GREIF INC Form 10-Q June 09, 2010

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-Q**

# **DESCRIPTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended April 30, 2010 Commission File Number 001-00566

## GREIF, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 31-4388903 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**425** Winter Road, Delaware, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)

43015 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (740) 549-6000 Not Applicable

Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes p No o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Website, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes o No o

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

Large accelerated filer b Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o

Smaller reporting company o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

The number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer s classes of common stock at the close of business on May 31, 2010:

24,657,074

shares

22,462,266 shares

Class B Common Stock

# PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# GREIF, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three months ended April 30,					Six months ended April 30,			
		2010		2009		2010			
				(As				(As	
NT / 1	Φ	026 500		djusted) <sup>1</sup>	¢ 1.546.060			Adjusted) <sup>1</sup>	
Net sales	\$	836,580	\$	647,897		,546,262	\$	1,314,157	
Cost of products sold		668,064		551,037	1	,240,034		1,122,496	
Gross profit		168,516		96,860		306,228		191,661	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		01.660		65.605		174.050		104 100	
		91,668		65,695		174,050		124,129	
Restructuring charges Gain on disposal of properties, plants and		4,790		20,295		10,787		47,471	
equipment, net		(701)		(2,237)		(2,029)		(4,554)	
Operating profit		72,759		13,107		123,420		24,615	
Interest expense, net		16,759		13,403		31,647		25,602	
Debt extinguishment charge				782				782	
Other expense (income), net		896		(1,957)		3,659		(170)	
Income (loss) before income tax expense and									
equity losses of unconsolidated affilitates, net		55,104		879		88,114		(1,599)	
Income tax expense (benefit)		10,514		(672)		17,182		(1,922)	
Equity earnings (losses) of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax		242		(5)		131		(595)	
Net income (loss)		44,832		1,546		71,063		(272)	
Net income (loss) attributable to									
noncontrolling interests		2,198		(7)		3,610		447	
Net income (loss) attributable to Greif, Inc.	\$	42,634	\$	1,553	\$	67,453	\$	(719)	
Basic earnings per share attributable to Greif, Inc. common shareholders:									
Class A Common Stock	\$	0.73	\$	0.03	\$	1.16	\$	(0.01)	
Class B Common Stock	\$	1.10	\$	0.04	\$	1.73	\$	(0.02)	

# Diluted earnings per share attributable to

# Greif, Inc. common shareholders:

Class A Common Stock	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.03	\$ 1.16	\$ (0.01)
Class B Common Stock	\$ 1.10	\$ 0.04	\$ 1.73	\$ (0.02)

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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# (2) In the first quarter

of 2010, the

Company adopted

Statement of

Financial

Accounting

Standards (SFAS)

No. 141(R)

(codified under

Accounting

Standards

Codification

( ASC ) 805,

**Business** 

Combinations ),

which requires it

to expense

acquisition costs

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incurred. Previously, these costs were capitalized as part of the purchase price of the acquisition. Under this guidance, the Company recorded \$3.3 million and \$13.3 million of expenses in the three-month and six-month periods ended April 30, 2010, which includes \$6.1 million for acquisition costs incurred prior to November 1, 2009 that were previously accumulated to the consolidated balance sheet for acquisitions not consummated by October 31, 2009. Refer to Note 1 presented in the Notes to Consolidated Financial

Statements.

# GREIF, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED) (Dollars in thousands) ASSETS

	Ap	April 30, 2010		October 31, 2009		
	•	,	(A	s Adjusted) <sup>1</sup>		
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	85,033	\$	111,896		
Trade accounts receivable, less allowance of \$12,566 in 2010 and \$12,510						
in 2009		418,982		337,054		
Inventories		302,944		238,851		
Deferred tax assets		14,157		19,901		
Net assets held for sale		29,527		31,574		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		117,129		105,904		
		967,772		845,180		
I and town accets						
Long-term assets Goodwill		617,161		592,117		
Other intangible assets, net of amortization		151,180		131,370		
Assets held by special purpose entities (Note 8)		50,891		50,891		
Other long-term assets		98,842		112,092		
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		918,074		886,470		
Properties, plants and equipment		212 (26		10=111		
Timber properties, net of depletion		212,636		197,114		
Land		117,809		120,667		
Buildings		370,742		380,816		
Machinery and equipment		1,191,963		1,148,406		
Capital projects in progress		122,885		70,489		
		2,016,035		1,917,492		
Accumulated depreciation		(864,579)		(825,213)		
		1,151,456		1,092,279		
Total assets	\$	3,037,302	\$	2,823,929		

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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# GREIF, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

# (Dollars in thousands)

# LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

	April 30, 2010			October 31, 2009
	-	,	(A	s Adjusted) <sup>1</sup>
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	324,906	\$	335,816
Accrued payroll and employee benefits		61,757		74,475
Restructuring reserves		15,910		15,315
Current portion of long-term debt		20,000		17,500
Short-term borrowings		48,890		19,584
Other current liabilities		139,330		99,407
		610,793		562,097
Long-term liabilities				
Long-term debt		954,983		721,108
Deferred tax liabilities		158,741		161,152
Pension liabilities		81,353		77,942
Postretirement benefit obligations		26,110		25,396
Liabilities held by special purpose entities (Note 8)		43,250		43,250
Other long-term liabilities		107,448		126,392
		1,371,885		1,155,240
Shareholders equity				
Common stock, without par value		104,117		96,504
Treasury stock, at cost		(114,904)		(115,277)
Retained earnings		1,229,967		1,206,614
Accumulated other comprehensive loss:				
- foreign currency translation		(98,953)		(6,825)
- interest rate derivatives		(17)		(1,484)
- energy and other derivatives		(402)		(391)
- minimum pension liabilities		(78,603)		(79,546)
Toal Greif, Inc. shareholders equity before noncontrolling interest		1,041,205		1,099,595
Noncontrolling interests		13,419		6,997
Total shareholders equity		1,054,624		1,106,592
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$	3,037,302	\$	2,823,929

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# GREIF, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)

(Dollars in thousands)

For the six months ended April 30,		2010	2009 (As Adjusted) <sup>1</sup>		
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Net income (loss)	\$	71,063	\$	(272)	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash used in operating					
activities:					
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		57,179		49,518	
Asset impairments		239		11,620	
Deferred income taxes		3,333		(3,316)	
Gain on disposals of properties, plants and equipment, net		(2,029)		(4,554)	
Equity (earnings) losses of affiliates		(131)		595	
Increase (decrease) in cash from changes in certain assets and liabilities:					
Trade accounts receivable		(45,346)		81,917	
Inventories		(46,452)		77,933	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(8,107)		8,595	
Other long-term assets		(18,178)		(12,044)	
Accounts payable		(99,809)		(242,598)	
Accrued payroll and employee benefits		(9,672)		(40,581)	
Restructuring reserves		595		10,180	
Other current liabilities		29,464		(54,041)	
Pension and postretirement benefit liabilities		4,125		(917)	
Other long-term liabilities		(18,944)		23,453	
Other		12,619		41,594	
Net cash used in operating activities		(70,051)		(52,918)	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Acquisitions of companies, net of cash acquired		(114,135)		(19,201)	
Purchases of properties, plants and equipment		(64,558)		(53,472)	
Purchases of timber properties		(16,615)		(600)	
Proceeds from the sale of properties, plants, equipment and other assets		3,927		5,249	
Net cash used in investing activities		(191,381)		(68,024)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt		1,625,786		1,974,879	
Payments on long-term debt		1,378,976)		(1,819,597)	
Proceeds from short-term borrowings, net	,	35,189		14,361	
Dividends paid		(44,100)		(43,790)	
Acquisitions of treasury stock and other		•		(3,145)	
Exercise of stock options		364		272	
Debt issuance cost				(8,309)	

Net cash provided by financing activities	238,263	114,671
Effects of exchange rates on cash	(3,694)	(4,581)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	(26,863) 111,896	(10,852) 77,627
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 85,033	\$ 66,775

See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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# GREIF, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS April 30, 2010

# NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# Basis of Presentation

The information furnished herein reflects all adjustments which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated balance sheets as of April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 and the consolidated statements of operations and cash flows for the three-month and six-month periods ended April 30, 2010 and 2009 of Greif, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company ). The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and all wholly-owned and majority-owned subsidiaries.

The consolidated financial statements included in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (this Form 10-Q ) should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for its fiscal year ended October 31, 2009 (the 2009 Form 10-K ) and our Form 8-K filed on May 27, 2010 (the May 27 Form 8-K ) to update certain sections of the 2009 Form 10-K to reflect revised financial information and disclosures resulting from the application of a change in an accounting principle from using a combination of the last-in, first-out ( LIFO ) and the first-in, first-out ( FIFO ) inventory accounting methods to the FIFO method for all the Company s businesses effective November 1, 2009. All references in this Form 10-Q to the 2009 Form 10-K also include the financial information and disclosures contained in the May 27 Form 8-K. Note 1 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements from the 2009 Form 10-K is specifically incorporated in this Form 10-Q by reference. In the opinion of Management, all adjustments necessary for fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements have been included. Except as disclosed elsewhere in this Form 10-Q, all such adjustments are of a normal and recurring nature.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) instructions to Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and include all of the information and disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP) for interim financial reporting. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates.

The Company s fiscal year begins on November 1 and ends on October 31 of the following year. Any references to the year 2010 or 2009, or to any quarter of those years, relates to the fiscal year or quarter, as the case may be, ending in that year.

Certain and appropriate prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2010 presentation. In addition, certain prior year financial information has been adjusted to reflect the Company s change in inventory accounting discussed in Note 4.

# **Recent Accounting Standards**

In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 141(R), (codified under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 805 Business Combinations), which replaces SFAS No. 141. The objective of SFAS No. 141(R) is to improve the relevance, representational faithfulness and comparability of the information that a reporting entity provides in its financial reports about a business combination and its effects. SFAS No. 141(R) establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree; recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. SFAS No. 141(R) applies to all transactions or other events in which an entity (the acquirer) obtains control of one or more businesses (the acquiree), including those sometimes referred to as true mergers or mergers of equals and combinations achieved without the transfer of consideration. SFAS No. 141(R) applies to any acquisition entered into on or after November 1, 2009. The Company adopted the new guidance beginning on November 1, 2009, which impacted the Company's financial position, results of operations, cash flows and related disclosures.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Accounting and Reporting of Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51, (codified under ASC 810 Consolidation). The objective of SFAS No. 160 is to improve the relevance, comparability and transparency of the financial information that a reporting entity provides in its consolidated financial statements. SFAS No. 160 amends ARB No. 51 to establish accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation

of a subsidiary. SFAS No. 160 also changes the way the consolidated financial statements are presented, establishes a single method of accounting for changes in a parent s ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation, requires that a parent recognize a gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated and expands disclosures in the consolidated financial statements that clearly identify and distinguish between the parent s ownership interest and the interest of the noncontrolling owners of a subsidiary. The provisions of SFAS No. 160 are to be applied prospectively as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which SFAS No. 160 is adopted, except for the presentation and disclosure requirements, which are to be applied retrospectively for all periods presented. The Company adopted the new guidance beginning November 1, 2009, and the adoption of the new guidance did not impact the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows, other than the related disclosures. In December 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS 132(R)-1, Employers Disclosures About Postretirement Benefit Plan Assets (FSP FAS 132(R)-1) (codified under ASC 715 Compensation Retirement Benefits ), to provide guidance on employers disclosures about assets of a defined benefit pension or other postretirement plan. FSP FAS 132(R)-1 requires employers to disclose information about fair value measurements of plan assets similar to SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements. The objectives of the disclosures are to provide an understanding of: (a) how investment allocation decisions are made, including the factors that are pertinent to an understanding of investment policies and strategies, (b) the major categories of plan assets, (c) the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets, (d) the effect of fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs on changes in plan assets for the period and (e) significant concentrations of risk within plan assets. The Company is in process of evaluating the impact that the adoption of the guidance may have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, the Company does not anticipate a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 166, Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140 (not yet codified). The Statement amends SFAS No. 140 to improve the information provided in financial statements concerning transfers of financial assets, including the effects of transfers on financial position, financial performance and cash flows, and any continuing involvement of the transferror with the transferred financial assets. The provisions of SFAS 166 are effective for the Company s financial statements for the fiscal year beginning November 1, 2010. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact that the adoption of the guidance may have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, the Company does not anticipate a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R) (not yet codified). SFAS 167 amends FIN 46(R) to require an enterprise to perform an analysis to determine whether the enterprise s variable interest or interests give it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity. It also amends FIN 46(R) to require enhanced disclosures that will provide users of financial statements with more transparent information about an enterprise s involvement in a variable interest entity. The provisions of SFAS 167 are effective for the Company s financial statements for the fiscal year beginning November 1, 2010. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact that the adoption of SFAS No. 167 may have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, the Company does not anticipate a material impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

# NOTE 2 ACOUISITIONS, DIVESTITURES AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT TRANSACTIONS

On November 1, 2009, the Company adopted SFAS No. 141(R), (codified under ASC 805 Business Combinations), which requires the Company to expense all acquisition-related related costs such as accounting and legal due diligence in the period they are incurred. Acquisition-related costs that have been incurred but not yet billed have been accrued in other current liabilities. Previously, these costs were capitalized as part of the purchase price of an acquisition. Upon adoption, \$6.1 million was expensed for acquisition-related costs incurred prior to November 1, 2009 which were previously accumulated in the consolidated balance sheet for acquisitions not consummated by October 31, 2009.

During the first six months of 2010, the Company completed acquisitions of one rigid industrial packaging company, one flexible products company, and made a contingent purchase price payment related to a 2008 rigid industrial packaging acquisition. The two 2010 acquisitions consisted of the acquisition of a European rigid industrial packaging company in November 2009 and the acquisition of a European flexible products company in February 2010. The aggregate purchase price for the two 2010 acquisitions was less than \$150 million. The rigid industrial packaging acquisition is expected to complement the Company s existing product lines that together will provide growth opportunities and economies of scale. The flexible products acquisition expands the Company into a new product offering.

During 2009, the Company completed acquisitions of five rigid industrial packaging companies and one paper packaging company and made a contingent purchase price payment related to a 2005 acquisition for an aggregate purchase price of \$90.8 million. These six acquisitions consisted of two North American rigid industrial packaging companies in February 2009, the acquisition of a North American rigid industrial packaging company in June 2009, the acquisition of a rigid industrial packaging company in Asia in July 2009, the acquisition of a South American rigid industrial packaging company in October 2009, and the acquisition of a 75 percent interest in a North American paper packaging company in October 2009. These rigid industrial packaging and paper packaging acquisitions complemented the Company s existing product lines and provided growth opportunities and economies of scale. These acquisitions, included in operating results from the acquisition dates, were accounted for using the purchase method of accounting and, accordingly, the purchase prices were allocated to the assets purchased and liabilities assumed based upon their estimated fair values at the dates of acquisition. The estimated fair values of the net assets acquired were \$27.2 million (including \$8.4 million of accounts receivable and \$4.4 million of inventory) and liabilities assumed were \$20.7 million. Identifiable intangible assets, with a combined fair value of \$34.5 million, including trade-names, customer relationships, and certain non-compete agreements, have been recorded for these acquisitions. The excess of the purchase prices over the estimated fair values of the net tangible and intangible assets acquired of \$49.8 million was recorded as goodwill. The final allocation of the purchase prices may differ due to additional refinements in the fair values of the net assets acquired as well as the execution of consolidation plans to eliminate duplicate operations, in accordance with SFAS No. 141, Business Combinations. This is due to the valuation of certain other assets and liabilities that are subject to refinement and therefore the actual fair value may vary from the preliminary estimates. Adjustments to the acquired net assets resulting from final valuations are not expected to be significant. The Company is finalizing certain closing date adjustments with the sellers, as well as the allocation of income tax adjustments. The Company implemented a restructuring plan for one of the 2009 acquisitions above. The Company s restructuring activities, which were accounted for in accordance with Emerging Task Force Issue No. 95-3, Recognition of Liabilities in Connection with a Purchase Business Combination (EITF 95-3), primarily included exit costs associated with the consolidation of facilities, facility relocation, and the reduction of excess capacity. In connection with these restructuring activities, as part of the cost of the above acquisition, the Company established reserves, primarily for excess facilities, in the amount of \$1.7 million, of which \$0.8 million remains in the restructuring reserve at April 30, 2010.

Had the transactions occurred on November 1, 2008, results of operations would not have differed materially from reported results.

# NOTE 3 SALE OF NON-UNITED STATES ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Pursuant to the terms of a Receivable Purchase Agreement (the RPA) dated October 28, 2004 between Greif Coordination Center BVBA, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Greif, Inc., and a major international bank, the seller agreed to sell trade receivables meeting certain eligibility requirements that seller had purchased from other indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of Greif, Inc., including Greif Belgium BVBA, Greif Germany GmbH, Greif Nederland BV, Greif Spain SA and Greif UK Ltd, under discounted receivables purchase agreements and from Greif France SAS under a factoring agreement. The RPA was amended on October 28, 2005 to include receivables originated by Greif Portugal Lda, also an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Greif, Inc. In addition, on October 28, 2005, Greif Italia S.P.A., also an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Greif, Inc., entered into the Italian Receivables Purchase Agreement with the Italian branch of the major international bank (the Italian RPA) with Greif Italia S.P.A., agreeing to sell trade receivables that meet certain eligibility criteria to the Italian branch of the major international bank. The Italian RPA is similar in structure and terms as the RPA. The RPA was amended April 30, 2007 to include receivables oriented by Greif Packaging Belgium NV, Greif Packaging France SAS and Greif Packaging Spain SA, all wholly-owned subsidiaries of Greif, Inc. The maximum amount of receivables that may be sold under the RPA and the Italian RPA is 115 million (\$151.5 million) at April 30, 2010.

In October 2007, Greif Singapore Pte. Ltd., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Greif Inc., entered into the Singapore Receivable Purchase Agreement (the Singapore RPA) with a major international bank. The maximum amount of aggregate receivables that may be sold under the Singapore RPA is 15.0 million Singapore Dollars (\$10.9 million) at April 30, 2010.

In October 2008, Greif Embalagens Industriais do Brasil Ltda., an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Greif Inc., entered into agreements (the Brazil Agreements) with Brazilian banks. There is no maximum amount of aggregate receivables that may be sold under the Brazil Agreements; however, the sale of individual receivables is subject to approval by the banks.

In May 2009, an indirect wholly-owned Malaysian subsidiary of Greif, Inc., entered into the Malaysian Receivables Purchase Agreement (the Malaysian Agreements) with Malaysian banks. The maximum amount of the aggregate receivables that may be sold under the Malaysian Agreements is 15.0 million Malaysian Ringgits (\$4.7 million at April 30, 2010).

The structure of the transactions provide for a legal true sale, on a revolving basis, of the receivables transferred from the various Greif, Inc. subsidiaries to the respective banks. The bank funds an initial purchase price of a certain percentage of eligible receivables based on a formula with the initial purchase price approximating 75 percent to 90 percent of eligible receivables. The remaining deferred purchase price is settled upon collection of the receivables. At the balance sheet reporting dates, the Company removes from accounts receivable the amount of proceeds received from the initial purchase price since they meet the applicable criteria of SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities (codified under ASC 860 Transfers and Servicing), and continues to recognize the deferred purchase price in its accounts receivable. The receivables are sold on a non-recourse basis with the total funds in the servicing collection accounts pledged to the banks between settlement dates.

At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, 84.8 million (\$111.8 million) and 77.0 million (\$114.0 million), respectively, of accounts receivable were sold under the RPA and Italian RPA. At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, 5.8 million Singapore Dollars (\$4.2 million) and 5.6 million Singapore Dollars (\$4.0 million), respectively, of accounts receivable were sold under the Singapore RPA. At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, 17.7 million Brazilian Reais (\$10.0 million) and 13.3 million Brazilian Reais (\$7.6 million), respectively, of accounts receivable were sold under the Brazil Agreements. At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, 5.8 million Malaysian Ringgits (\$1.8 million) and 6.3 million Malaysian Ringgits (\$1.8 million), respectively, of accounts receivable were sold under the Malaysian Agreements.

At the time the receivables are initially sold, the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the assets sold are included as a loss on sale in the consolidated statements of operations.

Expenses, primarily related to the loss on sale of receivables, associated with the RPA and Italian RPA totaled 0.7 million (\$0.9 million) and 0.7 million (\$0.9 million) for the three months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009,

respectively; and 1.4 million (\$1.9 million) and 2.1 million (\$2.7 million) for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Expenses associated with the Singapore RPA totaled 0.1 million Singapore Dollars (\$0.1 million) for the three months ended April 30, 2010 and were insignificant for the three months ended April 30, 2009; and 0.2 million (\$0.2 million) for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and were insignificant for the six months ended April 30, 2009.

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Expenses associated with the Brazil Agreements totaled 1.0 million Brazilian Reais (\$0.6 million) for the three months ended April 30, 2010 and were insignificant for the three months ended April 30, 2009; and 2.1 million (\$1.2 million) for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and were insignificant for the six months ended April 30, 2009. Expenses associated with the Malaysian Agreements were insignificant for the three months ended April 30, 2010 and the six months ended April 30, 2010. There were no expenses for the three months ended April 30, 2009 or six months ended April 30, 2010 as the Malaysian Agreement did not commence until May 2009

Additionally, the Company performs collections and administrative functions on the receivables sold similar to the procedures it uses for collecting all of its receivables, including receivables that are not sold under the RPA, the Italian RPA, the Singapore RPA, the Brazil Agreements, and the Malaysian Agreements. The servicing liability for these receivables is not material to the consolidated financial statements.

# **NOTE 4 INVENTORIES**

On November 1, 2009, the Company elected to adopt the FIFO method of inventory valuation for all locations, whereas in all prior years inventory for certain U.S. locations was valued using the LIFO method. The Company believes that the FIFO method of inventory valuation is preferable because 1) the change conforms to a single method of accounting for all of the Company s inventories on a U.S. and global basis, 2) the change simplifies financial disclosures, 3) financial statement comparability and analysis for investors and analysts is improved, and 4) the majority of the Company s key competitors use FIFO. The comparative consolidated financial statements of prior periods presented have been adjusted to apply the new accounting method retrospectively. The change in accounting principle is reported through retrospective application as described in ASC 250, Accounting Changes and Error Corrections.

The following consolidated statement of operations line items for the three and six-month periods ended April 30, 2009 were affected by the change in accounting principle:

	For the th	ree months ende	d April 30,								
	2009					For the six months ended April 30, 2009					
	As		As								
	Originally		Originally								
			As								
	Reported	Adjustments	Adjusted	Reported	Adjustments	Α	Adjusted				
Cost of products sold	\$ 533,815	\$ 17,222	\$ 551,037	\$1,099,520	\$ 22,976	\$	1,122,496				
Gross profit	114,082	(17,222)	96,860	214,637	(22,976)	\$	191,661				
Operating profit	30,329	(17,222)	13,107	47,591	(22,976)	\$	24,615				
Income tax expense											
(benefit)	5,960	(6,632)	(672)	6,926	(8,848)	\$	(1,922)				
Net income											
(loss) attributable to Greif,											
Inc.	12,142	(10,589)	1,553	13,408	(14,127)	\$	(719)				

The following consolidated balance sheet line items at October 31, 2009 were affected by the change in accounting principle:

Inventory	Originally Reported Adjustments 227,432 \$ 11,419			As Adjusted \$ 238,851		
Total assets	\$ 2,812,510	\$	11,419	\$ 2,823,929		
Deferred tax liabilities	\$ 156,755	\$	4,397	\$ 161,152		
Total liabilities	\$ 1,712,940	\$	4,397	\$ 1,717,337		
Retained earnings	\$ 1,199,592	\$	7,022	\$ 1,206,614		
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	\$ 2,812,510	\$	11,419	\$ 2,823,929		

# NOTE 5 NET ASSETS HELD FOR SALE

Net assets held for sale represent land, buildings and land improvements for locations that have met the criteria of held for sale accounting, as specified by SFAS No. 144, Accounting for Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets (codified under ASC 360 Property, Plant, and Equipment ). As of April 30, 2010, there were fourteen facilities held for sale. The net assets held for sale are being marketed for sale and it is the Company s intention to complete the facility sales within the upcoming year.

# NOTE 6 GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The Company either annually or when events and circumstances indicate an impairment may have occurred reviews goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment as required by SFAS No. 142 Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets (*codified under ASC 350 Intangibles Goodwill and Other*). The following table summarizes the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment for the six month period ended April 30, 2010 (Dollars in thousands):

	Rigid Industrial Packaging		Flexible Products and		Paper		Land		
	and	d Services	S	ervices	Pa	ckaging	Man	agement	<b>Total</b>
Balance at October 31, 2009	\$	530,717	\$		\$	61,400	\$		\$ 592,117
Goodwill acquired		24,810		12,756				150	37,716
Goodwill adjustments		2,660				(1,075)			1,585
Currency translation		(14,257)							(14,257)
Balance at April 30, 2010	\$	543,930	\$	12,756	\$	60,325	\$	150	\$ 617,161

The goodwill acquired of \$37.7 million consists of preliminary goodwill related to an acquisition in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment in our first quarter and an acquisition in the Flexible Products and Services segment in our second quarter. The goodwill adjustments represent a net increase in goodwill of \$1.6 million consisted of a \$3.4 million contingent payment relating to a 2008 acquisition with the remainder being purchase price adjustments for six of the 2009 acquisitions.

The detail of other intangible assets by class as of April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 are as follows (Dollars in thousands):

	Intangible Assets			umulated ortization	Net Intangible Assets	
April 30, 2010:						
Trademark and patents	\$	40,447	\$	16,301	\$	24,146
Non-compete agreements		18,242		6,316		11,926
Customer relationships		127,518		21,585		105,933
Other		14,856		5,681		9,175
Total	\$	201,063	\$	49,883	\$	151,180
October 31, 2009:						
Trademark and patents	\$	35,081	\$	15,457	\$	19,624
Non-compete agreements		18,842		6,143		12,699
Customer relationships		110,298		17,190		93,108
Other		11,018		5,079		5,939
Total	\$	175,239	\$	43,869	\$	131,370

Gross intangible assets increased by \$25.8 million on a period over period basis. The increase in gross intangible assets is comprised of \$3.0 million in final purchase price allocations related to the 2009 acquisitions in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services and Paper Packaging segments, \$26.7 million in preliminary purchase price allocations related to 2010 acquisitions in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services and Flexible Products and Services segments and a \$3.9 million decrease due to currency fluctuations both related to the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment. Amortization expense for the six-months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$6.7 million and \$5.3 million, respectively. Amortization expense for the next five years is expected to be \$17.8 million in 2011, \$17.6 million in 2012, \$14.4 million in 2013, \$12.0 million in 2014 and \$11.4 million in 2015.

All intangible assets for the periods presented are subject to amortization and are being amortized using the straight-line method over periods that range from five to 23 years, except for \$12.2 million related to the Tri-Sure trademark, and the tradenames related to Blagden Express, Closed-loop, and Box Board, all of which have indefinite lives.

# NOTE 7 RESTRUCTURING CHARGES

The focus for restructuring activities in 2010 continues to be on business realignment to address the adverse impact resulting from the sharp decline in 2009 business throughout the global economy, acquisition-related integration and further implementation of the Greif Business System. During the first six months of 2010, the Company recorded restructuring charges of \$10.8 million, which compares to \$47.5 million of restructuring charges during the first six months of 2009. The restructuring activity for the six month period ended April 30, 2010 consisted of \$6.7 million in employee separation costs, \$0.2 million in asset impairments and \$3.9 million in other costs. Three locations within the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment were closed and the total number of employees severed during the first six months of 2010 was eleven. The restructuring activity for the six month period ended April 30, 2009 consisted of \$25.1 million in employee separation costs, \$11.6 million in asset impairments and \$10.8 million in other costs. In addition, during that period there was a restructuring-related inventory charge for \$9.3 million recorded in cost of products sold. Thirteen company-owned plants in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment were closed and the total employees severed during the first six months of 2009 were 1,124.

For each relevant business segment, costs incurred in 2010 are as follows (Dollars in thousands):

	Amounts Expected to be Incurred		e	ee months ended I 30, 2010	$\epsilon$	months ended 1 30, 2010	Amounts Remaining to be Incurred		
Rigid Industrial Packaging and									
Services									
Employee separation costs	\$	9,602	\$	2,396	\$	6,698	\$	2,904	
Asset impairments		238		32		238			
Professional fees		1,615		1,225		1,225		390	
Other restructuring costs		19,258		1,102		2,550		16,708	
		30,713		4,755		10,711		20,002	
Paper Packaging									
Other restructuring costs		113		72		113			
		113		72		113			
	\$	30,826	\$	4,827	\$	10,824	\$	20,002	

Total amounts expected to be incurred above are from open restructuring plans which are anticipated to be realized in 2010 and 2011 or plans that are being formulated and have not been announced as of the date of this Form 10-Q.

The following is a reconciliation of the beginning and ending restructuring reserve balances for the six month period ended April 30, 2010 (Dollars in thousands):

	En	es		rges					
	Separation					Asset		m . 1	
	•	Costs	Oth	ner Costs	Impa	airments		Total	
Balance at October 31, 2009	\$	9,239	\$	6,076	\$		\$	15,315	
Costs incurred and charged to expense		6,698		3,888		238		10,824	
Costs paid or otherwise settled		(6,717)		(3,274)		(238)		(10,229)	
Balance at April 30, 2010	\$	9,220	\$	6,690	\$		\$	15,910	

# NOTE 8 SIGNIFICANT NONSTRATEGIC TIMBERLAND TRANSACTIONS AND CONSOLIDATION OF VARIABLE INTEREST ENTITIES

On March 28, 2005, Soterra LLC (a wholly owned subsidiary) entered into two real estate purchase and sale agreements with Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. (Plum Creek) to sell approximately 56,000 acres of timberland and related assets located primarily in Florida for an aggregate sales price of approximately \$90 million, subject to closing adjustments. In connection with the closing of one of these agreements, Soterra LLC sold approximately 35,000 acres of timberland and associated assets in Florida, Georgia and Alabama for \$51.0 million, resulting in a pretax gain of \$42.1 million, on May 23, 2005. The purchase price was paid in the form of cash and a \$50.9 million purchase note payable by an indirect subsidiary of Plum Creek (the Purchase Note). Soterra LLC contributed the Purchase Note to STA Timber LLC (STA Timber), one of the Company s indirect wholly owned subsidiaries. The Purchase Note is secured by a Deed of Guarantee issued by Bank of America, N.A., London Branch, in an amount not to exceed \$52.3 million (the Deed of Guarantee), as a guarantee of the due and punctual payment of principal and interest on the Purchase Note.

The Company completed the second phase of these transactions in the first quarter of 2006. In this phase, the Company sold 15,300 acres of timberland holdings in Florida for \$29.3 million in cash, resulting in a pre-tax gain of \$27.4 million. The final phase of this transaction, approximately 5,700 acres sold for \$9.7 million, occurred on April 28, 2006 and the Company recognized additional timberland gains in its consolidated statements of operations in the periods that these transactions occurred resulting in a pre-tax gain of \$9.0 million.

On May 31, 2005, STA Timber issued in a private placement its 5.20% Senior Secured Notes due August 5, 2020 (the Monetization Notes) in the principal amount of \$43.3 million. In connection with the sale of the Monetization Notes, STA Timber entered into note purchase agreements with the purchasers of the Monetization Notes (the Note Purchase Agreements) and related documentation. The Monetization Notes are secured by a pledge of the Purchase Note and the Deed of Guarantee. The Monetization Notes may be accelerated in the event of a default in payment or a breach of the other obligations set forth therein or in the Note Purchase Agreements or related documents, subject in certain cases to any applicable cure periods, or upon the occurrence of certain insolvency or bankruptcy related events. The Monetization Notes are subject to a mechanism that may cause them, subject to certain conditions, to be extended to November 5, 2020. The proceeds from the sale of the Monetization Notes were primarily used for the repayment of indebtedness.

In addition, Greif, Inc. and its other subsidiaries have not extended any form of guaranty of the principal or interest on the Monetization Notes. Accordingly, Greif, Inc. and its other subsidiaries will not become directly or contingently liable for the payment of the Monetization Notes at any time.

The Company has consolidated the assets and liabilities of the buyer-sponsored special purpose entity (the SPE) involved in these transactions as the result of FIN 46(R). However, because the Buyer SPE is a separate and distinct legal entity from the Company, the assets of the Buyer SPE are not available to satisfy the liabilities and

obligations of the Company and its other subsidiaries and the liabilities of the Buyer SPE are not liabilities or obligations of the Company and its other subsidiaries.

Assets of the Buyer SPE at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 consist of restricted bank financial instruments of \$50.9 million. STA Timber had long-term debt of \$43.3 million as of April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009. STA Timber is exposed to credit-related losses in the event of nonperformance by the issuer of the Deed of Guarantee. The accompanying consolidated statements of operations for the six month periods ended April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009 includes interest expense on STA Timber debt of \$2.3 million per year and interest income on Buyer SPE investments of \$2.4 million per year.

# NOTE 9 LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt is summarized as follows (Dollars in thousands):

	Apr	October 31, 2009			
\$700 Million Credit Agreement	\$	318,009	\$	192,494	
Senior Notes due 2017		300,000		300,000	
Senior Notes due 2019		240,208		241,729	
Trade accounts receivable credit facility		108,600			
Other long-term debt		8,166		4,385	
		974,983		738,608	
Less current portion		(20,000)		(17,500)	
Long-term debt	\$	954,983	\$	721,108	

# \$700 Million Credit Agreement

On February 19, 2009, the Company and Greif International Holding B.V., as borrowers, entered into a \$700 million Senior Secured Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement ) with a syndicate of financial institutions. The Credit Agreement provides for a \$500 million revolving multicurrency credit facility and a \$200 million term loan, both maturing in February 2012, with an option to add \$200 million to the facilities with the agreement of the lenders. The \$200 million term loan is scheduled to amortize by \$2.5 million each quarter-end for the first four quarters, \$5.0 million each quarter-end for the next eight quarters and \$150.0 million on the maturity date. The Credit Agreement is available to fund ongoing working capital and capital expenditure needs, for general corporate purposes, to finance acquisitions, and to repay amounts outstanding under the previous \$450 million credit agreement. Interest is based on a Eurodollar rate or a base rate that resets periodically plus a calculated margin amount. As of April 30, 2010, \$318.0 million was outstanding under the Credit Agreement. The current portion of the Credit Agreement is \$20.0 million and the long-term portion is \$298.0 million. The weighted average interest rate on the Credit Agreement was 3.14% for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and the interest rate was 3.26% at April 30, 2010.

The Credit Agreement contains financial covenants that require the Company to maintain a certain leverage ratio and a fixed charge coverage ratio. At April 30, 2010, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

# Senior Notes due 2017

On February 9, 2007, the Company issued \$300.0 million of 6.75% Senior Notes due February 1, 2017. Interest on these Senior Notes is payable semi-annually. Proceeds from the issuance of these Senior Notes were principally used to fund the purchase of previously outstanding 8.875% Senior Subordinated Notes in a tender offer and for general corporate purposes.

The fair value of these Senior Notes due 2017 was \$303.0 million at April 30, 2010 based upon quoted market prices. The Indenture pursuant to which these Senior Notes were issued contains certain covenants. At April 30, 2010, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

### Senior Notes due 2019

On July 28, 2009, the Company issued \$250.0 million of 7.75% Senior Notes due August 1, 2019. Interest on these Senior Notes is payable semi-annually. Proceeds from the issuance of Senior Notes were principally used for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of amounts outstanding under the Company s revolving multicurrency credit facility, without any permanent reduction of the commitments.

The fair value of these Senior Notes due 2019 was \$263.8 million at April 30, 2010 based upon quoted market prices. The Indenture pursuant to which these Senior Notes were issued contains certain covenants. At April 30, 2010, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

# United States Trade Accounts Receivable Credit Facility

On December 8, 2008, the Company entered into a \$135.0 million trade accounts receivable credit facility with a financial institution and its affiliate, with a maturity date of December 8, 2013, subject to earlier termination of their purchase commitment on December 6, 2010, or such later date to which the purchase commitment may be extended by agreement of the parties. The credit facility is secured by certain of the Company s trade accounts receivable in the United States and bears interest at a variable rate based on the applicable commercial paper rate plus a margin or other agreed-upon rate (1.75% at April 30, 2010). In addition, the Company can terminate the credit facility at any time upon five days prior written notice. A significant portion of the initial proceeds from this credit facility were used to pay the obligations under the previous trade accounts receivable credit facility (the Prior Facility), which was terminated. The remaining proceeds were and will be used to pay certain fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with the credit facility and for working capital and general corporate purposes. At April 30, 2010, there was \$108.6 million outstanding under the Receivables Facility. The agreement for this receivables financing facility contains financial covenants that require the Company to maintain a certain leverage ratio and a fixed charge coverage ratio. At April 30, 2010, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

Greif Receivables Funding LLC (GRF), an indirect subsidiary of the Company, has participated in the purchase and transfer of receivables in connection with these credit facilities and is included in the Company s consolidated financial statements. However, because GRF is a separate and distinct legal entity from the Company and its other subsidiaries, the assets of GRF are not available to satisfy the liabilities and obligations of the Company and its other subsidiaries, and the liabilities of GRF are not the liabilities or obligations of the Company and its other subsidiaries. This entity purchases and services the Company s trade accounts receivable that are subject to these credit facilities.

## Other

In addition to the amounts borrowed under the Credit Agreement and proceeds from these Senior Notes and the United States Trade Accounts Receivable Credit Facility, at April 30, 2010, the Company had outstanding other debt of \$57.1 million, comprised of \$8.2 million in long-term debt and \$48.9 million in short-term borrowings, compared to other debt outstanding of \$24.0 million, comprised of \$4.4 million in long-term debt and \$19.6 million in short-term borrowings, at October 31, 2009.

At April 30, 2010, the current portion of the Company s long-term debt was \$20.0 million. Annual maturities, including the current portion, of long-term debt under the Company s various financing arrangements were \$10.0 million in 2010, \$28.2 million in 2011, \$288.0 million in 2012, \$108.6 million in 2013 and \$540.2 million thereafter.

At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, the Company had deferred financing fees and debt issuance costs of \$12.9 million and \$14.9 million, respectively, which are included in other long-term assets.

# NOTE 10 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

In September 2006, the FASB issued SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (codified under ASC 820 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures). SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in GAAP and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Additionally, this guidance established a three-level fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. This hierarchy requires entities to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The three levels of inputs used to measure fair values are as follows:

Level Observable inputs such as unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level Observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities.

Level Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets and liabilities.

# **Recurring Fair Value Measurements**

The following table presents the fair values adjustments for those assets and (liabilities) measured on a recurring basis as of April 30, 2010:

		Fair	r Value M	easurement		<b>Balance sheet</b>
(in thousands)	Level 1	L	evel 2	Level 3	Total	Location
Cross-Currency Interest Rate						Other long-term
Swaps	\$	\$	8,706		\$ 8,706	assets
						Other long-term
Interest Rate Derivatives	(27)				\$ (27)	liabilities
						Other current
Foreign Exchange Hedges	(1,413)				\$ (1,413)	liabilities
						Other current
Energy Hedges	(618)				\$ (618)	liabilities
T-4-1¥	(2.059)		0.706		( ( 10	
Total*	(2.058)		8.706		6.648	

\* The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade accounts receivable, accounts payable, current liabilities and short-term borrowings at April 30, 2010 approximate their fair values because of the

short-term nature of these items and are not included in this table.

# **Derivatives and Hedging Activity**

The Company uses derivatives from time to time to partially mitigate the effect of exposure to interest rate movements, exposure to currency fluctuations, and energy cost fluctuations. Under SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (codified under ASC 815 Derivatives and Hedging), all derivatives are to be recognized as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet and measured at fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognized in either net income or in other comprehensive income, depending on the designated purpose of the derivative.

While the Company may be exposed to credit losses in the event of nonperformance by the counterparties to its derivative financial instrument contracts, its counterparties are established banks and financial institutions with high credit ratings. The Company has no reason to believe that such counterparties will not be able to fully satisfy their obligations under these contracts.

During the next six months, the Company expects to reclassify into earnings a net gain from accumulated other comprehensive gain of approximately \$3.1 million after tax at the time the underlying hedge transactions are realized.

# Cross-Currency Interest Rate Swaps

The Company has entered into cross-currency interest rate swaps which are designated as a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation. Under these agreements, the Company receives interest semi-annually from the counterparties equal to a fixed rate of 6.75% on \$200.0 million and pays interest at a fixed rate of 6.25% on 146.6 million. Observable Level 2 inputs are based on the present value of expected future cash flows calculated using foreign exchange rates adjusted for counterparty credit risk. Upon maturity of these swaps on August 1, 2010, and August 1, 2012, the Company will be required to pay 73.3 million to the counterparties and receive \$100.0 million from the counterparties on each of these dates. The other comprehensive gain on these agreements was \$8.7 million and a loss of \$14.6 million at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, respectively.

# **Interest Rate Derivatives**

The Company has interest rate swap agreements with various maturities through 2017. The interest rate swap agreements are used to fix a portion of the interest on the Company s variable rate debt. Under certain of these agreements, the Company receives interest monthly, and semi-annually from the counterparties equal to LIBOR or a fixed rate and pays interest at LIBOR plus a margin or a fixed rate over the life of the contracts.

The Company has two interest rate derivatives (floating to fixed swaps recorded as cash flow hedges) with a total notional amount of \$125 million. Under these agreements, the Company receives a variable interest rate from the counterparty (weighted average of 0.27% at April 30, 2010 and 0.25% at October 31, 2009) and pays a fixed interest rate (weighted average of 1.78% at April 30, 2010 and 2.71% at October 31, 2009).

In the first quarter of 2010, the Company entered into a \$100.0 million fixed to floating swap which is recorded as a fair value hedge. Under this agreement, the Company receives interest from the counterparty equal to a fixed rate of 6.75% and pays interest at a variable rate (3.78% at April 30, 2010) on a semi-annual basis.

# Foreign Exchange Hedges

At April 30, 2010, the Company had outstanding foreign currency forward contracts in the notional amount of \$130.4 million (\$70.5 million at October 31, 2009). The purpose of these contracts is to hedge the Company s exposure to foreign currency transactions and short-term intercompany loan balances in its international businesses. The fair value of these contracts at April 30, 2010 resulted in a loss of \$1.5 million recorded in the consolidated statements of operations and a gain of \$0.1 million recorded in other comprehensive income. The fair value of similar contracts at October 31, 2009 resulted in a loss of \$0.1 million recorded in the consolidated statements of operations.

## Energy Hedges

The Company has entered into certain cash flow hedges to mitigate its exposure to cost fluctuations in natural gas prices through October 31, 2010. Under these agreements, the Company agrees to purchase natural gas at a fixed price. At April 30, 2010, the notional amount these hedges was \$558.9 million (\$449.5 million at October 31, 2009). The other comprehensive loss on these agreements was \$0.6 million at April 30, 2010 and a loss of \$0.6 million at October 31, 2009. As a result of the high correlation between the hedged instruments and the underlying transactions, ineffectiveness has not had a material impact on the Company s consolidated statements of operations for the quarter ended April 30, 2010.

# Other financial instruments

The estimated fair values of the Company s long-term debt were \$1,001.5 million and \$744.9 million compared to the carrying amounts of \$975.0 million and \$738.6 million at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, respectively. The current portion of the long-term debt was \$20.0 million and \$17.5 million at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, respectively. The fair values of the Company s long-term obligations are estimated based on either the quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or the current interest rates offered for debt of the same remaining maturities.

# **Non-Recurring Fair Value Measurements**

The Company has reviewed its non-financial assets and non-financial liabilities for fair value treatment under the current guidance.

# Net Assets Held for Sale

Net assets held for sale are considered level three inputs which include recent purchase offers, market comparables and/or data obtained from commercial real estate brokers. As of April 30, 2010, the Company has not recognized impairments related to the net assets held for sale.

# Long-Lived Assets

As part of the Company s restructuring plans following current and future acquisitions, the Company may shut down manufacturing facilities during the next few years. The long-lived assets are considered level three inputs which were valued based on bids received from third parties and using discounted cash flow analysis based on assumptions that the Company believes market participants would use. Key inputs included anticipated revenues, associated manufacturing costs, capital expenditures and discount, growth and tax rates. As of April 30, 2010, the Company recorded \$0.2 million of restructuring related expenses associated with impairments related to long-lived assets.

### Goodwill

On an annual basis, the Company performs its impairment tests for goodwill as defined under SFAS No. 142, (codified under ASC 350 Intangibles Goodwill and Other). As a result of this review during 2009, the Company concluded that no impairment existed at that time. As of April 30, 2010, the Company has concluded that no impairment exists.

# NOTE 11 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

On November 1, 2005, the Company adopted SFAS No. 123(R), Share-Based Payment (codified under ASC 718 Compensation Stock Compensation), which requires companies to estimate the fair value of share-based awards on the date of grant using an option-pricing model. The value of the portion of the award that is ultimately expected to vest is recognized as expense in the Company s consolidated statements of operations over the requisite service periods. The Company uses the straight-line single option method of expensing stock options to recognize compensation expense in its consolidated statements of operations for all share-based awards. Because share-based compensation expense is based on awards that are ultimately expected to vest, share-based compensation expense will be reduced to account for estimated forfeitures. SFAS No. 123(R) requires forfeitures to be estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. No options have been granted in 2010 and 2009. For any options granted in the future, compensation expense will be based on the grant date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123(R). There was no share-based compensation expense recognized under SFAS No. 123(R) for the first six months of 2010 or 2009.

# NOTE 12 INCOME TAXES

The quarterly effective tax rate was 19.1% and (76.4%) in the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The year to date effective tax rate was 19.5% and (120.2%) in the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The change in the effective tax rate is primarily due to a change in the forecasted mix of income in the United States versus outside the United States for the respective periods.

The Company applies FASB Interpretation No. (FIN) 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, FIN 48 is an interpretation of SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes, and clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income tax positions (codified under ASC 740 Income Taxes). FIN 48 prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement process for recording in the financial statements uncertain tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Additionally, FIN 48 provides guidance regarding uncertain tax positions relating to de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition.

The Company has estimated the reasonably possible expected net change in unrecognized tax benefits through April 30, 2011 based on expected settlements or payments of uncertain tax positions, and lapses of the applicable statutes of limitations of unrecognized tax benefits. The Company estimates that the range of possible change in unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months is a decrease of approximately zero to \$2.8 million. Actual results may differ materially from this estimate.

The Company s uncertain tax positions for the six months ended April 30, 2010 were reduced by approximately \$1.7 million due to settlement with tax authorities. There were no other significant changes in the Company s uncertain tax positions for this period.

# NOTE 13 RETIREMENT PLANS AND POSTRETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The components of net periodic pension cost include the following (Dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended April 30				Six months ended April 30			
		2010		2009		2010		2009
Service cost	\$	2,293	\$	1,842	\$	4,586	\$	3,684
Interest cost		3,998		4,143		7,996		8,286
Expected return on plan assets		(4,524)		(4,398)		(9,048)		(8,796)
Amortization of prior service cost, initial net asset								
and net actuarial gain		1,700		288		3,400		576
Net periodic pension costs	\$	3,467	\$	1,875	\$	6,934	\$	3,750

The Company made \$8.6 million in pension contributions in the six months ended April 30, 2010. The Company estimates \$17.1 million of pension contributions for the entire 2010 fiscal year.

The components of net periodic cost for postretirement benefits include the following (Dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended April 30				Six months ended April 30			
	2	2010		2009	2	2010		2009
Service cost	\$	1	\$		\$	2	\$	
Interest cost Amortization of prior service cost and recognized		283		374		566		748
actuarial gain		(251)		(283)		(502)		(566)
Net periodic cost for postretirement benefits	\$	33	\$	91	\$	66	\$	182

# NOTE 14 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Various lawsuits, claims and proceedings have been or may be instituted or asserted against the Company, including those pertaining to environmental, product liability and safety and health matters. While the amounts claimed may be substantial, the ultimate liability cannot now be determined because of considerable uncertainties that exist. Therefore, it is possible that results of operations or liquidity in a particular period could be materially affected by certain contingencies.

All lawsuits, claims and proceedings are considered by the Company in establishing reserves for contingencies in accordance with SFAS No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies (codified under ASC 450 Contingencies). In accordance with the provisions of this standard, the Company accrues for a litigation-related liability when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Based on currently available information known to the Company, the Company believes that its reserves for these litigation-related liabilities are reasonable and that the ultimate outcome of any pending matters is not likely to have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial position or results from operations.

The most significant contingencies of the Company relate to environmental liabilities. The following is additional information with respect to these matters.

At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, the Company had recorded liabilities of \$31.4 million and \$33.4 million, respectively, for estimated environmental remediation costs. The liabilities were recorded on an undiscounted basis and are included in other long-term liabilities. At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, the Company had recorded an environmental liability reserves of \$17.5 million and \$17.9 million, respectively, for its blending facility in Chicago, Illinois; \$9.5 million and \$10.9 million, respectively, for various European drum facilities acquired in November 2006; and \$3.0 million and \$3.4 million, respectively, related to our facility in Lier, Belgium. These reserves are principally based on environmental studies and cost estimates provided by third parties, but also take into account management estimates.

The Company had no recorded legal liabilities at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009. The prior period liability represents asserted and unasserted litigation, claims and/or assessments at some of its manufacturing sites and other locations where it believes the outcome of such matters will be unfavorable to the Company. These environmental liabilities were not individually material. The Company only reserves for those unasserted claims that it believes are probable of being asserted at some time in the future. The liabilities recorded are based upon an evaluation of currently available facts with respect to each individual site, including the results of environmental studies and testing, and considering existing technology, presently enacted laws and regulations, and prior experience in remediation of contaminated sites. The Company initially provides for the estimated cost of environmental-related activities when costs can be reasonably estimated. If the best estimate of costs can only be identified as a range and no specific amount within that range can be determined more likely than any other amount within the range, the minimum of the range is accrued.

The estimated liabilities are reduced to reflect the anticipated participation of other potentially responsible parties in those instances where it is probable that such parties are legally responsible and financially capable of paying their respective shares of relevant costs. For sites that involve formal actions subject to joint and several liability, these actions have formal agreements in place to apportion the liability. The Company's potential future obligations for environmental contingencies related to facilities acquired in the 2001 Van Leer Industrial Packaging acquisition may, under certain circumstances, be reduced by insurance coverage and seller cost sharing provisions. In connection with that acquisition, the Company was issued a 10-year term insurance policy, which insures the Company against environmental contingencies unidentified at the acquisition date, subject to a \$50.0 million aggregate self-insured retention. Liability for this first \$50.0 million of unidentified environmental contingencies is shared 70 percent by the seller and 30 percent by the Company if such contingency is identified within 10 years following the acquisition date. The Company is liable for identified environmental contingencies at the acquisition date up to an aggregate \$10.0 million, and thereafter the liability is shared 70 percent by the Company and 30 percent by the seller.

The Company anticipates that cash expenditures in future periods for remediation costs at identified sites will be made over an extended period of time. Given the inherent uncertainties in evaluating environmental exposures, actual costs may vary from those estimated at April 30, 2010. The Company s exposure to adverse developments with respect to any individual site is not expected to be material. Although environmental remediation could have a material effect on results of operations if a series of adverse developments occur in a particular quarter or fiscal year, the Company believes that the chance of a series of adverse developments occurring in the same quarter or fiscal year is remote. Future information and developments will require the Company to continually reassess the expected impact of these environmental matters.

# NOTE 15 EARNINGS PER SHARE AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY

# Earnings per share

The Company has two classes of common stock and, as such, applies the two-class method of computing earnings per share as prescribed in SFAS No. 128, Earnings Per Share (codified under ASC 260 Earnings Per Share). In accordance with guidance, earnings are allocated first to Class A and Class B Common Stock to the extent that dividends are actually paid and the remainder allocated assuming all of the earnings for the period have been distributed in the form of dividends.

The following table summarizes the Company s Class A and Class B common and treasury shares at the specified dates:

	Outstanding							
Authorized Shares		Issued Shares	Shares	Treasury Shares				
April 30, 2010:								
Class A Common Stock	128,000,000	42,281,920	24,656,574	17,625,346				
Class B Common Stock	69,120,000	34,560,000	22,462,266	12,097,734				
October 31, 2009:								
Class A Common Stock	128,000,000	42,281,920	24,474,773	17,807,147				
Class B Common Stock	69,120,000	34,560,000	22,462,266	12,097,734				

The following is a reconciliation of the shares used to calculate basic and diluted earnings per share:

hree months ended April 30	Six montl Apri	
2009	2010	2009
37,648 24,352,8	24,591,389	24,241,605
71,267 270,5	366,969	266,413
08,915 24,623,4	24,958,358	24,508,018
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)	April 30 2009 37,648 24,352,8 71,267 270,5 08,915 24,623,4	April 30       April 2009         2010       2010         37,648       24,352,826       24,591,389         71,267       270,598       366,969         08,915       24,623,424       24,958,358

No stock options were antidilutive for the three or six-months ended April 30, 2010. There were no stock options that were antidilutive for the three months ended April 30, 2009 and 20,000 stock options that were antidilutive for the six months ended April 30, 2009.

# Dividends per share

The following dividends per share were paid during the periods indicated:

	Thre	Three Months ended April 30				Six Months ended April 3			
	2	2010		2009		2010		2009	
Class A Common Stock	\$	0.38	\$	0.38	\$	0.76	\$	0.76	
Class B Common Stock	\$	0.57	\$	0.57	\$	1.13	\$	1.13	

Class A Common Stock is entitled to cumulative dividends of 1 cent a share per year after which Class B Common Stock is entitled to non-cumulative dividends up to one half (1/2) cent per share per year. Further distribution in any year must be made in proportion of one cent a share for Class A Common Stock to one and one-half (1 1/2) cents a share for Class B Common Stock. The Class A Common Stock has no voting rights unless four quarterly cumulative dividends upon the Class A Common Stock are in arrears or unless changes are proposed to the Company s certificate of incorporation. The Class B Common Stock has full voting rights. There is no cumulative voting for the election of directors.

# Shareholders equity

The Company s Board of Directors has authorized the purchase of up to four million shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock or any combination of the foregoing. During the first six months of 2010, the Company did not repurchase any shares of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock. As of April 30, 2010, the Company had repurchased 2,833,272 shares, including 1,416,752 shares of Class A Common Stock and 1,416,520 shares of

Class B Common Stock, under this program. The total cost of the shares repurchased from November 1, 2008 through April 30, 2010 was approximately \$3.1 million.

# NOTE 16 EQUITY GAINS (LOSSES) OF UNCONSOLIDATED BUSINESSES AND NONCONTROLLING INTERESTS

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Accounting and Reporting of Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51 (codified under ASC 810 Consolidation). SFAS No. 160 amends Accounting Research Bulletin No. 51 to establish accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. SFAS No. 160 also changes the way the consolidated financial statements are presented, establishes a single method of accounting for changes in a parent s ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation, requires that a parent recognize a gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated and expands disclosures in the consolidated financial statements that clearly identify and distinguish between the parent s ownership interest and the interest of the noncontrolling owners of a subsidiary. The provisions of SFAS No. 160 have been applied retrospectively for all periods presented beginning November 1, 2009.

#### Equity gains (losses) of unconsolidated affiliates

Equity gains (losses) represent investments in affiliates in which the Company does not exercise control and has a 20 percent or more voting interest. Such investments in affiliates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. If the fair value of an investment in an affiliate is below its carrying value and the difference is deemed to be other than temporary, the difference between the fair value and the carrying value is charged to earnings. The Company has an equity interest in six affiliates, and the equity earnings of these interests were recorded in net income. Equity gains (losses) for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$0.1 and (\$0.6) million, respectively. There were no dividends received from our equity method subsidiaries for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and \$0.5 million received for the six months ended April 30, 2009.

#### Noncontrolling interests

The Company has noncontrolling interests in various companies. The noncontrolling interests reflect the portion of earnings or losses of majority owned operations which are applicable to the noncontrolling interest partners. Noncontrolling interests for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009 were \$3.6 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, and were deducted from net income (loss) to arrive at net income (loss) attributable to the Company.

#### NOTE 17 COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Comprehensive income is comprised of net income and other charges and credits to equity that are not the result of transactions with the Company s owners. The components of comprehensive income are as follows (Dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended April 30				Six months ended April 30			
		2010	A	2009 (As djusted)		2010	A	2009 (As djusted)
Net income (loss)	\$	44,832	\$	1,546	\$	71,063	\$	(272)
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Foreign currency translation adjustment		(75,229)		(9,423)		(92,128)		(38,332)
Changes in fair value of interest rate								
derivatives, net of tax		784		1,104		1,467		788
Changes in fair value of energy and other								
derivatives, net of tax		(189)		2,972		(11)		1,917
Minimum pension liability adjustment, net of								
tax		553		547		943		(591)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(29,249)	\$	(3,254)	\$	(18,666)	\$	(36,490)

The following is the income tax benefit (expense) for each other comprehensive income (loss) line items:

	Three mor			ths ended il 30
	2010 2009 (As Adjusted)		2010	2009 (As Adjusted)
Income tax benefit (expense):		,		,
Changes in fair value of interest rate derivatives,				
net of tax	(422)	(594)	(790)	(424)
Changes in fair value of energy and other				
derivatives, net of tax	102	(1,600)	6	(1,032)
Minimum pension liability adjustment, net of				
tax	(131)	(237)	(228)	323

#### NOTE 18 BUSINESS SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company operates in four business segments: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services, Flexible Products and Services, Paper Packaging, and Land Management.

Operations in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment involve the production and sale of industrial packaging products, such as steel, fibre and plastic drums, intermediate bulk containers, closure systems for industrial packaging products, transit protection products, polycarbonate water bottles, and services such as blending, filling and other packaging services, logistics and warehousing. These products are manufactured and sold in over 45 countries throughout the world.

Operations in the Flexible Products and Services segment involve the production, global distribution and sale of flexible intermediate bulk containers as well as industrial and consumer multiwall bag products, and related services in the North America market. These products are manufactured in North America, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia and sold throughout the world.

Operations in the Paper Packaging segment involve the production and sale of containerboard (both semi-chemical and recycled), corrugated sheets, corrugated containers and related services. These products are manufactured and sold in North America. Our industrial and consumer multiwall bag products have been reclassified from this segment to our Flexible Products and Services segment.

Operations in the Land Management segment involve the management and sale of timber and special use properties from approximately 265,950 acres of timber properties in the southeastern United States. The Company also owns approximately 24,950 acres of timber properties in Canada, which are not actively managed at this time. In addition, the Company sells, from time to time, timberland and special use land, which consists of surplus land, higher and better use land, and development land.

The Company s reportable segments are strategic business units that offer different products. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are substantially the same as those described in the Description of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies note (see Note 1) in the 2009 Form 10-K.

The following segment information is presented for the periods indicated (Dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended April 30,			Six months ended April 30,				
		2010		2009	<del>-</del>			2009
				(As				
Net sales:				Adjusted)			(A	s Adjusted)
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services	\$	636,544	\$	527,073	\$	1,201,308	\$	1,056,589
Flexible Products and Services		50,455		8,447		61,741		19,898
Paper Packaging		147,527		109,617		275,790		228,551
Land Management		2,054		2,760		7,423		9,119
Total net sales	\$	836,580	\$	647,897	\$	1,546,262	\$	1,314,157
Operating profit: Operating profit, before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs:								
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services	\$	69,960	\$	31,323	\$	127,419	\$	49,939
Flexible Products and Services		4,014		709		6,530		3,331
Paper Packaging		7,707		6,397		11,447		22,517
Land Management		492		2,425		3,491		5,584
Operating profit, before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs		82,173		40,854		148,887		81,371
Restructuring charges:								
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services		4,718		19,564		10,674		44,738
Paper Packaging		72		731		113		2,583
Land Management		,_		, 61		110		150
Total restructuring charges		4,790		20,295		10,787		47,471
Restructuring-related inventory charges:								
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services		37		7,452		37		9,285
Total restructuring-related inventory charges		37		7,452		37		9,285
Acquisition-related costs:								
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services		941				3,803		
Flexible Products and Services		3,646				10,840		
Total acquisition-related costs		4,587				14,643		
Total operating profit	\$	72,759	\$	13,107	\$	123,420	\$	24,615
Depreciation, depletion and amortization								

expense:

Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$ 19,938 795 6,676 264	\$ 17,576 181 6,455 49	\$	41,191 980 13,810 1,198	\$ 35,013 366 13,004 1,135
Total depreciation, depletion and amortization expense	\$ 27,673	\$ 24,261	\$	57,179	\$ 49,518
			-	pril 30, 2010	ctober 31, 2009 s Adjusted)
Assets: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management			\$ 1	,877,430 118,255 417,307 270,390	\$ 1,783,821 15,296 402,787 254,856
Total segments			2	,683,382	2,456,760
Corporate and other				353,920	367,169
Total assets			\$ 3	,037,302	\$ 2,823,929

The following table presents net sales to external customers by geographic area (Dollars in thousands):

	Three months ended April 30,			Six months ended April 30,				
		2010		2009		2010		2009
			(As	Adjusted)			(A	s Adjusted)
Net sales:								
North America	\$	420,907	\$	361,419	\$	781,827	\$	755,360
Europe, Middle East and Africa		288,604		192,374		512,918		374,711
Other		127,069		94,104		251,517		184,086
Total net sales	\$	836,580	\$	647,897	\$	1,546,262	\$	1,314,157

The following table presents total assets by geographic area (Dollars in thousands):

	April 30, 2010	October 31, 2009 (As Adjusted)
Assets:		•
North America	\$ 1,879,622	\$ 1,826,840
Europe, Middle East and Africa	711,612	601,841
Other	446,068	395,248
Total assets	\$ 3,037,302	\$ 2,823,929

#### NOTE 19 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On June 8, 2010, the Company terminated its cross-currency interest rate swap. As previously disclosed, the cross-currency interest rate swap was set to mature on August 1, 2010 and August 1, 2012, respectively. In connection with the early termination, the Company received a \$26.6 million gross settlement on the transaction which does not have a significant impact on the Company s earnings.

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

#### **GENERAL**

The terms Greif, our company, we, us and our as used in this discussion refer to Greif, Inc. and its subsidiaried fiscal year begins on November 1 and ends on October 31 of the following year. Any references in this Form 10-Q to the years 2010 or 2009, or to any quarter of those years, relates to the fiscal year or quarter, as the case may be, ending in that year.

The discussion and analysis presented below relates to the material changes in financial condition and results of operations for our consolidated balance sheets as of April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, and for the consolidated statements of operations for the three and six months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements that appear elsewhere in this Form 10-Q and

Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2009 (the 2009 Form 10-K) and our Form 8-K filed on May 27, 2010 (the May 27 Form 8-K) to update certain sections of the 2009 Form 10-K to reflect revised financial information and disclosures resulting from the application of a change in an accounting principle from using a combination of the last-in, first-out (LIFO) and the first-in, first-out (FIFO) inventory accounting methods to the FIFO method for all of our businesses effective November 1, 2009. All references in this Form 10-Q to the 2009 Form 10-K also include the financial information and disclosures contained in the May 27 Form 8-K. Readers are encouraged to review the entire 2009 Form 10-K, as it includes information regarding Greif not discussed in this Form 10-Q. This information will assist in your understanding of the discussion of our current period financial results.

All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included in this Form 10-Q, including without limitation, statements regarding our future financial position, business strategy, budgets, projected costs, goals and plans and objectives of management for future operations, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as may, will, expect, intend, estimate, anticipate, project, or the negative thereof or variations thereon or similar terminology. All forward-looking statements made in this Form 10-Q are based on information currently available to our management. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in forward-looking statements have a reasonable basis, we can give no assurance that these expectations will prove to be correct. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the statements. For a discussion of the most significant risks and uncertainties that could cause Greif s actual results to differ materially from those projected, see

Risk Factors in Part I, Item 1A of the 2009 Form 10-K, updated by Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q. All forward-looking statements made in this Form 10-Q are expressly qualified in their entirety by reference to such risk factors. Except to the limited extent required by applicable law, Greif undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

#### **OVERVIEW**

We operate in four business segments: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services; Flexible Products and Services; Paper Packaging; and Land Management.

We are a leading global provider of rigid industrial packaging products, such as steel, fibre and plastic drums, rigid intermediate bulk containers, closure systems for industrial packaging products, transit protection products and polycarbonate water bottles, and services, such as blending, filling and other packaging services, logistics and warehousing. We sell our industrial packaging products to customers in industries such as chemicals, paints and pigments, food and beverage, petroleum, industrial coatings, agricultural, pharmaceutical and mineral, among others. We are a leading global provider of flexible intermediate bulk containers and North American provider of industrial and consumer multiwall bag products. Our flexible intermediate bulk containers consist of a polypropylene based woven fabric that is partly produced at our fully integrated production sites, as well as sourced from strategic regional suppliers. Our flexible products are sold globally and service similar customers and market segments as our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment. Additionally, our flexible products significantly expand our presence in the agricultural and food industries, among others. Our industrial and consumer multiwall bag products are used to ship a wide range of industrial and consumer products, such as seed, fertilizers, chemicals, concrete, flour, sugar, feed, pet foods, popcorn, charcoal and salt, primarily for the agricultural, chemical, building products and food industries. We sell containerboard, corrugated sheets and other corrugated products to customers in North America in industries such as packaging, automotive, food and building products. Our corrugated container products are used to ship such diverse products as home appliances, small machinery, grocery products, building products, automotive components, books and furniture, as well as numerous other applications. Our industrial and consumer multiwall bag products have been reclassified to our Flexible Products and Services segment.

As of April 30, 2010, we owned approximately 265,950 acres of timber properties in the southeastern United States, which were actively managed, and approximately 24,950 acres of timber properties in Canada. Our Land Management team is focused on the active harvesting and regeneration of our United States timber properties to achieve sustainable long-term yields. While timber sales are subject to fluctuations, we seek to maintain a consistent cutting schedule, within the limits of market and weather conditions. We also sell, from time to time, timberland and special use land, which consists of surplus land, higher and better use (HBU) land, and development land.

In 2003, we began a transformation to become a leaner, more market-focused, performance-driven company what we call the Greif Business System. We believe the Greif Business System has and will continue to generate productivity improvements and achieve permanent cost reductions. The Greif Business System continues to focus on opportunities such as improved labor productivity, material yield and other manufacturing efficiencies, along with further plant consolidations. In addition, as part of the Greif Business System, we have launched a strategic sourcing initiative to more effectively leverage our global spending and lay the foundation for a world-class sourcing and supply chain capability. In response to the economic slowdown that began at the end of 2008, we accelerated the implementation of certain Greif Business System initiatives.

## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (GAAP). The preparation of these consolidated financial statements, in accordance with these principles, require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of our consolidated financial statements.

A summary of our significant accounting policies is included in Note 1 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in the 2009 Form 10-K. We believe that the consistent application of these policies enables us to provide readers of the consolidated financial statements with useful and reliable information about our results of operations and financial condition. The following are the accounting policies that we believe are most important to the portrayal of our results of operations and financial condition and require our most difficult, subjective or complex judgments.

Allowance for Accounts Receivable. We evaluate the collectability of our accounts receivable based on a combination of factors. In circumstances where we are aware of a specific customer s inability to meet its financial obligations to us, we record a specific allowance for bad debts against amounts due to reduce the net recognized receivable to the amount we reasonably believe will be collected. In addition, we recognize allowances for bad debts based on the length of time receivables are past due with allowance percentages, based on our historical experiences, applied on a graduated scale relative to the age of the receivable amounts. If circumstances change (e.g., higher than expected bad debt experience or an unexpected material adverse change in a major customer s ability to meet its financial obligations to us), our estimates of the recoverability of amounts due to us could change by a material amount.

*Inventory Reserves.* Reserves for slow moving and obsolete inventories are provided based on historical experience, inventory aging and product demand. We continuously evaluate the adequacy of these reserves and make adjustments to these reserves as required. We also evaluate reserves for losses under firm purchase commitments for goods or inventories.

At the beginning of fiscal 2010, we changed our method of accounting for inventories at certain of our U.S. locations from the lower of cost, as determined by the LIFO method of accounting, or market to the lower of cost, as determined by the FIFO method of accounting, or market. We believe that this change is preferable because: (1) the change conforms to a single method of accounting for all of our inventories on a U.S. and global basis, (2) the change simplifies financial disclosures, (3) financial statement comparability and analysis for investors and analysts is improved, and (4) the majority of our key competitors use FIFO. The financial information presented has been adjusted for all prior periods presented as if we had used FIFO instead of LIFO for each reporting period for all of our operations. The change in accounting principle is further discussed in Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q.

Net Assets Held for Sale Net assets held for sale represent land, buildings and land improvements less accumulated depreciation. We record net assets held for sale in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 144, Accounting for Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets (codified under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 360 Property, Plant, and Equipment), at the lower of carrying value or fair value less cost to sell. Fair value is based on the estimated proceeds from the sale of the facility utilizing recent purchase offers, market comparables and/or data obtained from our commercial real estate broker. Our estimate as to fair value is regularly reviewed and subject to changes in the commercial real estate markets and our continuing evaluation as to the facility s acceptable sale price. Net Assets Held for Sale are further discussed in Note 5 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q.

Goodwill, Other Intangible Assets and Other Long-Lived Assets. Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are no longer amortized, but instead are periodically reviewed for impairment as required by SFAS No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets (codified under ASC 350 Intangibles Goodwill and Other). The costs of acquired intangible assets determined to have definite lives are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated economic lives of five to 23 years. Our policy is to periodically review other intangible assets subject to amortization and other long-lived assets based upon the evaluation of such factors as the occurrence of a significant adverse event or change in the environment in which the business operates, or if the expected future net cash flows (undiscounted and without interest) would become less than the carrying amount of the asset. An impairment loss would be recorded in the period such determination is made based on the fair value of the related assets. Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets are further discussed in Note 6 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q.

*Properties, Plants and Equipment.* Depreciation on properties, plants and equipment is provided on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of our assets.

We own timber properties in the southeastern United States and in Canada. With respect to our United States timber properties, which consisted of approximately 265,950 acres at April 30, 2010, depletion expense is computed on the basis of cost and the estimated recoverable timber acquired. Our land costs are maintained by tract. Merchantable timber costs are maintained by five product classes, pine saw timber, pine chip-n-saw, pine pulpwood, hardwood saw timber and hardwood pulpwood, within a depletion block, with each depletion block based upon a geographic district or sub district. Currently, we have 8 depletion blocks. These same depletion blocks are used for pre-merchantable timber costs. Each year, we estimate the volume of our merchantable timber for the five product classes by each depletion block. These estimates are based on the current state in the growth cycle and not on quantities to be available in future years. Our estimates do not include costs to be incurred in the future. We then project these volumes to the end of the year. Upon acquisition of a new timberland tract, we record separate amounts for land, merchantable timber and pre-merchantable timber allocated as a percentage of the values being purchased. These acquisition volumes and costs acquired during the year are added to the totals for each product class within the appropriate depletion block(s). The total of the beginning, one-year growth and acquisition volumes are divided by the total undepleted historical cost to arrive at a depletion rate, which is then used for the current year. As timber is sold, we multiply the volumes sold by the depletion rate for the current year to arrive at the depletion cost. Our Canadian timberland, which consisted of approximately 24,950 acres at April 30, 2010, did not have any depletion expense since it is not actively managed at this time.

We believe that the lives and methods of determining depreciation and depletion are reasonable; however, using other lives and methods could provide materially different results.

Derivative Financial Instruments. In accordance with SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (codified under ASC 815 Derivatives and Hedging), we record all derivatives in the consolidated balance sheets as either assets or liabilities measured at fair value. Dependent on the designation of the derivative instrument, changes in fair value are recorded to earnings or shareholders equity through other comprehensive income (loss).

Restructuring Reserves. Restructuring reserves are determined in accordance with appropriate accounting guidance, including SFAS No. 146, Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities (codified under ASC 420 Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations) and Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 100, Restructuring and Impairment Charges, depending upon the facts and circumstances surrounding the situation. Restructuring reserves are further discussed in Note 7 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q.

Income Taxes. We record a tax provision for the anticipated tax consequences of our reported results of operations. In accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes, (codified under ASC 740 Income Taxes) the provision for income taxes is computed using the asset and liability method, under which deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the expected future tax consequences of temporary differences between the financial reporting and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and for operating losses and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the currently enacted tax rates that apply to taxable income in effect for the years in which those tax assets are expected to be realized or settled. We record a valuation allowance to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is believed more likely than not to be realized. On November 1, 2007, we adopted Financial Interpretation No. (FIN ) 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (codified under ASC 740 Income Taxes). Further information may be found in Note 12, to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q.

We believe it is more likely than not that forecasted income, including income that may be generated as a result of certain tax planning strategies, together with the tax effects of the deferred tax liabilities, will be sufficient to fully recover the remaining deferred tax assets. In the event that all or part of the net deferred tax assets are determined not to be realizable in the future, an adjustment to the valuation allowance would be charged to earnings, in the period such determination is made. In addition, the calculation of tax liabilities involves significant judgment in estimating the impact of uncertainties in the application of FIN 48 and other complex tax laws. Resolution of these uncertainties in a manner inconsistent with our expectations could have a material impact on our financial condition and operating results.

**Pension and Postretirement Benefits.** Our actuaries using assumptions about the discount rate, expected return on plan assets, rate of compensation increase and health care cost trend rates determine pension and postretirement benefit expenses. Further discussion of our pension and postretirement benefit plans and related assumptions is contained in Note 13 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-Q. The results would be different using other assumptions.

Contingencies. Various lawsuits, claims and proceedings have been or may be instituted or asserted against us, including those pertaining to environmental, product liability, and safety and health matters. While the amounts claimed may be substantial, the ultimate liability cannot currently be determined because of the considerable uncertainties that exist.

All lawsuits, claims and proceedings are considered by us in establishing reserves for contingencies in accordance with SFAS No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies (codified under ASC 450 Contingencies). In accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 5, we accrue for a litigation-related liability when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Based on currently available information known to us, we believe that our reserves for these litigation-related liabilities are reasonable and that the ultimate outcome of any pending matters is not likely to have a material adverse effect on our financial position or results from operations. **Environmental Cleanup Costs.** We expense environmental costs related to existing conditions caused by past or current operations and from which no current or future benefit is discernable. Expenditures that extend the life of the related property, or mitigate or prevent future environmental contamination, are capitalized.

Our reserves for environmental liabilities at April 30, 2010 amounted to \$31.4 million, which included reserves of \$17.5 million related to one of our blending facilities and \$9.5 million related to certain facilities acquired in fiscal year 2007. The remaining reserves were for asserted and unasserted environmental litigation, claims and/or assessments at manufacturing sites and other locations where we believe it is probable the outcome of such matters will be unfavorable to us, but the environmental exposure at any one of those sites was not individually material. Reserves for large environmental exposures are principally based on environmental studies and cost estimates provided by third parties, but also take into account management estimates. Reserves for less significant environmental exposures are principally based on management estimates.

Environmental expenses were \$0.1 million for the three-month and six-month periods ended April 30, 2010 and were insignificant for the three month and six month periods ended April 30, 2009. Environmental cash expenditures were \$1.1 million and \$0.4 million for the six months ended April 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

We anticipate that expenditures for remediation costs at most of the sites will be made over an extended period of time. Given the inherent uncertainties in evaluating environmental exposures, actual costs may vary from those estimated at April 30, 2010. Our exposure to adverse developments with respect to any individual site is not expected to be material. Although environmental remediation could have a material effect on results of operations if a series of adverse developments occur in a particular quarter or fiscal year, we believe that the chance of a series of adverse developments occurring in the same quarter or fiscal year is remote. Future information and developments will require us to continually reassess the expected impact of these environmental matters.

Self-Insurance. We are self-insured for certain of the claims made under our employee medical and dental insurance programs. We had recorded liabilities totaling \$3.2 million and \$4.0 million of estimated costs related to outstanding claims at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, respectively. These costs include an estimate for expected settlements on pending claims, administrative fees and an estimate for claims incurred but not reported. These estimates are based on our assessment of outstanding claims, historical analysis and current payment trends. We record an estimate for the claims incurred but not reported using an estimated lag period based upon historical information, which has been adjusted in the first quarter to reflect a decrease in actual claims paid in 2009 and represents a decrease in total self-insurance reserves by \$0.8 million.

We have certain deductibles applied to various insurance policies including general liability, product, auto and workers compensation. Deductible liabilities are insured primarily through our captive insurance subsidiary. We recorded liabilities totaling \$21.7 million and \$21.5 million for anticipated costs related to general liability, product, auto and workers compensation at April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, respectively. These costs include an estimate for expected settlements on pending claims, defense costs and an estimate for claims incurred but not reported. These estimates are based on our assessment of outstanding claims, historical analysis, actuarial information and current payment trends.

**Revenue Recognition**. We recognize revenue when title passes to customers or services have been rendered, with appropriate provision for returns and allowances. Revenue is recognized in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, Revenue Recognition (codified under ASC 605 Revenue Recognition).

Timberland disposals, timber and special use property revenues are recognized when closings have occurred, required down payments have been received, title and possession have been transferred to the buyer, and all other criteria for sale and profit recognition have been satisfied.

We report the sale of surplus and HBU property in our consolidated statements of operations under gain on disposals of property, plants, and equipment, net and report the sale of development property under net sales and cost of goods sold. All HBU and development property, together with surplus property is used by us to productively grow and sell timber until the land is sold.

Other Items. Other items that could have a significant impact on the financial statements include the risks and uncertainties listed in Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors, of the 2009 Form 10-K, as updated by Part II, Item 1A of this Form 10-Q. Actual results could differ materially using different estimates and assumptions, or if conditions are significantly different in the future.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following comparative information is presented for the three-month and six-month periods ended April 30, 2010 and 2009. Historically, revenues or earnings may or may not be representative of future operating results due to various economic and other factors.

The non-GAAP financial measure of operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs is used throughout the following discussion of our results of operations. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs is equal to operating profit plus restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs. We use operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs because we believe that this measure provides a better indication of our operational performance because it excludes restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs, which are not representative of ongoing operations, and it provides a more stable platform on which to compare our historical performance.

As discussed in Critical Accounting Policies, at the beginning of fiscal 2010, we changed our method of accounting for inventories at certain of our U.S. locations from the LIFO method of accounting to the FIFO method of accounting. The financial information presented in Results of Operations has been adjusted for all prior periods presented as if we had used the FIFO method of accounting instead of the LIFO method of accounting for each reporting period for all of our operations. Refer to the May 27 Form 8-K which updated certain sections of the 2009 Form 10-K for revised financial information and disclosures resulting from the application of a change in an accounting principle from using a combination of the LIFO and the FIFO inventory accounting methods to the FIFO method for all of our businesses effective November 1, 2009.

In the second quarter of 2010, we acquired Storsack Holding GmbH and its subsidiaries (Storsack), which is the world s largest producer of flexible intermediate bulk containers. Based on an analysis of the qualitative and quantitative standards, Storsack s results are included in a new reporting segment called Flexible Products and Services. Our multiwall bag operations, previously included in the Paper Packaging segment, are also included in Flexible Products and Services. The Industrial Packaging segment has been renamed Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services.

#### **Second Quarter Results**

#### Overview

Net sales increased 29 percent to \$836.6 million in the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$647.9 million in the second quarter of 2009. The 29 percent increase was due to higher sales volumes (33 percent or 22 percent excluding acquisitions) and foreign currency translation (5 percent), partially offset by lower selling prices (9 percent) due to the pass-through of lower input costs. The \$188.7 million increase was due to Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services (\$109.4 million increase), Flexible Products and Services (\$42.1 million increase) and Paper Packaging (\$37.9 million increase), slightly offset by Land Management (\$0.7 million decrease).

Operating profit was \$72.8 million and \$13.1 million in the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs was \$82.2 million for the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$40.9 million for the second quarter of 2009. The \$41.3 million increase in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs was due to Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services (\$38.6 million increase), Flexible Products and Services (\$3.3 million increase), Paper Packaging (\$1.3 million increase), partially offset by a decrease in Land Management (\$1.9 million decrease).

The following table sets forth the net sales and operating profit for each of our business segments (Dollars in thousands):

For the three months ended April 30,		2010		2009
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Net Sales Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$	636,544 50,455 147,527 2,054	\$	527,073 8,447 109,617 2,760
Total net sales	\$	836,580	\$	647,897
Operating Profit: Operating profit, before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$	69,960 4,014 7,707 492	\$	31,323 709 6,397 2,425
Total operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs:	\$	82,173	\$	40,854
Restructuring charges: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Paper Packaging	\$	4,718 72	\$	19,564 731
Restructuring charges	\$	4,790	\$	20,295
Restructuring-related inventory charges: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Acquisition-related costs: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services	\$ \$	37 941	\$ \$	7,452
Flexible Products and Services		3,646		
Acquisition-related costs	\$	4,587	\$	
Operating profit: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$	64,263 368 7,636 492	\$	4,307 709 5,666 2,425
Total operating profit	\$	72,759	\$	13,107

# **Segment Review**

Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services

Our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment offers a comprehensive line of industrial packaging products, such as steel, fibre and plastic drums, intermediate bulk containers, closure systems for industrial packaging products, transit protection products, polycarbonate water bottles, and services, such as blending, filling and other packaging services, logistics and warehousing. The key factors influencing profitability in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes;

Raw material costs, primarily steel, resin and containerboard;

Energy and transportation costs;

Benefits from executing the Greif Business System;

Restructuring charges;

Contributions from recent acquisitions;

Divestiture of business units; and

Impact of foreign currency translation.

In this segment, net sales were \$636.5 million in the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$527.1 million in the second quarter of 2009. The 21 percent increase in net sales was due to higher sales volumes (26 percent, or 21 percent excluding acquisitions) and foreign currency translation (5 percent), partially offset by lower selling prices (10 percent) due to the pass-through of lower input costs.

Operating profit was \$64.4 million in the second quarter of 2010 and \$4.3 million in the second quarter of 2009. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring related inventory charges, and acquisition-related costs increased to \$70.0 million in the second quarter of 2010 from \$31.4 million in the second quarter of 2009. The \$38.6 million increase in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs was primarily due to higher sales volumes, margin expansion principally due to lower input costs and the disciplined execution of the Greif Business System, and benefits from permanent cost savings achieved during fiscal 2009. This segment continues to benefit from Greif Business System and specific contingency initiatives.

Flexible Products and Services

Our Flexible Products and Services segment offers a comprehensive line of flexible products, such as flexible intermediate bulk containers and multiwall bags. The key factors influencing profitability in the Flexible Products and Services segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes;

Raw material costs, primarily resin and containerboard;

Energy and transportation costs;

Benefits from executing the Greif Business System;

Contributions from recent acquisitions; and

Impact of foreign currency translation.

In this segment, net sales were \$50.5 million in the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$8.4 million in the second quarter of 2009. The increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Storsack during the second quarter of 2010. Both periods include our multiwall bag operations, which were previously included in the Paper Packaging segment and reclassified to conform to the current year s presentation.

Operating profit was \$0.3 million in the second quarter of 2010 and \$0.7 million in the second quarter of 2009. Operating profit before the impact of acquisition-related costs increased to \$4.0 million in the second quarter of 2010 from \$0.7 million in the second quarter of 2009 as a result of the Storsack acquisition in the second quarter of 2010.

#### Paper Packaging

Our Paper Packaging segment sells containerboard, corrugated sheets, and corrugated containers in North America. The key factors influencing profitability in the Paper Packaging segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes;

Raw material costs, primarily old corrugated containers;

Energy and transportation costs;

Benefits from executing the Greif Business System; and

Restructuring charges.

In this segment, net sales were \$147.5 million in the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$109.6 million in the second quarter of 2009. The 35 percent increase in net sales was due to higher sales volumes, partially offset by lower selling prices.

Operating profit was \$7.6 million and \$5.7 million in the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges increased to \$7.7 million in the second quarter of 2010 from \$6.4 million in the second quarter of 2009. The \$1.3 million increase in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges was primarily due to higher sales volumes, partially offset by higher raw material costs and lower selling prices compared to the same period last year. This segment continues to benefit from Greif Business System and specific contingency initiatives.

#### Land Management

As of April 30, 2010, our Land Management segment consists of approximately 265,950 acres of timber properties in the southeastern United States, which are actively harvested and regenerated, and approximately 24,950 acres in Canada. The key factors influencing profitability in the Land Management segment are:

Planned level of timber sales:

Selling prices and customer demand;

Gains (losses) on sale of timberland; and

Gains on the sale of special use properties (surplus, HBU, and development properties).

Net sales were \$2.1 million and \$2.8 million in the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Operating profit was \$0.5 million and \$2.4 million in the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Included in these amounts were profits from the sale of special use properties (surplus, HBU, and development properties) of \$0.5 million and \$1.3 million in the second quarters of 2010 and 2009, respectively.

#### **Other Income Statement Changes**

Cost of Products Sold

Cost of products sold, as a percentage of net sales, decreased to 79.9 percent for the second quarter of 2010 compared to 85.1 percent for the second quarter of 2009. The lower cost of products sold as a percentage of net sales was primarily due to higher net sales which were driven by growth in volumes. Lower raw material costs in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment on a period over period basis were partially offset by higher raw material costs in the Paper Packaging segment for the second quarter of 2010 compared to the second quarter of 2009. In addition, we achieved permanent cost savings during fiscal 2009 from the execution of our Greif Business System.

#### Selling, General and Administrative (SG&A) Expenses

SG&A expenses were \$91.7 million, or 11.0 percent of net sales, in the second quarter of 2010 compared to \$65.7 million, or 10.1 percent of net sales, in the second quarter of 2009. The increase in SG&A expenses was primarily due to increases in acquisition-related costs, salaries and benefits including incentive compensation, travel related expenses and foreign currency translation. In 2010, we have also removed the previously implemented salary and hiring freezes and reinstituted our employer 401(k) plan match program.

During the second quarter of 2010, we recorded acquisition-related costs of \$3.3 million and post acquisition-related integration costs of \$1.3 million. During the first quarter of 2010, we recorded \$10.0 million of acquisition-related costs for acquisitions not consummated of which \$6.1 million was incurred prior to November 1, 2009, the date on which we adopted SFAS No. 141(R) (codified under ASC 805, Business Combinations).

#### Restructuring Charges

The focus of the 2010 restructuring activities is primarily related to the business realignment, acquisition related integration, and further implementation of Greif Business System. During the second quarter of 2010, we recorded restructuring charges of \$4.8 million, consisting of \$2.4 million in employee separation costs, \$0.1 million in asset impairments and \$2.3 million in other costs.

The focus of the 2009 restructuring activities was on business realignment due to the economic downturn and further implementation of Greif Business System. During the second quarter of 2009, we recorded restructuring charges of \$20.3 million, consisting of \$11.2 million in employee separation costs, \$6.7 million in asset impairments and \$2.4 million in other costs.

#### Gain on Disposal of Properties, Plants and Equipment, Net

During the second quarter of 2010, we recorded a gain on disposal of properties, plants and equipment, net \$0.7 million, primarily from the gain of the sale of properties in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment \$0.4 million and the gain on the sale of properties in the Land Management segment \$0.3 million. During the second quarter of 2009, we recorded a gain on disposal of properties, plants and equipment, net of \$2.2 million, primarily consisting of a \$0.5 million gain on the sale of a business in Europe and a \$1.3 million gain on the sale of special use properties.

#### Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net was \$16.8 million and \$13.4 million for the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The increase in interest expense, net was primarily attributable to a higher amount of average debt outstanding and an increase in our borrowing costs. We refinanced our senior secured credit facility in February 2009 and also issued new senior notes in July 2009, both at higher interest rates.

#### Debt Extinguishment Charge

In the second quarter of 2009, we completed a new \$700 million senior secured credit facilities which replaced an existing \$450 million revolving credit facility. As a result of this transaction, a debt extinguishment charge of \$0.8 million in non-cash items, such as write-off of unamortized capitalized debt issuance costs, was recorded. There were no debt extinguishment charges in 2010.

#### Other Expense (Income), Net

Other expense, net was \$0.9 million and (\$1.9) million for the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The increase in other expense, net was primarily due to an increase in the fees for the sale of non-United States account receivable as well as foreign exchange remeasurement.

#### Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

The effective tax rate was 19.1% in the second quarter of 2010 compared to an adjusted effective tax rate of (76.4%) in the second quarter of 2009. The change in the effective tax rate is primarily due to a change in the forecasted mix of income in the United States versus outside the United States for the respective periods.

Equity earnings (losses) of Unconsolidated Affiliates, net of tax

During the second quarter of 2010 and 2009, respectively, we recorded a gain of \$0.2 million and an insignificant equity loss of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax.

#### Noncontrolling Interests

We have noncontrolling interests in various companies. The noncontrolling interests reflect the portion of earnings or losses of majority owned operations which are applicable to the noncontrolling interest partners. During the second quarter of 2010, noncontrolling interests were \$2.2 million and were deducted from net income (loss) to arrive at net income (loss) attributable to the Company.

Net Income (Loss)

Based on the foregoing, we recorded net income of \$42.6 million for the second quarter of 2010 compared to net income of \$1.6 million in the second quarter of 2009.

#### **Year-to-Date Results**

#### Overview

Net sales increased 18 percent (14 percent excluding the impact of foreign currency translation) to \$1,546.3 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$1,314.2 million in the first half of 2009. The \$232.1 million increase was due to Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services (\$144.7 million increase), Flexible Products and Services (\$41.9 million increase) and Paper Packaging (\$47.2 million increase), slightly offset by Land Management (\$1.7 million decrease). The 14 percent constant-currency increase was due to higher sales volumes across all product lines.

Operating profit was \$123.5 million and \$24.6 million in the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs was \$149.0 million for the first half of 2010 compared to \$81.4 million for the first half of 2009. The \$67.6 million increase in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs was principally due to higher operating profit in Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services (\$77.4 million increase), Flexible Products and Services (\$3.3 million increase), with a decrease in Paper Packaging (\$11.0 million decrease) and Land Management (\$2.1 million decrease).

The following table sets forth the net sales and operating profit for each of our business segments (Dollars in thousands):

For the six months ended April 30, Net Sales	2010		2009
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$ 1,201,308 61,741 275,790 7,423	\$ 1	,056,589 19,898 228,551 9,119
Total net sales	\$ 1,546,262	\$ 1	,314,157
Operating Profit: Operating profit, before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and timberland diposals, net: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$ 127,419 6,530 11,447 3,491	\$	49,939 3,331 22,517 5,584
Total operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition related costs, net:	\$ 148,887	\$	81,371
Restructuring charges: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$ 10,674 113	\$	44,738 2,583 150
Restructuring charges	\$ 10,787	\$	47,471
Restructuring-related inventory charges: Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Acquisition-related costs:	\$ 37	\$	9,285
Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services	\$ 3,803 10,840	\$	
Acquisition-related costs	\$ 14,643	\$	
Operating profit (loss): Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services Flexible Products and Services Paper Packaging Land Management	\$ 112,905 (4,310) 11,334 3,491	\$	(4,084) 3,331 19,934 5,434
Total operating profit	\$ 123,420	\$	24,615

## **Segment Review**

Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services

Our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment offers a comprehensive line of industrial packaging products, such as steel, fibre and plastic drums, intermediate bulk containers, closure systems for industrial packaging products, transit protection products, polycarbonate water bottles, and services, such as blending, filling and other packaging services, logistics and warehousing. The key factors influencing profitability in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes; Raw material costs, primarily steel, resin and containerboard; Energy and transportation costs;

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Benefits from executing the Greif Business System;

Restructuring charges;

Contributions from recent acquisitions;

Divestiture of business units; and

Impact of foreign currency translation.

In this segment, net sales increased to \$1,201.3 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$1,056.6 million in the first half of 2009 an increase of 14 percent excluding the impact of foreign currency translation. The increase in net sales was primarily attributable to the higher sales volumes in most of the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services businesses.

Operating profit (loss) was \$112.9 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$(4.0) million in the first half of 2009. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs increased to \$127.4 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$50.0 million in the first half of 2009. The increase in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges, restructuring-related inventory charges and acquisition-related costs included \$10.7 million of restructuring charges and \$3.8 million of acquisition-related costs.

Flexible Products and Services

Our Flexible Products and Services segment offers a comprehensive line of flexible industrial packaging products, such as flexible intermediate bulk containers and multiwall bags. The key factors influencing profitability in the Flexible Products and Services segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes;

Raw material costs, primarily resin and containerboard;

Energy and transportation costs;

Benefits from executing the Greif Business System;

Contributions from recent acquisitions; and

Impact of foreign currency translation.

In this segment, net sales were \$61.8 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$19.9 million in the first half of 2009. The increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Storsack during the second quarter of 2010. Both periods include our multiwall bag operations, which were previously included in the Paper Packaging segment and reclassified to conform to the current year s presentation.

Operating profit (loss) was \$(4.3) million in the first half of 2010 and \$3.3 million in the first half of 2009. Operating profit before the impact of acquisition-related costs increased to \$6.6 million in the first half of 2010 from \$3.3 million in the first half of 2009 as a result of the Storsack acquisition in the second quarter of 2010.

Paper Packaging

Our Paper Packaging segment sells containerboard, corrugated sheets, and corrugated containers in North America. The key factors influencing profitability in the Paper Packaging segment are:

Selling prices, customer demand and sales volumes;

Raw material costs, primarily old corrugated containers;

Energy and transportation costs;

Benefits from executing the Greif Business System; and

Restructuring charges.

In this segment, net sales were \$275.8 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$228.6 million in the first half of 2009. The increase in net sales was principally due to strong volume recovery in the second quarter of 2010 compared to second quarter of 2009.

Operating profit was \$11.4 million and \$19.9 million in the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges decreased to \$11.5 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$22.5 million in the first half of 2009. The decrease in operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges was primarily due to higher raw material costs, especially old corrugated containers.

#### Land Management

Our Land Management segment consists of approximately 265,950 acres of timber properties in the southeastern United States, which are actively harvested and regenerated, and approximately 24,950 acres in Canada. The key factors influencing profitability in the Land Management segment are:

Planned level of timber sales;

Selling prices and customer demand

Gains (losses) on sale of timberland; and

Sale of special use properties (surplus, HBU, and development properties).

Net sales were \$7.4 million in the first half of 2010 and \$9.1 million in the first half of 2009.

Operating profit was \$3.5 million and \$5.4 million in the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. Operating profit before the impact of restructuring charges was \$3.5 million in the first half of 2010 compared to \$5.6 million in the first half of 2009. Included in these amounts were profits from the sale of special use properties of \$0.7 million in the first half of 2010 and \$1.3 million in the first half of 2009.

#### **Other Income Statement Changes**

#### Cost of Products Sold

The cost of products sold, as a percentage of net sales, was 80.2 percent for the first half of 2010 compared to 85.4 percent for the first half of 2009. The lower cost of products sold as a percentage of net sales was primarily due to higher net sales which were driven by growth in volumes. Lower raw material costs in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment on a period over period basis were partially offset by higher raw material costs in the Paper Packaging segment for the first half of 2010 compared to the first half of 2009. In addition, we achieved permanent cost savings during fiscal 2009 from the execution of our Greif Business System.

#### SG&A Expenses

SG&A expenses were \$174.0 million, or 11.3 percent of net sales, in the first half of 2010 compared to \$124.1 million, or 9.4 percent of net sales, in the first half of 2009. The increase in SG&A expense as a percent of sales was primarily due to increases in acquisition-related costs, salaries and benefits including incentive compensation and travel related expenses and foreign currency translation. In 2010 we have also removed the previously implemented salary and hiring freezes and reinstituted our employer 401(k) plan match program.

During the first half of 2010, we recorded acquisition-related and post acquisition-related integration costs of \$14.6 million. During the first half of 2009, these costs were capitalized as part of the purchase price of the acquisition.

### Restructuring Charges

During the first half of 2010, we recorded restructuring charges of \$10.8 million, consisting of \$6.7 million in employee separation costs, \$0.2 million in asset impairments and \$3.9 million in other costs. The focus of the 2010 restructuring activities is on continued business realignment due to the economic downturn and further implementation of the Greif Business System.

During the first half of 2009, we recorded restructuring charges of \$47.5 million, consisting of \$27.2 million in employee separation costs, \$11.6 million in asset impairments and \$8.7 million in other costs. The focus of the 2009 restructuring activities was on business realignment due to the economic downturn and further implementation of the Greif Business System.

In addition, during the second quarter of 2009, we recorded \$7.5 million of restructuring-related inventory charges as a cost of products sold in our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment related to excess inventory adjustment primarily at two closed facilities in Asia.

Gain on Disposal of Properties, Plants, and Equipment, Net

During the first half of 2010, we recorded a gain on disposal of properties, plants and equipment, net of \$2.0 million, primarily consisting of a \$1.1 million gain on the sale properties in North America, \$0.7 million gain from the sale of special use properties (surplus, HBU, and development properties), and \$0.2 million gain from other locations. During the first half of 2009, we recorded a gain on disposal of properties, plants and equipment, net of \$4.6 million, primarily consisting of a \$2.8 million gain on the sale properties in North America and a business in Europe as well as \$1.6 million gain from the sale of special use properties (surplus, HBU, and development properties).

Interest Expense, Net

Interest expense, net was \$31.6 million and \$25.6 million for the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The increase in interest expense, net was primarily attributable to higher average debt outstanding and an increase in our borrowing costs.

Debt Extinguishment Charge

In the first half of 2009, we completed a new \$700 million senior secured credit facilities which replaced an existing \$450 million revolving credit facility. As a result of this transaction, a debt extinguishment charge of \$0.8 million in non-cash items, such as write-off of unamortized capitalized debt issuance costs was recorded. There were no debt extinguishment charges in 2010.

Other Expense (income), Net

Other expense, net during first half of 2010 was \$3.7 million compared to other income, net during the first half of 2009 was \$0.2 million. The increase in other expense, net was primarily due to an increase in fees for the sale of non-United States account receivable and foreign exchange remeasurement.

Income Tax Expense (Benefit)

The effective tax rate was 19.5% and (120.2%) in the first half of 2010 and 2009, respectively. The higher effective tax rate resulted from a change in the mix of income to outside the United States in the first half 2010 compared to the same period last year.

Equity earnings (losses) of Unconsolidated Affiliates, net of tax

Equity earnings of affiliates of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax were 0.1 million and 0.6 million in the first half of 2010 and the first half of 2009, respectively.

Noncontrolling Interests

We have noncontrolling interests in various companies. The noncontrolling interests reflect the portion of earnings or losses of majority owned operations which are applicable to the noncontrolling interest partners. Noncontrolling interests were \$3.6 million during the first half of 2010 and \$0.5 million during the first half of 2009, respectively, and were deducted from net income (loss) to arrive at net income (loss) attributable to the Company.

#### Net Income (Loss)

Based on the foregoing, we recorded net income of \$67.5 million for the first half of 2010 compared to net loss of (\$0.7) million in the first half of 2009.

#### **BALANCE SHEET CHANGES**

Accounts receivable increased \$81.2 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 primarily due to higher sales activity, acquisitions in our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment and Flexible Products and Services segment, and foreign currency translation.

Inventories increased \$64.1 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 primarily due to acquisitions in our Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment and Flexible Products and Services segment, higher steel and resin costs, and growth in our Asia Pacific region.

Goodwill increased \$25.0 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 due to acquisitions in the Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment and Flexible Products and Services segment, a contingent purchase price payment related to a 2008 Rigid Industrial Packaging and Services segment acquisition and final purchase price adjustments from our 2009 acquisitions less foreign currency translation adjustments.

Other long-term assets decreased \$13.2 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 primarily related to a reduction in our long-term deferred tax assets.

Property, plant and equipment increased \$59.2 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 primarily due to assets acquired through acquisitions and additional capital projects.

Accounts payable decreased \$10.9 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 due to seasonality factors and timing of payments which was partially offset by foreign currency translation.

Accrued payroll and employee benefits decreased \$12.7 million primarily due to lower headcount, reduced bonus and incentive accruals and the payout of the 2009 incentive compensation arrangements.

Long-term debt increased \$233.9 million through the \$700 million credit facility and the trade accounts receivable credit facility to finance acquisition funding, payment of dividends, and continued capital expenditures.

Other long-term liabilities decreased \$18.9 million from October 31, 2009 to April 30, 2010 primarily due to the revaluation of a cross-currency swap.

#### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity are operating cash flows, the proceeds from our trade accounts receivable credit facility, proceeds from the sale of our non-United States accounts receivable and borrowings under our Credit Agreement and Senior Notes, further discussed below. We have used these sources to fund our working capital needs, capital expenditures, cash dividends, common stock repurchases and acquisitions. We anticipate continuing to fund these items in a like manner. We currently expect that operating cash flows, the proceeds from our trade accounts receivable credit facility, proceeds from the sale of our non-United States accounts receivable and borrowings under our Credit Agreement and Senior Notes will be sufficient to fund our currently anticipated working capital, capital expenditures, debt repayment, potential acquisitions of businesses and other liquidity needs for at least 12 months.

#### **Capital Expenditures**

During the first six months of 2010, we invested \$64.6 million in capital expenditures, excluding timberland purchases of \$16.6 million, compared with capital expenditures of \$53.5 million, excluding timberland purchases of \$0.6 million, during the same period last year.

We expect capital expenditures, excluding timberland purchases, will be approximately \$130 million in 2010. The expenditures will primarily be to replace and improve equipment.

#### **Business Acquisitions and Divestitures**

During the first six months of 2010, we acquired one European rigid industrial packaging company, one European flexible products company, and made a contingent purchase price payment related to 2008 acquisition. This rigid industrial packaging acquisition complemented our current businesses and provides growth opportunities in Scandinavia. The flexible products acquisition expands us into a new product offering. The aggregate purchase price for the two 2010 acquisitions was less than \$150 million.

There were \$14.6 million of acquisition-related costs recognized in the six months period ended April 30, 2010 included in selling, general and administrative expenses. This amount includes \$13.3 million for acquisition costs previously capitalized as part of the purchase price of acquisitions of which \$6.1 million was incurred prior to November 1, 2009, the date on which we adopted SFAS No. 141(R) (codified under ASC 805, Business Combinations). In addition, we recorded post acquisition-related integration costs of \$1.3 million which represents costs associated with integrating acquired companies such as GBS initiatives, sourcing and supply chain initiatives, finance and administrative reorganizations, and other general costs.

#### **Borrowing Arrangements**

#### **Credit Agreements**

We have a \$700 million Senior Secured Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement ) with a syndicate of financial institutions. The Credit Agreement provides us with a \$500.0 million revolving multicurrency credit facility and a \$200.0 million term loan, both maturing in February 2012, with an option to add \$200.0 million to the facilities with the agreement of the lenders. The \$200 million term loan is scheduled to amortize by \$2.5 million per quarter for the first four quarters, \$5.0 million per quarter for the next eight quarters and \$150.0 million on the maturity date. The Credit Agreement is available to fund ongoing working capital and capital expenditure needs, for general corporate purposes, and to finance acquisitions. Interest is based on either a Eurodollar rate or a base rate that resets periodically plus a calculated margin amount. There was \$318.0 million outstanding under the Credit Agreement at April 30, 2010. The Credit Agreement contains certain covenants, which include financial covenants that require us to maintain a certain leverage ratio and a fixed charge coverage ratio. The leverage ratio generally requires that at the end of any fiscal quarter we will not permit the ratio of (a) our total consolidated indebtedness, to (b) our consolidated net income plus depreciation, depletion and amortization, interest expense (including capitalized interest), income taxes, and minus certain extraordinary gains and non-recurring gains (or plus certain extraordinary losses and non-recurring losses) and plus or minus certain other items for the preceding twelve months (EBITDA) to be greater than 3.5 to 1. The fixed charge coverage ratio generally requires that at the end of any fiscal quarter we will not permit the ratio of (a) (i) consolidated EBITDA, less (ii) the aggregate amount of certain cash capital expenditures, and less (iii) the aggregate amount of Federal, state, local and foreign income taxes actually paid in cash (other than taxes related to asset sales not in the ordinary course of business), to (b) the sum of (i) consolidated interest expense to the extent paid or payable in cash during such period and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all regularly scheduled principal payments or redemptions or similar acquisitions for value of outstanding debt for borrowed money, but excluding any such payments to the extent refinanced through the incurrence of additional indebtedness, to be less than 1.5 to 1. At April 30, 2010, we were in compliance with the covenants under the Credit Agreement.

The terms of the Credit Agreement limit our ability to make restricted payments, which includes dividends and purchases, redemptions and acquisitions of our equity interests. The repayment of this facility is secured by a security interest in our personal property and the personal property of our United States subsidiaries, including equipment and inventory and certain intangible assets, as well as a pledge of the capital stock of substantially all of our United States subsidiaries and, in part, by the capital stock of international borrowers. The payment of outstanding principal under the Credit Agreement and accrued interest thereon may be accelerated and become immediately due and payable upon the default in our payment or other performance obligations or our failure to comply with the financial and other covenants in the Credit Agreement, subject to applicable notice requirements and cure periods as provided in the Credit Agreement.

See Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for additional disclosures regarding the Credit Agreement.

#### Senior Notes

We have issued \$300.0 million of our 6.75% Senior Notes due February 1, 2017. Proceeds from the issuance of these Senior Notes were principally used to fund the purchase of our previously outstanding senior subordinated notes and for general corporate purposes. These Senior Notes are general unsecured obligations of Greif, provide for semi-annual payments of interest at a fixed rate of 6.75%, and do not require any principal payments prior to maturity on February 1, 2017. These Senior Notes are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries and thereby are effectively subordinated to all of our subsidiaries existing and future indebtedness. The Indenture pursuant to which these Senior Notes were issued contains covenants, which, among other things, limit our ability to create liens on our assets to secure debt and to enter into sale and leaseback transactions. These covenants are subject to a number of limitations and exceptions as set forth in the Indenture. At April 30, 2010, we were in compliance with these covenants.

We have issued \$250.0 million of our 7.75% Senior Notes due August 1, 2019. Proceeds from the issuance of these Senior Notes were principally used for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of amounts outstanding under our revolving multicurrency credit facility under the Credit Agreement, without any permanent reduction of the commitments. These Senior Notes are general unsecured obligations of Greif, provide for semi-annual payments of interest at a fixed rate of 7.75%, and do not require any principal payments prior to maturity on August 1, 2019. These Senior Notes are not guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries and thereby are effectively subordinated to all of our subsidiaries existing and future indebtedness. The Indenture pursuant to which these Senior Notes were issued contains covenants, which, among other things, limit our ability to create liens on our assets to secure debt and to enter into sale and leaseback transactions. These covenants are subject to a number of limitations and exceptions as set forth in the Indenture. At April 30, 2010, we were in compliance with these covenants.

See Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for additional disclosures regarding the Senior Notes.

#### United States Trade Accounts Receivable Credit Facility

We have a \$135.0 million trade accounts receivable facility (the Receivables Facility) with a financial institution and its affiliate (the Purchasers). The Receivables Facility matures in December 2013, subject to earlier termination by the Purchasers of their purchase commitment in December 2010. In addition, we can terminate the Receivables Facility at any time upon five days prior written notice. The Receivables Facility is secured by certain of our United States trade receivables and bears interest at a variable rate based on the commercial paper rate, or alternatively, the London InterBank Offered Rate, plus a margin. Interest is payable on a monthly basis and the principal balance is payable upon termination of the Receivables Facility. The Receivables Facility contains certain covenants, including financial covenants for leverage and fixed charge ratios identical to the Credit Agreement. Proceeds of the Receivables Facility are available for working capital and general corporate purposes. At April 30, 2010, \$108.6 million was outstanding under the Receivables Facility. See Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for additional disclosures regarding this credit facility.

#### Sale of Non-United States Accounts Receivable

Certain of our international subsidiaries have entered into discounted receivables purchase agreements and factoring agreements (the RPAs ) pursuant to which trade receivables generated from certain countries other than the United States and which meet certain eligibility requirements are sold to certain international banks or their affiliates. The structure of these transactions provides for a legal true sale, on a revolving basis, of the receivables transferred from our various subsidiaries to the respective banks. The banks fund an initial purchase price of a certain percentage of eligible receivables based on a formula with the initial purchase price approximating 75 percent to 90 percent of eligible receivables. The remaining deferred purchase price is settled upon collection of the receivables. At the balance sheet reporting dates, we remove from accounts receivable the amount of proceeds received from the initial purchase price since they meet the applicable criteria of SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfer and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities (codified under ASC 860 Transfers and Servicing), and continue to recognize the deferred purchase price in our accounts receivable. The receivables are sold on a non-recourse basis with the total funds in the servicing collection accounts pledged to the respective banks between the settlement dates. The maximum amount of aggregate receivables that may be sold under our various RPAs was \$167.1 million at April 30, 2010. At April 30, 2010, total accounts receivable of \$127.8 million were sold under the various RPAs. At the time the receivables are initially sold, the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value of the assets sold are included as a loss on sale and classified as other expense in the consolidated statements of operations. Expenses associated with the various RPAs totaled \$1.6 million for the three months ended April 30, 2010. Additionally, we perform collections and administrative functions on the receivables sold similar to the procedures we use for collecting all of our receivables. The servicing liability for these receivables is not material to the consolidated financial statements. See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of Part I of this Form 10-Q for additional information regarding these various RPAs.

#### Other

In addition to the amounts borrowed against the Credit Agreement and proceeds from the Senior Notes and the United States trade accounts receivable credit facility, at April 30, 2010, we had outstanding other debt of \$57.1 million, comprised of \$8.2 million in long-term debt and \$48.9 million in short-term borrowings.

At April 30, 2010, annual maturities, including current portion, of our long-term debt under our various financing arrangements were \$10.0 million in 2010, \$28.2 million in 2011, \$288.0 million in 2012, \$108.6 million in 2013 and \$540.2 million thereafter.

At April 30, 2010 and October 31, 2009, we had deferred financing fees and debt issuance costs of \$12.9 million and \$14.9 million, respectively, which are included in other long-term assets.

In the first quarter of 2010, we entered into a \$100.0 million fixed to floating swap. Under this agreement, we receive interest from the counterparty equal to a fixed rate of 6.75% and pay interest at a variable rate (3.781% at April 30, 2010) on a semi-annual basis.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

As of April 30, 2010, we had the following contractual obligations (Dollars in millions):

	Payments Due by Period									
			Le	ss than						
		Total	1	year	1-	3 years	3-5	years	Afte	er 5 years
Long-term debt	\$	1,330.2	\$	26.1	\$	552.5	\$	79.3	\$	672.3
Current portion of long-term debt		20.0		10.0		10.0				
Short-term borrowing		51.3		50.1		1.2				
Capital lease obligations		0.4		0.1		0.2		0.1		
Operating leases		7.6		1.3		3.9		2.0		0.4
Liabilities held by special purpose										
entities		67.2		1.1		4.5		2.2		59.4
Total	\$	1,476.7	\$	88.7	\$	572.3	\$	83.6	\$	732.1

Amounts presented in the contractual obligation table include interest

Our unrecognized tax benefits under FIN 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes (codified under ASC 740 Income Taxes) have been excluded from the contractual obligations table because of the inherent uncertainty and the inability to reasonably estimate the timing of cash outflows.

#### Significant Nonstrategic Timberland Transactions

In connection with a 2005 timberland transaction with Plum Creek Timberlands, L.P. (Plum Creek), Soterra LLC (one of our wholly-owned subsidiaries) received cash and a \$50.9 million purchase note payable by an indirect subsidiary of Plum Creek (the Purchase Note). Soterra LLC contributed the Purchase Note to STA Timber LLC (STA Timber), one of our indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries. The Purchase Note is secured by a Deed of Guarantee issued by Bank of America, N.A., London Branch, in an amount not to exceed \$52.3 million (the Deed of Guarantee). STA Timber has issued in a private placement 5.20% Senior Secured Notes due August 5, 2020 (the Monetization Notes) in the principal amount of \$43.3 million. The Monetization Notes are secured by a pledge of the Purchase Note and the Deed of Guarantee. Greif, Inc. and its other subsidiaries have not extended any form of guaranty of the principal or interest on the Monetization Notes. Accordingly, Greif, Inc. and its other subsidiaries will not become directly or contingently liable for the payment of the Monetization Notes at any time. See Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 1 of this Form 10-Q for additional information regarding these transactions.

#### RECENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 141(R), (codified under ASC 805 Business Combinations), which replaces SFAS No. 141. The objective of SFAS No. 141(R) is to improve the relevance, representational faithfulness and comparability of the information that a reporting entity provides in its financial reports about a business combination and its effects. SFAS No. 141(R) establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed and any noncontrolling interest in the acquiree; recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. SFAS No. 141(R) applies to all transactions or other events in which an entity (the acquirer) obtains control of one or more businesses (the acquiree), including those sometimes referred to as true mergers or mergers of equals and combinations achieved without the transfer of consideration. SFAS No. 141(R) applies to any acquisition entered into on or after November 1, 2009. We adopted the new guidance beginning on November 1, 2009, which impacted our financial position, results of operations, cash flows and related disclosures.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Accounting and Reporting of Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51, (codified under ASC 810 Consolidation). The objective of SFAS No. 160 is to improve the relevance, comparability and transparency of the financial information that a reporting entity provides in its consolidated financial statements. SFAS No. 160 amends ARB No. 51 to establish accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. SFAS No. 160 also changes the way the consolidated financial statements are presented, establishes a single method of accounting for changes in a parent s ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation, requires that a parent recognize a gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated and expands disclosures in the consolidated financial statements that clearly identify and distinguish between the parent s ownership interest and the interest of the noncontrolling owners of a subsidiary. The provisions of SFAS No. 160 are to be applied prospectively as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which SFAS No. 160 is adopted, except for the presentation and disclosure requirements, which are to be applied retrospectively for all periods presented. We adopted the new guidance beginning November 1, 2009, and the adoption of the new guidance did not impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows, other than the related disclosures.

In December 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position FAS 132(R)-1, Employers Disclosures About Postretirement Benefit Plan Assets (FSP FAS 132(R)-1) (codified under ASC 715 Compensation Retirement Benefits), to provide guidance on employers disclosures about assets of a defined benefit pension or other postretirement plan. FSP FAS 132(R)-1 requires employers to disclose information about fair value measurements of plan assets similar to SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements. The objectives of the disclosures are to provide an understanding of: (a) how investment allocation decisions are made, including the factors that are pertinent to an

understanding of investment policies and strategies, (b) the major categories of plan assets, (c) the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets, (d) the effect of fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs on changes in plan assets for the period and (e) significant concentrations of risk within plan assets. We are in process of evaluating the impact that the adoption of the guidance may have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, we do not anticipate a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 166, Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140 (not yet codified) The Statement amends SFAS No. 140 to improve the information provided in financial statements concerning transfers of financial assets, including the effects of transfers on financial position, financial performance and cash flows, and any continuing involvement of the transferror with the transferred financial assets. The provisions of SFAS 166 are effective for our financial statements for the fiscal year beginning November 1, 2010. We are in the process of evaluating the impact that the adoption of the guidance may have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, we do not anticipate a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB issued SFAS No. 167, Amendments to FASB Interpretation No. 46(R) (not yet codified). SFAS 167 amends FIN 46(R) to require an enterprise to perform an analysis to determine whether the enterprise s variable interest or interests give it a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity. It also amends FIN 46(R) to require enhanced disclosures that will provide users of financial statements with more transparent information about an enterprise s involvement in a variable interest entity. The provisions of SFAS 167 are effective for our financial statements for the fiscal year beginning November 1, 2010. We are in the process of evaluating the impact, if any, that the adoption of SFAS No. 167 may have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures. However, we do not anticipate a material impact on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

#### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK

There has not been a significant change in the quantitative and qualitative disclosures about our market risk from the disclosures contained in the 2009 Form 10-K.

#### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

With the participation of our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, Greif s management has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act )), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, our principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report:

Information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the Securities and Exchange Commission;

Information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure; and Our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

There has been no change in our internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal controls over financial reporting.

# **PART II. OTHER INFORMATION**

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

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in the 2009 Form 10-K under Part I, Item 1A Risk Factors.

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

#### **Issuer Purchases of Class A Common Stock**

	Total Number of Shares	Average Price Paid Per	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that  May Yet Be Purchased under the Plans or Programs
Period	Purchased	Share	Programs (1)	(1)
November 2009			8 (/	1,166,728
December 2009				1,166,728
January 2010				1,166,728
February 2010				1,166,728
March 2010				1,166,728
April 2010				1,166,728
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#### **Issuer Purchases of Class B Common Stock**

				<b>Maximum Number</b>
			Total Number of Shares Purchased as	(or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares that
	Total Number	Average	Part of Publicly Announced	May Yet Be Purchased under
	of Shares	Price	Plans or	the
		Paid Per		Plans or Programs
Period	Purchased	Share	Programs (1)	(1)
November 2009				1,166,728
December 2009				1,166,728
January 2010				1,166,728
February 2010				1,166,728
March 2010				1,166,728
April 2010				1,166,728

(1) Our Board of Directors has

authorized a stock repurchase program which permits us to purchase up to 4.0 million shares of our Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock, or any combination thereof. As of April 30, 2010, the maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased is 1,166,728, which may be any combination of Class A Common Stock or Class B Common Stock.

# ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

(a.) Exhibits

Exhibit	
No.	Description of Exhibit
10(p)	Credit Agreement dated as of February 19, 2009, among Greif, Inc. and Greif International Holding B.V., as borrowers, a syndicate of financial institutions, as lenders, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, L/C issuer and swing line lender, Banc of America Securities LLC and J.P. Morgan Securities Inc., as joint lead arrangers and joint book managers, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as syndication agent, and KeyBank, National Association and U.S. Bank, National Association, as co-documentation agents.
10(r)	Receivables Purchase Agreement dated October 31, 2003, among Greif Receivables Funding LLC (as seller), Greif, Inc. (as originator and servicer), Greif Containers Inc. (as originator), Scaldis Capital LLC (as purchaser) and Fortis Bank S.A./N.V. (as administrative agent).
10(y)	Sale and Contribution Agreement dated as of October 31, 2003, by and among Greif, Inc., Greif Containers Inc., Great Lakes Corrugated Corp. (collectively as sellers) and Greif Receivables Funding LLC (as purchaser).
10(bb)	Transfer and Administration Agreement dated as of December 8, 2008, by and among Greif Receivables Funding LLC, Greif Packaging LLC, YC SUSI Trust, as Conduit Investor and Uncommitted Investor, and Bank of America, National Association, as Agent, a Managing Agent, an Administrator and a Committed Investor.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer required by Rule 13a 14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer required by Rule 13a 14(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 1350 of Chapter 63 of Title 18 of the United States Code.
99.1	Third Amendment dated as of May 10, 2010 to the Transfer and Administration Agreement dated as of December 8, 2008, by and among Greif Receivables Funding LLC, Greif Packaging LLC, YC SUSI Trust, as Conduit Investor and Uncommitted Investor, and Bank of America National Association, as Agent, Managing Agent, an Administrator and a Committed Investor.

# **SIGNATURES**

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

Greif, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: June 9, 2010 /s/ Donald S. Huml

Donald S. Huml,

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

(Duly Authorized Signatory)

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