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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)
[x] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2010

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 000-22117

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	06-1269834 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
4 Landmark Square Stamford, Connecticut (Address of principal executive offices)	06901 (Zip Code)

(203) 975-7110
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(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 [X] No [ ]

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit and post such

files). Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

Large accelerated filer [X]	Accelerated filer [ ]
Non-accelerated filer [ ] (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company [ ]

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

As of May 4, 2010, the number of shares outstanding of the Registrant’s common stock, $0.01 par value, was 76,664,152.

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Part I. Financial Information
Item 1. Financial Statements

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Dollars in thousands)

	March 31, 2010 (unaudited)	March 31, 2009 (unaudited)	Dec. 31, 2009
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 99,156	$ 201,010	$ 305,754
Trade accounts receivable, net	260,677	256,438	196,573
Inventories	489,134	454,199	387,214
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	33,748	29,051	24,685
Total current assets	882,715	940,698	914,226
Property, plant and equipment, net	865,967	893,973	882,310
Goodwill	298,607	294,459	303,695
Other intangible assets, net	55,314	55,702	56,152
Other assets, net	57,409	50,343	57,971
	$ 2,160,012	$ 2,235,175	$ 2,214,354
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity			
Current liabilities:			
Revolving loans and current portion of long-term debt	$ 98,752	$ 309,428	$ 26,067
Trade accounts payable	202,564	217,244	277,809
Accrued payroll and related costs	62,302	70,669	65,142
Accrued liabilities	51,825	56,597	55,318
Total current liabilities	415,443	653,938	424,336
Long-term debt	764,206	710,170	773,347
Other liabilities	279,040	333,980	330,909
Stockholders' equity:			
Common stock	870	434	435
Paid-in capital	173,892	165,431	173,176
Retained earnings	646,846	517,800	628,234
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(59,472)	(86,201)	(55,601)
Treasury stock	(60,813)	(60,377)	(60,482)
Total stockholders' equity	701,323	537,087	685,762
	$ 2,160,012	$ 2,235,175	$ 2,214,354

See accompanying notes.

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SILGAN HOLDINGS INC.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
For the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009
(Dollars and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)
(Unaudited)

	2010	2009
Net sales	$ 664,037	$ 655,396
Cost of goods sold	560,733	560,292
Gross profit	103,304	95,104
Selling, general and administrative expenses	44,544	41,251
Rationalization charges	2,054	1,455
Income from operations	56,706	52,398
Interest and other debt expense	12,535	10,456
Income before income taxes	44,171	41,942
Provision for income taxes	17,389	15,001
Net income	$ 26,782	$ 26,941
Earnings per share: (a)		
Basic net income per share	$ 0.35	$ 0.35
Diluted net income per share	$ 0.35	$ 0.35
Dividends per share (a)	$ 0.11	$ 0.10
Weighted average number of shares: (a)		
Basic	76,628	76,175
Effect of dilutive securities	621	662
Diluted	77,249	76,837

(a) Per share and share amounts have been retroactively adjusted for the two-for-one stock split discussed in Note 1.

See accompanying notes.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
For the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009
(Dollars in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	2010	2009
Cash flows provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Net income	$ 26,782	$ 26,941
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	36,074	36,828
Rationalization charges	2,054	1,455
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	(358)	(1,094)
Other changes that provided (used) cash:		
Trade accounts receivable, net	(67,898)	4,972
Inventories	(105,435)	(80,673)
Trade accounts payable	20,113	(25,789)
Accrued liabilities	(2,012)	14,783
Contributions to pension benefit plans	(92,287)	(23,066)
Other, net	28,231	9,314
Net cash used in operating activities	(154,736)	(36,329)
Cash flows provided by (used in) investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(24,086)	(23,916)
Proceeds from asset sales	147	121
Net cash used in investing activities	(23,939)	(23,795)
Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities:		
Borrowings under revolving loans	77,070	183,654
Repayments under revolving loans	(3,110)	(28,318)
Changes in outstanding checks - principally vendors	(92,928)	(51,270)
Dividends paid on common stock	(8,170)	(7,318)
Proceeds from stock option exercises	58	940
Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation	358	1,094
Repurchase of treasury shares	(1,201)	(654)
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(27,923)	98,128
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Net (decrease) increase	(206,598)	38,004
Balance at beginning of year	305,754	163,006
Balance at end of period	$ 99,156	$ 201,010
Interest paid, net	$ 13,483	$ 7,044
Income taxes paid, net	2,394	4,311

See accompanying notes.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY
For the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009
(Dollars and shares in thousands)
(Unaudited)

	Common Stock Shares Outstanding	Common Stock Par Value	Paid-in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income	Treasury Stock	Total Stockholders' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2008	38,026	$ 433	$ 162,568	$ 498,177	$ (75,861)	$ (60,294)	$ 525,023
Comprehensive income:							
Net income	-	-	-	26,941	-	-	26,941
Changes in net prior service credit and actuarial losses, net of tax provision of $947	-	-	-	-	1,437	-	1,437
Change in fair value of derivatives, net of tax benefit of $2,232	-	-	-	-	(3,008)	-	(3,008)
Foreign currency translation, net of tax provision of $7,371	-	-	-	-	(8,769)	-	(8,769)
Comprehensive income							16,601
Dividends declared on common stock	-	-	-	(7,318)	-	-	(7,318)
Stock compensation expense	-	-	1,152	-	-	-	1,152
Stock option exercises, including tax benefit of $1,264	76	1	2,203	-	-	-	2,204
Net issuance of treasury stock for							

vested restricted stock units, including tax benefit of $79	30	-	(492)	-	-	(83)	(575)
Balance at March 31, 2009	38,132	$ 434	$ 165,431	$ 517,800	$ (86,201)	$ (60,377)	$ 537,087
Balance at December 31, 2009	38,284	$ 435	$ 173,176	$ 628,234	$ (55,601)	$ (60,482)	$ 685,762
Comprehensive income:							
Net income	-	-	-	26,782	-	-	26,782
Changes in net prior service credit and actuarial losses, net of tax provision of $740	-	-	-	-	1,143	-	1,143
Change in fair value of derivatives, net of tax benefit of $439	-	-	-	-	(663)	-	(663)
Foreign currency translation, net of tax provision of $4,987	-	-	-	-	(4,351)	-	(4,351)
Comprehensive income							22,911
Dividends declared on common stock	-	-	-	(8,170)	-	-	(8,170)
Stock compensation expense	-	-	1,590	-	-	-	1,590
Stock option exercises, including tax benefit of $57	3	-	115	-	-	-	115
Net issuance of treasury stock for vested restricted stock units, including tax benefit of $316	45	-	(554)	-	-	(331)	(885)
Two-for-one stock split, net of treasury shares of 5,171	38,332	435	(435)	-	-	-	-

Balance at March 31, 2010	76,664	$ 870	$ 173,892	$ 646,846	$ (59,472)	$ (60,813)	$ 701,323

See accompanying notes.

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(Information at March 31, 2010 and 2009 and for the
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Note 1. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Silgan Holdings Inc., or Silgan, have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, or GAAP, for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, the accompanying financial statements include all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation. The results of operations for any interim period are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations for the full year.

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2009 has been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements at that date, but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements.

Certain prior years' amounts have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

You should read the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Stock Split. On March 29, 2010, our Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split of our issued common stock. The stock split was effected on May 3, 2010 in the form of a stock dividend. Stockholders of record at the close of business on April 20, 2010 were issued one additional share of common stock for each share of common stock owned on that date. Information pertaining to the number of shares outstanding, per share amounts and stock compensation has been restated in the accompanying financial statements and related footnotes to reflect this stock split for all periods presented, except for the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and Statements of Stockholders' Equity. Stockholders' equity reflects the stock split by reclassifying from paid-in capital to common stock an amount equal to the par value of the additional shares issued as a result of the stock split.

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Note 2. Rationalization Charges

As part of our plans to rationalize certain facilities, we have established reserves for employee severance and benefits and plant exit costs. Activity in our rationalization reserves since December 31, 2009 is summarized as follows:

	Employee Severance and Benefits	Plant Exit Costs	Non-Cash Asset Write-Down	Total
		(Dollars in thousands)		
Balance at December 31, 2009				
Prior Years' Rationalization Plans	$ 3,328	$ 217	$ -	$ 3,545
Activity for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2010				
Prior Years' Rationalization Plan Reserves Utilized	(202)	-	-	(202)
2010 Rationalization Plan Reserves Established	581	-	1,473	2,054
2010 Rationalization Plan Reserves Utilized	-	-	(1,473)	(1,473)
Total Activity	379	-	-	379
Balance at March 31, 2010				
Prior Years' Rationalization Plans	3,126	217	-	3,343
2010 Rationalization Plan	581	-	-	581
Balance at March 31, 2010	$ 3,707	$ 217	$ -	$ 3,924

2010 Rationalization Plan

In February 2010, we announced a plan to exit our Port Clinton, Ohio plastic container manufacturing facility. Our plan included the termination of approximately 150 employees and other related plant exit costs. The total costs for the rationalization of this facility of $4.9 million consist of $1.3 million for employee severance and benefits, $2.1 million for plant exit costs and $1.5 million for the non-cash write-down in carrying value of assets. Through March 31, 2010, we have recognized a total of $2.1 million, which consisted of $0.6 million of employee severance and benefits and $1.5 million for the non-cash write-down in carrying value of assets. Remaining expenses and cash expenditures of $2.8 million and $3.4 million, respectively, are expected primarily in 2010.

Rationalization reserves are included in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as follows:

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2009
		(Dollars in thousands)	

Accrued liabilities	$ 1,354	$ 3,151	$ 867
Other liabilities	2,570	2,982	2,678
	$ 3,924	$ 6,133	$ 3,545

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Note 3. Accumulated Other Comprehensive (Loss) Income

Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income is reported in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity. Amounts included in accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax, consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2009
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Foreign currency translation	$ 17,741	$ 3,427	$ 22,092
Change in fair value of derivatives	(8,558)	(10,168)	(7,895)
Unrecognized net periodic pension and other postretirement benefit costs:			
Net prior service credit	6,723	6,793	6,797
Net actuarial loss	(75,378)	(86,253)	(76,595)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	$ (59,472)	$ (86,201)	$ (55,601)

Note 4. Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2009
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Raw materials	$ 101,447	$ 91,188	$ 100,578
Work-in-process	85,101	76,196	82,402
Finished goods	365,779	328,808	268,804
Other	15,711	15,419	14,334
	568,038	511,611	466,118
Adjustment to value inventory at cost on the LIFO method	(78,904)	(57,412)	(78,904)
	$ 489,134	$ 454,199	$ 387,214

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Note 5. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

	March 31, 2010	March 31, 2009	Dec. 31, 2009
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Bank debt			
Bank revolving loans	$73,960	$156,000	$ -
Bank A term loans	81,765	284,118	81,765
Bank B term loans	-	41,049	-
Canadian term loans	79,364	70,814	77,404
Euro term loans	170,657	239,310	182,530
Other foreign bank revolving and term loans	13,378	28,307	14,067
Total bank debt	419,124	819,598	355,766
7¼% Senior Notes, net of unamortized discount	243,834	-	243,648
6¾% Senior Subordinated Notes	200,000	200,000	200,000
Total debt	862,958	1,019,598	799,414
Less current portion	98,752	309,428	26,067
	$764,206	$710,170	$773,347

At March 31, 2010, amounts expected to be repaid within one year consisted of $74.0 million of bank revolving loans and $11.4 million of bank term loans under our senior secured credit facility, or our Credit Agreement, and $13.4 million of foreign bank revolving and term loans.

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Note 6. Financial Instruments

The financial instruments recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets include cash and cash equivalents, trade accounts receivable, trade accounts payable, debt obligations and swap agreements. Due to their short-term maturity, the carrying amounts of trade accounts receivable and trade accounts payable approximate their fair market values. The following table summarizes the carrying amounts and estimated fair values of our other financial instruments at March 31, 2010:

	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 99,156	$ 99,156
Liabilities:		
Bank debt	419,124	419,124
7¼% Senior Notes	243,834	261,250
6¾% Senior Subordinated Notes	200,000	202,500
Interest rate swap agreements	13,896	13,896
Natural gas swap agreements	828	828

Fair Value Measurements

Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value

GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price). GAAP classifies the inputs used to measure fair value into a hierarchy consisting of three levels. Level 1 inputs represent unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. Level 2 inputs represent unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability. Level 3 inputs represent unobservable inputs for the asset or liability. Financial assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The financial assets and liabilities that are measured on a recurring basis at March 31, 2010 consist of our cash and cash equivalents, interest rate swap agreements and natural gas swap agreements. We measured the fair value of cash and cash equivalents using Level 1 inputs. We measured the fair value of the swap agreements using the income approach. The fair value of these agreements reflects the estimated amounts that we would pay based on the present value of the expected cash flows derived from market interest rates and prices. As such, these derivative instruments are classified within Level 2.

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Note 6. Financial Instruments (continued)

Financial Instruments Not Measured at Fair Value

Our bank debt, 7¼% Senior Notes and 6¾% Senior Subordinated Notes are recorded at historical amounts in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as we have not elected to record them at fair value. The carrying amounts of our variable rate bank debt approximate their fair values. Fair values of our 7¼% Senior Notes and 6¾% Senior Subordinated Notes are estimated based on quoted market prices.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

Our derivative financial instruments are recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at their fair values. Changes in fair values of derivatives are recorded in each period in earnings or comprehensive income, depending on whether a derivative is designated as part of a hedge transaction and, if it is, the type of hedge transaction.

We utilize certain derivative financial instruments to manage a portion of our interest rate and natural gas cost exposures. We limit our use of derivative financial instruments to interest rate and natural gas swap agreements. We do not engage in trading or other speculative uses of these financial instruments. For a financial instrument to qualify as a hedge, we must be exposed to interest rate or price risk, and the financial instrument must reduce the exposure and be designated as a hedge. Financial instruments qualifying for hedge accounting must maintain a high correlation between the hedging instrument and the item being hedged, both at inception and throughout the hedged period.

We utilize certain internal hedging strategies to minimize our foreign currency exchange rate risk. Net investment hedges that qualify for hedge accounting result in the recognition of foreign currency gains or losses, net of tax, in accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income. We generally do not utilize external derivative financial instruments to manage our foreign currency exchange rate risk.

Our interest rate and natural gas swap agreements are accounted for as cash flow hedges. During the first quarter of 2010, our hedges were fully effective. The fair value of our outstanding swap agreements in effect at March 31, 2010 was recorded in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as a liability of $14.7 million, of which $6.8 million was included in accrued liabilities and $7.9 million was included in other liabilities.

The amount reclassified to earnings from the change in fair value of derivatives component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income for the three months ended March 31, 2010 was a loss of $1.7 million, net of income taxes. We estimate that we will reclassify losses of $3.7 million, net of income taxes, from the change in fair value of derivatives component of accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income to earnings during the next twelve months. The actual amount that will be reclassified to earnings will vary from this amount as a result of changes in market conditions.

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Note 6. Financial Instruments (continued)

Interest Rate Swap Agreements

We have entered into U.S. dollar and Euro interest rate swap agreements to manage a portion of our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. At March 31, 2010, the aggregate notional principal amount of our outstanding interest rate swap agreements was $218.2 million (non-U.S. dollar agreements have been translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date).

The difference between amounts to be paid or received on our interest rate swap agreements is recorded in interest and other debt expense in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, net payments under our interest rate swap agreements were $2.5 million. These agreements are with a financial institution which is expected to fully perform under the terms thereof.

Natural Gas Swap Agreements

We have entered into natural gas swap agreements with a major financial institution to manage a portion of our exposure to fluctuations in natural gas prices. At March 31, 2010, the aggregate notional principal amount of our natural gas swap agreements was 619,300 MMBtu of natural gas with fixed prices ranging from $4.937 to $6.695 per MMBtu, which hedges approximately 20 percent of our estimated twelve month exposure to fluctuations in natural gas prices. For the three months ended March 31, 2010, net payments under our natural gas swap agreements were $0.4 million. These agreements are with a financial institution which is expected to fully perform under the terms thereof.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

In an effort to minimize foreign currency exchange rate risk, we have financed acquisitions of foreign operations primarily with term loans borrowed under our Credit Agreement denominated in Euros and Canadian dollars. In addition, where available, we have borrowed funds in local currency or implemented certain internal hedging strategies to minimize our foreign currency exchange rate risk related to foreign operations. Foreign currency gains recognized as net investment hedges included in accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income for the three months ended March 31, 2010 were $11.9 million, net of a deferred tax provision of $5.0 million.

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Note 7. Retirement Benefits

The components of the net periodic benefit cost for the three months ended March 31 are as follows:

	Pension Benefits		Other Postretirement Benefits	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Service cost	$ 3,710	$ 3,410	$ 222	$ 208
Interest cost	7,025	6,980	708	766
Expected return on plan assets	(7,416)	(6,334)	-	-
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)	518	556	(642)	(638)
Amortization of actuarial losses	1,917	2,383	90	83
Net periodic benefit cost	$ 5,754	$ 6,995	$ 378	$ 419

As previously disclosed in our consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, there are no material minimum required contributions to our pension plans in 2010. In March 2010, we made voluntary contributions of $92.3 million to our pension benefit plans.

Note 8. Income Taxes

Silgan and its subsidiaries file U.S. Federal income tax returns, as well as income tax returns in various states and foreign jurisdictions. The Internal Revenue Service, or IRS, has commenced an examination of Silgan's income tax return for the periods ended December 31, 2004 through December 31, 2007. It is reasonably possible that this IRS audit and IRS audits for prior periods will be concluded within the next twelve months, and that the conclusion of these audits may result in a significant change to our reported unrecognized tax benefits. Due to the ongoing nature of these audits, we are unable to estimate the amount of this potential impact.

Note 9. Dividends

On March 23, 2010, we paid a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock of $0.105 per share, adjusted for the two-for-one stock split, as approved by our Board of Directors. The cash payment related to this dividend totaled $8.2 million.

On May 5, 2010, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock of $0.105 per share, payable on June 15, 2010 to holders of record of our common stock on June 1, 2010. The cash payment related to this dividend is expected to be $8.2 million.

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Note 10. Treasury Stock

In the first quarter of 2010, we issued 131,394 treasury shares which had an average cost of $6.63 per share for restricted stock units that vested during the period. In accordance with the Silgan Holdings Inc. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, we repurchased 41,946 shares of our common stock at an average cost of $28.65 to satisfy employee withholding tax requirements resulting from certain restricted stock units becoming vested. We account for the treasury shares using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) cost method. As of March 31, 2010, 10,341,944 shares were held in treasury.

Note 11. Stock-Based Compensation

We currently have one stock-based compensation plan in effect, under which we have issued options and restricted stock units to our officers, other key employees and outside directors. During the first quarter of 2010, 140,400 restricted stock units were granted to certain of our officers and key employees. The fair value of these restricted stock units at the grant date was $4.0 million, which is being amortized ratably over the five-year vesting period from the grant date.

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Note 12. Business Segment Information

Reportable business segment information for the three months ended March 31 is as follows:

	Metal Food Containers	Plastic Closures	Plastic Containers	Corporate	Total
	(Dollars in thousands)				
2010					
Net sales	$ 375,052	$ 144,047	$ 144,938	$ -	$ 664,037
Depreciation and amortization(1)	16,721	7,130	11,164	419	35,434
Rationalization charges	-	-	2,054	-	2,054
Segment income from operations(2)	46,390	11,096	2,906	(3,686)	56,706
2009					
Net sales	$ 371,616	$ 142,335	$ 141,445	$ -	$ 655,396
Depreciation and amortization(3)	17,868	6,904	11,301	421	36,494
Rationalization charges	-	1,425	30	-	1,455
Segment income from operations	26,610	14,339	14,894	(3,445)	52,398

(1) Depreciation and amortization excludes amortization of debt discount and issuance costs of $0.2 million and $0.5 million, respectively.
(2) Income from operations for the Closures segment includes a charge of $3.2 million for the remeasurement of net assets in the Venezuela operations to the recently devalued official Bolivar exchange rate.
(3) Depreciation and amortization excludes amortization of debt issuance costs of $0.3 million.

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three months then ended is unaudited)

Note 12. Business Segment Information (continued)

Total segment income from operations is reconciled to income before income taxes for the three months ended March 31 as follows:

	2010	2009
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Total segment income from operations	$ 56,706	$ 52,398
Interest and other debt expense	12,535	10,456
Income before income taxes	$ 44,171	$ 41,942

Sales and income from operations of our metal food container business are dependent, in part, upon the vegetable and fruit harvests in the midwest and western regions of the United States. Our closures business is also dependent, in part, upon vegetable and fruit harvests. The size and quality of these harvests varies from year to year, depending in large part upon the weather conditions in applicable regions. Because of the seasonality of the harvests, we have historically experienced higher unit sales volume in the third quarter of our fiscal year and generated a disproportionate amount of our annual income from operations during that quarter.

Item 2.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Statements included in “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q which are not historical facts are “forward-looking statements” made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such forward-looking statements are made based upon management’s expectations and beliefs concerning future events impacting us and therefore involve a number of uncertainties and risks, including, but not limited to, those described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009 and our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. As a result, the actual results of our operations or our financial condition could differ materially from those expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements.

General

We are a leading manufacturer of metal and plastic consumer goods packaging products. We produce steel and aluminum containers for human and pet food; metal, composite and plastic vacuum closures for food and beverage products; and custom designed plastic containers, tubes and closures for personal care, health care, pharmaceutical, household and industrial chemical, food, pet care, agricultural chemical, automotive and marine chemical products. We are the largest manufacturer of metal food containers in North America, a leading worldwide manufacturer of metal, composite and plastic vacuum closures for food and beverage products and a leading manufacturer of plastic containers in North America for a variety of markets, including the personal care, health care, household and industrial chemical and food markets.

Our objective is to increase shareholder value by efficiently deploying capital and management resources to grow our business, reduce operating costs and build sustainable competitive positions, or franchises, and to complete acquisitions that generate attractive cash returns. We have grown our net sales and income from operations over the years, largely through acquisitions but also through internal growth, and we continue to evaluate acquisition opportunities in the consumer goods packaging market. If acquisition opportunities are not identified over a longer period of time, we may use our cash flow to repay debt, repurchase shares of our common stock or increase dividends to our stockholders or for other permitted purposes.

On March 29, 2010, our Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split of our issued common stock in the form of a stock dividend. The additional shares of our common stock were distributed on May 3, 2010. Information pertaining to the number of shares outstanding and per share amounts have been retroactively adjusted to reflect this stock split for all periods presented.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth certain unaudited income statement data expressed as a percentage of net sales for the three months ended March 31:

	2010	2009
Net sales		
Metal food containers	56.5 %	56.7 %
Closures	21.7	21.7
Plastic containers	21.8	21.6
Consolidated	100.0	100.0
Cost of goods sold	84.5	85.5
Gross profit	15.5	14.5
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6.7	6.3
Rationalization charges	0.3	0.2
Income from operations	8.5	8.0
Interest and other debt expense	1.9	1.6
Income before income taxes	6.6	6.4
Provision for income taxes	2.6	2.3
Net income	4.0 %	4.1 %

Summary unaudited results of operations for the three months ended March 31, are provided below.

	2010	2009
	(Dollars in millions)	
Net sales		
Metal food containers	$ 375.1	$ 371.6
Closures	144.0	142.3
Plastic containers	144.9	141.5
Consolidated	$ 664.0	$ 655.4
Income from operations		
Metal food containers	$ 46.4	$ 26.6
Closures (1)	11.1	14.3
Plastic containers (2)	2.9	14.9
Corporate	(3.7)	(3.4)
Consolidated	$ 56.7	$ 52.4

(1) Includes a rationalization charge of $1.4 million recorded in 2009 and a charge of $3.2 million in 2010 for the remeasurement of net assets in the Venezuela operations.

(2) Includes a rationalization charge of $2.1 million recorded in 2010.

Three Months Ended March 31, 2010 Compared with Three Months Ended March 31, 2009

Overview. Consolidated net sales were $664.0 million in the first quarter of 2010, representing a 1.3 percent increase as compared to the first quarter of 2009 primarily as a result of higher unit volumes in both the metal food and plastic container businesses and the impact of favorable foreign currency translation, partially offset by lower unit volumes in the closures business. Income from operations for the first quarter of 2010 of $56.7 million increased by $4.3 million, or 8.2 percent, as compared to the same period in 2009 primarily due to higher unit volumes in the metal food container business, the timing of certain contractual pass throughs of manufacturing costs and effective cost control and manufacturing efficiencies, partially offset by the impact from the delayed pass through of significant increases in resin costs in the plastic container and closures businesses as compared to substantial benefits from the delayed pass through of decreases in resin costs in the first quarter of 2009 and the recognition of a charge of $3.2 million for the remeasurement of net assets in the Venezuela operations. Results for 2010 included rationalization charges of $2.1 million and a charge of $3.2 million for the impact from the remeasurement of the net assets in Venezuela. Results for 2009 included rationalization charges of $1.4 million. Net income for the first quarter of 2010 was $26.8 million as compared to $26.9 million for the same period in 2009. Net income per diluted share was $0.35 for both periods.

Net Sales. The $8.6 million increase in consolidated net sales in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the first quarter of 2009 was the result of higher net sales across all businesses.

Net sales for the metal food container business increased $3.5 million, or 0.9 percent, in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009. This increase was primarily attributable to a favorable unit volume comparison as a result of lower unit volumes in the first quarter of 2009 in the wake of the customer buy ahead at the end of 2008.

Net sales for the closures business increased $1.7 million, or 1.2 percent, in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009. This increase was primarily the result of a favorable mix of products sold and favorable foreign currency translation of approximately $4.1 million, partially offset by lower unit volumes.

Net sales for the plastic container business in the first quarter of 2010 increased $3.4 million, or 2.4 percent, as compared to the same period in 2009. This increase was principally due to the impact of an increase in unit volumes and favorable foreign currency translation of approximately $4.9 million, partially offset by an unfavorable mix of products sold.

Gross Profit. Gross profit margin increased 1.0 percentage points to 15.5 percent in the first quarter of 2010 as compared to the same period in 2009 for the reasons discussed below in “Income from Operations.”

Selling, General and Administrative Expenses. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of consolidated net sales increased 0.4 percentage points to 6.7 percent for the first quarter of 2010 as compared to 6.3 percent for the same period in 2009. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased $3.2 million to $44.5 million for the first quarter of 2010 as compared to $41.3 million for the same period in 2009 primarily due to a charge of $3.2 million recognized for the remeasurement of the net assets in the operations of Venezuela to the recently devalued official Bolivar exchange rate.

Income from Operations. Income from operations for the first quarter of 2010 increased by $4.3 million as compared to the first quarter of 2009, and operating margin increased to 8.5 percent from 8.0 percent over the same periods.

Income from operations of the metal food container business for the first quarter of 2010 increased $19.8 million, or 74.4 percent, as compared to the same period in 2009, and operating margin increased to 12.4 percent from 7.2 percent over the same periods. These increases were primarily the result of higher unit volumes, the year-over-year benefit resulting from the timing of certain contractual pass throughs of changes in manufacturing costs and improved manufacturing efficiencies.

Income from operations of the closures business for the first quarter of 2010 decreased $3.2 million, or 22.4 percent, as compared to the same period in 2009, and operating margin decreased to 7.7 percent from 10.0 percent over the same periods. These decreases were primarily attributable to a $3.2 million charge recognized for the remeasurement of net assets in the Venezuelan operations, the negative impact from the lagged pass through of higher resin costs and lower unit volumes, partially offset by the benefits of ongoing cost controls, improved manufacturing efficiencies and lower rationalization charges. The first quarter of 2009 included rationalization charges of $1.4 million for a reduction in workforce at the operating facility in Germany.

Income from operations of the plastic container business for the first quarter of 2010 decreased $12.0 million, or 80.5 percent, as compared to the same period in 2009, and operating margin decreased to 2.0 percent from 10.5 percent over the same periods. These decreases were primarily attributable to the impact from the delayed pass through of significant recent resin cost increases as compared to substantial benefits in the first quarter of 2009 from the delayed pass through of lower resin costs and higher rationalization charges. Rationalization charges of $2.1 million were recognized in the first quarter of 2010 for the shut down of the Port Clinton, Ohio manufacturing facility and consolidation of this plant's operations into other production sites.

Interest and Other Debt Expense. Interest and other debt expense for the first quarter of 2010 increased $2.1 million to $12.5 million as compared to the same period in 2009. This increase was primarily due to higher average interest rates principally as a result of the issuance of the 7¼% Senior Notes in May 2009.

Provision for Income Taxes. The effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2010 was 39.4 percent as compared to 35.8 percent in the same period of 2009. The effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2010 was negatively impacted primarily by the nondeductible portion of the charge for the remeasurement of net assets in the Venezuela operations.

CAPITAL RESOURCES AND LIQUIDITY

Our principal sources of liquidity have been net cash from operating activities and borrowings under our debt instruments, including our Credit Agreement. Our liquidity requirements arise primarily from our obligations under the indebtedness incurred in connection with our acquisitions and the refinancing of that indebtedness, capital investment in new and existing equipment and the funding of our seasonal working capital needs.

For the three months ended March 31, 2010, we used cash and cash equivalents of $206.6 million and net borrowings of revolving loans of $74.0 million to fund cash used in operations of $154.7 million (which consisted of $92.3 million of contributions to our pension benefit plans and $62.4 million primarily for our seasonal working capital needs), decreases in outstanding checks of $93.0 million, net capital expenditures of $23.9 million, net payments for stock-based compensation issuances of $0.8 million and dividends paid on our common stock of $8.2 million.

For the three months ended March 31, 2009, we used net borrowings of revolving loans of $155.3 million and net proceeds from stock-based compensation issuances of $1.4 million to fund cash used in operations of $36.3 million (which consisted of $23.1 million of contributions to our pension benefit plans and $13.2 million primarily for our seasonal working capital needs), decreases in outstanding checks of $51.3 million, net capital expenditures of $23.8 million and dividends paid on our common stock of $7.3 million and to increase cash and cash equivalents by $38.0 million.

Because we sell metal containers used in fruit and vegetable pack processing, we have seasonal sales. As is common in the industry, we must utilize working capital to build inventory and then carry accounts receivable for some customers beyond the end of the packing season. Due to our seasonal requirements, which generally peak sometime in the summer or early fall, we may incur short-term indebtedness to finance our working capital requirements. In recent years, our incremental peak seasonal working capital requirements were approximately $300 million, which were funded through a combination of revolving loans under our Credit Agreement and cash on hand.

At March 31, 2010, we had $74.0 million of revolving loans outstanding under the Credit Agreement. After taking into account outstanding letters of credit, the available portion of our revolving loan facility under the Credit Agreement at March 31, 2010 was $347.1 million. We may use the available portion of our revolving loan facility, after taking into account our seasonal needs and outstanding letters of credit, for acquisitions or other permitted purposes.

On May 5, 2010, our Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend on our common stock of $0.105 per share, payable on June 15, 2010 to holders of record of our common stock on June 1, 2010. The cash payment related to this dividend is expected to be $8.2 million.

We believe that cash generated from operations and funds from borrowings available under the Credit Agreement will be sufficient to meet our expected operating needs, planned capital expenditures, debt service, tax obligations, pension benefit plan contributions, share repurchases required under our 2004 Stock Incentive Plan and common stock dividends for the foreseeable future. With cash and cash equivalents on hand and cash generated from operations, we believe that we will be able to repay all outstanding term loans under the Credit Agreement as they become due and payable. However, there can be no assurance that we will be able to generate enough cash from operations to repay all such outstanding term loans, in which case we will need to refinance any remaining outstanding term loans. Additionally, we also believe that we will be able to replace our revolving loan facilities under the Credit Agreement before they expire with other loan facilities for our seasonal working capital needs. There can be no assurance that we will be able to effect any such refinancing, and, if we are able to, we may not be able to do so on the same terms (including interest rates) as under the Credit Agreement. Our ability to effect any such transactions and the terms thereof (including interest rates) will depend on a variety of factors, including the condition of the credit markets, which have experienced substantial disruptions to liquidity and credit availability in recent periods; our future performance, which will be subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors (including the state of the economy and other factors beyond our control) affecting our business and operations; the timing of such transactions; and the amount of debt to be refinanced.

We continue to evaluate acquisition opportunities in the consumer goods packaging market and may incur additional indebtedness, including indebtedness under the Credit Agreement, to finance any such acquisition.

We are in compliance with all financial and operating covenants contained in our financing agreements and believe that we will continue to be in compliance during 2010 with all of these covenants.

Rationalization Charges

In February 2010, we announced a plan to exit our Port Clinton, Ohio plastic container manufacturing facility, which plan included the termination of approximately 150 employees. Total estimated charges related to this plan are $4.9 million. Through March 31, 2010, we have recognized a total of $2.1 million. Remaining expenses and cash expenditures of $2.8 million and $3.4 million, respectively, are expected primarily in 2010.

Under our rationalization plans, we made cash payments of $0.2 million and $1.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Total future cash spending of $6.8 million is expected for our outstanding rationalization plans.

You should also read Note 2 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the three months ended March 31, 2010 included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report.

We continually evaluate cost reduction opportunities in our business, including rationalizations of our existing facilities through plant closings and downsizings. We use a disciplined approach to identify opportunities that generate attractive cash returns.

Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Market risks relating to our operations result primarily from changes in interest rates and, with respect to our international closures operations and our Canadian plastic container operations, from foreign currency exchange rates. In the normal course of business, we also have risk related to commodity price changes for items such as natural gas. We employ established policies and procedures to manage our exposure to these risks. Interest rate, foreign currency and commodity pricing transactions are used only to the extent considered necessary to meet our objectives. We do not utilize derivative financial instruments for trading or other speculative purposes.

Information regarding our interest rate risk, foreign currency exchange rate risk and commodity pricing risk has been disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009. Since such filing, there has not been a material change to our interest rate risk, foreign currency exchange rate risk or commodity pricing risk or to our policies and procedures to manage our exposure to these risks.

You should also read Note 6 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for the three months ended March 31, 2010 included elsewhere in this Quarterly Report.

Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon that evaluation, as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that all material information required to be disclosed in this Quarterly Report has been made known to them in a timely fashion.

There were no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting during the period covered by this Quarterly Report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, these internal controls.

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Part II. Other Information

Item 6. Exhibits

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SIGNATURES

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

SILGAN HOLDINGS INC.

Dated: May 10, 2010

/s/ Robert B. Lewis
Robert. B. Lewis
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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