration and leverage the strength of our brands. Furthermore, we have centralized many back office functions into our corporate office in Cary, North Carolina and believe that additional opportunities remain. We believe all of these factors should drive continued growth in profitability while improving our cash flow and capital efficiency.

Building Products End Markets

Demand for exterior building products, including siding, fencing, stone, windows and doors, is primarily driven by the construction of new homes and the repair and remodeling of existing homes, which are affected by changes in national and local economic and demographic conditions, employment levels, availability of financing, interest rates, consumer confidence and other economic factors.

New construction

New construction in the United States experienced strong growth from the early 1990s to 2006, with housing starts increasing at a compounded annual growth rate of 3.8%. However, from 2006 to 2010, single family housing starts declined 68.0% according to the National Association of Home Builders ("NAHB"). While the industry has experienced a period of severe correction and downturn, management believes that the long-term economic outlook for new construction in the United States is favorable and supported by an attractive interest rate environment and strong demographics, as new household formations and increasing immigration drives demand for starter homes. According to the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University, net new households between 2010 and 2020 are expected to be between 12.5 million units and 14.8 million units, with the low end of the range equal to net new housing units achieved between 1995 and 2005. Strong demographics and interest rates on home loans at historically low levels are stimulants for demand in the United States for new construction. During 2010, the Federal First-Time and Repeat Home Buyer Tax Credit programs provided a stimulant for housing demand during the first half of 2010 as the program expired on April 30, 2010. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, single family housing starts were estimated to increase by approximately 27.0% during the first half of 2010 compared to the first half of 2009, while single family housing starts for the second half of 2010 were estimated to decrease by approximately 11.7% compared to the second half of 2009. According to the NAHB May 20, 2011 forecast, annual single family housing starts are expected to decrease 5.9% in 2011 to 443,000 starts and increase 41.0% to 625,000 starts in 2012. In addition, new construction in Canada is expected to benefit from similar demand stimulants as new construction in the United States, such as strong demographic trends and historically low interest rate levels. According to the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation ("CMHC"), while housing starts in Alberta, Canada are estimated to decrease by approximately 5.0% in 2011, they are expected to increase 12.8% in 2012, demonstrating the recovery in new construction in Western Canada.

Home repair and remodeling

Since the early 1990s and through 2006, demand for home repair and remodeling products in the United States increased at a compounded annual growth rate of 4.3%, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, as a result of strong economic growth, low interest rates and favorable demographics. However, beginning in 2007 the ability for homeowners to finance repair and remodeling expenditures, such as replacement windows or vinyl siding, has been negatively impacted by a general tightening of lending requirements by financial institutions and the significant decrease in home values, which limited the amount of home equity against which homeowners could borrow. Management believes that expenditures for home repair and remodeling products are also affected by consumer confidence that continued to decline during 2010 due to general economic conditions and increased unemployment levels. Although certain aspects of the federal stimulus plan enacted in early 2009, such as energy saving tax credits and Homestar, may have encouraged some consumers to make home improvements, including the replacement of older windows with newer more energy-efficient windows, management believes that these favorable measures were offset during 2010 by the effects of high unemployment, limited availability of consumer financing and lower consumer confidence levels. However, management believes the long-term economic outlook of the demand for home repair and remodeling products in the United States is favorable and supported by the move towards more energy-efficient products, recent underinvestment in home maintenance and repair and an aging housing stock.

The Transactions

ABL Facility. On January 26, 2011, we entered into a new senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility (the "ABL Facility") with a syndicate of lenders. On the closing date, Ply Gem Industries used approximately \$55.0 million of borrowings under the ABL Facility to repay outstanding indebtedness under its prior senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility and pay related fees and expenses.

The ABL Facility provides for revolving credit financing of up to \$175.0 million subject to borrowing base availability, with a maturity of five years, including sub-facilities for letters of credit, swingline loans and borrowings in Canadian dollars and United States dollars by Ply Gem Canada, Inc. ("Ply Gem Canada"), Ply Gem Industries' Canadian subsidiary. Under the ABL Facility, \$160.0 million is available to Ply Gem Industries and \$15.0 million is available to Ply Gem Canada. In addition, the ABL Facility provides that the revolving commitments may be increased to \$250.0 million, subject to certain terms and conditions.

Borrowings under the ABL Facility bear interest at a rate per annum equal to, at Ply Gem Industries' option, either (a) a base rate determined by reference to the higher of (1) the corporate base rate of the administrative agent and (2) the federal funds effective rate plus 0.5% or (b) a Eurodollar rate determined by reference to the costs of funds for U.S. dollar deposits for the interest period relevant to such borrowing adjusted for certain additional costs, in each case plus an applicable margin, which is subject to step ups and step downs based on average excess availability under the facility. All obligations under the ABL Facility are unconditionally guaranteed by Ply Gem Holdings and substantially all of Ply Gem Industries' existing and future, direct and indirect, wholly-owned domestic subsidiaries. All obligations under the ABL Facility, and the guarantees of those obligations, are secured, subject to certain exceptions, by substantially all of the assets of Ply Gem Industries and the guarantors, including a first-priority security interest in personal property consisting of accounts receivable, inventory, cash, deposit accounts, and certain related assets and proceeds of the foregoing and a second-priority security interest in, and mortgages on, substantially all of Ply Gem Industries' and the guarantors' material owned real property and equipment and all assets that secure the notes on a first-priority basis.

For more information regarding our ABL Facility, see "Description of Other Indebtedness — Senior Secured Asset-Based Revolving Credit Facility."

Tender Offer. On January 28, 2011, we commenced a tender offer for any and all of our outstanding 11.75% Senior Secured Notes due 2013 (the "11.75% Senior Secured Notes"). On such date, we had outstanding \$725.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes. The total consideration offered for each \$1,000 principal amount of the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes validly tendered pursuant to the tender offer and not validly withdrawn prior to February 10, 2011 (the "Early Tender Date") was \$1,069.00, which amount included an early tender payment of \$40.00 per \$1,000 principal amount of 11.75% Senior Secured Notes validly tendered in the tender offer and not validly withdrawn prior to the Early Tender Date, plus accrued and unpaid interest. Holders who validly tendered their 11.75% Senior Secured Notes in the tender offer after the Early Tender Date but prior to the expiration date of the tender offer received \$1,029.00 per \$1,000 principal amount of 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, which amount represented the total consideration less the early tender payment each as described above, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

On February 11, 2011, we used a portion of the net proceeds of the offering of the initial notes to purchase \$718,597,000 principal amount of the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes validly tendered in the tender offer prior to the Early Tender Date. On February 28, 2011, we used a portion of the net proceeds of the offering of the initial notes to purchase \$6,000,000 principal amount of the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes validly tendered in the tender offer after the Early Tender Date.

Redemption and Discharge. On February 10, 2011, we provided the trustee under the indenture governing the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes (the "11.75% Trustee") with notice of our election to redeem any and all of the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes not purchased in the tender offer on March 13, 2011 (the "Redemption Date") at a redemption price of 103% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest. On February 11, 2011, we delivered instructions to and irrevocably deposited with the 11.75% Trustee an amount sufficient to pay and discharge the principal and accrued interest outstanding on all of the remaining 11.75% Senior Secured Notes to the Redemption Date such that the Company's obligations under the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, the indenture governing the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes and the related security documents were discharged and the collateral securing the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes was released. Following the redemption on March 13, 2011, there were no longer any 11.75% Senior Secured Notes outstanding.

As a result of the tender offer and redemption described above, we incurred a loss on modification or extinguishment of debt of approximately \$27.9 million, consisting of \$10.9 million in tender premiums, \$2.8 million write-off of debt issuance costs associated with the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, \$0.8 million write-off of unamortized discounts for

the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, \$12.2 million write-off of third party fees for the 8.25% Senior Secured Notes, and \$1.2 million for the write-off of unamortized debt issuance costs for the previous ABL Facility.

Ownership Structure

The chart below summarizes our ownership and corporate structure:

Our Sponsor

As of the date of this prospectus, affiliates of, and companies managed by, CI Capital Partners LLC, formerly known as Caxton-Iseman Capital LLC, including Caxton-Iseman (Ply Gem), L.P. and Caxton-Iseman (Ply Gem) II, L.P. (collectively, the "CI Partnerships"), Frederick J. Iseman and Steven M. Lefkowitz (collectively, the "Sponsor"), beneficially own approximately 87% of the common stock of the indirect parent company of Ply Gem Industries.

Ply Gem Industries is incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware. Our principal executive offices are located at 5020 Weston Parkway, Suite 400, Cary, North Carolina 27513. Our telephone number is (919) 677-3900.

The following table describes the guarantors. All of their principal offices are located at 5020 Weston Parkway, Suite 400, Cary, North Carolina 27513, telephone number (919) 677-3900.

Name of Guarantor	Jurisdiction of Formation	Year of Formation
Ply Gem Holdings, Inc.	Delaware	2004
Alenco Building Products Management, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Alenco Extrusion GA, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Alenco Extrusion Management, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Alenco Holding Corporation	Delaware	2000
Alenco Interests, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Alenco Trans, Inc.	Delaware	2000
Alenco Window GA, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Aluminum Scrap Recycle, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
AWC Arizona, Inc.	Delaware	2005
AWC Holding Company ("AWC," and together with its	Delaware	2004
subsidiaries, "Alenco")		
Glazing Industries Management, L.L.C.	Delaware	2001
Great Lakes Window, Inc. ("Great Lakes")	Ohio	1986
Kroy Building Products, Inc. ("Kroy")	Delaware	1994
Mastic Home Exteriors, Inc. ("MHE")	Ohio	1928
MW Manufacturers Inc. ("MW")	Delaware	1999
MWM Holding, Inc. ("MWM Holding")	Delaware	2002
Napco, Inc. ("Napco")	Delaware	1989
New Alenco Extrusion, Ltd.	Texas	2001
New Alenco Window, Ltd.	Texas	2001
New Glazing Industries, Ltd.	Texas	2001
Ply Gem Pacific Windows Corporation ("Pacific Windows") Delaware	2006
Variform, Inc. ("Variform")	Missouri	1964

Summary of the Exchange Offer

In this subsection, "we," "us" and "our" refer only to Ply Gem Industries, as issuer of the notes, exclusive of Ply Gem Holdings and our subsidiaries.

Exchange Offer

We are offering to exchange \$800,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our exchange notes for a like aggregate principal amount of our initial notes. In order to exchange your initial notes, you must properly tender them and we must accept your tender. We will exchange all outstanding initial notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn.

Expiration Date

This exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on August 1, 2011, unless we decide to extend it.

Conditions to the Exchange Offer

We will complete this exchange offer only if:

- there is no change in the laws and regulations which would impair our ability to proceed with this exchange offer;
- there is no change in the current interpretation of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") permitting resales of the exchange notes:
- there is no stop order issued by the SEC which would suspend the effectiveness of the registration statement which includes this prospectus or the qualification of the exchange notes under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939;
- there is no litigation or threatened litigation which would impair our ability to proceed with this exchange offer; and
- we obtain all the governmental approvals we deem necessary to complete this exchange offer.

Please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Conditions to the Exchange Offer."

Procedures for Tendering Initial Notes

To participate in this exchange offer, you must complete, sign and date the letter of transmittal or its facsimile and transmit it, together with your initial notes to be exchanged and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal, to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as exchange agent, at its address indicated under "The Exchange Offer—Exchange Agent." In the alternative, you can tender your initial notes by book-entry delivery following the procedures described in this prospectus. For more information on tendering your notes, please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Procedures for Tendering Initial Notes."

Owners

Special Procedures for Beneficial If you are a beneficial owner of initial notes that are registered in the name of a broker, dealer, commercial bank, trust company or other nominee and you wish to

tender your initial notes in the exchange offer, you should contact the registered holder promptly and instruct that person to tender on your behalf.

Guaranteed Delivery Procedures

If you wish to tender your initial notes and you cannot get the required documents to the exchange agent on time, you may tender your notes by using the guaranteed delivery procedures described under the section of this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Procedures for Tendering Initial Notes—Guaranteed Delivery Procedure."

Withdrawal Rights

You may withdraw the tender of your initial notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer. To withdraw, you must send a written or facsimile transmission notice of withdrawal to the exchange agent at its address indicated under "The Exchange Offer—Exchange Agent" before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer.

Acceptance of Initial Notes and Delivery of Exchange Notes

If all the conditions to the completion of this exchange offer are satisfied, we will accept any and all initial notes that are properly tendered in this exchange offer on or before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. We will return any initial note that we do not accept for exchange to you without expense promptly after the expiration date. We will deliver the exchange notes to you promptly after the expiration date and acceptance of your initial notes for exchange. Please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Acceptance of Initial Notes for Exchange; Delivery of Exchange Notes."

Federal Income Tax Considerations Relating to the Exchange Offer

Exchanging your initial notes for exchange notes will not be a taxable event to you for United States federal income tax purposes. Please refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Federal Income Tax Considerations."

Exchange Agent

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association is serving as exchange agent in the exchange offer.

Fees and Expenses

We will pay all expenses related to this exchange offer. Please refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Fees and Expenses."

Use of Proceeds

We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes. We are making this exchange offer solely to satisfy certain of our obligations under our registration rights agreement entered into in connection with the offering of the initial notes.

Consequences to Holders Who Do Not Participate in the Exchange Offer

If you do not participate in this exchange offer:

• except as set forth in the next paragraph, you will not necessarily be able to require us to register your initial notes under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act");

- you will not be able to resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer your initial notes unless they are registered under the Securities Act or unless you resell, offer to resell or otherwise transfer them under an exemption from the registration requirements of, or in a transaction not subject to, the Securities Act; and
- the trading market for your initial notes will become more limited to the extend other holders of initial notes participate in the exchange offer. You will not be able to require us to register your initial notes under the Securities Act unless:
 - an initial purchaser requests us to register initial notes that are not eligible to be exchanged notes in the exchange offer;
 - you are not eligible to participate in the exchange offer;

- you may not resell the exchange notes you acquire in the exchange offer to the public without delivering a prospectus and that the prospectus contained in the exchange offer registration statement is not appropriate or available for such resales by you; or
- you are a broker-dealer and hold initial notes that are part of an unsold allotment from the original sale of the initial notes.

In these cases, the registration rights agreement requires us to file a registration statement for a continuous offering in accordance with Rule 415 under the Securities Act for the benefit of the holders of the initial notes described in this paragraph. We do not currently anticipate that we will register under the Securities Act any notes that remain outstanding after completion of the exchange offer.

Please refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Risk Factors—Your failure to participate in the exchange offer will have adverse consequences."

Resales

It may be possible for you to resell the notes issued in the exchange offer without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, subject to the conditions described under "-Obligations of Broker-Dealers" below.

To tender your initial notes in this exchange offer and resell the exchange notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act, you must make the following representations:

- you are authorized to tender the initial notes and to acquire exchange notes, and that we will acquire good and unencumbered title thereto;
- the exchange notes acquired by you are being acquired in the ordinary course of business;
- you have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of the exchange notes and are not participating in, and do not intend to participate in, the distribution of such exchange notes;
- you are not an "affiliate," as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act, of ours, or you will comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extend applicable;
- if you are not a broker-dealer, you are not engaging in, and do not intend to engage in, a distribution of exchange notes; and
- if you are a broker-dealer, initial notes to be exchanged were acquired by you as a result of market-making or other trading activities and you will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale, offer to resell or other transfer of such exchange notes.

Please refer to the sections of this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Procedure for Tendering Initial Notes—Proper Execution and Delivery of Letters of Transmittal," "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to the Exchange Offer—Some persons who participate in the exchange offer must deliver a prospectus in connection with resales of the exchange notes" and "Plan of Distribution."

Obligations of Broker-Dealers

If you are a broker-dealer (1) that receives exchange notes, you must acknowledge that you will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resales of the exchange notes, (2) who acquired the initial notes as a result of market making or other trading activities, you may use the exchange offer prospectus as supplemented or amended, in connection with resales of the exchange notes, or (3) who acquired the initial notes directly from the issuers in the initial offering and not as a result of market making and trading activities, you must, in the absence of an exemption, comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with resales of the exchange notes.

Summary of Terms of the Exchange Notes

Issuer

Ply Gem Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

Exchange Notes

Up to \$800.0 million aggregate principal amount of 8.25% Senior Secured Notes due 2018. The forms and terms of the exchange notes are the same as the form and terms of the initial notes except that the issuance of the exchange notes is registered under the Securities Act, will not bear legends restricting their transfer and the exchange notes will not be entitled to registration rights under our registration rights agreement. The exchange notes will evidence the same debt as the initial notes, and both the initial notes and the exchange notes will be governed by the same indenture.

Interest

The notes will bear interest at a rate per annum equal to 8.25%, payable semi-annually, on February 15 and August 15 of each year, commencing on August 15, 2011.

Maturity Date

February 15, 2018.

Guarantees

The notes will be jointly and severally, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed on a senior secured basis, subject to certain limitations described herein, by our parent company, Ply Gem Holdings, and all of our wholly-owned subsidiaries located in the United States (other than Unrestricted Subsidiaries as such term is defined in "Description of the Notes"). Under certain circumstances, subsidiaries may be released from these guarantees without the consent of the holders of the notes. See "Description of the Notes — Note Guarantees."

Collateral

The notes and the guarantees will be secured by a first-priority lien (subject to certain exceptions and permitted liens) on substantially all the tangible and intangible assets of Ply Gem Industries and the guarantors (other than accounts receivable, inventory, cash, deposit accounts, securities accounts, chattel paper and proceeds of the foregoing and certain assets such as contract rights, instruments and documents related thereto in each case held by us and the guarantors, which secure our senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility, or ABL Facility, on a first-priority lien basis and the notes and the guarantees on a second-priority lien basis), including the capital stock of Ply Gem Industries and of any subsidiary held by Ply Gem Industries and any guarantor (which, in the case of any first-tier foreign subsidiary, will be limited to 66% of the voting stock and 100% of the non-voting stock of such first-tier foreign

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The notes and the guarantees will also be secured by a second-priority lien (subject to certain exceptions and permitted liens) on all accounts receivable, inventory, cash and proceeds of the foregoing and certain assets such as contract rights, instruments and documents related thereto, in each case held by Ply Gem Industries and the guarantors.

The collateral securing the notes will not include (i) certain excluded assets and (ii) those assets as to which the collateral agent representing the holders of the notes offered hereby reasonably determines that the costs of obtaining such a security interest are excessive in relation to the value of the security to be afforded thereby.

See "Description of the Notes — Security for the Notes."

Ranking

The notes and guarantees will be our and the guarantors' senior secured obligations. The indebtedness evidenced by the notes and the guarantees will rank:

- equally with all of Ply Gem Industries' and the guarantors' existing and future senior indebtedness;
- junior in priority as to collateral that secures the ABL Facility on a first-priority lien basis with respect to our and the guarantors' obligations under the ABL Facility, any other debt incurred after the issue date that has a priority security interest relative to the notes in the collateral that secures the ABL Facility, and any permitted hedging obligations and all cash management obligations incurred with any lender or any of its affiliates unter the ABL Facility;

- equal in priority as to collateral that secures the notes and the guarantees on a first-priority lien basis with respect to Ply Gem Industries' and the guarantors' obligations under any other pari passu lien obligations incurred after the issue date; and
- senior to all of Ply Gem Industries' and the guarantors' existing and future subordinated indebtedness.

The notes will also be structurally junior to the liabilities of the non-guarantor subsidiaries.

As of April 2, 2011, we and the guarantors had \$890.0 million in aggregate principal amount of senior indebtedness outstanding (excluding unused commitments). See "Description of the Notes — Ranking."

Optional Redemption

Prior to February 15, 2014, we may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes with the net cash proceeds from certain equity offerings at a redemption price equal to 108.250% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, provided that at least 55% of the original aggregate principal amount of the notes remains outstanding after the redemption.

In addition, not more than once during any twelve-month period we may redeem up to the greater of (i) \$80 million of the notes and (ii) 10% of the principal amount of the notes issued under the indenture (including additional notes) at a redemption price equal to 103% of the aggregate amount of the notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

Prior to February 15, 2014, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount plus a "make-whole" premium.

At any time on or after February 15, 2014, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at the redemption prices listed in "Description of the Notes — Optional Redemption."

Change of Control

If we experience a change of control, we may be required to offer to purchase the notes at a purchase price equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any.

Following any such offer to purchase, under certain circumstances, prior to February 15, 2014, we may redeem all, but not less than all, of the notes not tendered in such offer at a

price equal to 101% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

Certain Covenants

The indenture governing the notes contains covenants that limit the ability of Ply Gem Industries and its subsidiaries to, among other things:

- incur additional indebtedness;
- pay dividends or make other distributions or repurchase or redeem our stock;
- make loans and investments;
- sell assets;
- incur certain liens;
- enter into agreements restricting our subsidiaries' ability to pay dividends;
- enter into transactions with affiliates; and
- consolidate, merge or sell all or substantially all of our assets.

The restrictive covenants generally do not restrict our parent company, Ply Gem Holdings, or any of its subsidiaries that are not our subsidiaries.

These covenants are subject to important exceptions and qualifications, which are described under the heading "Description of the Notes" in this prospectus.

Use of Proceeds

We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes in exchange for the outstanding initial notes. We are making this exchange solely to satisfy our obligations under the registration rights agreement entered into in connection with the offering of the initial notes.

Absence of a Public Market for the Exchange Notes

The exchange notes are new securities with no established market for them. We cannot assure you that a market for these exchange notes will develop or that this market will be liquid. Please refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Risk Factors—Risks Relating to Our Substantial Indebtedness and the Notes— There is no established trading market for the exchange notes, and you may not be able to sell them quickly or at the price that you paid."

Form of the Exchange Notes

The exchange notes will be represented by one or more permanent global securities in registered form deposited on behalf of The Depository Trust Company with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as custodian. You will not receive exchange notes in certificated form unless one of the events described in the section of this prospectus entitled "Description of the Notes—Book Entry; Delivery and Form—Exchange of Book Entry Notes for Certificated Notes" occurs. Instead, beneficial interests in the exchange notes will be shown on, and transfers of these exchange notes will be effected only through, records maintained in book-entry form by The Depository Trust Company with respect to its participants.

Risk Factors

See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 16 for a discussion of factors you should carefully consider before deciding to invest in the notes.

Summary Historical Financial Information

The summary historical financial data presented below as of and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2010 have been derived from, and should be read together with, our audited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary historical financial data presented below as of and for the three-month periods ended April 2, 2011 and April 3, 2010 have been derived from, and should be read together with, our unaudited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. In the opinion of management, our unaudited consolidated financial statements include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation of the financial position and results of operations in these periods. The results of any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results that can be expected for the full year or any future period.

This summary historical financial data are qualified in their entirety by the more detailed information appearing in our financial statements and the related notes, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," "Selected Historical Financial Information," "Use of Proceeds," "Capitalization" and other financial information included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,						Three months ended					
(Amounts in thousands)	2010		2009			2008		April 2, 2011 (unaudited)			April 3, 2010 (unaudited)	
Statement of operations												
data(1):												
Net sales	\$	995,906	\$	951,374		\$	1,175,019	\$	200,107	\$	204,205	
Costs and expenses:												
Cost of products sold		779,946		749,841			980,098		172,325		167,308	
Selling, general and administrative												
expenses		130,460		141,772			155,388		35,364		33,806	
Amortization of intangible												
assets		27,099		19,651			19,650		6,684		6,794	
Write-off of previously												
capitalized												
offering costs		1,571										
Goodwill impairment		_		_			450,000		_		_	
Total costs and expenses		939,076		911,264			1,605,136		214,373		207,908	
Operating earnings (loss)		56,830		40,110			(430,117)		(14,266)		(3,703)	
Foreign currency gain (loss)		510		475			(911)		133		104	
Interest expense(2)		(122,992)		(135,514)		(110,418)		(26,460)		(34,007)	
Interest income		159		211			617		36		53	
Gain (loss) on modification or												
extinguishment of debt(2)		98,187		_			(27,597)		(27,863)		98,187	
Income (loss) before provision												
(benefit)												
for income taxes		32,694		(94,718)		(568,426)		(68,420)		60,634	
Provision (benefit) for income												
taxes		5,027		(17,966)		(69,951)		2,472		6,532	
Net income (loss)	\$	27,667	\$	(76,752)	\$	(498,475)	\$	(70,892)	\$	54,102	
Other financial data:												

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Adjusted EBITDA(3)	\$ 120,603		\$ 113,718		\$ 94,416	\$	6,545		\$ 12,109
Capital expenditures	11,105		7,807		16,569		2,761		3,029
Depreciation and amortization	60,718		56,271		61,765		13,690		15,454
Annual single family housing									
starts(4)	472		442		616		N/A		N/A
Ratio of earnings to fixed									
charges(5)	1.3								2.7
Selected Statements of Cash									
Flows Data:									
Net cash provided by (used									
in):									
Operating activities	\$ 6,748		\$ (16,882)	\$ (58,865) \$	(51,700)	\$ (21,416)
Investing activities	(9,073)	(7,835)	(11,487)	(2,752)	(3,028)
Financing activities	2,407		(17,528)	78,233		60,830		38,950
Balance Sheet data:									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 17,498		\$ 17,063		\$ 58,289	\$	24,000		\$ 31,659
Total assets	922,237		982,033		1,104,05	3	971,929		1,011,301
Total debt	894,163		1,100,397	7	1,114,18	6	992,255		926,778
Stockholders' deficit	(173,088	3)	(313,482)	(242,628	3)	(242,977)	7)	(143,831)

(1) We adopted the measurement provisions in 2008 of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 158, Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R) (now included in Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 715, Compensation — Retirement Benefits). In addition, we elected to change our method of accounting for a portion of our inventory in 2008 from the last-in, first out (LIFO) method to the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

- (2) During the year ended December 31, 2010 and the three months ended April 3, 2010, we separately classified a non-cash gain on extinguishment in connection with the redemption of our 9% Senior Subordinated Notes due 2012. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we classified extinguishment losses arising from \$14.0 million of non-cash deferred financing costs associated with previous term debt, \$6.8 million for a prepayment premium and \$6.8 million of bank amendment fees as interest expense. During the three months ended April 2, 2011, we incurred a loss on modification or extinguishment of debt of approximately \$27.9 million consisting of \$10.9 million in tender premiums, \$2.8 million write-off of debt issuance costs associated with the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, \$0.8 million write-off of unamortized discounts for the 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, \$12.2 million write-off of third party fees for the 8.25% Senior Secured Notes, and \$1.2 million for the write-off of unamortized debt issuance costs for the previous ABL Facility.
- (3) Adjusted EBITDA means net income (loss) plus interest expense (net of interest income), provision (benefit) for income taxes, depreciation and amortization, non-cash gain (loss) on modification or extinguishment of debt, non-cash foreign currency gain/(loss), amortization of non-cash write-off of the portion of excess purchase price from acquisitions allocated to inventories, write-off of previously capitalized offering costs, restructuring and integrations costs, customer inventory buybacks and impairment charges. Other companies may define adjusted EBITDA differently and, as a result, our measure of adjusted EBITDA may not be directly comparable to adjusted EBITDA of other companies. Management believes that the presentation of adjusted EBITDA included in this prospectus provides useful information to investors regarding our results of operations because it assists both investors and management in analyzing and benchmarking the performance and value of our business. We have included adjusted EBITDA because it is a key financial measure used by management to (i) assess our ability to service our debt and/or incur debt and meet our capital expenditure requirements; (ii) internally measure our operating performance; and (iii) determine our incentive compensation programs. In addition, our ABL Facility has certain covenants that apply ratios utilizing this measure of adjusted EBITDA.

Despite the importance of this measure in analyzing our business, measuring and determining incentive compensation and evaluating our operating performance, as well as the use of adjusted EBITDA measures by securities analysts, lenders and others in their evaluation of companies, adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP"); nor is adjusted EBITDA intended to be a measure of liquidity or free cash flow for our discretionary use. Some of the limitations of adjusted EBITDA are:

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect our cash expenditures or future requirements for capital expenditures;

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect the interest expense or the cash requirements to service interest or principal payments under the notes, our 11.75% Senior Secured Notes, our 13.125% senior subordinated notes due 2014 (the "13.125% Senior

Subordinated Notes") or the ABL Facility.

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect income tax payments we are required to make; and Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized often will have to be replaced in the future, and adjusted EBITDA does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements.

Adjusted EBITDA included in this prospectus should be considered in addition to, and not as a substitute for, net earnings or operating earnings in accordance with U.S. GAAP as a measure of performance in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on adjusted EBITDA.

The following table presents our calculation of adjusted EBITDA reconciled to net income (loss):

	Fiscal Yea	r Ended Decen	Three m	onths ended	
(Amounts in thousands)	2010	2009	2008	April 2, 2011 (unaudited)	April 3, 2010 (unaudited)
Net income (loss)	\$27,667	\$(76,752) \$(498,475) \$(70,892) \$54,102
Interest expense, net(2)	122,833	135,303	109,801	26,424	33,954
Provision (benefit) for income taxes	5,027	(17,966) (69,951) 2,472	6,532
Depreciation and amortization	60,718	56,271	61,765	13,690	15,454
Non-cash gain (loss) on modification or					
extinguishment of debt(2)	(98,187) -	27,597	27,863	(98,187)
Write-off of previously capitalized offering					
costs	1,571	-	-	-	-
((Gain)/loss on currency transaction	(510) (475) 911	(133) (104)
Non-cash charge of purchase price					
allocated to inventories	-	-	19	-	-
Restructuring/integration expense	910	8,992	10,859	429	106
Customer inventory buyback	574	8,345	1,890	6,692	252
Goodwill impairment	-	-	450,000	-	-
Adjusted EBITDA	\$120,603	\$113,718	\$94,416	\$6,545	\$12,109

- (4) Single family housing starts in thousands data furnished by NAHB forecast (as of May 20, 2011).
- (5) The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is computed by dividing fixed charges into net income (loss) before provision (benefit) for income taxes plus fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest expense, net plus amortization of deferred financing expense and our estimate of interest within rental expense. For the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, the deficiency in the ratio of earnings to fixed charges to achieve a one to one ratio was \$94.7 million and \$568.4 million, respectively, which resulted from the depressed residential U.S. housing market. For the three months ended April 2, 2011, the deficiency in the ratio of earnings to fixed charges to achieve a one to one ratio was \$68.4 million.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in the notes involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the following factors in addition to the other information set forth in this prospectus before you decide to invest in the notes. The following risks could materially and adversely affect our ability to make payments with respect to the notes, our business or our financial condition or results of operations. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or those we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect us. In any such case, you may lose all or part of your original investment.

Risks Related to Our Substantial Indebtedness and the Notes

The significant amount of our indebtedness may limit the cash flow available to invest in the ongoing needs of our business.

As of April 2, 2011, we had approximately \$992.3 million of indebtedness outstanding, including \$90.0 million of outstanding borrowings under the ABL Facility. The terms of our outstanding debt, including the notes, our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes and our ABL Facility, limit, but do not prohibit, us from incurring additional debt. If additional debt is added to current debt levels, the related risks described below could intensify. See also the discussion in "Description of Other Indebtedness" and "Description of the Notes" concerning the terms and conditions of our debt covenants.

The substantial amount of our debt could have important consequences, including the following:

our ability to obtain additional financing for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions, refinancing indebtedness or other purposes could be impaired;

a substantial portion of our cash flow from operations will be dedicated to paying principal and interest on our debt, thereby reducing funds available for expansion or other purposes;

• we may be more leveraged than some of our competitors, which may result in a competitive disadvantage;

we may be vulnerable to interest rate increases, as certain of our borrowings, including those under our ABL Facility, are at variable rates;

our failure to comply with the restrictions in our financing agreements would have a material adverse effect on us;

- our significant amount of debt could make us more vulnerable to changes in general economic conditions;
 - we may be restricted from making strategic acquisitions, investing in new products or capital assets or taking advantage of business opportunities; and

we may be limited in our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and the industries in which we operate.

We believe that we will need to access the capital markets in the future to raise the funds to repay our substantial debts. We have no assurance that we will be able to complete a refinancing or that we will be able to raise any additional financing, particularly in view of our anticipated high levels of debt and the restrictions under our debt

agreements. If we are unable to satisfy or refinance our indebtedness as it comes due, we may default on our debt obligations. If we default on our debt obligations and any of our indebtedness is accelerated, such acceleration will have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and cash flows.

Despite our current indebtedness levels, we may still be able to incur substantially more debt. This could exacerbate further the risks associated with our substantial leverage.

We and our subsidiaries may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness, including additional secured indebtedness, in the future. The terms of the indenture governing the notes and our ABL facility restrict, but do not completely prohibit, us from doing so. In addition, the indenture allows us to issue additional notes under certain circumstances, which will also be guaranteed by the guarantors and will share in the collateral that secures the notes and guarantees. The indenture also allows us to incur certain other additional secured debt and allows our foreign subsidiaries to incur additional debt, which would be effectively senior to the notes. In addition, the indenture does not prevent us from incurring other liabilities that do not constitute indebtedness. See "Description of the Notes." If new debt or other liabilities are added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we now face could intensify.

We must refinance or repay existing indebtedness prior to the maturity of the notes. Failure to do so could have a material adverse effect upon us.

The maturity of our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes is July 15, 2014, which is before the maturity of the notes, and all outstanding loans under the ABL Facility will be due and payable on January 26, 2016, which is before the maturity date of the notes. Further, if the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes have not been repaid or refinanced in full or the maturity thereof extended on or prior to April 15, 2014, then the ABL Facility will become due and fully payable and the commitments thereunder will terminate on April 15, 2014. We may need to refinance, extend the maturity or otherwise amend the terms of this indebtedness. Our ability to refinance the ABL Facility and/or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes is dependent on, among other things, business conditions and our financial performance. The indenture governing the notes does not limit our ability to pay fees or interest on any permitted refinancing, and therefore, the indebtedness issued in any refinancing of the ABL Facility or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes could have a significantly higher rate of interest and costs than the ABL Facility or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes, respectively. We cannot assure you that we will be able to refinance, extend the maturity or otherwise amend the terms of our ABL Facility and/or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes, or whether any refinancing, extension or amendment will be on commercially reasonable terms. There can be no assurance that the financial terms or covenants of any new credit facility and/or other indebtedness issued to refinance our ABL Facility or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes will be the same or as favorable as those under our ABL Facility and our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes.

Our ability to complete a refinancing of our ABL Facility and our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes prior to their respective maturities is subject to a number of conditions beyond our control. For example, if a disruption in the financial markets were to occur at the time that we intended to refinance this indebtedness, we might be restricted in our ability to access the financial markets. If we are unable to refinance this indebtedness, our alternatives would consist of negotiating an extension of our ABL Facility and/or the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes and seeking or raising new capital. If we were unsuccessful in executing such an alternative, the lenders under our ABL Facility and the holders of our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes could demand repayment of the indebtedness owed to them on the relevant maturity date. As a result, our ability to pay the principal of and interest on the notes would be adversely affected.

The terms of our debt covenants could limit how we conduct our business and our ability to raise additional funds.

The agreements that govern the terms of our debt, including the indentures that govern the notes and the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes and the credit agreement that governs our ABL Facility, contain covenants that restrict our ability and the ability of our subsidiaries to:

- incur and guarantee indebtedness or issue equity interests of restricted subsidiaries;
 - repay subordinated indebtedness prior to its stated maturity;
- pay dividends or make other distributions on or redeem or repurchase our stock;
 - issue capital stock;
 - make certain investments or acquisitions;
 - create liens;
 - sell certain assets or merge with or into other companies;

- enter into certain transactions with stockholders and affiliates;
 - make capital expenditures; and
- restrict dividends, distributions or other payments from our subsidiaries.

These restrictions may affect our ability to grow our business and take advantage of market and business opportunities or to raise additional debt or equity capital.

In addition, under the ABL Facility, if our excess availability is less than the greater of (a) 12.5% of the lesser of the revolving credit commitments and the borrowing base and (b) \$17.5 million, we will be required to comply with a minimum fixed charge coverage ratio test. Our ability to meet the required fixed charge coverage ratio can be affected by events beyond our control, and we cannot assure you that we will meet this ratio. A breach of any of these covenants under the ABL Facility or the indentures governing the notes or our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes could result in an event of default under the ABL Facility or the indentures. An event of default under any of our debt agreements would permit some of our lenders to declare all amounts borrowed from them to be due and payable and, in some cases, proceed against the collateral securing such indebtedness.

Moreover, the ABL Facility provides the lenders considerable discretion to impose reserves or availability blocks, which could materially impair the amount of borrowings that would otherwise be available to us. There can be no assurance that the lenders under the ABL Facility will not impose such actions during the term of the ABL Facility and further, were they to do so, the resulting impact of this action could materially and adversely impair our liquidity.

A breach of the covenants under the indenture that governs the notes, the indenture that governs our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes or under the credit agreement that governs our ABL Facility could result in an event of default under the applicable indebtedness. Such default may allow the creditors to accelerate the related debt and may result in the acceleration of any other debt to which a cross-acceleration or cross-default provision applies. In addition, an event of default under our ABL Facility would permit the lenders under our ABL Facility to terminate all commitments to extend further credit under that facility. Furthermore, if we were unable to repay the amounts due and payable under our ABL Facility, those lenders could proceed against the collateral granted to them to secure that indebtedness. In the event our lenders or noteholders accelerate the repayment of our borrowings, we cannot assure that we and our subsidiaries would have sufficient assets to repay such indebtedness. As a result of these restrictions, we may be:

- limited in how we conduct our business;
- •unable to raise additional debt or equity financing to operate during general economic or business downturns; or
 - unable to compete effectively or to take advantage of new business opportunities.

These restrictions may affect our ability to grow in accordance with our plans.

We may be unable to generate sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, including the notes, and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under such indebtedness, which may not be successful. We may also be unable to generate sufficient cash to make required capital expenditures.

Our ability to make scheduled payments on or to refinance our debt obligations and to make capital expenditures depends on our financial condition and operating performance, which is subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to financial, business and other factors. We will not be able to control many of these factors, such as economic conditions in the industry in which we operate and competitive pressures. We cannot assure you that we will maintain a level of cash flows from operating activities sufficient to permit us to pay or refinance our indebtedness, including the notes, the 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes or our indebtedness under our ABL Facility, or make required capital expenditures. If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt service obligations, we and our subsidiaries could face substantial liquidity problems and may be forced to reduce or delay capital expenditures, sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness.

In addition, if we do not have, or are unable to obtain, adequate funds to make all necessary capital expenditures when required, or if the amount of future capital expenditures are materially in excess of our anticipated or current expenditures, our product offerings may become dated, our productivity may decrease and the quality of our products may decline, which, in turn, could reduce our sales and profitability.

We may not be able to satisfy our obligations to holders of the notes upon a change of control.

Upon the occurrence of a "change of control," as defined in the indenture that governs our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes and the indenture that governs the notes, each holder of the notes will have the right to require us to purchase the notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof. Our failure to purchase, or give notice of purchase of, the notes would be a default under the indenture. In addition, a change of control may constitute an event of default

under our ABL Facility and would also require us to offer to purchase our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes at 101% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued and unpaid interest. An event of default under our ABL Facility may result in an event of default under the indenture that governs the notes and under the indenture governing our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes if the lenders accelerate the debt under our ABL Facility.

If a change of control occurs, we may not have enough assets to satisfy all obligations under our ABL Facility, the indenture that governs the notes and the indenture that governs our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes. Upon the occurrence of a change of control, we could seek to refinance the indebtedness under our ABL Facility, the notes, and our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes or obtain a waiver from the lenders under our ABL Facility, the holders of our 13.125% Senior Subordinated Notes and you as a holder of the notes. We cannot assure you, however, that we would be able to obtain a waiver or refinance our indebtedness on commercially reasonable terms, if at all.

Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void the notes, guarantees and security interests and may require holders of the notes to return payments received from us.

Under the federal bankruptcy laws and comparable provisions of state fraudulent transfer laws, the notes could be voided, or claims in respect of the notes could be subordinated to all of our other debt if the issuance of the notes was found to have been intended to hinder, delay or defraud any existing or future creditor or contemplated insolvency with a design to prefer one or more creditors to the exclusions in whole or in part of others or to have been made for less than their reasonable equivalent value and we, at the time we incurred the indebtedness evidenced by the notes:

were insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of such indebtedness;

were engaged in, or about to engage in, a business or transaction for which our remaining assets constituted unreasonably small capital; or

• intended to incur, or believed that we would incur, debts beyond our ability to pay such debts as they mature.

A court might also void an issuance of notes, a guaranty or grant of security, without regard to the above factors, if the court found that we issued the notes or the guarantors entered into their respective guaranty or security agreements with actual intent to hinder, delay or defraud our or their respective creditors.

A court would likely find that we or a guarantor did not receive reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration for the notes or the guarantees and security agreements, respectively, if we or a guarantor did not substantially benefit directly or indirectly from the issuance of the notes. If a court were to void an issuance of the notes, the guarantees or the related security agreements, you would no longer have a claim against us or the guarantors or, in the case of the security agreements, a claim with respect to the related collateral. Sufficient funds to repay the notes may not be available from other sources, including the remaining guarantors, if any. In addition, the court might direct you to repay any amounts that you already received from us or the guarantors or, with respect to the notes, any guarantee or the collateral.

In addition, any payment by us pursuant to the notes made at a time we were found to be insolvent could be voided and required to be returned to us or to a fund for the benefit of our creditors if such payment is made to an insider within a one-year period prior to a bankruptcy filing or within 90 days for any outside party and such payment would give the creditors more than such creditors would have received in a distribution under the bankruptcy code.

The measures of insolvency for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws will vary depending upon the law applied in any proceeding to determine whether a fraudulent transfer has occurred. Generally, however, we would be considered insolvent for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws if:

• the sum of our debts, including contingent liabilities, were greater than the fair saleable value of all our assets;

the present fair saleable value of our assets were less than the amount that would be required to pay our probable liability on existing debts, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or

we could not pay our debts as they become due.

On the basis of historical financial information, recent operating history and other factors, we believe that, after giving effect to the indebtedness evidenced by the notes and the application of the proceeds therefrom, we will not be insolvent for purposes of these fraudulent transfer laws, will not have unreasonably small capital for the business in which we are engaged and will not have incurred debts beyond our ability to pay such debts as they mature. There can

be no assurance, however, as to what standard a court would apply in making such determinations or that a court would agree with our conclusions in this regard.

There is no established trading market for the exchange notes, and you may not be able to sell them quickly or at the price that you paid.

The exchange notes are a new issue of securities and there is no established trading market for the notes. We do not intend to apply for the exchange notes to be listed on any securities exchange or to arrange for their quotation on any automated dealer quotation system. The initial purchasers in the offering of the initial notes have advised us that as of the issuance date of the initial notes they intended to make a market in the initial notes and the exchange notes, but the initial purchasers are not obligated to do so. The initial purchasers may discontinue any market making in the initial notes or the exchange notes at any time, in their sole discretion. As a result, we cannot assure you as to the liquidity of any trading market for the initial notes or the exchange notes.

We also cannot assure you that you will be able to sell your initial notes or the exchange notes at a particular time or that the prices that you receive when you sell will be favorable. Future trading prices of the initial notes and exchange notes will depend on many factors, including:

- our operating performance and financial condition;
- the interest of securities dealers in making a market; and
 - the market for similar securities.

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused volatility in prices. It is possible that the market for the initial notes and the exchange notes will be subject to disruptions. Any disruptions may have a negative effect on noteholders, regardless of our prospects and financial performance.

Our Canadian subsidiary and our other future foreign subsidiaries will not be guarantors, and your claims will be subordinated to all of the creditors of the non-guarantor subsidiaries.

Our Canadian subsidiary, Ply Gem Canada, is not a guarantor of the notes. This non-guarantor subsidiary generated approximately 7.4% and 5.7% of our net sales, 15.9% and 12.5% of our operating loss and 8.2% and (24.0%) of our adjusted EBITDA for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the three months ended April 2, 2011, respectively. In addition, it held approximately 3.8% of our consolidated assets as of April 2, 2011. Any right of ours to receive the assets of any of our non-guarantor subsidiaries upon their bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization (and the consequent right of the holders of the notes to participate in those assets) will be subject to the claims of that subsidiary's creditors, including trade creditors. To the extent that we are recognized as a creditor of that subsidiary, we may have such claim, but we would still be subordinate to any security interests in the assets of that subsidiary and any indebtedness and other liabilities of that subsidiary senior to that held by us. As of April 2, 2011, the notes are structurally junior to approximately \$5.1 million of liabilities (including trade payables) of our non-guarantor subsidiary.

There are circumstances other than repayment or discharge of the notes under which the collateral securing the notes and guarantees will be released automatically, without your consent or the consent of the trustee.

Under various circumstances, all or a portion of the collateral securing the notes will be released automatically, including:

- sale, transfer or other disposal of such collateral in a transaction not prohibited under the indenture;
- with respect to collateral held by a guarantor, upon the release of such guarantor from its guarantee;

with respect to collateral that is capital stock, upon the dissolution of the issuer of such capital stock in accordance with the indenture; and

with respect to any collateral in which the notes have a second-priority lien, upon any release by the lenders under our ABL facility of their first-priority security interest in such collateral (other than any such release granted following the discharge of the obligations with respect to the ABL Facility).

In addition, the guarantee of a subsidiary guarantor will be automatically released in connection with a sale of such subsidiary guarantor in a transaction not prohibited by the indenture.

The indenture also permits us to designate one or more of our restricted subsidiaries that is a guarantor of the notes as an unrestricted subsidiary. If we designate a subsidiary guarantor as an unrestricted subsidiary, all of the liens on any collateral owned by such subsidiary or any of its subsidiaries and any guarantees of the notes by such subsidiary or any of its subsidiaries will be released under the indenture but not under the ABL Facility. Designation of an unrestricted subsidiary will reduce the aggregate value of the collateral securing the notes to the extent that liens on the assets of the unrestricted subsidiary and its subsidiaries are released. In addition, the creditors of the unrestricted subsidiary and its subsidiaries. See "Description of the Notes."

The imposition of certain permitted liens will cause the assets on which such liens are imposed to be excluded from the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees. There are also certain other categories of property that are also excluded from the collateral.

The indenture permits liens in favor of third parties to secure purchase money indebtedness and capital lease obligations, and assets subject to such liens will in certain circumstances be excluded from the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees. Our ability to incur purchase money indebtedness and capital lease obligations is subject to limitations as described in "Description of the Notes." In addition, certain categories of assets are excluded from the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees. Excluded assets include certain contracts, certain equipment, the assets of our non-guarantor subsidiaries and equity investees and certain capital stock and other securities of our subsidiaries and equity investees. See "Description of the Notes." If an event of default occurs and the notes are accelerated, the notes and the guarantees will rank equally with the holders of other unsubordinated and unsecured indebtedness of the relevant entity with respect to such excluded property.

The pledge of the capital stock, other securities and similar items of Ply Gem Industries and its subsidiaries that secure the notes will automatically be released from the lien on them and no longer constitute collateral when the pledge of such capital stock or such other securities would require the filing of separate financial statements with the SEC for that subsidiary.

The notes and the guarantees are secured by a pledge of the stock of Ply Gem Industries and certain of its subsidiaries. Under the SEC regulations in effect as of the issue date of the notes, if the par value, book value as carried by us or market value (whichever is greatest) of the capital stock, other securities or similar items of a subsidiary pledged as part of the collateral is greater than or equal to 20% of the aggregate principal amount of the notes then outstanding, such a subsidiary would be required to provide separate financial statements to the SEC. Therefore, the indenture and the collateral documents provide that any capital stock and other securities of Ply Gem Industries or any of its subsidiaries will be excluded from the collateral to the extent that the pledge of such capital stock or other securities to secure the notes would cause such companies to be required to file separate financial statements with the SEC pursuant to Rule 3-16 of Regulation S-X (as in effect from time to time).

As a result, holders of the notes could lose a portion or all of their security interest in the capital stock or other securities of those subsidiaries. It may be more difficult, costly and time-consuming for holders of the notes to foreclose on the assets of a subsidiary than to foreclose on its capital stock or other securities, so the proceeds realized upon any such foreclosure could be significantly less than those that would have been received upon any sale of the capital stock or other securities of such subsidiary. See "Description of the Notes."

The collateral may not be valuable enough to satisfy all the obligations secured by such collateral.

We secured our obligations under the notes by the pledge of certain of our assets. This pledge is also for the benefit of the lenders under our ABL Facility.

The notes and related guarantees are secured on a first-priority lien basis (subject to certain exceptions) by substantially all of our and the guarantors' assets (other than accounts receivable, inventory, cash, deposit accounts, securities accounts, chattel paper and proceeds of the foregoing and certain assets such as contract rights, instruments and documents related thereto), which we refer to as the "Notes Collateral," and such collateral may be shared with our future creditors. The actual value of the Notes Collateral at any time will depend upon market and other economic conditions.

The notes are also be secured on a second-priority lien basis (subject to certain exceptions) by our and each guarantor's accounts receivable, inventory, cash, deposit accounts, securities accounts, chattel paper and proceeds of the foregoing and certain assets related thereto, which we refer to as the "ABL Collateral." The ABL Collateral is subject to a first-priority security interest for the benefit of the lenders under the ABL Facility, and may be shared with our future creditors. Although the holders of obligations secured by first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral and the holders of obligations secured by second-priority liens on the ABL Collateral, including the notes, will share in the proceeds of the ABL Collateral, the holders of obligations secured by first-priority liens in the ABL Collateral will be entitled to receive proceeds from any realization of the ABL Collateral to repay the obligations held by them, in full before the holders of the notes and the holders of other obligations secured by second-priority liens in the ABL Collateral receive any such proceeds.

In addition, the asset sale covenant and the definition of asset sale, each in the indenture governing the notes, have a number of significant exceptions pursuant to which we will be able to sell Notes Collateral without being required to reinvest the proceeds of such sale into assets that will comprise Notes Collateral or to make an offer to the holders of the notes to repurchase the notes.

As of April 2, 2011, we had \$90.0 million of indebtedness outstanding under the ABL Facility, with approximately \$58.5 million of borrowing base availability under the ABL Facility (including the consideration of \$6.7 million of letters of credit and priority payables reserves). All indebtedness under the ABL Facility is secured by first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral (subject to certain exceptions). In addition, under the terms of the indenture governing the notes, we may grant an additional lien on any property or asset that constitutes ABL Collateral in order to secure any obligation permitted to be incurred pursuant to the indenture. Any such additional lien may be a lien that is senior to the lien securing the notes or may be a second-priority lien that ranks pari passu with the lien securing the notes. In either case, any grant of additional liens on the ABL Collateral would further dilute the value of the second-priority lien on the ABL Collateral securing the notes. Further, as discussed above, we are permitted under the terms of the indenture governing the notes to sell all assets that constitute ABL Collateral and not apply the proceeds to invest in additional assets that secure the notes or repay outstanding indebtedness.

The value of the pledged assets in the event of a liquidation will depend upon market and economic conditions, the availability of buyers and similar factors. No independent appraisals of any of the pledged property were prepared by or on behalf of us in connection with the offering of the initial notes or this exchange offer. Accordingly, we cannot assure holders of the notes that the proceeds of any sale of the pledged assets following an acceleration to maturity with respect to the notes would be sufficient to satisfy, or would not be substantially less than, amounts due on the notes and the other debt secured thereby.

If the proceeds of any sale of the pledged assets were not sufficient to repay all amounts due on the notes, the holder of the notes (to the extent their notes were not repaid from the proceeds of the sale of the pledged assets) would have only an unsecured claim against our remaining assets. By their nature, some or all of the pledged assets may be illiquid and may have no readily ascertainable market value. Likewise, we cannot assure holders of the notes that the pledged assets will be saleable or, if saleable, that there will not be substantial delays in their liquidation. To the extent that liens, rights and easements granted to third parties encumber assets located on property owned by us or constitute subordinate liens on the pledged assets, those third parties may have or may exercise rights and remedies with respect to the property subject to such encumbrances (including rights to require marshalling of assets) that could adversely affect the value of the pledged assets located at that site and the ability of the collateral agent to realize or foreclose on the pledged assets at that site.

In addition, the indenture governing the notes permits us, subject to compliance with certain financial tests, to issue additional secured debt, including debt secured equally and ratably by the same assets pledged for the benefit of the holders of the notes. This would reduce amounts payable to holders of the notes from the proceeds of any sale of the collateral.

The rights of holders of the notes with respect to the ABL Collateral are substantially limited by the terms of the intercreditor agreement.

Under the terms of the intercreditor agreement governing the relative rights to the collateral between the lenders under the ABL Facility and the noteholders, at any time that obligations that have the benefit of the first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral are outstanding, any actions that may be taken in respect of the ABL Collateral, including the ability to cause the commencement of enforcement proceedings against the ABL Collateral and to control the conduct of such proceedings, and the approval of amendments to, releases of ABL Collateral from the lien of, and waivers of past defaults under, the security documents, will be at the direction of the holders of the obligations secured by the first-priority liens and neither the trustee nor the collateral agent, on behalf of the holders of the notes, will have the ability to control or direct such actions, even if the rights of the holders of the notes are adversely affected, subject to certain exceptions. See "Description of the Notes — Security for the Notes" and "Description of the Notes — Amendment, Supplement and Waiver." Under the terms of the intercreditor agreement, at any time that obligations that have the benefit of the first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral are outstanding, if the holders of such indebtedness release the ABL Collateral for any reason whatsoever (other than any such release granted following the discharge of obligations with respect to the ABL Facility), including, without limitation, in connection with any sale of assets, the second-priority security interest in such ABL Collateral securing the notes will be automatically and simultaneously released without any consent or action by the holders of the notes, subject to certain exceptions. The ABL Collateral so released will no longer secure our and the guarantors' obligations under the notes. In addition, because the holders of the indebtedness secured by first-priority liens in the ABL Collateral control the disposition of the ABL Collateral, such holders could decide not to proceed against the ABL Collateral, regardless of whether there is a default under the documents governing such indebtedness or under the indenture governing the notes. In such event, the only remedy available to the holders of the notes would be to sue for payment on the notes and the related guarantees. In addition, the intercreditor agreement gives the holders of first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral the right to access and use the collateral that secures the notes to allow those holders to protect the ABL Collateral and to process, store and dispose of the ABL Collateral.

The waiver in the intercreditor agreement of rights of marshaling may adversely affect the recovery rates of holders of the notes in a bankruptcy or foreclosure scenario.

The notes and the guarantees are secured on a second-priority lien basis by the ABL Collateral. The intercreditor agreement provides that, at any time that obligations that have the benefit of the first-priority liens on the ABL Collateral are outstanding, the holders of the notes, the trustee under the indenture governing the notes and the

collateral agent may not assert or enforce any right of marshaling accorded to a junior lienholder, as against the holders of such indebtedness secured by first-priority liens in the ABL Collateral. Without this waiver of the right of marshaling, holders of such indebtedness secured by first-priority liens in the ABL Collateral would likely be required to liquidate collateral on which the notes did not have a lien, if any, prior to liquidating the ABL Collateral, thereby maximizing the proceeds of the ABL Collateral that would be available to repay our obligations under the notes. As a result of this waiver, the proceeds of sales of the ABL Collateral could be applied to repay any indebtedness secured by first-priority liens in the ABL Collateral before applying proceeds of other collateral securing indebtedness, and the holders of notes may recover less than they would have if such proceeds were applied in the order most favorable to the holders of the notes.

In the event of a bankruptcy of us or any of the guarantors, holders of the notes may be deemed to have an unsecured claim to the extent that our obligations in respect of the notes exceed the fair market value of the collateral securing the notes.

In any bankruptcy proceeding with respect to us or any of the guarantors, it is possible that the bankruptcy trustee, the debtor-in-possession or competing creditors will assert that the fair market value of the collateral with respect to the notes on the date of the bankruptcy filing was less than the then-current principal amount of the notes. Upon a finding by the bankruptcy court that the notes are under-collateralized, the claims in the bankruptcy proceeding with respect to the notes would be bifurcated between a secured claim and an unsecured claim, and the unsecured claim would not be entitled to the benefits of security in the collateral. Other consequences of a finding of under-collateralization would be, among other things, a lack of entitlement on the part of the notes to receive post-petition interest and a lack of entitlement on the part of the unsecured portion of the notes to receive other "adequate protection" under federal bankruptcy laws. In addition, if any payments of post-petition interest had been made at the time of such a finding of under-collateralization, those payments could be recharacterized by the bankruptcy court as a reduction of the principal amount of the secured claim with respect to the notes.

Because each guarantor's liability under its guarantees may be reduced to zero, avoided or released under certain circumstances, you may not receive any payments from some or all of the guarantors.

You will have the benefit of the guarantees of the guarantors. However, the guarantees by the guarantors are limited to the maximum amount that the guarantors are permitted to guarantee under applicable law. As a result, a guarantor's liability under its guarantee could be reduced to zero, depending upon the amount of other obligations of such guarantor. Further, under the circumstances discussed more fully above, a court under federal and state fraudulent conveyance and transfer statutes could void the obligations under a guarantee or further subordinate it to all other obligations of the guarantor. See "— Federal and state statutes allow courts, under specific circumstances, to void notes, guarantees and security interests and may require holders of the notes to return payments received from us." In addition, you will lose the benefit of a particular guarantee if it is released under certain circumstances described under "Description of the Notes — Note Guarantees."

Bankruptcy laws may limit the ability of holders of the notes to realize value from the collateral.

The right of the collateral agent to repossess and dispose of the pledged assets upon the occurrence of an event of default under the indenture governing the notes is likely to be significantly impaired by applicable bankruptcy law if a bankruptcy case were to be commenced by or against us before the collateral agent repossessed and disposed of the pledged assets. For example, under Title 11 of the United States Code (the "United States Bankruptcy Code"), pursuant to the automatic stay imposed upon the bankruptcy filing, a secured creditor is prohibited from repossessing its security from a debtor in a bankruptcy case, or from disposing of security repossessed from such debtor, or taking other actions to levy against a debtor, without bankruptcy court approval. Moreover, the United States Bankruptcy Code permits the debtor to continue to retain and to use collateral even though the debtor is in default under the applicable debt instruments, provided that the secured creditor is given "adequate protection." The meaning of the term "adequate protection" may vary according to circumstances (and is within the discretion of the bankruptcy court), but it is intended in general to protect the value of the secured creditor's interest in the collateral and may include cash payments or the granting of additional security, if and at such times as the court in its discretion determines, for any diminution in the value of the collateral as a result of the automatic stay of repossession or disposition or any use of the collateral by the debtor during the pendency of the bankruptcy case. Generally, adequate protection payments, in the form of interest or otherwise, are not required to be paid by a debtor to a secured creditor unless the bankruptcy court determines that the value of the secured creditor's interest in the collateral is declining during the pendency of the bankruptcy case. Due to the imposition of the automatic stay, the lack of a precise definition of the term "adequate protection" and the broad discretionary powers of a bankruptcy court, it is impossible to predict (1) how long payments under the notes could be delayed following commencement of a bankruptcy case, (2) whether or when the collateral agent could repossess or dispose of the pledged assets or (3) whether or to what extent holders of the notes would be compensated for any delay in payment or loss of value of the pledged assets through the requirement of "adequate protection."

The value of the collateral securing the notes may not be sufficient to secure post-petition interest.

In the event of a bankruptcy, liquidation, dissolution, reorganization or similar proceeding against us, holders of the notes will only be entitled to post-petition interest under the United States Bankruptcy Code to the extent that the value of their security interest in the collateral is greater than their pre-bankruptcy claim. Holders of the notes that have a security interest in collateral with a value equal or less than their pre-bankruptcy claim will not be entitled to post-petition interest under the United States Bankruptcy Code. No appraisal of the fair market value of the collateral was prepared in connection with the offering of the initial notes or this exchange offer and we therefore cannot assure you that the value of the noteholders' interest in the collateral equals or exceeds the principal amount of the notes.

The collateral is subject to casualty risks.

We are obligated under our ABL Facility to at all times cause all the pledged assets to be properly insured and kept insured against loss or damage by fire or other hazards to the extent that such properties are usually insured by corporations operating properties of a similar nature in the same or similar localities. There are, however, some losses, including losses resulting from terrorist acts, that may be either uninsurable or not economically insurable, in whole or in part. As a result, we cannot assure holders of notes that the insurance proceeds will compensate us fully for our losses. If there is a total or partial loss of any of the pledged assets, we cannot assure holders of the notes that the proceeds received by us in respect thereof will be sufficient to satisfy all the secured obligations, including the notes.

In the event of a total or partial loss to any of the mortgaged facilities, certain items of equipment and inventory may not be easily replaced. Accordingly, even though there may be insurance coverage, the extended period needed to manufacture replacement units or inventory could cause significant delays.

Rights of holders of the notes in the collateral may be adversely affected by the failure to perfect security interests in collateral.

Applicable law requires that a security interest in certain tangible and intangible assets can only be properly perfected and its priority retained through certain actions undertaken by the secured party. The liens in the collateral securing the notes may not be perfected with respect to the claims of the notes if the collateral agent was not able to take the actions necessary to perfect any of these liens on or prior to the date of the indenture governing the notes. There can be no assurance that the lenders under our ABL Facility have taken all actions necessary to create properly perfected security interests, which may result in the loss of the priority of the security interest in favor of the holders of the notes to which they would otherwise have been entitled. Specifically, the collateral agent or the lenders under our ABL Facility may not complete all the actions necessary to perfect the liens in any real property by the time of completion of this offering. It is possible that there will be no mortgages at the closing of this exchange offer to secure certain real estate interests, and such mortgages are only required to be entered into within 180 days of the closing of the offering of the initial notes. As such, it is possible that there will be a period of time when the notes will not have a perfected security on such real property interests. In addition, applicable law requires that certain property and rights acquired after the grant of a general security interest, such as real property, equipment subject to a certificate of title and certain proceeds, can only be perfected at the time such property and rights are acquired and identified. We and the guarantors have limited obligations to perfect the security interest of the holders of the notes in specified collateral. There can be no assurance that the trustee or the collateral agent for the notes will monitor, or that we will inform such trustee or collateral agent of, the future acquisition of property and rights that constitute collateral, and that the necessary action will be taken to properly perfect the security interest in such after-acquired collateral. Neither the trustee nor the collateral agent for the notes has an obligation to monitor the acquisition of additional property or rights that constitute collateral or the perfection of any security interest. Such failure may result in the loss of the security interest in the collateral or the priority of the security interest in favor of the notes against third parties.

Any future pledge of collateral in favor of the holders of the notes might be voidable in bankruptcy.

Any future pledge of collateral in favor of the holders of the notes, including pursuant to security documents delivered after the date of the indenture governing the notes, might be voidable by the pledgor (as debtor-in-possession) or by its trustee in bankruptcy if certain events or circumstances exist or occur, including, under the United States Bankruptcy Code, if the pledgor is insolvent at the time of the pledge, the pledge permits the holders of the notes to receive a greater recovery than if the pledge had not been given and a bankruptcy proceeding in respect of the pledgor is commenced with 90 days following the pledge, or, in certain circumstances, a longer period.

We will in most cases have control over the collateral, and the sale of particular assets by us could reduce the pool of assets securing the notes and the guarantees.

The collateral documents allow us to remain in possession of, retain exclusive control over, freely operate, and collect, invest and dispose of any income from, the collateral securing the notes and the guarantees.

In addition, we will not be required to comply with all or any portion of Section 314(d) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 relating to the release of Collateral or substitution thereof if we determine, in good faith based on advice of counsel, that, under the terms of that Section and/or any interpretation or guidance as to the meaning thereof of the SEC and its staff, including "no action" letters or exemptive orders, all or such portion of Section 314(d) of the Trust Indenture Act is inapplicable to the released collateral. For example, so long as no default or event of default under the indenture would result therefrom and such transaction would not violate the Trust Indenture Act, we may, among other things, without any release or consent by the indenture trustee, conduct ordinary course activities with respect to collateral. In addition, under interpretations provided by the SEC, to the extent that a release of a lien is made without the need for consent by the holders of the notes or the trustee, the provisions of Section 314(d) may be

inapplicable. With respect to such releases, we must deliver to the collateral agent, an officers' certificate to the effect that all releases and withdrawals during the preceding year in which no release or consent of the collateral agent was obtained in the ordinary course of our business were not prohibited by the indenture. See "Description of the Notes."

The collateral securing the notes is substantially different from the collateral securing the ABL Facility.

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Risks Related to the Exchange Offer

The issuance of the exchange notes may adversely affect the market for the initial notes.

To the extent the initial notes are tendered and accepted in the exchange offer, the trading market for the untendered and tendered but unaccepted initial notes could be adversely affected. Because we anticipate that most holders of the initial notes will elect to exchange their initial notes for exchange notes due to the absence of restrictions on the resale of exchange notes under the Securities Act, we anticipate that the liquidity of the market for any initial notes remaining after the completion of this exchange offer may be substantially limited. Please refer to the section in this prospectus entitled "The Exchange Offer—Your Failure to Participate in the Exchange Offer Will Have Adverse Consequences."

Some persons who participate in the exchange offer must deliver a prospectus in connection with resales of the exchange notes.

Based on interpretations of the staff of the SEC contained in Exxon Capital Holdings Corp., SEC no-action letter (April 13, 1988), Morgan Stanley & Co. Inc., SEC no-action letter (June 5, 1991) and Shearman & Sterling, SEC no-action letter (July 2, 1983), we believe that you may offer for resale, resell or otherwise transfer the exchange notes without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. However, in some instances described in this prospectus under "Plan of Distribution," you will remain obligated to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to transfer your exchange notes. In these cases, if you transfer any exchange note without delivering a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act or without an exemption from registration of your exchange notes under the Securities Act, you may incur liability under the Securities Act. We do not and will not assume, or indemnify you against, this liability.

Risks Associated with Our Business

Downturns in the home repair and remodeling and new construction sectors or the economy and the availability of consumer credit could adversely impact our end users and lower the demand for, and pricing of, our products, which in turn could cause our net sales and net income to decrease.

Our performance is dependent to a significant extent upon the levels of home repair and remodeling and new construction spending, which declined significantly in 2009 and 2010 as compared to 2008 and are affected by such factors as interest rates, inflation, consumer confidence, unemployment and the availability of consumer credit.

Our performance is also dependent upon consumers having the ability to finance home repair and remodeling projects and/or the purchase of new homes. The ability of consumers to finance these purchases is affected by such factors as new and existing home prices, homeowners' equity values, interest rates and home foreclosures, which in turn could result in a tightening of lending standards by financial institutions and reduce the ability of some consumers to finance home purchases or repair and remodeling expenditures. Recent trends, including declining home values, increased home foreclosures and tightening of credit standards by lending institutions, have negatively impacted the home repair and remodeling and the new construction sectors. If these credit market trends continue, our net sales and net income may be adversely affected.

We face competition from other exterior building products manufacturers and alternative building materials. If we are unable to compete successfully, we could lose customers and our sales could decline.

We compete with other national and regional manufacturers of exterior building products. Some of these companies are larger and have greater financial resources than we do. Accordingly, these competitors may be better equipped to

withstand changes in conditions in the industries in which we operate and may have significantly greater operating and financial flexibility than we do. These competitors could take a greater share of sales and cause us to lose business from our customers. Additionally, our products face competition from alternative materials: wood, metal, fiber cement and masonry in siding, and wood in windows. An increase in competition from other exterior building products manufacturers and alternative building materials could cause us to lose our customers and lead to decreases in net sales.

Changes in the costs and availability of raw materials, especially PVC resin and aluminum, can decrease our profit margin by increasing our costs.

Our principal raw materials, PVC resin and aluminum, have been subject to rapid price changes in the past. While we have historically been able to substantially pass on significant PVC resin and aluminum cost increases through price increases to our customers, our results of operations for individual quarters can be and have been hurt by a delay between the time of PVC resin and aluminum cost increases and price increases in our products. While we expect that any significant future PVC resin and aluminum cost increases will be offset in part or whole over time by price increases to our customers, we may not be able to pass on any future price increases.

Certain of our customers have been expanding and may continue to expand through consolidation and internal growth, which may increase their buying power, which could materially and adversely affect our revenues, results of operations and financial position.

Certain of our important customers are large companies with significant buying power. In addition, potential further consolidation in the distribution channels could enhance the ability of certain of our customers to seek more favorable terms, including pricing, for the products that they purchase from us. Accordingly, our ability to maintain or raise prices in the future may be limited, including during periods of raw material and other cost increases. If we are forced to reduce prices or to maintain prices during periods of increased costs, or if we lose customers because of pricing or other methods of competition, our revenues, operating results and financial position may be materially and adversely affected.

Because we depend on a core group of significant customers, our sales, cash flows from operations and results of operations may decline if our key customers reduce the amount of products that they purchase from us.

Our top ten customers accounted for approximately 38.4% of our net sales in the year ended December 31, 2010. Our largest customer accounted for approximately 9.0% of our net sales in the year ended December 31, 2010 and approximately 9.2% of our net sales for both the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2009. We expect a small number of customers to continue to account for a substantial portion of our net sales for the foreseeable future.

The loss of, or a significant adverse change in our relationships with any of our major customers could cause a material decrease in our net sales.

The loss of, or a reduction in orders from, any significant customers, losses arising from customers' disputes regarding shipments, fees, merchandise condition or related matters, or our inability to collect accounts receivable from any major retail customer could cause a decrease in our net income and our cash flow. In addition, revenue from customers that have accounted for significant revenue in past periods, individually or as a group, may not continue, or if continued, may not reach or exceed historical levels in any period.

Our business is seasonal and can be affected by inclement weather conditions that could affect the timing of the demand for our products and cause reduced profit margins when such conditions exist.

Markets for our products are seasonal and can be affected by inclement weather conditions. Historically, our business has experienced increased sales in the second and third quarters of the year due to increased construction during those periods. Because much of our overhead and operating expenses are spread ratably throughout the year, our operating profits tend to be lower in the first and fourth quarters. Inclement weather conditions can affect the timing of when our products are applied or installed, causing reduced profit margins when such conditions exist.

Increases in the cost of labor, union organizing activity and work stoppages at our facilities or the facilities of our suppliers could delay or impede our production, reduce sales of our products and increase our costs.

Our financial performance is affected by the availability of qualified personnel and the cost of labor. As of April 2, 2011, approximately 12.0% of our employees were represented by labor unions. We are subject to the risk that strikes or other types of conflicts with personnel may arise or that we may become a subject of union organizing activity. Furthermore, some of our direct and indirect suppliers have unionized work forces. Strikes, work stoppages or slowdowns experienced by these suppliers could result in slowdowns or closures of facilities where components of our products are manufactured. Any interruption in the production or delivery of our products could reduce sales of our products and increase our costs.

We may be subject to claims arising from the operations of our various businesses arising from periods prior to the dates we acquired them. Our ability to seek indemnification from the former owners of our subsidiaries may be limited, in which case, we would be liable for these claims.

We have acquired all of our subsidiaries, including Ply Gem Industries, MWM Holding, Inc., AWC Holding Company, Mastic Home Exteriors, Inc. (f/k/a Alcoa Home Exteriors, Inc.), Ply Gem Pacific Windows Corporation and substantially all the assets of United Stone Veneer, LLC (now known as "Ply Gem Stone"), in the last several years. We may be subject to claims or liabilities arising from the ownership or operation of our subsidiaries for the periods prior to our acquisition of them, including environmental liabilities. These claims or liabilities could be significant. Our ability to seek indemnification from the former owners of our subsidiaries for these claims or liabilities is limited by various factors, including the specific limitations contained in the respective acquisition agreement and the financial ability of the former owners to satisfy such claims or liabilities. If we are unable to enforce our indemnification rights against the former owners or if the former owners are unable to satisfy their obligations for any reason, including because of their current financial position, we could be held liable for the costs or obligations associated with such claims or liabilities, which could adversely affect our operating performance.

We could face potential product liability claims, including class action claims, relating to products we manufacture.

We face an inherent business risk of exposure to product liability claims, including class action claims, in the event that the use of any of our products results in personal injury or property damage. In the event that any of our products proves to be defective, among other things, we may be responsible for damages related to any defective products and we may be required to recall or redesign such products. Because of the long useful life of our products, it is possible that latent defects might not appear for several years. Any insurance we maintain may not continue to be available on terms acceptable to us or such coverage may not be adequate for liabilities actually incurred. Further, any claim or product recall could result in adverse publicity against us, which could cause our sales to decline, or increase our costs.

We are dependent on certain key personnel, the loss of whom could materially affect our financial performance and prospects.