WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES INC

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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

x Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended May 26, 2007

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o Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Winnebago Industries, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Iowa
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation or Organization)

001-06403 (Commission File Number) 42-0802678 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

P.O. Box 152, Forest City, Iowa (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

50436 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (641) 585-3535

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No x

The number of shares of common stock, par value \$0.50 per share, outstanding on June 22, 2007 was 30,781,591.

WINNEBAGO INDUSTRIES, INC.

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Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Income

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	May 26,	May 27,	May 26,	May 27,	
(In thousands, except per share data)	2007	2006	2007	2006	
Net revenues	\$231,692	\$220,312	\$632,471	\$658,992	
Cost of goods sold	205,436	192,236	565,866	579,432	
Gross profit	26,256	28,076	66,605	79,560	
Operating expenses:					
Selling	5,511	4,536	14,553	13,714	
General and administrative	6,086	5,160	17,893	15,493	
Total operating expenses	11,597	9,696	32,446	29,207	
Operating income	14,659	18,380	34,159	50,353	
Financial income	1,799	1,418	4,964	3,654	
Income before income taxes	16,458	19,798	39,123	54,007	
Provision for taxes	5,205	6,641	12,402	18,580	
Net income	\$11,253	\$13,157	\$26,721	\$35,427	
Income per common share:					
Basic	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.85	\$1.09	
Diluted	\$0.35	\$0.40	\$0.84	\$1.08	
Weighted average common shares outstanding:					
Basic	31,524	32,195	31,411	32,645	
Diluted	31,761	32,496	31,697	32,937	
Dividends paid per common share	\$0.10	\$0.09	\$0.30	\$0.27	

See unaudited notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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Unaudited Consolidated Balance Sheets

(In thousands)	May 26, 2007	August 26, 2006
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$11,911	\$24,934
Short-term investments	144,950	129,950
Receivables, less allowance for doubtful accounts		
(\$122 and \$164, respectively)	22,680	20,859
Inventories	90,862	77,081
Prepaid expenses and other assets	4,756	5,269
Deferred income taxes	14,327	9,067
Total current assets	289,486	267,160
Property and equipment, at cost:	0.2.4	0.45
Land	934	946
Buildings	59,465	59,378
Machinery and equipment Transportation equipment	100,231 9,561	99,839 9,561
Total property and equipment, at cost	170,191	169,724
Accumulated depreciation	(117,691) (112,817)
Total property and equipment, net	52,500	56,907
Investment in life insurance	19,754	20,814
Deferred income taxes	25,907	25,002
Other assets	17,162	14,832
Total assets	\$404,809	\$384,715
Liabilities and Stockholders Equity		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$33,049	\$27,923
Income taxes payable	7,341	7,876
Accrued expenses:		
Accrued compensation	14,678	12,498
Product warranties	10,791	9,523
Self-insurance	9,073	7,842
Promotional	3,933	5,253
Accrued dividends	3,160	3,109
Other Total operant lightilities	6,106	6,098
Total current liabilities	88,131	80,122

87,710	86,27	1
25,888	25,88	8
28,197	22,26	8
497,704	480,4	46
(322,821) (310,2	280)
228,968	218,3	22
\$404,809	\$384,7	15
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Unaudited Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Nine Months	Ended		
	May 26,		May 27,	
(In thousands)	2007		2006	
Operating activities:				
Net income	\$26,721		\$35,427	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:				
Depreciation	7,942		7,989	
Stock-based compensation	4,374		3,964	
Postretirement benefit income and deferred compensation expense	1,154		958	
Provision for doubtful accounts	115		116	
Deferred income taxes	(6,165)	1,002	
Excess tax benefit of stock options	(1,926)	(280)
Increase in cash surrender value of life insurance policies	(585)	(780)
(Gain) loss on disposal of property	(71)	97	
Other	10		65	
Change in assets and liabilities:				
Inventories	(13,781)	32,456	
Receivables and prepaid assets	(1,423)	16,030	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8,372		(11,696)
Income taxes payable	1,391		5,113	
Postretirement and deferred compensation benefits	(980)	(826)
Net cash provided by operating activities	25,148		89,635	
Investing activities:				
Purchases of short-term investments	(238,649)	(150,475)
Proceeds from the sale or maturity of short-term investments	223,649		118,575	
Purchases of property and equipment	(3,677)	(3,193)
Proceeds from the sale of property	277		173	

Other	627		142	
Net cash used in investing activities	(17,773)	(34,778)
Financing activities:				
Payments for purchase of common stock	(20,548)	(51,576)
Payments of cash dividends	(9,412)	(8,871)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	7,636		1,245	
Excess tax benefit of stock options	1,926		280	
Net cash used in financing activities	(20,398)	(58,922)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(13,023)	(4,065)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	24,934		19,484	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$11,911		\$15,419	
Supplemental cash flow disclosure:				
Income taxes paid	\$17,176		\$12,465	

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Unaudited Notes to Condensed Consolidated

Financial Statements

Forward-Looking Information

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, contains statements which may constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which involve risks and uncertainties, including, but not limited to, the effect of global tensions, availability and price of fuel, a significant increase in interest rates, a decline in consumer confidence, a slowdown in the economy, availability of chassis and other key component parts, sales order cancellations, slower than anticipated sales of new or existing products, new product introductions by competitors and other factors which may be disclosed throughout this report. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. Undue reliance should not be placed on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this report. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law or the rules of the New York Stock Exchange.

NOTE 1: Basis of Presentation

The Company, we, our, and us are used interchangeably to refer to Winnebago Industries, Inc. or Winnebago Industries, Inc. and its subsidiarie as appropriate to the context.

In our opinion, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements contain all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, necessary to present fairly the consolidated financial position as of May 26, 2007 and the consolidated statements of income for the quarter and nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, and consolidated cash flows for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006. The consolidated statement of income for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 is not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. The balance sheet data as of August 26, 2006 was derived from audited financial statements, but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. These interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto appearing in our Annual Report to Shareholders for the year ended August 26, 2006. Certain prior period information in the unaudited consolidated statements of cash flows has been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

NOTE 2: Stock-Based Compensation Plans

We have a 2004 Incentive Compensation Plan, as amended, in place which allows us to grant stock options and other equity compensation to key employees and to nonemployee directors. In prior years, stock-based compensation consisted only of stock options. In Fiscal 2007, we granted restricted stock awards to key employees and directors instead of stock options. The value of the restricted stock awards is determined using the intrinsic value method which, in this case, is based on the number of shares granted and the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant.

Total stock-based compensation expense included in our statements of income for the quarters ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006 was \$765,000 and \$997,000, respectively. The total stock-based compensation for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006 was \$4.4 million and \$3.8 million, respectively. Of the \$4.4 million, \$2.8 million is related to the granting to employees of 105,450 shares and the granting to nonemployee directors of 7,000 shares of restricted stock. The remainder is related to the amortization of previously granted employee and nonemployee directors stock options and nonemployee directors stock units issued in lieu of their fees. We will continue to recognize compensation expense over the three-year vesting periods for awards granted prior to adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123R, but for all awards granted after August 27, 2005, compensation expense will be recognized over the requisite service period of the award or over a period ending with an employee s eligible retirement date, if earlier.

NOTE 3: New Accounting Pronouncements

SFAS 109 has been amended by Financial Accounting Standards Interpretations (FIN) 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*. The amendment establishes a consistent threshold for recognizing current and deferred income taxes and results in increased comparability in how companies report income tax assets and liabilities. The effective date of FIN 48 is for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006 (our first quarter of Fiscal 2008). We are currently evaluating the impact of this pronouncement on our future consolidated financial statements.

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In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Financing Accounting Standards (FAS) No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. This statement provides a definition of fair value and a consistent basis by which to measure fair value. The statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and for interim periods within those fiscal years (our Fiscal Year 2009). We are currently evaluating the impact of this pronouncement on our future consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 158, Employer s Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans an amendment of FASB Statements No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R) (SFAS 158). SFAS 158 requires that we recognize the overfunded or underfunded status of our defined benefit and retiree medical plans as an asset or liability in our 2007 year-end balance sheet, with changes in the funded status recognized through comprehensive income in the year in which they occur. SFAS 158 is effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2006; for us, our fiscal year ending August 25, 2007. We are currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS 158 on our future consolidated financial statements.

NOTE 4: Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market, with cost being determined under the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method and market defined as net realizable value.

Inventories consist of the following:

	May 26,	August 26,
(In thousands)	2007	2006
Finished goods	\$44,015	\$33,420
Work-in-process	41,161	35,166
Raw materials	38,674	40,080
	123,850	108,666
LIFO reserve	(32,988)	(31,585)
	\$90,862	\$77,081

The Company adopted SFAS No. 151, *Inventory Costs*, at the beginning of Fiscal 2006. We have not recognized any charges related to idle capacity due to the fact that we believe our current production levels to be within the range of normal production levels.

NOTE 5: Warranty

We provide our motor home customers a comprehensive 12-month/15,000-mile warranty on the coach, and a 3-year/36,000-mile warranty on sidewalls and floors. We record a liability based on our estimate of the amounts necessary to settle future and existing claims on products sold as of the balance sheet date. Changes in our product warranty liability reserve are as follows:

	Nine Months	Nine Months Ended		
	May 26,	May 27,		
(In thousands)	2007	2006		

Balance at beginning of period	\$9,523		\$12,183	
Provision	9,627		8,058	
Claims paid	(8,359)	(9,522)
Balance at end of period	\$10,791		\$10,719	

In addition to the costs associated with the contractual warranty coverage provided on our motor homes, we also occasionally incur costs as a result of additional service actions not covered by our warranties, including product recalls and customer satisfaction actions. We estimate the cost of these service actions using past claim rate experiences and the estimated cost of repairs. Estimated costs are accrued at the time the service action is implemented and included in cost of sales in our consolidated statements of income and as other accrued expenses in our consolidated balance sheets.

Changes in our reserve for customer service actions are as follows:

	Nine Months Ended			
	May 26,		May 27,	
(In thousands)	2007		2006	
Balance at beginning of period	\$505		\$624	
Provision	406		196	
Claims paid	(531)	(326)
Balance at end of period	\$380		\$494	

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NOTE 6: Employee and Retiree Benefits

Reserves for long-term postretirement health care and deferred compensation benefits are as follows:

	May 26,	August 26,
(In thousands)	2007	2006
Postretirement health care benefit cost (1)	\$49,420	\$50,583
Deferred compensation liability (2)	25,170	25,015
Executive share option plan liability	13,120	10,673
Total postretirement health care and deferred compensation benefits	\$87,710	\$86,271

- (1) The current portion of accrued postretirement benefit cost of \$995,000 and \$903,000 as of May 26, 2007 and August 26, 2006, respectively, is included within other accrued expenses.
- (2) The current portion of deferred compensation liability of \$1.5 million and \$1.6 million as of May 26, 2007 and August 26, 2006, respectively, is included within accrued compensation.

Postretirement Health Care Benefits

We provide certain health care and other benefits for retired employees, hired before April 1, 2001, who have fulfilled eligibility requirements of age 55 with 15 years of continuous service. Retirees are required to pay a monthly premium for medical coverage based on years of service at retirement and then current age. Effective September 2004, we amended our postretirement health care benefit by establishing a maximum employer contribution amount which resulted in a \$40.4 million reduction of the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation. This reduction was deferred and is being amortized over the approximate remaining service period of active participants. Net periodic postretirement benefit income consisted of the following components:

	Quarter E	nded	Nine Month		
	May 26,	May 27,	May 26,	May 27,	
(In thousands)	2007	2006	2007	2006	
Interest cost	\$472	\$457	\$1,416	\$1,358	
Service cost	202	232	606	682	
Net amortization and deferral	(797) (737) (2,390) (2,234)
Net periodic postretirement benefit income	\$(123) \$(48) \$(368) \$(194)

For accounting purposes, we recognized income from the plan for all three quarters of both Fiscal 2007 and Fiscal 2006 due to the amortization of the cost savings from the September 2004 amendment. However, we are still obligated to pay the cost of previously accrued and earned retiree benefits and paid approximately \$240,000 and \$126,000 of such benefits for the quarters ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, respectively, and \$702,000 and \$686,000 for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, respectively.

NOTE 7: Contingent Liabilities and Commitments

Repurchase Commitments

Our repurchase agreements provide that, in the event of default by the dealer on the agreement to pay the lending institution, we will repurchase the financed merchandise. The agreements provide that our liability will not exceed 100 percent of the dealer invoice and provide for periodic liability reductions based on the time since the date of the original invoice. Our contingent liability on these repurchase agreements was approximately \$294.1 million and \$278.6 million at May 26, 2007 and August 26, 2006, respectively. Losses under these repurchase agreements for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006 were \$4,000 and \$0, respectively. Our reserve methodology is used to record an estimated expense and loss reserve in each accounting period based upon our extensive history and experience and known current events with respect to repurchase agreements with the lenders to our dealers. Based on the historical data and known current events, repurchase reserves under our repurchase agreements at May 26, 2007 and August 26, 2006 were not significant. Upon resale of the repurchased units, we do not record the transaction as revenue. The difference between the repurchase price and the net proceeds received from reselling the units is charged against or credited to our reserve for losses or gains on repurchases.

To our knowledge, none of our dealers or their lending institutions use subsidiaries that conduct business solely or primarily with us. Many of our dealers are engaged in other areas of business, including the sale of automobiles, and most of our dealers carry one or more competitive lines of motor home products. We conduct an extensive investigation of all dealers prior to delivering any products to them and we have verified that our dealers are independent businesses with substantive assets to provide security for credit extended to them related to the purchase of our products. To our knowledge, the lending institutions that offer our dealers floorplan financing all are engaged in a broad array of financing activities and they have not created separate subsidiaries to provide this financing. Based on these considerations, we concluded these parties are not variable interest entities.

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Guarantees For Suppliers

During the second quarter of Fiscal 2002, we entered into a five-year services agreement (the Agreement) with an unaffiliated third-party paint Supplier (the Supplier) and the Forest City Economic Development, Inc., (FCED) an Iowa nonprofit corporation, requiring the Supplier to provide paint services on our recreation vehicles. The FCED constructed and debt financed a facility which is leased by the Supplier. In the event of termination of the lease agreement by any of the parties involved before September 1, 2007, the rights and obligations of the Supplier under the lease would be transferred to us. As of May 26, 2007, the Supplier is current with its lease payment obligations to the FCED with approximately \$2.7 million (principal and interest) remaining to be paid through August 2012. Under the terms of the Agreement in the event of a default by the Supplier, we would be obligated to purchase from the Supplier equipment installed in the paint facility at net book value of \$340,000 as of May 26, 2007, and we would be obligated to assume payment obligations for approximately \$7,000 in capital equipment leases remaining to be paid at May 26, 2007.

During the second quarter of Fiscal 2004, we entered into a five-year limited guaranty agreement (Guaranty Agreement) with a leasing corporation (Landlord) and the previously discussed Supplier. The Landlord constructed a paint facility through debt financing on land adjoining our Charles City manufacturing plant for the Supplier. The Landlord and the Supplier have signed a ten-year lease agreement which commenced on August 1, 2004. The Guarantee Agreement states that we will guarantee the first 60 monthly lease payments (totaling approximately \$1.6 million of which \$598,000 was remaining as of May 26, 2007). In the event of a default under the lease agreement before August 2009 and the Supplier's failure to correct the default, the Landlord shall give us, the guarantor, written notice of its intent to terminate said lease. At the time of that notification, we will have various options that we must exercise in a timely manner. One option is to purchase the real estate with improvements from the Landlord. The price we would pay would be the outstanding loan owed by the Landlord to construct the paint facility, which was approximately \$1.6 million as of May 26, 2007. As of May 26, 2007, the Supplier is current with its lease payment obligations to the Landlord. As of May 26, 2007, the balance of the guarantee was approximately \$135,000 and presented as other accrued liabilities in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets.

The Supplier has a long history of providing the same service (painting motor homes) to similar manufacturers and we pay the Supplier an amount that is commensurate with the level of effort to provide these services. The owners of the Supplier have personally guaranteed the entire indebtedness related to both painting facilities. The service contracts with the Supplier are subject to cancellation provisions that are customary for such contracts. Based on these considerations, we determined that the Supplier was a variable interest entity; however, we determined due to our limited financial exposure we are not the primary beneficiary.

Litigation

We are regularly involved in legal proceedings in the ordinary course of business, some of which are covered in part by insurance. We prepare cost estimates of pending litigation based on historical experience, the professional judgment of our legal counsel, and other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable. Due to the uncertainties related to the outcome of the litigation and range of loss on certain cases, we occasionally are unable to make a reasonable estimate of the liability that could result from an unfavorable outcome. As additional information becomes available, we reassess the potential liability related to pending litigation and revise the related estimates. Such revisions and any actual liability that greatly exceed our estimates could materially adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.

NOTE 8: Dividends Declared

On March 22, 2007, the Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share, payable July 9, 2007 to shareholders of record on June 8, 2007, which has been recorded as an accrued liability in the accompanying balance sheet as of May 26, 2007.

On June 20, 2007, the Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.12 per common share, payable October 8, 2007 to shareholders of record on September 7, 2007.

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NOTE 9: Repurchase of Outstanding Stock

On April 12, 2006, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of outstanding shares of our common stock, depending on market conditions, for an aggregate consideration of up to \$50 million. There is no time restriction on this authorization. Repurchases for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 were approximately 628,000 shares for an aggregate consideration of approximately \$20.5 million. Repurchases of up to \$1.7 million of our common stock remain available under this authorization.

On June 20, 2007, the Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of outstanding shares of our common stock, depending on market conditions, for an aggregate consideration of up to \$60 million. There is no time restriction on this authorization.

NOTE 10: Income Per Share

The following table reflects the calculation of basic and diluted income per share for the quarters and nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006.

	Quarter Ended		Nine Months Ended		
	May 26,	May 27,	May 26,	May 27,	
(In thousands, except per share data)	2007	2006	2007	2006	
<u>Income per share - basic</u>					
Net income	\$11,253	\$13,157	\$26,721	\$35,427	
Weighted average shares outstanding	31,524	32,195	31,411	32,645	
Net income per share - basic	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.85	\$1.09	
Income per share - assuming dilution					
Net income	\$11,253	\$13,157	\$26,721	\$35,427	
Weighted average shares outstanding	31,524	32,195	31,411	32,645	
Dilutive impact of options and awards outstanding	237	301	286	292	
Weighted average shares and potential dilutive shares outstanding	31,761	32,496	31,697	32,937	
Net income per share - assuming dilution	\$0.35	\$0.40	\$0.84	\$1.08	

For the quarters ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, there were options outstanding to purchase 285,061 shares and 585,646 shares, respectively, of common stock at an average price of \$32.59 and \$31.32, respectively, which were not included in the computation of diluted income per share because they are considered anti-dilutive under the treasury stock method per SFAS No. 128, *Earnings Per Share* (as amended).

For the nine months ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, there were options outstanding to purchase 274,389 shares and 672,281 shares, respectively, of common stock at an average price of \$32.81 and \$30.76, respectively, which were not included in the computation of diluted income per share because they are considered anti-dilutive under the treasury stock method per SFAS No. 128, *Earnings Per Share* (as amended).

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

It is suggested that this Management s Discussion be read in conjunction with the Management s Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report to Shareholders for the year ended August 26, 2006.

Executive Overview

Winnebago Industries, Inc. is a leading motor home manufacturer with a proud history of manufacturing recreation vehicles for the last 49 years. We continue to lead the industry in retail unit combined market share of Class A and Class C motor homes, with 18.3 percent, for the calendar year-to-date ended April 30, 2007 per Statistical Surveys, Inc. Our strategy is to manufacture quality motor homes in a profitable manner. We measure profitability by using five guidelines: return on assets, return on equity, return on invested capital, operating income as a percent of net revenues and net income as a percent of net revenues. Our primary goal is to be a leader in profitability in the recreation vehicle industry. As a result of our performance, we have returned significant profits back to our shareholders through stock repurchases and dividends. During the nine months ended May 26, 2007, we repurchased approximately 628,000 shares of stock for \$20.5 million and we paid out dividends of \$9.4 million to our shareholders.

Company Outlook

The RV industry is cyclical and susceptible to slowdowns in the general economy. RV industry sales have been characterized by cycles of growth and contraction in consumer demand, reflecting prevailing economic, demographic and political conditions that affect disposable income for leisure-time activities. Some of the factors that contribute to this cyclicality include fuel availability and cost, interest rate levels, the level of discretionary spending, availability of credit and consumer confidence. The motorized portion of the recreation vehicle industry has experienced a volume decline for over two years. An extended continuation of higher fuel costs, higher interest rates, lower discretionary spending and lower consumer confidence would adversely affect our business, results of operations and financial condition. We will continue to adjust our factory schedule as necessary to reflect the demand for our products.

According to Statistical Surveys, Inc., Class A and Class C motor home retail industry unit sales have decreased 9.5 percent calendar year-to-date through April 2007, continuing the downward trend experienced in 2006. Winnebago Industries motor home unit wholesale deliveries for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 decreased 6.1 percent. However, revenues in the third quarter of Fiscal 2007 grew over prior

year s third quarter for the first time since the first quarter of Fiscal 2005. Unit volumes were essentially flat, but included a higher mix of Class A motor home deliveries, thus increasing our average selling price by 6.4 percent for the quarter. However, our gross profit was negatively impacted in the third quarter by an increase in the mix of lower margin motor homes in both Class A and Class C categories, as well as increasing materials and labor costs. The Company considered these cost pressures in the development and pricing of our Model Year 2008 products, which were introduced to our dealers at our annual Dealer Days event in May. Approximately 49 percent of our 2008 product lineup is either new or redesigned, which we hope will help improve our market share going forward, regardless of industry market conditions.

As evidenced in the table below, as of May 26, 2007, our sales order backlog showed an increase of 122.3 percent in the Class A gas segment and 176.4 percent in the Class A diesel segment, while the Class C segment remained fairly flat compared to the sales order backlog reported as of May 27, 2006. The increase in Class A backlog is due primarily to the timing of our Dealer Days event and acceptance of our new 2008 product at that event and is not a reflection of the current market. Our Dealer Days were held at the end of the third quarter in Fiscal 2007 and at the beginning of the fourth quarter in Fiscal 2006.

Order backlog for our motor homes by units was as follows:

	As Of							
		Product		Product				
		Mix	May 27,	Mix			%	
	May 26,				Increase			
	2007	%	2006	%	(Decrease)		Change	
Class A gas	907	38.2	408	24.9	499		122.3	
Class A diesel	409	17.2	148	9.0	261		176.4	
Total Class A	1,316	55.4	556	33.9	760		136.7	
Class C	1,059	44.6	1,086	66.1	(27)	(2.5)
Total backlog	2,375	100.0	1,642	100.0	733		44.6	
Total approximate revenue dollars								
(in millions)	\$207.6		\$121.0		\$86.6		71.5	
Dealer inventory								
(units)	4,604		4,881		(277)	(5.7)

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We include in our backlog all accepted purchase orders from dealers to be shipped within the next six months. Orders in backlog can be canceled or postponed at the option of the purchaser at any time without penalty and, therefore, backlog may not necessarily be an accurate measure of future sales.

Long-term demographics are favorable for our industry as our target market of consumers age 50 and older is expected to substantially increase over the next 30 years due to the aging of the baby boom market. Also, according to a 2005 study conducted by the University of Michigan, the age at which the motor home consumer is purchasing motor homes has broadened. Motor home buyers are entering the market earlier than in the past, as young as 35, and living active and healthier lives with more buyers remaining in the RV lifestyle over the age of 75. The study also indicates that owners are using their motor homes for more than just traditional camping, having a positive impact on long-term motor home market growth. The study shows that motor homes are used to pursue consumers many lifestyle passions which may include going to motor sports events or tailgating at sporting events.

Critical Accounting Policies

Our consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). In connection with the preparation of our financial statements, we are required to make assumptions and estimates about future events and apply judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue, expenses and the related disclosures. We base our assumptions, estimates and judgments on historical experience, current trends and other factors that we believe to be relevant at the time our consolidated financial statements are prepared. On a regular basis, we review the accounting policies, assumptions, estimates and judgments to ensure that our financial statements are presented fairly and in accordance with GAAP. However, because future events and their effects cannot be determined with certainty, actual results could differ from our assumptions and estimates and such differences could be material.

We believe that the following accounting estimates and policies are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our reported financial results and they require our most difficult, subjective or complex judgments resulting from the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We have reviewed these critical accounting estimates and related disclosures with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

Revenue Recognition. Generally, revenues for motor homes are recorded when all of the following conditions are met: an order for a product has been received from a dealer; written or verbal approval for payment has been received from the dealer s floorplan financing institution; and the product is delivered to the dealer who placed the order. Most sales are financed under floorplan financing arrangements with banks or finance companies.

Revenues from the sales of our original equipment manufacturing components and motor home-related parts are recorded as the products are shipped from our location. The title of ownership transfers on these products as they leave our location due to the freight terms of F.O.B. - Forest City, Iowa.

Postretirement Benefits Obligations and Costs. We provide certain health care and other benefits for retired employees, hired before April 1, 2001, who have fulfilled eligibility requirements at age 55 with 15 years of continuous service. Postretirement benefit liabilities are determined by actuaries using assumptions about the discount rate and health care cost-trend rates. A significant increase or decrease in interest rates could have a significant impact on our operating results. Further discussion of our postretirement benefit plan and related assumptions is included in Note 6.

Warranty. A comprehensive 12-month/15,000-mile warranty and a 3-year/36,000-mile warranty on sidewalls and floors are provided by us with the retail purchase of any new motor home in the United States or Canada. Estimated costs related to product warranty are accrued at the time of sale and are based upon past warranty claims and unit sales history and adjusted as required to reflect actual costs incurred, as information becomes available. A significant increase in dealership labor rates, the cost of parts or the frequency of claims could have a material adverse impact on our operating results for the period or periods in which such claims or additional costs materialize. We also incur costs as a result of additional service actions not covered by our warranties, including product recalls and customer satisfaction actions. Estimated costs are accrued at the time the service action is implemented and are based upon past claim rate experiences and the estimated cost of the repairs. Further discussion of our warranty costs and associated accruals is included in Note 5.

Repurchase Commitments. Generally, companies in the RV industry enter into repurchase agreements with lending institutions which have provided wholesale floorplan financing to dealers. Our repurchase agreements provide that, in the event of default by the dealer on the

agreement to pay the lending institution, we will repurchase the financed motor homes. The agreements also provide that our liability will not exceed 100 percent of the dealer invoice and provide for periodic liability reductions based on the time since the date of the original invoice. These repurchase obligations generally expire upon the earlier to occur of (i) the dealer s sale of the financed unit or (ii) one year from the date of the original invoice. Our obligations under these repurchase agreements are reduced by the proceeds received upon the resale of any repurchased unit. The gross repurchase obligation will vary depending on the season and the level of dealer inventories. Past losses under these agreements have not been significant. Further discussion of our repurchase obligations is included in Note 7.

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Stock-Based Compensation. Historically, we have granted stock options to our key employees and nonemployee directors as part of their compensation. In Fiscal 2007, we granted restricted stock awards to key employees and nonemployee directors instead of stock options.

The amount of compensation expense incurred related to stock awards and to be incurred in future periods is dependent upon a number of factors, such as the number of awards, both options and shares granted, the timing of stock option exercises and actual forfeiture rates. We estimate the fair value of all stock option awards as of the date of grant by applying the Black-Scholes option-pricing model. The application of this valuation model involves assumptions, some of which are judgmental and highly sensitive. These assumptions include, among others, our expected stock price volatility and the expected life of our stock options, which are based primarily on our historical experience.

The value of the restricted stock is based on the closing price of our common stock on the date of grant.

The fair value of each award is amortized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period or to an employee s eligible retirement date, if earlier. This is because our awards typically vest over three years or upon retirement if earlier; thus, options and restricted stock awards are expensed immediately upon grant for retirement-eligible employees. This feature accelerates expense in the period of grant (typically our first fiscal quarter) and creates an uneven pattern of stock-based compensation that results in relatively higher expense in our first fiscal quarter and relatively lower expense in our second through fourth quarters. The impact of this feature is significant since a majority of our awards are made to retirement-eligible employees. Further discussion of our stock-based compensation is included in Note 2.

Other. We have reserves for other loss exposures, such as litigation, taxes, product liability, worker s compensation, employee medical claims, inventory and accounts receivable. We also have loss exposure on loan guarantees. Establishing loss reserves for these matters requires the use of estimates and judgment in regards to risk exposure and ultimate liability. We estimate losses under the programs using consistent and appropriate methods; however, changes in assumptions could materially affect our recorded liabilities for loss.

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Results of Operations

Third Quarter Compared to the Third Quarter Last Year

The following is an analysis of changes in key items included in the consolidated statements of income for the quarter ended May 26, 2007 compared to the quarter ended May 27, 2006.

	Quarter Ended							
	May 26,	% of	May 27,	% of	Increase		%	
(In thousands, except percent and per share data)	2007	Revenues	2006	Revenues	(Decrease)		Change	
Net revenues	\$231,692	100.0	\$220,312	100.0	\$11,380		5.2	
Cost of goods sold	205,436	88.7	192,236	87.3	13,200		6.9	
Gross profit	26,256	11.3	28,076	12.7	(1,820)	(6.5)
Selling	5,511	2.4	4,536	2.1	975		21.5	
General and administrative	6,086	2.6	5,160	2.3	926		17.9	
Total operating expenses	11,597	5.0	9,696	4.4	1,901		19.6	
Operating income	14,659	6.3	18,380	8.3	(3,721)	(20.2)
Financial income	1,799	0.8	1,418	0.7	381		26.9	
Income before income taxes	16,458	7.1	19,798	9.0	(3,340)	(16.9)
Provision for taxes	5,205	2.2	6,641	3.0	(1,436)	(21.6)
Net income	\$11,253	4.9	\$13,157	6.0	\$(1,904)	(14.5)
Diluted income per share	\$0.35		\$0.40		\$(0.05)	(12.5)
Fully diluted average shares outstanding	31,761		32,496		(735)	(2.3)

Unit deliveries consisted of the following:

	Quarter End	ed						
	May 26,	Product	May 27,	Product	Increase		%	
Motor home unit deliveries:	2007	Mix %	2006	Mix %	(Decrease)		Change	
Class A gas	904	35.2	782	30.5	122		15.6	
Class A diesel	397	15.4	341	13.3	56		16.4	
Total Class A	1,301	50.6	1,123	43.8	178		15.9	
Class C	1,268	49.4	1,443	56.2	(175)	(12.1)
Total deliveries	2,569	100.0	2,566	100.0	3		0.1	

Net revenues for the quarter ended May 26, 2007 increased \$11.4 million, or 5.2 percent, as a result of a shift in mix from Class C to Class A motor homes. This increase can be further quantified by the 6.4 percent increase in our average selling price for all motor homes delivered when comparing the quarter ended May 26, 2007 to the quarter ended May 27, 2006.

Motor homes delivered during the quarter were essentially equally mixed between our Class A and Class C products. However, with the introduction of the new low-priced Class A gas motor homes, the mix of Class A gas was more heavily weighted to lower-priced units. This was evidenced by a 3.5 percent decrease in our average selling price for Class A gas units when comparing the quarter ended May 26, 2007 to the quarter ended May 27, 2006.

Gross profit margin decreased \$1.8 million, from 12.7 percent for the quarter ended May 27, 2006 to 11.3 percent for the quarter ended May 26, 2007. Gross profit was negatively impacted by an increase in the mix of lower-margin motor homes, in both Class A and Class C categories, as well as increased materials and labor costs related to Model Year 2007 products.

Selling expenses increased \$975,000, or 21.5 percent, for the quarter ended May 26, 2007. As a percent of net revenues, selling expenses were 2.4 percent and 2.1 percent for the quarters ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, respectively. The increases were due primarily to the acceleration of our Dealer Days event from the fourth quarter to the third quarter.

General and administrative expenses increased \$926,000, or 17.9 percent, for the quarter ended May 26, 2007 primarily as a result of increased bonus expense due to the Company achieving a portion of its compensation objectives. As a percent of net revenues, general and administrative expenses were 2.6 percent and 2.3 percent for the quarters ended May 26, 2007 and May 27, 2006, respectively.

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Financial income increased \$381,000, or 26.9 percent, for the quarter ended May 26, 2007. The increase in financial income was due to a higher average interest rate earned on investments and a higher average investment balance.

The overall effective income tax rate decreased to 31.6 percent for the quarter ended May 26, 2007 from 33.5 percent for the quarter ended May 27, 2006. The decrease was a result of an increase in tax-free and dividend income and stock option tax benefits due to a larger deduction for tax purposes than book purposes related to the exercise of stock options.

Net income decreased by 14.5 percent and income per diluted share decreased by 12.5 percent when comparing the quarter ended May 26, 2007 to the quarter ended May 27, 2006. The reason for the difference in the decrease in net income compared to the decrease in income per diluted share was due primarily to a lower number of shares of common stock outstanding during the quarter ended May 26, 2007, as a result of more shares of common stock repurchased by the Company during Fiscal 2006.

Nine Months Ended May 26, 2007 Compared to the Nine Months Ended May 27, 2006

The following is an analysis of changes in key items included in the consolidated statements of income for the nine months ended May 26, 2007 compared to the nine months ended May 27, 2006.