

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

AMENDMENT NO. 3
TO
FORM S-1
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

COMPASS DIVERSIFIED TRUST

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
*(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)*

7363
*(Primary Standard Industrial
Classification Code Number)*

57-6218917
*(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)*

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:

As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement

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The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to Completion, dated April 13, 2006

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

14,000,000 Shares



Each Share Represents One Beneficial Interest in the Trust

We are making an initial public offering of 14,000,000 shares of Compass Diversified Trust, which we refer to as the trust. Each share of the trust represents one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property. The purpose of the trust is to hold 100% of the trust interests of Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC, which we refer to as the company. Each beneficial interest in the trust corresponds to one trust interest of the company. Compass Group Management LLC, which we have engaged as our manager, owns 100% of the allocation interests of the company.

Compass Group Investments, Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, and Pharos I LLC, an affiliate of our manager, have each agreed to purchase, in separate private placement transactions to close in conjunction with the closing of this offering, a number of shares in the trust having an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$86 million and \$4 million, respectively, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price (which will be approximately 5,733,333 shares and 266,667 shares, respectively, assuming the initial public offering price per share is \$15.00, the mid-point of the expected public offering price range set forth below).

The underwriters will reserve up to 100,000 shares for sale pursuant to a directed share program.

We expect the initial public offering price to be between \$14.00 and \$16.00 per share. Currently, no public market exists for the shares. We have applied to have the shares quoted on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "CODI".

Investing in the shares involves risks. See the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 15 of this prospectus for a discussion of the risks and other information that you should consider before making an investment in our securities.

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total</u>
Public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discount and commissions*	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$

* Includes the financial advisory fee payable solely to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated of \$0.0375 per share for a total fee of approximately \$525,000 assuming the initial public offering price per share is \$15.00.

The underwriters may also purchase up to an additional 2,100,000 shares from us at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount and commissions, including the financial advisory fee, within 30 days from the date of this prospectus to cover overallotments.

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

We expect to deliver the shares to the underwriters for delivery to investors on or about May , 2006.

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Ferris, Baker Watts

Incorporated

BB&T Capital Markets
a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc.

Oppenheimer & Co.

Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc.

J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons, Inc.

Sanders Morris Harris

Maxim Group LLC

The date of this prospectus is , 2006

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We, and the underwriters, are not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front cover of this prospectus.

In this prospectus, we rely on and refer to information and statistics regarding market data and the industries of the businesses we will own that are obtained from internal surveys, market research, independent industry publications and other publicly available information, including publicly available information regarding public companies. The information and statistics are based on industry surveys and our manager's and its affiliates' experience in the industry.

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements that involve substantial risks and uncertainties as they are not based on historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates, projections, beliefs and assumptions about our businesses and the industries in which they operate. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to risks, uncertainties, and other factors, some of which are beyond our control and difficult to predict and could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or forecasted in the forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements, which apply only as of the date of this prospectus.

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

WE HAVE NOT PREPARED OR FILED, AND WILL NOT PREPARE OR FILE, IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AN APPROVED PROSPECTUS (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 85 OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000, AS AMENDED ("FSMA")) REGARDING THE SHARES OF THE TRUST. ACCORDINGLY, THE SHARES OF THE TRUST ARE NOT BEING OFFERED AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR RESOLD TO PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM EXCEPT (I) TO PERSONS WHOSE ORDINARY ACTIVITIES INVOLVE THEM IN ACQUIRING, HOLDING, MANAGING, OR DISPOSING OF INVESTMENTS (AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THEIR BUSINESSES OR (II) IN CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN AN OFFER OF TRANSFERABLE SECURITIES TO THE PUBLIC IN THE UNITED KINGDOM WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 102B FSMA. THE DISTRIBUTION (WHICH TERM SHALL INCLUDE ANY FORM OF COMMUNICATION) OF THIS DOCUMENT IS RESTRICTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 21 (RESTRICTIONS ON FINANCIAL PROMOTION) OF FSMA. IN RELATION TO THE UNITED KINGDOM, THIS DOCUMENT IS ONLY DIRECTED AT, AND MAY ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO (I) PERSONS WHO ARE "INVESTMENT PROFESSIONALS" WITHIN THE MEANING OF ARTICLE 19(5) OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 (FINANCIAL PROMOTION) ORDER 2005 (THE "FINANCIAL PROMOTION ORDER"), (II) RECIPIENTS CLASSIFIED AS A HIGH NET WORTH COMPANY, UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION, ETC., IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 49 OF THE FINANCIAL PROMOTION ORDER, AND (III) PERSONS WHO MAY OTHERWISE LAWFULLY RECEIVE IT AS EXEMPT RECIPIENTS UNDER THE FINANCIAL PROMOTION ORDER. THIS DOCUMENT MUST NOT BE ISSUED OR PASSED TO ANY OTHER PERSON IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights selected information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus. For a more complete understanding of this offering, you should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the “Risk Factors” section and the pro forma condensed combined financial statements, the financial statements of our initial businesses and the notes relating thereto and the related “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” included elsewhere in this prospectus. Unless we tell you otherwise, the information set forth in this prospectus assumes that the underwriters have not exercised their overallotment option. Further, unless the context otherwise indicates, numbers in this prospectus have been rounded and are, therefore, approximate.

Compass Diversified Trust, which we refer to as the trust, will acquire and own its businesses through a Delaware limited liability company, Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC, which we refer to as the company. Except as otherwise specified, references to “Compass Diversified,” “we,” “us” and “our” refer to the trust and the company and the initial businesses together. An illustration of our proposed structure is set forth in the diagram on page 7 of this prospectus. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information about certain terms of the shares, trust interests and allocation interests.

Overview

We have been formed to acquire and manage a group of small to middle market businesses with stable and growing cash flows that are headquartered in the United States. Through our structure, we offer investors an opportunity to participate in the ownership and growth of businesses that traditionally have been owned and managed by private equity firms, private individuals or families, financial institutions or large conglomerates. Through the acquisition of a diversified group of businesses with these characteristics, we also offer investors an opportunity to diversify their own portfolio risk while participating in the ongoing cash flows of those businesses through the receipt of distributions.

We will seek to acquire controlling interests in businesses that we believe operate in industries with long-term macroeconomic growth opportunities, and that have positive and stable earnings and cash flows, face minimal threats of technological or competitive obsolescence and have strong management teams largely in place. We believe that private company operators and corporate parents looking to sell their businesses will consider us an attractive purchaser of their businesses.

Approximately \$312 million of the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowings of the company under our proposed third party credit facility will be used to acquire controlling interests in and provide debt financing to the following businesses, which we refer to as the initial businesses, from certain subsidiaries of Compass Group Investments, Inc., which we refer to as CGI, its subsidiaries and certain minority owners of each initial business:

- CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, which we refer to as CBS Personnel, a human resources outsourcing firm;
- Crosman Acquisition Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries, which we refer to as Crosman, a recreational products company;
- Compass AC Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiary, which we refer to as Advanced Circuits, an electronic components manufacturing company; and
- Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, which we refer to as Silvue, a global hardcoatings company.

We believe that our initial businesses operate in strong markets and have defensible market shares and long-standing customer relationships. Importantly, we also believe that our initial businesses will produce positive and stable earnings and cash flows, enabling us to make regular quarterly distributions to our shareholders, regardless of potential future acquisitions.

As a result of this transaction, CGI will receive proceeds of approximately \$147.7 million. Through a subsidiary, CGI Diversified Holdings, LP, CGI has agreed to invest \$86 million in the shares pursuant to a private placement transaction to close in conjunction with the closing of the offering. These shares will be purchased at the initial public offering price. As a result of this investment, immediately following the offering, CGI will own approximately 28.7% of our shares. CGI has indirectly held a controlling interest in each of the initial businesses for varying periods of time as described herein, and the total gain to CGI on the sale of these businesses to us will be approximately \$75.8 million. Following this acquisition, CGI will continue to hold interests in various unrelated businesses. CGI is indirectly owned by The Kattegat Trust, whose sole beneficiary is a philanthropic foundation mandated by the late J. Torben Karlshoej, the founder of Teekay Shipping Corporation. Teekay Shipping Corporation is the world's largest crude oil and petroleum product marine transportation company with 16 worldwide offices and in excess of \$2.5 billion in market capitalization.

We have applied to have the shares quoted on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "CODI."

Our Manager

The company's board of directors will engage Compass Group Management LLC, who we refer to as our manager, to manage the day-to-day operations and affairs of the company, oversee the management and operations of our businesses and to perform certain other services for us. We believe our affiliation with our manager will be a critical factor in our ability to execute our strategy and meet our goals of growing shareholder distributions and increasing shareholder value.

Our manager is controlled by Mr. I. Joseph Massoud, our Chief Executive Officer. Our manager will initially consist of at least eight experienced professionals, which we refer to as our management team. See section entitled "Our Manager — Key Personnel of Our Manager" for a description of our manager's key employees. Our management team has worked together since 1998 and has overseen, on behalf of CGI, the acquisition, building and management of ten separate platform businesses, including our initial businesses, during that period. Under the guidance of our management team, these businesses have collectively experienced significant growth in revenues and cash flows. Collectively, our management team has approximately 74 years of experience in acquiring and managing small and middle market businesses and has overseen the acquisition of over 100 businesses during that time.

We believe our manager is unique in the marketplace in terms of the success and experience of its employees in acquiring and managing diverse businesses of the size and general nature of our initial businesses. We believe this experience will provide us with a significant advantage in executing our overall strategy. CGI Diversified Holdings, LP and Sostratus LLC, an entity owned by our management team and controlled by Mr. Massoud, will each own non-managing interests in our manager. Mr. Massoud also controls Pharos I LLC, which we refer to as Pharos, an entity that is owned by our management team. Pharos has agreed to invest approximately \$4 million in shares, representing approximately 1.3% of the shares outstanding after the offering, pursuant to a private placement transaction to close in conjunction with the closing of this offering. These shares will be purchased at the initial public offering price. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information about this purchase.

The company and our manager will enter into a management services agreement pursuant to which we will pay our manager, for services performed by our manager, a quarterly management fee equal to

0.5% (2.0% annualized) of the company's adjusted net assets. The management fee will be subject to offset pursuant to fees paid to our manager by our businesses under management services agreements that our manager intends to enter into with, or be assigned with respect to, our businesses, which we refer to as offsetting management services agreements. See the sections entitled "Management Services Agreement" and "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee" for more information about the terms of our management services agreement and the calculation of the management fee, respectively. The company's board of directors will have the ability to terminate its relationship with our manager only under certain limited circumstances.

The company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager and will be seconded to the company, which means that these employees will be assigned by our manager to work for the company during the term of the management services agreement. Neither the trust nor the company will initially have any other employees. Although our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager, they will report directly to the company's board of directors.

The management fee paid to our manager will cover all overhead expenses related to the services performed by our manager pursuant to the management services agreement, including the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and other seconded personnel providing services to us. In addition, the management fee will cover all expenses incurred by our manager, which can be significant, in the identification, evaluation, management, performance of due diligence on, negotiation and oversight of potential acquisitions with respect to which the company (or our manager on behalf of the company) fails to submit an indication of interest or letter of intent to pursue such acquisition. These expenses may also include expenses related to travel, marketing and attendance at industry events and the retention of outside service providers. In addition, the company will not be obligated or responsible for reimbursing our manager for cost and expenses incurred by our manager in connection with the identification, evaluation, management, performance of due diligence on, negotiating and oversight of an acquisition by the company if such acquisition is actually consummated and the business so acquired entered into a transaction services agreement with our manager providing for the reimbursement of such costs and expenses by such business. However, the company will reimburse our manager for the compensation and other costs and expenses of our Chief Financial Officer and his staff, as approved by our compensation committee, and any other out-of-pocket expenses incurred by our manager in connection with performing services under the management services agreement. See the sections entitled "Management" and "Management Services Agreement" for more information about the secondment of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer and "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Reimbursement of Expenses" for more information about the reimbursement of expenses to our manager.

Our manager owns 100% of the allocation interests of the company, which generally will entitle our manager to receive a 20% profit allocation as a form of equity incentive, subject to the company's profits with respect to a business exceeding an annualized hurdle rate of 7%, which hurdle is tied to such business' growth relative to our consolidated net equity. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" for more information about the calculation of the profit allocation to be paid to our manager. In addition, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right, subject to certain conditions, to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement for a price to be determined in accordance with the supplemental put agreement, which we refer to as the put price. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement" for more information about the supplemental put agreement. The management fee, profit allocation and put price will be obligations of the company and, as a result, will be paid, along with other company obligations, prior to the payment of distributions to shareholders.

Our Strategy

We will seek to acquire and manage small to middle market businesses, which we characterize as those that generate annual cash flow of up to \$40 million. We believe that the merger and acquisition market for small to middle market businesses is highly fragmented and provides opportunities to purchase businesses at attractive prices. We also believe, and our management team has historically found, that significant opportunities exist to improve the performance and augment the management teams of these businesses upon their acquisition.

Our goal is to grow distributions to our shareholders steadily over time and to increase shareholder value. In attempting to accomplish this, we will first, focus on growing the earnings and cash flow from the initial businesses that we manage. We believe that the scale and scope of our initial businesses give us a diverse base of cash flow from which to further build the company. Importantly, we believe that our initial businesses alone will allow us to generate distribution to our shareholders, independent of whether we acquire any additional businesses in the future. Second, we intend to identify, perform due diligence on, negotiate and consummate additional platform acquisitions of small to middle market businesses in attractive industry sectors.

Management Strategy

Our management strategy involves the financial and operational management of the businesses that we own in a manner that seeks to grow earnings and cash flow and, in turn, to grow distributions to our shareholders and to increase shareholder value. In general, our manager will oversee and support the management teams of each of our businesses by, among other things:

- recruiting and retaining talented managers to operate our businesses by using structured incentive compensation programs, including minority equity ownership, tailored to each business;
- regularly monitoring financial and operational performance, instilling consistent financial discipline, and supporting management in the development and implementation of information systems to effectively achieve these goals;
- assisting management in their analysis and pursuit of prudent organic growth strategies;
- identifying and working with management to execute on attractive external growth and acquisition opportunities; and
- forming strong subsidiary level boards of directors to supplement management in their development and implementation of strategic goals and objectives.

Acquisition Strategy

Our acquisition strategy involves the acquisition of businesses in various industries that we expect will produce positive and stable earnings and cash flow, as well as achieve attractive returns on our investment. In so doing, we expect to benefit from our manager's ability to identify diverse acquisition opportunities in a variety of industries, perform diligence on and value such target businesses, and negotiate the ultimate acquisition of those businesses. We believe our management team has a successful track record of acquiring and managing small to middle market businesses, including our initial businesses. We also believe that in compiling this track record, our management team has been able both to access a wide network of sources of potential acquisition opportunities and to successfully navigate a variety of complex situations surrounding acquisitions, including corporate spin-offs, transitions of family-owned businesses, management buy-outs and reorganizations.

In addition to acquiring businesses, we expect to also sell businesses that we own from time to time when attractive opportunities arise. Our decision to sell a business will be based on our belief that the

return on the investment to our shareholders that would be realized by means of such a sale is more favorable than the returns that may be realized through continued ownership. Our acquisition and disposition of businesses will be consistent with the guidelines to be established by the company's board of directors from time to time.

Summary of Our Initial Businesses

We will use the net proceeds from this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowing under our third party credit facility to acquire controlling interests in and make loans to our initial businesses. A summary of our initial businesses is as follows:

Human Resources Outsourcing Firm

CBS Personnel, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, is a provider of temporary staffing services in the United States. In order to provide its 3,500 clients with tailored staffing services to fulfill their human resources needs, CBS Personnel also offers employee leasing services, permanent staffing and temporary-to-permanent placement services. Currently, CBS Personnel operates 132 branch locations in various cities in 16 states. CBS Personnel and its subsidiaries have been associated with quality service in their markets for more than 30 years.

Recreational Products Company

Crosman, headquartered in East Bloomfield, New York, was one of the first manufacturers of airguns and is a manufacturer and distributor of recreational airgun products and related products and accessories. The *Crosman*[®] brand is one of the pre-eminent names in the recreational airgun market and is widely recognized in the broader outdoor sporting goods industry. Crosman's products are sold in over 6,000 retail locations worldwide through approximately 500 retailers, which include mass market and sporting goods retailers.

Electronic Components Manufacturing Company

Advanced Circuits, headquartered in Aurora, Colorado, is a provider of prototype and quick-turn printed circuit boards, or PCBs, throughout the United States. PCBs are a vital component to all electronic equipment supply chains as PCBs serve as the foundation for virtually all electronic products. The prototype and quick-turn portions of the PCB industry are characterized by customers requiring high levels of responsiveness, technical support and timely delivery. Advanced Circuits meets this market need by manufacturing and delivering custom PCBs in as little as 24 hours, providing its over 4,000 customers with approximately 98.0% error-free production and real-time customer service and product tracking 24 hours per day.

Global Hardcoatings Company

Silvue, headquartered in Anaheim, California, is a developer and producer of proprietary, high performance liquid coating systems used in the high-end eyewear, aerospace, automotive and industrial markets. Silvue's patented coating systems can be applied to a wide variety of materials, including plastics, such as polycarbonate and acrylic, glass, metals and other surfaces. These coating systems impart properties, such as abrasion resistance, improved durability, chemical resistance, ultraviolet or UV protection, anti-fog and impact resistance, to the materials to which they are applied. Silvue has sales and distribution operations in the United States, Europe and Asia, as well as manufacturing operations in the United States and Asia.

Corporate Structure

The trust is a recently formed Delaware statutory trust that we expect to be treated as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Your rights as a holder of shares, and the fiduciary duties of the company's board of directors and executive officers, and any limitations relating thereto are set forth in the

documents governing the trust and the company, and may differ from those applying to a Delaware corporation. However, the documents governing the company specify that the duties of its directors and officers will be generally consistent with the duties of a director of a Delaware corporation. In addition, investors in this offering will be treated as beneficial owners of trust interests in the company and, as such, will be subject to tax under partnership income tax provisions.

We are selling 14,000,000 shares of the trust in connection with this public offering and an additional 6,000,000 shares in the separate private placement transactions. Each share of the trust represents one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property. The purpose of the trust is to hold the trust interests of the company, which is one of two classes of equity interests in the company that will be outstanding following this offering – the trust interests, of which 100% will be held by the trust, and allocation interests, of which 100% are and will be held by our manager. The trust has the authority to issue shares in one or more series. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information about the shares, trust interests and allocation interests.

The company’s board of directors will oversee the management of the company and our businesses and the performance by our manager. Initially, the company’s board of directors will be comprised of seven directors, all of whom will be appointed by our manager, as holder of the allocation interests, and at least four of whom will be the company’s independent directors. Following this initial appointment, six of the directors will be elected by our shareholders.

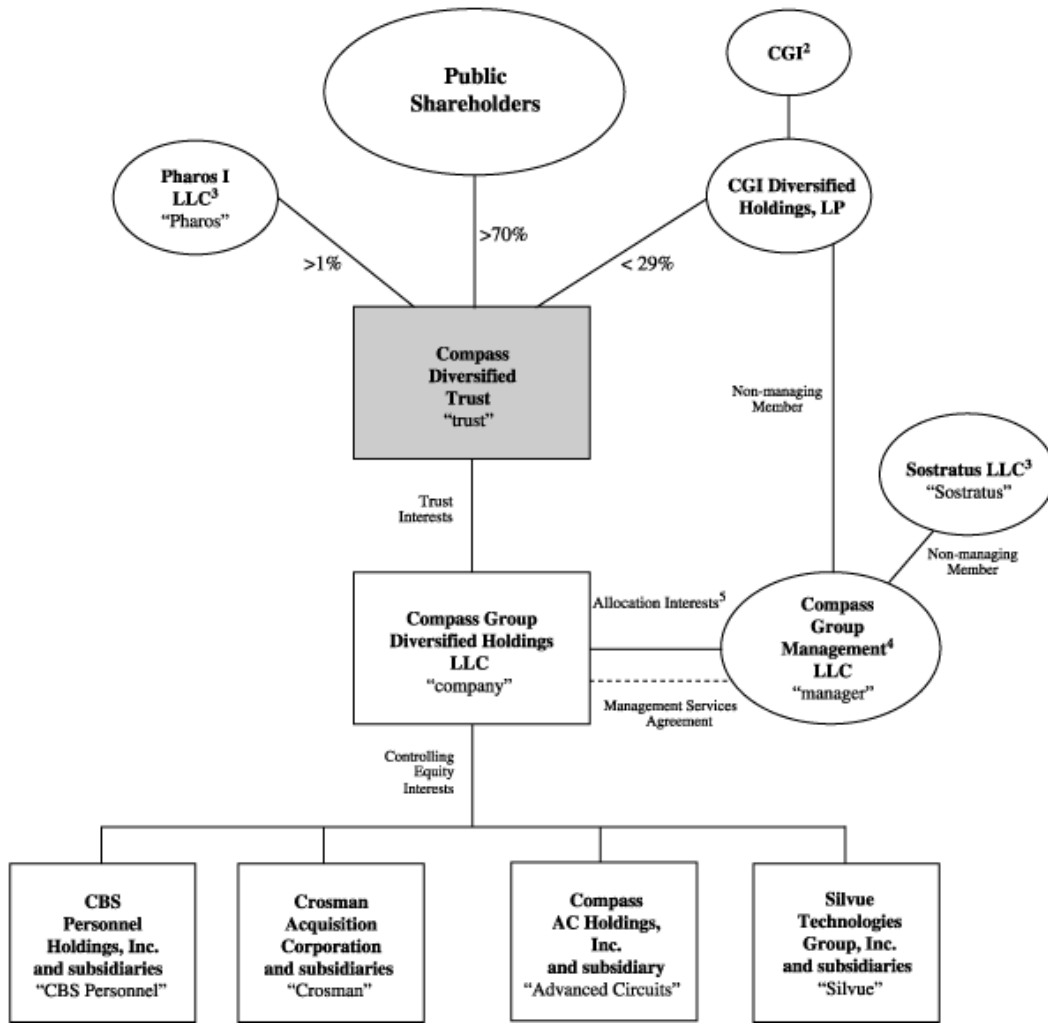
As holder of the allocation interests, our manager will have the right to appoint one director to the company’s board of directors, subject to adjustment. An appointed director will not be required to stand for election by our shareholders. See the section entitled “Description of Shares — Voting and Consent Rights — Board of Directors Appointee” for more information about our manager’s right to appoint a director.

An illustration of our proposed structure is set forth on the following page.

Corporate Information

Our principal executive offices are located at Sixty One Wilton Road, Second Floor, Westport, Connecticut 06880, and our telephone number is 203-221-1703. Our website is at www.CompassDiversifiedTrust.com. The information on our website is not incorporated by reference and is not part of this prospectus.

Our Proposed Organizational Structure¹



- (1) All percentages are approximates and assume that we sell all of the shares offered in this offering and the separate private placement transactions and that the underwriters do not exercise their over-allotment option.
- (2) Mr. Massoud is not a director, officer or member.
- (3) Owned by members of our management team, including Mr. Massoud as managing member.
- (4) Mr. Massoud is the managing member.
- (5) The allocation interests, which carry the right to receive a profit allocation, will represent less than a 0.1% equity interest in the company, assuming we sell all the shares offered in this offering and the separate private placement transactions.

The Offering

Shares offered by us in this offering 14,000,000 shares (represents 70% of shares and voting power to be outstanding following this offering)

Shares outstanding after this offering and separate private placement transactions 20,000,000 shares

Use of proceeds We estimate that our net proceeds from the sale of 14,000,000 shares in this offering will be approximately \$194.8 million (or approximately \$224.0 million if the underwriters' overallotment option is exercised in full), based on the initial public offering price of \$15.00 per share (which is the mid-point of the estimated initial public offering price range set forth on the cover page on this prospectus) and after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions (including the financial advisory fee payable to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated) of approximately \$15.2 million (or approximately \$17.5 million if the underwriter overallotment is exercised), but without giving effect to the payment of public offering costs of approximately \$6.0 million. We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, the \$90 million of net proceeds from the separate private placement transactions and the \$43.9 million of net proceeds from the initial borrowing under our third party credit facility, each of which are to close in conjunction with this offering, to:

- pay the purchase price and related costs of the acquisition of our initial businesses of approximately \$140.8 million;
- make loans to each of the initial businesses to repay outstanding debt and provide additional capitalization in an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$170.8 million;
- pay the public offering costs of approximately \$6.0 million; and
- provide funds for general corporate purposes of approximately \$11.1 million.

See the section entitled "Use of Proceeds" for more information about the use of the proceeds of this offering.

Nasdaq National Market symbol CODI

Dividend and distribution policy We intend to declare and pay regular quarterly cash distributions on all outstanding shares, based on distributions received by the trust on the trust interests in the company. The company's board of directors intends to declare and pay an initial quarterly distribution for the quarter ending September 30, 2006 of \$0.2625 per share. The company's board of directors also intends to declare an initial distribution equal to the amount of the initial quarterly distribution for the quarter ended September 30, 2006, but pro rated for the period from the completion of this offering to June 30, 2006, which will be paid at the same time as such initial quarterly distribution. The declaration and payment of our initial distribution, initial quarterly distribution and, if

declared, the amount of any future distribution will be subject to the approval of the company's board of directors which will include a majority of independent directors, and will be based on the results of operations of our initial businesses and the desire to provide sustainable levels of distributions to our shareholders. Any cash distribution paid by the company to the trust will, in turn, be paid by the trust to its shareholders.

See the sections entitled "Dividend and Distribution Policy" for a discussion of our intended distribution rate and "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" for more information about the tax treatment of distributions by the trust.

Management fee

The company will pay our manager a quarterly management fee equal to 0.5% (2.0% annualized) of adjusted net assets, as defined in the management services agreement, subject to certain adjustments. Based on the pro forma condensed combined financial statements set forth in this prospectus at or for the year ended December 31, 2005, the total management fee that would have been payable on a quarterly basis for the year ended December 31, 2005, would have been approximately \$6.9 million on a pro forma basis (before taking into account offsetting management fees of approximately \$2.4 million), representing approximately 43.9% of the pro forma net income of the company before the management fee. The company's compensation committee, which is comprised solely of independent directors, will review the calculation of the management fee on an annual basis.

See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee" for more information about the calculation and payment of the management fee and the specific definitions of the terms used in such calculation, as well as an example of the quarterly calculation of the management fee.

Profit allocation

The company will pay a profit allocation with respect to its businesses to our manager, as holder of 100% of the allocation interests, upon the occurrence of certain events if the company's profits with respect to a business exceeds an annualized hurdle rate of 7%, which hurdle is tied to such business' growth relative to our consolidated net equity. The calculation of profit allocation with respect to a particular business will be based on:

- such business' contribution-based profit, which generally will be equal to such business' aggregate contribution to the company's profit during the period such business is owned by the company; and
- the company's cumulative gains and losses to date.

Generally, a profit allocation will be paid in the event that the amount of profit allocation exceeds the annualized hurdle rate of 7% in the following manner: (i) 100% of the amount of profit allocation in excess of the hurdle rate of 7% but that is less than the hurdle rate of 8.75%, which amount is intended to provide our manager with an overall profit allocation of 20% once the hurdle rate of 7% has been surpassed; and (ii) 20% of the amount of profit allocation in excess of the hurdle rate of 8.75%.

Shares of the trust	<p>Assuming we do not sell a material amount of the capital stock, assets or a subsidiary of one of our businesses, the earliest a profit allocation may be paid to our manager, if the amount of profit allocation exceeds an annualized hurdle rate, is five years from the date we acquire controlling interests in our initial businesses, which date will be concurrent with the closing of this offering. A profit allocation may be paid earlier if we sell a material amount of the capital stock, assets or a subsidiary of one of our businesses, subject to the annualized hurdle rate discussed above and certain conditions.</p> <p>The amount of profit allocation that will be payable in the future cannot be estimated with any certainty or reliability as of the date of this prospectus, and such profit allocation, if and when paid, may be greater than the management fee paid to our manager pursuant to the management services agreement.</p> <p>See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship with Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager’s Profit Allocation” for more information about calculation and payment of profit allocation and the specific definitions of the terms used in such calculation.</p> <p>Each share of the trust represents an undivided beneficial interest in the trust property, and each share of the trust corresponds to one underlying trust interest of the company owned by the trust. Unless the trust is dissolved, it must remain the sole holder of 100% of the trust interests, and at all times the company will have outstanding the identical number of trust interests as the number of outstanding shares of the trust. Each outstanding share of the trust is entitled to one vote on any matter with respect to which the trust, as a holder of trust interests in the company, is entitled to vote. The company, as the sponsor of the trust, will provide to our shareholders proxy materials to enable our shareholders to exercise, in proportion to their percentage ownership of outstanding shares the voting rights of the trust, and the trust will vote its trust interests in the same proportion as the vote of holders of shares. The allocation interests do not grant to our manager voting rights with respect to the company except in certain limited circumstances.</p>
Anti-takeover provisions	<p>See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for information about the material terms of the shares, the trust interests and allocation interests.</p> <p>Certain provisions of the management services agreement, the trust agreement and the LLC agreement, which we will enter into upon the closing of this offering, may make it more difficult for third parties to acquire control of the trust and the company by various means. These provisions could deprive the shareholders of the trust of opportunities to realize a premium on the shares owned by them. In addition, these provisions may adversely affect the prevailing market price of the shares.</p> <p>See the section entitled “Description of Shares — Anti-Takeover Provisions” for more information about these anti-takeover provisions.</p>

U.S. federal income tax considerations	<p>Subject to the discussion in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations,” the trust will be classified as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes. As a result, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, each holder of shares generally will be treated as the beneficial owner of a pro rata portion of the trust interests of the company held by the trust. Subject to the discussion in “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations,” the company will be classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Accordingly, neither the company nor the trust will incur U.S. federal income tax liability; rather, each holder of shares will be required to take into account his or her allocable share of company income, gain, loss, deduction, and other items.</p> <p>See the section entitled “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations” for information about the potential U.S. federal income tax consequences of the purchase, ownership and disposition of shares.</p>
Risk factors	<p>Investing in our shares involves risks. See the section entitled “Risk Factors” and read this prospectus carefully before making an investment decision with the respect to the shares or the company.</p> <p>The number of shares outstanding after this offering assumes that 5,733,333 shares and 266,667 shares, representing approximately 28.7% and 1.3% of the total shares and voting power, respectively, will be purchased in the separate private placement transactions and will be outstanding after this offering, and assumes that the underwriters’ overallotment option is not exercised. If the overallotment option is exercised in full, we will issue and sell an additional 2,100,000 shares.</p>

Summary Financial Data

The company and the trust were formed on November 18, 2005 and have conducted no operations and have generated no revenues to date. We will use the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowing under our third party credit facility in substantial part, to acquire controlling interests in and make loans to our initial businesses.

The following summary financial data represent the historical financial information for CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue and does not reflect the accounting for these businesses upon completion of the acquisitions and the operation of the businesses as a consolidated entity. This historical financial data does not reflect the recapitalization of each of these businesses upon acquisition by the company. As a result, this historical data may not be indicative of these businesses' future performance following their acquisition by the company and recapitalization. You should read this information in conjunction with the section entitled "Selected Financial Data", the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", the financial statements and notes thereto, and the unaudited condensed combined pro forma financial statements and notes which do reflect the completion of the acquisitions and related transactions thereto, all included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary financial data for CBS Personnel, at December 31, 2005, and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, were derived from CBS Personnel's audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary financial data for Crosman, at June 30, 2005, and for the year ended June 30, 2005, were derived from Crosman's audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary financial data for Crosman for the period July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004 (predecessor), and February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004 (successor), were derived from the audited financial statements of Crosman included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary financial data of Crosman at January 1, 2006, and for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, were derived from Crosman's unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary financial data for Advanced Circuits, at December 31, 2005, and for the periods September 20, 2005 to December 31, 2005 (successor) and January 1, 2005 to September 19, 2005 (predecessor), and for the year ended December 31, 2004 (predecessor), were derived from Advanced Circuits' audited consolidated and combined financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The summary financial data for Silvue, at December 31, 2005 and for the year ended December 31, 2005 was derived from Silvue's audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary financial data for Silvue for the period January 1, 2004 to September 2, 2004 (predecessor), and September 3, 2004 (inception) to December 31, 2004, were derived from the audited financial statements of Silvue included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The unaudited condensed financial data for Crosman shown below may not be indicative of the financial condition and results of operations of Crosman for any other period. The unaudited financial data, in the opinion of management, includes all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation of such data.

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CBS Personnel	Year Ended December 31,	
	2004	2005
	(\$ in thousands)	
Statement of Operations Data:		
Revenues	\$315,258	\$543,012
Income from operations	9,450	18,453
Net income	7,413	8,988

	At December 31, 2005	
	(\$ in thousands)	
Balance Sheet Data:		
Total assets	\$141,752	
Total liabilities	88,617	
Shareholders' equity	53,135	

Crosman	Predecessor July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004	Successor February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2005	(Unaudited) Six Months Ended	
				December 26, 2004	January 1, 2006
				(\$ in thousands)	
Statement of Operations Data:					
Net sales	\$38,770	\$24,856	\$70,060	\$38,234	\$45,223
Operating income	6,924	3,142	8,031	6,060	7,044
Net income	3,138	810	489	2,349	2,821

	(Unaudited)	
	At June 30, 2005	At January 1, 2006
	(\$ in thousands)	
Balance Sheet Data:		
Total assets	\$84,183	\$91,595
Total liabilities	61,837	66,417
Shareholders' equity	22,346	25,178

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Advanced Circuits	Predecessor Combined Year Ended December 31, 2004	Predecessor Combined January 1, 2005 to September 19, 2005	Successor Consolidated September 20, 2005 to December 31, 2005
(\$ in thousands)			
Statement of Operations Data:			
Net sales	\$36,642	\$29,726	\$12,243
Income from operations	12,211	10,931	3,935
Net income	12,093	10,922	1,686
At December 31, 2005			
(\$ in thousands)			
Balance Sheet Data:			
Total assets			\$79,970
Total liabilities			53,342
Stockholders' equity			26,628
Silvue	Predecessor January 1, 2004 to September 2, 2004	Successor September 3, 2004 to December 31, 2004	Year Ended December 31, 2005
(\$ in thousands)			
Statement of Operations Data:			
Net sales	\$7,604	\$4,532	\$17,093
Operating income	2,056	755	4,005
Net income	1,271	112	1,531
At December 31, 2005			
(\$ in thousands)			
Balance Sheet Data:			
Total assets			\$31,245
Total liabilities and cumulative redeemable preferred stock			22,396
Stockholders' equity			8,849

RISK FACTORS

An investment in our shares involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully read and consider all of the risks described below, together with all of the other information contained or referred to in this prospectus, before making a decision to invest in our shares. If any of the following events occur, our financial condition, business and results of operations (including cash flows), may be materially adversely affected. In that event, the market price of our shares could decline, and you could lose all or part of your investment. Throughout this section we refer to our initial businesses and the businesses we may acquire in the future collectively as "our businesses." For purposes of this section, unless the context otherwise requires, the term Crosman means, together, Crosman and its 50%-owned joint venture Diablo Marketing LLC (d/b/a Game Face Paintball) or, GFP.

Risks Related to Our Business and Structure

We are a new company with no history and we may not be able to successfully manage our initial businesses on a combined basis.

We were formed on November 18, 2005 and have conducted no operations and have generated no revenues to date. We will use the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our third party credit facility, in substantial part, to acquire controlling interests in and make loans to our initial businesses. The initial businesses will be managed by our manager. Our management team has collectively 74 years of experience in acquiring and managing small and middle market businesses. However, if we do not develop effective systems and procedures, including accounting and financial reporting systems, to manage our operations as a consolidated public company, we may not be able to manage the combined enterprise on a profitable basis, which could adversely affect our ability to pay distributions to our shareholders. In addition, the pro forma condensed combined financial statements of our initial businesses cover periods during which some of our initial businesses were not under common control or management and, therefore, may not be indicative of our future financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our audited financial statements will not include meaningful comparisons to prior years and may differ substantially from the pro forma condensed combined financial statements included in this prospectus.

Our audited financial statements will include consolidated results of operations and cash flows only for the period from the date of the acquisition of our initial businesses to year-end. Because we will purchase our initial businesses only after the closing of this offering and recapitalize each of them, we anticipate that our audited financial statements will not contain full-year consolidated results of operations and cash flows until the end of our 2007 fiscal year. Consequently, meaningful year-to-year comparisons will not be available, at the earliest, until two fiscal years following the completion of this offering.

Our future success is dependent on the employees of our manager and the management teams of our businesses, the loss of any of whom could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our future success depends, to a significant extent, on the continued services of the employees of our manager, most of whom have worked together for a number of years. Because certain employees of our manager were involved in the acquisitions of these initial businesses while working for a subsidiary of CGI and, since such acquisitions, have overseen the operations of these businesses, the loss of their services may adversely affect our ability to manage the operations of our initial businesses. While our manager will have employment agreements with certain of its employees, including our Chief Financial Officer, these employment agreements may not prevent our manager's employees from leaving our manager or from competing with us in the future. Our manager will not have an employment agreement with our Chief Executive Officer.

In addition, the future success of our businesses also depends on their respective management teams because we intend to operate our businesses on a stand-alone basis, primarily relying on existing

management teams for management of their day-to-day operations. Consequently, their operational success, as well as the success of our internal growth strategy, will be dependent on the continued efforts of the management teams of the initial businesses. We will seek to provide such persons with equity incentives in their respective businesses and to have employment agreements with certain persons we have identified as key to their businesses. We may also maintain key man life insurance on certain of these individuals. However, these insurance policies would not fully offset the loss to our businesses, and our organization generally, that would result from our losing the services of these key individuals. As a result, the loss of services of one or more members of our management team or the management team at one of our businesses could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

We face risks with respect to the evaluation and management of future acquisitions.

A component of our strategy is to acquire additional businesses. We will focus on small to middle market businesses in various industries. Generally, because such businesses are held privately, we may experience difficulty in evaluating potential target businesses as the information concerning these businesses is not publicly available. Therefore, our estimates and assumptions used to evaluate the operations, management and market risks with respect to potential target businesses may be subject to various risks. Further, the time and costs associated with identifying and evaluating potential target businesses and their industries may cause a substantial drain on our resources and may divert our management team's attention away from operations for significant periods of time.

In addition, we may have difficulty effectively managing future acquisitions. The management or improvement of businesses we acquire may be hindered by a number of factors including limitations in the standards, controls, procedures and policies of such acquisitions. Further, the management of an acquired business may involve a substantial reorganization of the business's operations resulting in the loss of employees and customers or the disruption of our ongoing businesses. We may experience greater than expected costs or difficulties relating to such acquisition, in which case, we might not achieve the anticipated returns from any particular acquisition, which may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, business and results of operations.

We face competition for acquisitions of businesses that fit our acquisition strategy.

We have been formed to acquire and manage small to middle market businesses. In pursuing such acquisitions, we expect to face strong competition from a wide range of other potential purchasers. Although the pool of potential purchasers for such businesses is typically smaller than for larger businesses, those potential purchasers can be aggressive in their approach to acquiring such businesses. Furthermore, we expect that we will need to use third party financing in order to fund some or all of these potential acquisitions, thereby increasing our acquisition costs. To the extent that other potential purchasers do not need to obtain third party financing or are able to obtain such financing on more favorable terms, they may be in a position to be more aggressive with their acquisition proposals. As a result, in order to be competitive, our acquisition proposals may need to be at price levels that exceed what we originally determine to be appropriate. Alternatively, we may determine that we cannot pursue on a cost effective basis what would otherwise be attractive acquisition opportunities.

We may not be able to successfully fund future acquisitions of new businesses due to the unavailability of debt or equity financing on acceptable terms, which could impede the implementation of our acquisition strategy and materially adversely impact our financial condition, business and results of operations.

In order to make future acquisitions, we intend to raise capital primarily through debt financing at the company level, additional equity offerings, the sale of stock or assets of our businesses, by offering equity in the trust or our businesses to the sellers of target businesses or by undertaking a combination of any of the above. Since the timing and size of acquisitions cannot be readily predicted, we may need to be able to obtain funding on short notice to benefit fully from attractive acquisition opportunities. Such funding may not be available on acceptable terms. In addition, the level of our indebtedness may impact our ability to borrow at the company level. Another source of capital for us may be the sale of additional shares, subject

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to market conditions and investor demand for the shares at prices that we consider to be in the interests of our shareholders. These risks may materially adversely affect our ability to pursue our acquisition strategy successfully and materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

While we intend to make regular cash distributions to our shareholders, the company's board of directors has full authority and discretion over the distributions of the company, other than the profit allocation, and it may decide to reduce or eliminate distributions at any time, which may materially adversely affect the market price for our shares.

To date, we have not declared or paid any distributions, but we intend to declare and pay an initial quarterly distribution of \$0.2625 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 2006, and a quarterly distribution that is pro rated based on the initial distribution for the period from the completion of this offering to June 30, 2006. If you purchase shares in this offering but do not hold such shares on the record date set by the board of directors with respect to these distributions, you will not receive any distributions for any period that you held the shares.

Although we intend to pursue a policy of paying regular distributions, the company's board of directors will have full authority and discretion to determine whether or not a distribution by the company should be declared and paid to the trust and in turn to our shareholders, as well as the amount and timing of any distribution. In addition, the management fee, profit allocation and put price will be payment obligations of the company and, as a result, will be paid, along with other company obligations, prior to the payment of distributions to our shareholders. The company's board of directors may, based on their review of our financial condition and results of operations and pending acquisitions, determine to reduce or eliminate distributions, which may have a material adverse effect on the market price of our shares.

We will rely entirely on distributions from our businesses to make distributions to our shareholders.

The trust's only business is holding trust interests in the company, which holds controlling interests in our initial businesses. Therefore, we will be dependent upon the ability of our initial businesses to generate earnings and cash flow and distribute them to us in the form of interest and principal payments on indebtedness and distributions on equity to enable us, first, to satisfy our financial obligations and, second, to make distributions to our shareholders. The ability of our businesses to make distributions to us may be subject to limitations under laws of the jurisdictions in which they are incorporated or organized. If, as a consequence of these various restrictions, we are unable to generate sufficient distributions from our businesses, we may not be able to declare, or may have to delay or cancel payment of, distributions to our shareholders.

We do not own 100% of our businesses, and our ownership will range at the time of the initial acquisition from 70.2%, in the case of Advanced Circuits, to 94.4%, in the case of CBS Personnel, of the total equity on a fully diluted basis. While the company is expected to receive cash payments from our initial businesses which will be in the form of interest payments, debt repayment and dividends and distributions, if any dividends or distributions were to be paid by our businesses, they will be shared *pro rata* with the minority shareholders of our businesses and the amounts of distributions made to minority shareholders would not be available to us for any purpose, including company debt service or distributions to our shareholders. Any proceeds from the sale of a business will be allocated among us and the minority shareholders of the business that is sold.

The company's board of directors will have the power to change the terms of our shares in its sole discretion in ways with which you may disagree.

As an owner of our shares, you may disagree with changes made to the terms of our shares, and you may disagree with the company's board of directors' decision that the changes made to the terms of the shares are not materially adverse to you as a shareholder or that they do not alter the characterization of the trust. Your recourse, if you disagree, will be limited because our trust agreement gives broad authority and discretion to our board of directors. However, the trust agreement does not relieve the company's board of directors from any fiduciary obligation that is imposed on them pursuant to applicable law. In

addition, we may change the nature of the shares to be issued to raise additional equity and remain a fixed-investment trust for tax purposes.

Certain provisions of the LLC agreement of the company and the trust agreement make it difficult for third parties to acquire control of the trust and the company and could deprive you of the opportunity to obtain a takeover premium for your shares.

The amended and restated LLC agreement of the company, which we refer to as the LLC agreement, and the amended and restated trust agreement of the trust, which we refer to as the trust agreement, contain a number of provisions that could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or may discourage a third party from acquiring, control of the trust and the company. These provisions include, among others:

- restrictions on the company's ability to enter into certain transactions with our major shareholders, with the exception of our manager, modeled on the limitation contained in Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or DGCL;
- allowing the chairman of the company's board of directors to fill vacancies on the company's board of directors until the second annual meeting of shareholders following the closing of this offering;
- allowing only the company's board of directors to fill newly created directorships, for those directors who are elected by our shareholders, and allowing only our manager, as holder of the allocation interests, to fill vacancies with respect to the class of directors appointed by our manager;
- requiring that directors elected by our shareholders be removed, with or without cause, only by a vote of 85% of our shareholders;
- requiring advance notice for nominations of candidates for election to the company's board of directors or for proposing matters that can be acted upon by our shareholders at a shareholders' meeting;
- having a substantial number of additional authorized but unissued shares that may be issued without shareholder action;
- providing the company's board of directors with certain authority to amend the LLC agreement and the trust agreement, subject to certain voting and consent rights of the holders of trust interests and allocation interests;
- providing for a staggered board of directors of the company, the effect of which could be to deter a proxy contest for control of the company's board of directors or a hostile takeover; and
- limitations regarding calling special meetings and written consents of our shareholders.

These provisions, as well as other provisions in the LLC agreement and trust agreement may delay, defer or prevent a transaction or a change in control that might otherwise result in you obtaining a takeover premium for your shares. See the section entitled "Description of Shares — Anti-Takeover Provisions" for more information about voting and consent rights and the anti-takeover provisions.

We may have conflicts of interest with the minority shareholders of our businesses.

The boards of directors of our respective businesses have fiduciary duties to all their shareholders, including the company and minority shareholders. As a result, they may make decisions that are in the best interests of their shareholders generally but which are not necessarily in the best interest of the company or our shareholders. In dealings with the company, the directors of our businesses may have conflicts of interest and decisions may have to be made without the participation of directors appointed by the company, and such decisions may be different from those that we would make.

Our third party credit facility exposes us to additional risks associated with leverage and inhibits our operating flexibility and reduces cash flow available for distributions to our shareholders.

We will initially have approximately \$50 million of debt outstanding and we expect to increase our level of debt in the future. The terms of our third party credit facility will contain a number of affirmative and restrictive covenants that, among other things, require us to:

- maintain a minimum level of cash flow;
- leverage new businesses we acquire to a minimum specified level at the time of acquisition;
- keep our total debt to cash flow at or below a ratio of three to one; and
- make acquisitions that satisfy certain specified minimum criteria.

If we violate any of these covenants, our lender may accelerate the maturity of any debt outstanding and we may be prohibited from making any distributions to our shareholders. Such debt will be secured by all of our assets, including the stock we own in our businesses and the rights we have under the loan agreements with our businesses. Our ability to meet our debt service obligations may be affected by events beyond our control and will depend primarily upon cash produced by our businesses. Any failure to comply with the terms of our indebtedness could materially adversely affect us.

Changes in interest rates could materially adversely affect us.

Our third party credit facility bears interest at floating rates which will generally change as interest rates change. We bear the risk that the rates we are charged by our lender will increase faster than the earnings and cash flow of our businesses, which could reduce profitability, adversely affect our ability to service our debt, cause us to breach covenants contained in our third party credit facility and reduce cash flow available for distribution, any of which could materially adversely affect us.

We may engage in a business transaction with one or more target businesses that have relationships with our officers, our directors, our manager or CGI, which may create potential conflicts of interest.

We may decide to acquire one or more businesses with which our officers, our directors, our manager or CGI have a relationship. While we might obtain a fairness opinion from an independent investment banking firm, potential conflicts of interest may still exist with respect to a particular acquisition, and, as a result, the terms of the acquisition of a target business may not be as advantageous to our shareholders as it would have been absent any conflicts of interest.

CGI may exercise significant influence over the company.

Concurrently with this offering, CGI, through a wholly owned subsidiary, will purchase \$86 million or approximately 28.7% of our shares in a separate private placement transaction, assuming we sell all of the shares offered in this offering. As a result of this investment, CGI may have significant influence over the election of directors in the future.

The terms and conditions of the stock purchase agreement, the management services agreement and the loan agreements discussed in this prospectus were negotiated among entities affiliated with or related to CGI and our manager in the overall context of this offering, and these terms may be less advantageous to us than if they had been the subject of arm's-length negotiations.

We intend to enter into a stock purchase agreement with respect to the acquisition of our initial businesses, loan agreements with our initial businesses and a management services agreement with our manager. The terms of these agreements were negotiated among entities affiliated with or related to CGI and our manager in the overall context of this offering. Although we received an opinion from Duff & Phelps, LLC, an independent financial advisory and investment banking firm, regarding the fairness, from a financial point of view only, of the acquisition prices of the four initial businesses (on an individual basis only) and although the stock purchase agreement and other agreements were approved by a majority of

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our independent directors, the agreements were not negotiated on an arm's-length basis among unrelated third parties. As a result, provisions of these agreements may be less favorable to us than they might have been had they been negotiated through arm's-length transactions with unrelated third parties.

We will incur increased costs as a result of being a publicly traded company.

As a publicly traded company, we will incur legal, accounting and other expenses, including costs associated with the periodic reporting requirements applicable to a company whose securities are registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, recently adopted corporate governance requirements, including requirements under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, and other rules implemented relatively recently by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, and the Nasdaq National Market. We believe that complying with these rules and regulations will increase substantially our legal and financial compliance costs and will make some activities more time-consuming and costly and may divert significant portions of our management team from operating and acquiring businesses to these and related matters. We also believe that being a publicly traded company will make it more difficult and more expensive for us to obtain directors and officers' liability insurance.

If in the future we cease to control and operate our businesses, we may be deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Under the terms of the LLC agreement, we have the latitude to make investments in businesses that we will not operate or control. If we make significant investments in businesses that we do not operate or control or cease to operate and control our businesses, we may be deemed to be an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, or the Investment Company Act. If we were deemed to be an investment company, we would either have to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act, obtain exemptive relief from the SEC or modify our investments or organizational structure or our contract rights to fall outside the definition of an investment company. Registering as an investment company could, among other things, materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations, materially limit our ability to borrow funds or engage in other transactions involving leverage and require us to add directors who are independent of us or our manager and otherwise will subject us to additional regulation that will be costly and time-consuming.

Risks Relating to Our Manager

Our Chief Executive Officer, directors, manager and management team may allocate some of their time to other businesses, thereby causing conflicts of interest in their determination as to how much time to devote to our affairs, which may materially adversely affect our operations.

While the members of our management team anticipate devoting a substantial amount of their time to the affairs of the company, only Mr. James Bottiglieri, our Chief Financial Officer, will devote 100% of his time to our affairs. As such, our Chief Executive Officer, directors, manager and members of our management team may engage in other business activities. This may result in a conflict of interest in allocating their time between our operations and our management and operations of other businesses. Their other business endeavors may be related to CGI, which will continue to own several businesses that were managed by our management team prior to this offering, or affiliates of CGI as well as other parties. Conflicts of interest that arise over the allocation of time may not always be resolved in our favor and may materially adversely affect our operations. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for the potential conflicts of interest of which you should be aware.

Our manager and its affiliates, including members of our management team, may engage in activities that compete with us or our businesses.

While our management team intends to devote a substantial majority of their time to the affairs of the company, and while our manager and its affiliates currently do not manage any other businesses that are in similar lines of business as our initial businesses, and while our manager must present all opportunities that meet the company's acquisition and disposition criteria to the company's board of

directors, neither our management team nor our manager, is expressly prohibited from investing in or managing other entities, including those that are in the same or similar line of business as our initial businesses or those related to or affiliated with CGI. In this regard, the management services agreement and the obligation to provide management services will not create a mutually exclusive relationship between our manager and its affiliates, on the one hand, and the company, on the other. See the sections entitled “Our Manager” and “Management Services Agreement” for more information about our relationship with our manager and our management team.

Our manager need not present an acquisition or disposition opportunity to us if our manager determines on its own that such acquisition or disposition opportunity does not meet the company’s acquisition or disposition criteria.

Our manager will review any acquisition or disposition opportunity presented to the manager to determine if it satisfies the company’s acquisition or disposition criteria, as established by the company’s board of directors from time to time. If our manager determines, in its sole discretion, that an opportunity fits our criteria, our manager will refer the opportunity to the company’s board of directors for its authorization and approval prior to the consummation thereof; opportunities that our manager determines do not fit our criteria do not need to be presented to the company’s board of directors for consideration. If such an opportunity is ultimately profitable, we will have not participated in such opportunity. Upon a determination by the company’s board of directors not to promptly pursue an opportunity presented to it by our manager in whole or in part, our manager will be unrestricted in its ability to pursue such opportunity, or any part that we do not promptly pursue, on its own or refer such opportunity to other entities, including its affiliates.

We cannot remove our manager solely for poor performance, which could limit our ability to improve our performance and could materially adversely affect the market price of our shares.

Under the terms of the management services agreement, our manager cannot be removed as a result of underperformance. Instead, the company’s board of directors can only remove our manager in certain limited circumstances or upon a vote by the majority of the company’s board of directors and the majority of our shareholders to terminate the management services agreement, as discussed in detail in the section entitled “Management Services Agreement — Termination of Management Services Agreement”.

We may have difficulty severing ties with our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud.

Under the management services agreement, the company’s board of directors may, after due consultation with our manager, at any time request that our manager replace any individual seconded to the company and our manager will, as promptly as practicable, replace any such individual. However, because Mr. Massoud is the managing member of our manager with a significant ownership interest therein, we may have difficulty completely severing ties with Mr. Massoud absent terminating the management services agreement and our relationship with our manager. See the sections entitled “Our Manager” and “Management Services Agreement” for more information about our relationship with our manager.

If we terminate the management services agreement, we will need to change our name, which may adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our manager will own the rights to the name of the company and the trust. The trust and the company will agree, and the company will agree to cause its businesses, to cease using the term “Compass”, including any trademark based on the name of the company and trust owned by our manager, entirely in their businesses and operations within 180 days of our termination of the management services agreement. This agreement would require the trust, the company and its businesses to change their names to remove any reference to the term “Compass” or any reference to trademarks owned by our manager. This also would require the trust, the company and our businesses to create and market a new name and expend funds to protect that name, which may adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

If the management services agreement is terminated, our manager, as holder of the allocation interests in the company, has the right to cause the company to purchase such allocation interests, which may materially adversely affect our liquidity and ability to grow.

If the management services agreement is terminated at any time other than as a result of our manager's resignation or if our manager resigns on any date that is at least three years after the closing of this offering, our manager will have the right, but not the obligation, for one year from the date of termination or resignation, as the case may be, to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests for the put price. If our manager elects to cause the company to purchase its allocation interests, we are obligated to do so and, until we have done so, our ability to conduct our business, including incurring debt, would be restricted and, accordingly, our liquidity and ability to grow may be adversely affected. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement" for more information about our manager's put right and our obligations relating thereto.

Our manager can resign on 90 days' notice and we may not be able to find a suitable replacement within that time, resulting in a disruption in our operations that could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations as well as the market price of our shares.

Our manager has the right, under the management services agreement, to resign at any time on 90 days' written notice, whether we have found a replacement or not. If our manager resigns, we may not be able to contract with a new manager or hire internal management with similar expertise and ability to provide the same or equivalent services on acceptable terms within 90 days, or at all, in which case our operations are likely to experience a disruption, our financial condition, business and results of operations as well as our ability to pay distributions are likely to be adversely affected and the market price of our shares may decline. In addition, the coordination of our internal management, acquisition activities and supervision of our businesses is likely to suffer if we are unable to identify and reach an agreement with a single institution or group of executives having the expertise possessed by our manager and its affiliates. Even if we are able to retain comparable management, whether internal or external, the integration of such management and their lack of familiarity with our businesses may result in additional costs and time delays that could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

The liability associated with the supplemental put agreement is difficult to estimate and may be subject to substantial period-to-period changes, thereby significantly impacting our future results of operations.

The company will record the supplemental put agreement at its fair value at each balance sheet date by recording any change in fair value through its income statement. The fair value of the supplemental put agreement is largely related to the value of the profit allocation that our manager, as holder of allocation interests, will receive. The valuation of the supplemental put agreement requires the use of complex financial models, which require sensitive assumptions and estimates. If our assumptions and estimates result in an over-estimation or under-estimation of the fair value of the supplemental put agreement, the resulting fluctuation in related liabilities could cause a material adverse effect on the company's results of operations.

See the sections entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" and "Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement" for more information about the terms and calculation of the profit allocation and any payments under the supplemental put agreement and "Management's Discussion and Analysis" for more information about our accounting policy with respect to the profit allocation and supplemental put agreement.

We must pay our manager the management fee regardless of our performance.

Our manager is entitled to receive a management fee that is based on our adjusted net assets, as defined in the management services agreement, regardless of the performance of our businesses. The calculation of the management fee is unrelated to the company's net income. As a result, the management fee may incentivize our manager to increase the amount of our assets, through, for example, the acquisition of additional assets or the incurrence of third party debt rather than increase the performance of our businesses.

We cannot determine the amount of the management fee that will be paid over time with any certainty.

We estimate the management fee for the year ended December 31, 2005, on a pro forma basis, would have been approximately \$6.9 million (before taking into account offsetting management fees of approximately \$2.4 million), representing approximately 43.9% of the pro forma net income of the company before the management fee. The management fee will be calculated by reference to the company's adjusted net assets, which will be impacted by the acquisition or disposition of businesses, which can be significantly influenced by our manager, as well as the performance of our initial businesses and other businesses we may acquire in the future. Changes in adjusted net assets and in the resulting management fee could be significant, resulting in a material adverse effect on the company's results of operations. In addition, if the performance of the company declines, assuming adjusted net assets remains the same, management fees will increase as a percentage of the company's net income. See the sections entitled "Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements" for more information about the pro forma management fee based on the acquisition of the initial businesses, and "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as Service Provider — Management Fee" for more information about the terms and calculation of the management fee.

We cannot determine the amount of profit allocation that will be paid over time with any certainty.

We cannot determine the amount of profit allocation that will be paid over time with any certainty. Such determination would be dependent on the potential sale proceeds received for those businesses and the performance of the company and its businesses over a multi-year period of time, among other factors that cannot be predicted with certainty at this time. Such factors may have a significant impact on the amount of any profit allocation to be paid. Likewise, such determination would be dependent on whether certain hurdles were surpassed giving rise to a payment of profit allocation. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" for more information about the calculation and payment of profit allocation. Any amounts paid in respect of the profit allocation are unrelated to the management fee earned for performance of services under the management services agreement.

The fees to be paid to our manager pursuant to the management services agreement, the offsetting management services agreements and transaction services agreements and the profit allocation to be paid to our manager, as holder of the allocation interests, pursuant to the LLC agreement may significantly reduce the amount of cash available for distribution to our shareholders.

Under the management services agreement, the company will be obligated to pay a management fee to and, subject to certain conditions, reimburse the costs and out-of-pocket expenses of our manager incurred on behalf of the company in connection with the provision of services to the company. Similarly, our businesses will be obligated to pay fees to and reimburse the costs and expenses of our manager pursuant to any offsetting management services agreements entered into between our manager and one of our businesses, or any transaction services agreements to which such businesses are a party. In addition, our manager, as holder of the allocation interests, will be entitled to receive profit allocations and may be entitled to receive the put price. While it is difficult to quantify with any certainty the actual amount of any such payments in the future, we do expect that such amounts could be substantial. See the section entitled "Our Manager" for more information about these payment obligations of the company. The management fee, profit allocation and put price will be payment obligations of the company and, as a result, will be paid, along with other company obligations, prior to the payment of distributions to shareholders. As a result, the payment of these amounts may significantly reduce the amount of cash flow available for distribution to our shareholders.

Our manager's influence on conducting our operations, including on our conducting of transactions, gives it the ability to increase its fees and compensation to our Chief Executive Officer, which may reduce the amount of cash flow available for distribution to our shareholders.

Under the terms of the management services agreement, our manager is paid a management fee calculated as a percentage of the company's adjusted net assets for certain items and is unrelated to net

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income or any other performance base or measure. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee” for more information about the calculation of the management fee. Our manager, which Mr. Massoud, our Chief Executive Officer, controls, may advise us to consummate transactions, incur third party debt or conduct our operations in a manner that, in our manager’s reasonable discretion, are necessary to the future growth of our businesses and are in the best interests of our shareholders. These transactions, however, may increase the amount of fees paid to our manager. In addition, Mr. Massoud’s compensation is paid by our manager from the management fee it receives from the company. Our manager’s ability to increase its fees, through the influence it has over our operations, may increase the compensation paid by our manager to Mr. Massoud. Our manager’s ability to influence the management fee paid to it by us could reduce the amount of cash flow available for distribution to our shareholders.

Fees paid by the company and our businesses pursuant to transaction services agreements do not offset fees payable under the management services agreement and will be in addition to the management fee payable by the company under the management services agreement.

The management services agreement provides that our businesses may enter into transaction services agreements with our manager pursuant to which our businesses will pay fees to our manager. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider” for more information about these agreements. Unlike fees paid under the offsetting management services agreements, fees that are paid pursuant to such transaction services agreements will not reduce the management fee payable by the company. Therefore, such fees will be in excess of the management fee payable by the company.

The fees to be paid to our manager pursuant to these transaction service agreements will be paid prior to any principal, interest or dividend payments to be paid to the company by our businesses, which will reduce the amount of cash flow available for distributions to shareholders.

Our manager’s profit allocation may induce it to make suboptimal decisions regarding our operations.

Our manager, as holder of 100% of the allocation interests in the company, will receive a profit allocation based on ongoing cash flows and capital gains in excess of a hurdle rate. In this respect, a calculation and payment of profit allocation may be triggered upon the sale of one of our businesses. As a result, our manager may be incentivized to recommend the sale of one or more of our businesses to the company’s board of directors at a time that is not optimal for our shareholders.

The obligations to pay the management fee and profit allocation, including the put price, may cause the company to liquidate assets or incur debt.

If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay the management fee and profit allocation, including the put price, when such payments are due, we may be required to liquidate assets or incur debt in order to make such payments. This circumstance could materially adversely affect our liquidity and ability to make distributions to our shareholders. See the section entitled “Our Manager” for more information about these payment obligations of the company.

Risks Related to Taxation

Our shareholders will be subject to taxation on their share of the company’s taxable income, whether or not they receive cash distributions from the trust.

Our shareholders will be subject to U.S. federal income taxation and, possibly, state, local and foreign income taxation on their share of the company’s taxable income, whether or not they receive cash distributions from the trust. There is, accordingly, a risk that our shareholders may not receive cash distributions equal to their portion of our taxable income or sufficient in amount even to satisfy the tax liability that results from that income. This risk is attributable to a number of variables such as results of operations, unknown liabilities, government regulation, financial covenants of the debt of the company, funds needed for acquisitions and to satisfy short-and long-term working capital needs of our businesses, and discretion and authority of the company’s board of directors to pay or modify our distribution policy.

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Additionally, payment of the profit allocation to our manager could result in allocations of taxable income (with no corresponding cash distributions) to our shareholders, thus giving rise to “phantom” income or could result in cash distributions (without an accompanying allocation of profits) to our shareholders. Such distributions may reduce your tax basis in our shares, and you may realize greater gain (or smaller loss) on the disposition of your shares than you may otherwise expect. You may have a tax gain even if the price you receive is less than your original cost.

All of the company’s income could be subject to an entity-level tax in the United States, which could result in a material reduction in cash flow available for distribution to holders of shares of the trust and thus could result in a substantial reduction in the value of the shares.

Our shareholders generally will be treated as beneficial owners of the trust interests in the company held by the trust. Accordingly, the company may be regarded as a publicly-traded partnership, which, under the federal tax laws, would be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes. A publicly traded partnership will not, however, be characterized as a corporation so long as 90% or more of its gross income for each taxable year constitutes “qualifying income” within the meaning of section 7704(d) of the Code. The company expects to realize sufficient passive-type, or “qualifying,” income to qualify for the qualifying income exception.

Under current law and assuming full compliance with the terms of the LLC agreement (and other relevant documents) and based upon factual representations made by the manager on behalf of the company, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP will deliver an opinion that the company will be classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The factual representations made by us upon which Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has relied are: (a) the company has not elected and will not elect to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and (b) for each taxable year, more than 90% of the company’s gross income will be income that Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has opined or will opine is qualifying income within the meaning of section 7704(d) of the Code. If the company fails to satisfy this “qualifying income” exception, the company will be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal (and certain state and local) income tax purposes, and shareholders of the trust would be treated as shareholders in a corporation. The company would be required to pay income tax at regular corporate rates on its income. In addition, the company would likely be liable for state and local income and/or franchise taxes on its income. Distributions to the shareholders of the trust would constitute ordinary dividend income, taxable to such holders to the extent of the company’s earnings and profits. Taxation of the company as a corporation could result in a material reduction in distributions to our shareholders and after-tax return and, thus, would likely result in a substantial reduction in the value of, or materially adversely affect the market price of, the shares of the trust.

If the trust were determined not to be a grantor trust, the trust may itself be regarded as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and the trust’s items of income, gain, loss, and deduction would be reportable to the shareholders of the trust on IRS Schedules K-1.

A fixed-investment trust is a type of grantor trust, and the beneficial owners of grantor trust interests are treated as the owners of undivided interests in the trust assets. Based upon the discussion in the “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations” section, in the opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, which states that the opinion is not free from doubt, the trust will be treated as a grantor trust in which the trustees have no power to vary the trust’s investments. If the trust were not so treated, it likely would be regarded as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, which would affect the manner in which the trust reports tax information to the holders of shares of the trust.

If the trust makes one or more new equity offerings, the investors participating in those subsequent offerings will be allocated a portion of any built-in gains (or losses) that exist at the time of the additional offerings.

The terms of the LLC agreement generally provide that all members share equally in any capital gains (or losses) after payment of any profit allocation to our manager. As a result, if one of the businesses owned by the company had appreciated in value and was sold after an additional equity offering in the trust, the

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resulting taxable gain from the sale of the business (after any profit allocation to our manager) would be allocated to all members, and in turn, to all shareholders, including both shareholders that purchase shares in this offering (and who continue to hold their shares) and those shareholders that purchase shares in the later offering. This is similar to the concept of purchasing a dividend in a mutual fund.

A shareholder may recognize a greater taxable gain (or a smaller tax loss) on a disposition of shares than expected because of the treatment of debt under the partnership tax accounting rules.

We may incur debt for a variety of reasons, including for acquisitions as well as other purposes. Under partnership tax accounting principles (which apply to the company), debt of the company generally will be allocable to our shareholders, who will realize the benefit of including their allocable share of the debt in the tax basis of their investment in shares. As discussed in the section entitled “Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations,” the tax basis in shares will be adjusted for, among other things, distributions of cash and shares of company losses, if any. At the time a shareholder later sells shares, the selling shareholder’s amount realized on the sale will include not only the sales price of the shares but also will include the shareholder’s portion of the company’s debt allocable to his shares (which is treated as proceeds from the sale of those shares). Depending on the nature of the company’s activities after having incurred the debt, and the utilization of the borrowed funds, a later sale of shares could result in a larger taxable gain (or a smaller tax loss) than anticipated.

Risks Relating Generally to Our Businesses

Our results of operations may vary from quarter to quarter, which could adversely impact the market price of our shares.

Our results of operations may experience significant quarterly fluctuations because of various factors, which include, among others:

- the general economic conditions including employment levels, of the industry and regions in which each of our businesses operate;
- seasonal shifts in demand for the products and services offered by certain of our businesses;
- the general economic conditions of the customers and clients of our businesses;
- the timing and market acceptance of new products and services introduced by our businesses; and
- the timing of our acquisitions of other businesses.

Based on the foregoing, quarter-to-quarter comparisons of our consolidated results of operations and the results of operations of each of our businesses may adversely impact the market price of our shares. In addition, historical results of operations may not be a reliable indication of future performance for our businesses.

Our businesses are or may be vulnerable to economic fluctuations as demand for their products and services tends to decrease as economic activity slows.

Demand for the products and services provided by our businesses is, and businesses we acquire in the future may be, sensitive to changes in the level of economic activity in the regions and industries in which they do business. For example, as economic activity slows down, companies often reduce their use of temporary employees and their research and development spending. In addition, consumer spending on recreational activities also decreases in an economic slow down. Regardless of the industry, pressure to reduce prices of goods and services in competitive industries increases during periods of economic downturns, which may cause compression on our businesses’ financial margins. A significant economic downturn could have a material adverse effect on the business, results of operations and financial condition of each of our businesses and therefore on our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses are or may be dependent upon the financial and operating conditions of their customers and clients. If the demand for their customers' and clients' products and services declines, demand for their products and services will be similarly affected and could have a material adverse effect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

The success of our businesses' customers' and clients' products and services in the market and the strength of the markets in which these customers and clients operate affect our businesses. Our businesses' customers and clients are subject to their own business cycles, thus posing risks to these businesses that are beyond our control. These cycles are unpredictable in commencement, severity and duration. Due to the uncertainty in the markets served by most of our businesses' customers and clients, our businesses cannot accurately predict the continued demand for their customers' and clients' products and services and the demands of their customers and clients for their products and services. As a result of this uncertainty, past operating results, earnings and cash flows may not be indicative of our future operating results, earnings and cash flows. If the demand for their customers' and clients' products and services declines, demand for their products and services will be similarly affected and could have a material adverse effect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

The industries in which our businesses compete or may compete are highly competitive and they may not be able to compete effectively with competitors.

Our businesses face substantial competition from a number of providers of similar services and products. Some industries in which our businesses compete are highly fragmented and characterized by intense competition and low margins. They compete with independent businesses and service providers. Many of their competitors have substantially greater financial, manufacturing, marketing and technical resources, have greater name recognition and customer allegiance, operate in a wider geographic area and offer a greater variety of products and services. Increased competition from existing or potential competitors could result in price reductions, reduced margins, loss of market share or reduced results of operations and cash flows.

In addition, current and prospective customers and clients continually evaluate the merits of internally providing products or services currently provided by our businesses and their decision to do so would materially adversely effect the financial condition, business and results of operations of our businesses.

Our businesses rely and may rely on their intellectual property and licenses to use others' intellectual property, for competitive advantage. If our businesses are unable to protect their intellectual property, are unable to obtain or retain licenses to use other's intellectual property, or if they infringe upon or are alleged to have infringed upon others' intellectual property, it could have a material adverse affect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Each businesses' success depends in part on their, or licenses to use others', brand names, proprietary technology and manufacturing techniques. These businesses rely on a combination of patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, confidentiality procedures and contractual provisions to protect their intellectual property rights. The steps they have taken to protect their intellectual property rights may not prevent third parties from using their intellectual property and other proprietary information without their authorization or independently developing intellectual property and other proprietary information that is similar. In addition, the laws of foreign countries may not protect our businesses' intellectual property rights effectively or to the same extent as the laws of the United States. Stopping unauthorized use of their proprietary information and intellectual property, and defending claims that they have made unauthorized use of others' proprietary information or intellectual property, may be difficult, time-consuming and costly. The use of their intellectual property and other proprietary information by others, and the use by others of their intellectual property and proprietary information, could reduce or eliminate any competitive advantage they have developed, cause them to lose sales or otherwise harm their business.

Confidentiality agreements entered into by our businesses with their employees and third parties could be breached and may not provide meaningful protection for their unpatented proprietary manufacturing expertise, continuing technological innovation and other trade secrets. Adequate remedies may not be

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available in the event of an unauthorized use or disclosure of their trade secrets and manufacturing expertise. Violations by others of their confidentiality agreements and the loss of employees who have specialized knowledge and expertise could harm our businesses' competitive position and cause sales and operating results to decline.

Our businesses may become involved in legal proceedings and claims in the future either to protect their intellectual property or to defend allegations that they have infringed upon others' intellectual property rights. These claims and any resulting litigation could subject them to significant liability for damages and invalidate their property rights. In addition, these lawsuits, regardless of their merits, could be time consuming and expensive to resolve and could divert management's time and attention. Any potential intellectual property litigation alleging infringement of a third party's intellectual property also could force them or their customers and clients to:

- temporarily or permanently stop producing products that use the intellectual property in question;
- obtain an intellectual property license to sell the relevant technology at an additional cost, which license may not be available on reasonable terms, or at all; and
- redesign those products or services that use the technology or other intellectual property in question.

The costs associated with any of these actions could be substantial and could have a material adverse affect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

The operations and research and development of some of our businesses' services and technology depend on the collective experience of their technical employees. If these employees were to leave our businesses and take this knowledge, our businesses' operations and their ability to compete effectively could be materially adversely impacted.

The future success of some of our businesses depends upon the continued service of their technical personnel who have developed and continue to develop their technology and products. If any of these employees leave our businesses, the loss of their technical knowledge and experience may materially adversely affect the operations and research and development of current and future services. We may also be unable to attract technical individuals with comparable experience because competition for such technical personnel is intense. If our businesses are not able to replace their technical personnel with new employees or attract additional technical individuals, their operations may suffer as they may be unable to keep up with innovations in their respective industries. As a result, their ability to continue to compete effectively and their operations may be materially adversely affected.

If our businesses are unable to continue the technological innovation and successful commercial introduction of new products and services, their financial condition, business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

The industries in which our businesses operate, or may operate, experience periodic technological changes and ongoing product improvements. Their results of operations depend significantly on the development of commercially viable new products, product grades and applications, as well as production technologies and their ability to integrate new technologies. Our future growth will depend on their ability to gauge the direction of the commercial and technological progress in all key end-use markets and upon their ability to successfully develop, manufacture and market products in such changing end-use markets. In this regard, they must make ongoing capital investments.

In addition, their customers may introduce new generations of their own products, which may require new or increased technological and performance specifications, requiring our businesses to develop customized products. Our businesses may not be successful in developing new products and technology that satisfy their customers' demand and their customers may not accept any of their new products. If our businesses fail to keep pace with evolving technological innovations or fail to modify their products in response to their customers' needs in a timely manner, then their financial condition, business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected as a result of reduced sales of their products and sunk

developmental costs. These developments may require our personnel staffing business to seek better educated and trained workers, who may not be available in sufficient numbers.

Some of our businesses rely and may rely on suppliers for the timely delivery of materials used in manufacturing their products. Shortages or price fluctuations in component parts specified by their customers could limit their ability to manufacture certain products, delay product shipments, cause them to breach supply contracts and materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our results of operations could be materially adversely affected if our businesses are unable to obtain adequate supplies of raw materials in a timely manner. Strikes, fuel shortages and delays of providers of logistics and transportation services could disrupt our businesses and reduce sales and increase costs. Many of the products our businesses manufacture require one or more components that are supplied by third parties. Our businesses generally do not have any long-term supply agreements. At various times, there are shortages of some of the components that they use, as a result of strong demand for those components or problems experienced by suppliers. Suppliers of these raw materials may from time to time delay delivery, limit supplies or increase prices due to capacity constraints or other factors, which could materially adversely affect our businesses ability to deliver products on a timely basis. In addition, supply shortages for a particular component can delay production of all products using that component or cause cost increases in the services they provide. Our businesses inability to obtain these needed materials may require them to redesign or reconfigure products to accommodate substitute components, which would slow production or assembly, delay shipments to customers, increase costs and reduce operating income. In certain circumstances, our businesses may bear the risk of periodic component price increases, which could increase costs and reduce operating income.

In addition, our businesses may purchase components in advance of their requirements for those components as a result of a threatened or anticipated shortage. In this event, they will incur additional inventory carrying costs, for which they may not be compensated, and have a heightened risk of exposure to inventory obsolescence. If they fail to manage their inventory effectively, our businesses may bear the risk of fluctuations in materials costs, scrap and excess inventory, all of which may materially adversely affect their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses could experience fluctuations in the costs of raw materials as a result of inflation and other economic conditions, which fluctuations could have a material adverse effect on their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Changes in inflation could materially adversely affect the costs and availability of raw materials used in our manufacturing businesses, and changes in fuel costs likely will affect the costs of transporting materials from our suppliers and shipping goods to our customers, as well as the effective areas from which we can recruit temporary staffing personnel. For example, for Advanced Circuits, the principal raw materials consist of copper and glass and represent approximately 33.3% of its total raw material purchases volume and approximately 10.2% of its total cost of goods sold in 2005. Prices for these key raw materials may fluctuate during periods of high demand. The ability by these businesses to offset the effect of increases in raw material prices by increasing their prices is uncertain. If these businesses are unable to cover price increases of these raw materials, their financial condition, business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Our businesses do not have and may not have long-term contracts with their customers and clients and the loss of customers and clients could materially adversely affect their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses are and may be, based primarily upon individual orders and sales with their customers and clients. Our businesses historically have not entered into long-term supply contracts with their customers and clients. As such, their customers and clients could cease using their services or buying their products from them at any time and for any reason. The fact that they do not enter into long-term contracts with their customers and clients means that they have no recourse in the event a customer or

client no longer wants to use their services or purchase products from them. If a significant number of their customers or clients elect not to use their services or purchase their products, it could materially adversely affect their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Damage to our businesses' or their customers' and suppliers' offices and facilities could increase costs of doing business and materially adversely affect their ability to deliver their services and products on a timely basis as well as decrease demand for their services and products, which could materially adversely affect their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses have offices and facilities located throughout the United States, as well as in Europe and Asia. The destruction or closure of these offices and facilities or transportation services, or the offices or facilities of our customers or suppliers for a significant period of time as a result of: fire; explosion; act of war or terrorism; labor strikes; trade embargoes or increased tariffs; floods; tornados; hurricanes; earthquakes; tsunamis; or other natural disasters, could increase our businesses' costs of doing business and harm their ability to deliver their products and services on a timely basis and demand for their products and services and, consequently, materially adversely affect their financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses are and may be subject to federal, state and foreign environmental laws and regulations that expose them to potential financial liability. Complying with applicable environmental laws requires significant resources, and if our businesses fail to comply, they could be subject to substantial liability.

Some of the facilities and operations of our businesses are and may be subject to a variety of federal, state and foreign environmental laws and regulations including laws and regulations pertaining to the handling, storage and transportation of raw materials, products and wastes, which require and will continue to require significant expenditures to remain in compliance with such laws and regulations currently in place and in the future. Compliance with current and future environmental laws is a major consideration for our businesses as any material violations of these laws can lead to substantial liability, revocations of discharge permits, fines or penalties. Because some of our businesses use hazardous materials and generate hazardous wastes in their operations, they may be subject to potential financial liability for costs associated with the investigation and remediation of their own sites, or sites at which they have arranged for the disposal of hazardous wastes, if such sites become contaminated. Even if they fully comply with applicable environmental laws and are not directly at fault for the contamination, our businesses may still be liable.

Although our businesses estimate their potential liability with respect to violations or alleged violations and reserve funds and obtain insurance for such liability, such accruals may not be sufficient to cover the actual costs incurred as a result of these violations or alleged violations, which may include payment of large insurance deductibles. Additionally, if certain violations occur, premiums and deductibles for certain insurance policies may increase substantially and, in some instances, certain insurance may become unavailable or available only for reduced amounts of coverage.

The identification of presently unidentified environmental conditions, more vigorous enforcement by regulatory agencies, enactment of more stringent laws and regulations, or other unanticipated events may arise in the future and give rise to material environmental liabilities, higher than anticipated levels of operating expenses and capital investment or, depending on the severity of the impact of the foregoing factors, costly plant relocation, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, business and results of operations.

See the section entitled “— Risks Related to Crosman — Crosman may be required to pay remediation costs pursuant to DEC consent orders if the third party indemnitor is unable or unwilling to pay such costs” for a discussion of consent orders with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”) signed by Crosman concerning the investigation and remediation of soil and groundwater contamination at its facility in East Bloomfield, New York.

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Our businesses are and may be subject to a variety of federal, state and foreign laws and regulations concerning employment, health, safety and products liability. Failure to comply with governmental laws and regulations could subject them to, among other things, potential financial liability, penalties and legal expenses which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, business and results of operations.

Our businesses are and may be subject to various federal, state and foreign government employment, health, safety and products liability regulations. Compliance with these laws and regulations, which may be more stringent in some jurisdictions, is a major consideration for our businesses. Government regulators generally have considerable discretion to change or increase regulation of our operations, or implement additional laws or regulations that could materially adversely affect our businesses. Noncompliance with applicable regulations and requirements could subject our businesses to investigations, sanctions, product recalls, enforcement actions, disgorgement of profits, fines, damages, civil and criminal penalties or injunctions. Suffering any of these consequences could materially adversely affect our financial condition, business and results of operations. In addition, responding to any action will likely result in a diversion of our manager's and our management teams' attention and resources from our operations.

Some of our businesses are and may be operated pursuant to government permits, licenses, leases, concessions or contracts that are generally complex and may result in disputes over interpretation or enforceability. Our failure to comply with regulations or concessions could subject us to monetary penalties or result in a revocation of our rights to operate the affected business.

Our businesses, to varying degrees, rely and may, in the future, rely on government permits, licenses, concessions, leases or contracts. These arrangements are generally complex and require significant expenditures and attention by management to ensure compliance. These arrangements may result in disputes, including arbitration or litigation, over interpretation or enforceability. If our businesses fail to comply with these regulations or contractual obligations, our businesses could be subject to monetary penalties or lose their rights to operate their respective businesses, or both. Further, our businesses' ability to grow may often require the consent of government regulators. These consents may be costly to obtain and we may not be able to obtain them in a timely fashion, if at all. Failure of our businesses to obtain any required consents could limit our ability to achieve our growth strategy.

Our businesses are subject to certain risks associated with their foreign operations or business they conduct in foreign jurisdictions.

Some of our businesses have and may have operations or conduct business in Europe and Asia. Certain risks are inherent in operating or conducting business in foreign jurisdictions, including:

- exposure to local economic conditions;
- difficulties in enforcing agreements and collecting receivables through certain foreign legal systems;
- longer payment cycles for foreign customers;
- adverse currency exchange controls;
- exposure to risks associated with changes in foreign exchange rates;
- potential adverse changes in the political environment of the foreign jurisdictions or diplomatic relations of foreign countries with the United States;
- withholding taxes and restrictions on the withdrawal of foreign investments and earnings;
- export and import restrictions;
- labor relations in the foreign jurisdictions;
- difficulties in enforcing intellectual property rights; and
- required compliance with a variety of foreign laws and regulations.

Employees of our businesses may join unions, which may increase our businesses' costs.

The majority of the employees of our businesses are not subject to collective bargaining agreements. However, employees who are not currently subject to collective bargaining agreements may form or join a union. The unionization of our businesses' workforce could result in increased labor costs. Any work stoppages or other labor disturbances by our businesses' employees could increase labor costs and disrupt production and the occurrence of either of these events could have a material adverse effect on the its business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flow available for distributions.

Our initial businesses have recorded a significant amount of goodwill and other identifiable intangible assets, which may never be fully realized.

Our initial businesses collectively have, as of December 31, 2005, \$308.0 million of goodwill and intangible and other assets on a pro forma basis. On a consolidated basis, this is 67.2% of our total assets on a pro forma basis. In accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 142, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, we are required to evaluate goodwill and other intangibles for impairment at least annually. Impairment may result from, among other things, deterioration in the performance of these businesses, adverse market conditions, adverse changes in applicable laws or regulations, including changes that restrict the activities of or affect the products and services sold by these businesses, and a variety of other factors. Depending on future circumstances, it is possible that we may never realize the full value of these intangible assets. The amount of any quantified impairment must be expensed immediately as a charge to results of operations. Any future determination of impairment of a material portion of goodwill or other identifiable intangible assets could have a material adverse effect on these businesses' financial condition and operating results, and could result in a default under our debt covenants.

The operational objectives and business plans of our businesses may conflict with our operational and business objectives or with the plans and objective of another business we own and operate.

Our businesses operate in different industries and face different risks and opportunities depending on market and economic conditions in their respective industries and regions. A business' operational objectives and business plans may not be similar to our objectives and plans or the objectives and plans of another business that we own and operate. This could create competing demands for resources, such as management attention and funding needed for operations or acquisitions, in the future.

The internal controls of our initial businesses have not yet been integrated and we have only recently begun to examine the internal controls that are in place for each business. As a result, we may fail to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act or our auditors may report a material weakness in the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting.

We are required under applicable law and regulations to integrate the various systems of internal control over financial reporting of our initial businesses. Beginning with our Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 2007, pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Section 404"), we will be required to include management's assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of the end of the fiscal year. Additionally, our independent registered public accounting firm will be required to issue a report on management's assessment of our internal control over financial reporting and a report on their evaluation of the operating effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting.

We are evaluating our initial businesses' existing internal controls in light of the requirements of Section 404. During the course of our ongoing evaluation and integration of the internal controls of our initial businesses, we may identify areas requiring improvement, and may have to design enhanced processes and controls to address issues identified through this review. Since our initial businesses were not subject to the requirements of Section 404 before this offering, the evaluation of existing controls and the implementation of any additional procedures, processes or controls may be costly. Our initial compliance

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with Section 404 could result in significant delays and costs and require us to divert substantial resources, including management time, from other activities and hire additional accounting staff to address Section 404 requirements. In addition, under Section 404, we are required to report all significant deficiencies to our audit committee and independent auditors and all material weaknesses to our audit committee and auditors and in our periodic reports. We may not be able to successfully complete the procedures, certification and attestation requirements of Section 404 and we or our auditors may have to report material weaknesses in connection with the presentation of our financial statements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2007.

If we fail to comply with the requirements of Section 404 or if our auditors report such a significant deficiency or material weakness, the accuracy and timeliness of the filing of our annual report may be materially adversely affected and could cause investors to lose confidence in our reported financial information, which could have a material adverse effect on the market price of the shares.

Risks Related to CBS Personnel

CBS Personnel's business depends on its ability to attract and retain qualified staffing personnel that possess the skills demanded by its clients.

As a provider of temporary staffing services, the success of CBS Personnel's business depends on its ability to attract and retain qualified staffing personnel who possess the skills and experience necessary to meet the requirements of its clients or to successfully bid for new client projects. CBS Personnel must continually evaluate and upgrade its base of available qualified personnel through recruiting and training programs to keep pace with changing client needs and emerging technologies. CBS Personnel's ability to attract and retain qualified staffing personnel could be impaired by rapid improvement in economic conditions resulting in lower unemployment, increases in compensation or increased competition. During periods of economic growth, CBS Personnel faces increasing competition for retaining and recruiting qualified staffing personnel, which in turn leads to greater advertising and recruiting costs and increased salary expenses. If CBS Personnel cannot attract and retain qualified staffing personnel, the quality of its services may deteriorate and its financial condition, business and results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

Any significant economic downturn could result in clients of CBS Personnel using fewer temporary employees, which would materially adversely affect the business of CBS Personnel.

Because demand for temporary staffing services is sensitive to changes in the level of economic activity, CBS Personnel's business may suffer during economic downturns. As economic activity begins to slow, companies tend to reduce their use of temporary employees before undertaking any other restructuring efforts, which may include reduced hiring and changed pay and working hours of their regular employees, resulting in decreased demand for temporary personnel. Significant declines in demand, and thus in revenues, can result in lower profit levels.

Customer relocation of positions filled by CBS Personnel may materially adversely affect CBS Personnel's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Many companies have built offshore operations, moved their operations to offshore sites that have lower employment costs or outsourced certain functions. If CBS Personnel's customers relocate positions filled by CBS Personnel, this would have a material adverse effect on the financial condition, business and results of operations of CBS Personnel.

CBS Personnel assumes the obligation to make wage, tax and regulatory payments for its employees, and as a result, it is exposed to client credit risks.

CBS Personnel generally assumes responsibility for and manages the risks associated with its employees' payroll obligations, including liability for payment of salaries and wages (including payroll taxes), as well as group health and retirement benefits. These obligations are fixed, whether or not its

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clients make payments required by services agreements, which exposes CBS Personnel to credit risks of its clients, primarily relating to uncollateralized accounts receivables. If CBS Personnel fails to successfully manage its credit risk, its financial condition, business and results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

CBS Personnel is exposed to employment-related claims and costs and periodic litigation that could materially adversely affect its financial condition, business and results of operations.

The temporary services business entails employing individuals and placing such individuals in clients' workplaces. CBS Personnel's ability to control the workplace environment of its clients is limited. As the employer of record of its temporary employees, it incurs a risk of liability to its temporary employees and clients for various workplace events, including:

- claims of misconduct or negligence on the part of its employees, discrimination or harassment claims against its employees, or claims by its employees of discrimination or harassment by its clients;
- immigration-related claims;
- claims relating to violations of wage, hour and other workplace regulations;
- claims relating to employee benefits, entitlements to employee benefits, or errors in the calculation or administration of such benefits; and
- possible claims relating to misuse of customer confidential information, misappropriation of assets or other similar claims.

CBS Personnel may incur fines and other losses and negative publicity with respect to any of the situations listed above. Some the claims may result in litigation, which is expensive and distracts management's attention from the operations of CBS Personnel's business.

CBS Personnel maintains insurance with respect to many of these claims. CBS Personnel, however, may not be able to continue to obtain insurance at a cost that does not have a material adverse effect upon it. As a result, such claims (whether by reason of it not having insurance or by reason of such claims being outside the scope of its insurance) may have a material adverse effect on CBS Personnel's financial condition, business and results of operations.

CBS Personnel's workers' compensation loss reserves may be inadequate to cover its ultimate liability for workers' compensation costs.

CBS Personnel self-insures its workers' compensation exposure for certain employees. The calculation of the workers' compensation reserves involves the use of certain actuarial assumptions and estimates. Accordingly, reserves do not represent an exact calculation of liability. Reserves can be affected by both internal and external events, such as adverse developments on existing claims or changes in medical costs, claims handling procedures, administrative costs, inflation, and legal trends and legislative changes. As a result, reserves may not be adequate.

If reserves are insufficient to cover the actual losses, CBS Personnel would have to increase its reserves and incur charges to its earnings that could be material.

Risks Related to Crosman

Crosman is dependent on key retailers, the loss of which would materially adversely affect its financial conditions, businesses and results of operations.

Crosman's 10 largest retailers accounted for approximately 71.3% of its gross sales, excluding GFP, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 and its largest retailer, Wal-Mart, accounted for approximately 37.2% of its gross sales, excluding GFP, in such period. Crosman may be unable to retain listings of its products at certain existing retailers, or may only be able to retain or increase product listings at lower

prices, reducing profitability at these key retailers. Specifically, the decision to list products with specific retailers is not made solely by Crosman and may be based upon factors beyond its control. Accordingly, its listings with its current retailers may not extend into the future, or if extended, the product prices or other terms may not be acceptable to it. Moreover, the retail customers who purchase its products may not continue to do so. Any negative change involving any of its largest retailers, including but not limited to a retailer's financial condition, desire to carry their products or desire to carry the overall airgun, paintball or larger encompassing category (e.g., sporting goods) would likely have a material adverse effect on Crosman's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Crosman may be required to pay remediation costs pursuant to DEC consent orders if the third party indemnitor is unable or unwilling to pay such costs.

Crosman has signed consent orders with the DEC to investigate and remediate soil and groundwater contamination at its facility in East Bloomfield, New York. Pursuant to a contractual indemnity and related agreements, the costs of investigation and remediation have been paid by a third party successor to the prior owner and operator of the facility, which also has signed the consent orders with the DEC. In 2002, the DEC indicated that additional remediation of groundwater may be required. Crosman and the third party have engaged in discussions with the DEC regarding the need for additional remediation. To date, the DEC has not required any additional remediation. The third party may not have the financial ability to pay or may discontinue defraying future site remediation costs, which could have a material adverse effect on Crosman if the DEC requires additional groundwater remediation.

Crosman's products are subject to governmental regulations in the United States and foreign jurisdictions.

In the United States, recreational airgun and paintball products are within the jurisdiction of the Consumer Products and Safety Commission ("CPSC"). Under federal statutory law and CPSC regulations, a manufacturer of consumer goods is obligated to notify the CPSC if, among other things, the manufacturer becomes aware that one of its products has a defect that could create a substantial risk of injury. If the manufacturer has not already undertaken to do so, the CPSC may require a manufacturer to recall a product, which may involve product repair, replacement or refund. Crosman's products may also be subject to recall pursuant to regulations in other jurisdictions where its products are sold. Any recall of its products may expose them to product liability claims and have a material adverse effect on its reputation, brand, and image and on its financial condition, business and results of operations. On a state level, Crosman is subject to state laws relating to the retail sale and use of certain of its products.

The American Society of Testing Materials ("ASTM"), a non-governmental self-regulating association, has been active in developing and periodically reviewing, voluntary standards regarding airguns, airgun ammunition, paintball fields, paintball face protection, paintball markers and recreational airguns. Any failure to comply with any current or pending ASTM standards may have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Adverse publicity relating to shooting sports or paintball, or publicity associated with actions by the CPSC or others expressing concern about the safety or function of its products or its competitor's products (whether or not such publicity is associated with a claim against it or results in any action by it or the CPSC), could have a material adverse effect on their reputation, brand image, or markets, any of which could have a material adverse effect on Crosman, its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Certain jurisdictions outside of the U.S. have legislation that prohibit retailers from selling, or places restrictions on the sale of, certain product categories that are or may be sufficiently broad enough to include recreational airguns or paintball markers. Although Crosman is not aware of any state or federal initiatives to enact comparable legislation, aside from those state laws relating to retail sale and use of certain of its products, such legislation may be enacted in the future.

Many jurisdictions outside of the United States, including Canada, have legislation limiting the power, distribution and/or use of Crosman's products. Crosman works with its distributors in each jurisdiction to ensure that it is in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations. Any change in the laws and

regulations in any of the jurisdictions where its products are sold that restricts the distribution, sale or use of its products could have a material adverse effect on them, their financial condition and results of operations.

The airgun and paintball industries are seasonal, which could materially adversely affect Crosman's financial condition, business and results of operations.

The airgun and paintball industries are subject to seasonal variations in sales. Specifically, approximately 25% of its products are sold during October and November as part of the holiday retail season. The success of sales in the holiday retail season is dependent upon a number of factors including, but not limited to, the ability to continue to obtain promotional listings and the overall retail and consumer spending macro-economic environment.

The months following the holiday season are the winter months in North America, which typically result in lower sales of certain outdoor products. As a result, many outdoor consumer products companies, other than those focused on outdoor winter products, historically experience a significant decline in operating income from January to March. The second fiscal quarter operating results are typically above Crosman's annual average and the third fiscal quarter operating results are typically lower than its annual average. The seasonal nature of sales requires disproportionately higher working capital investments from September through January. In addition, borrowing capacity under its revolving credit facility is impacted by the seasonal change in receivables and inventory. Consequently, interim results are not necessarily indicative of the full fiscal year and quarterly results may vary substantially, both within a fiscal year and between comparable fiscal years. The effects of seasonality could have a material adverse impact on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Crosman's products are subject to product safety and liability lawsuits, which could materially adversely affect its financial condition, business and results of operations.

As a manufacturer of recreational airguns, Crosman, other than GFP, is involved in various litigation matters that occur in the ordinary course of business. Since the beginning of 1994, Crosman has been named as a defendant in 56 lawsuits and has been the subject of 92 other claims made by persons alleging to have been injured by its products. To date, 96 of these cases have been terminated without payment and 26 of these cases have been settled at an aggregate settlement cost of approximately \$1,725,000. As of the date of this prospectus, Crosman is involved in 4 product liability cases and 22 claims brought against Crosman by persons alleging to have been injured by its products.

In addition, GFP has been the subject of three claims made by persons alleging to be injured by its products. Two of these claims have been resolved without payment and, as of the date of this prospectus, the third has not been resolved and remains active.

Crosman's management believes that, in most cases, these injuries have been sustained as a result of the misuse of the product, or the failure to follow the safety instructions that accompanied the product or the failure to follow well-recognized common sense rules for recreational airgun safety. In the last two years, expenses incurred in connection with the defense of product liability claims have averaged less than \$500,000.

If any unresolved lawsuits or claims are determined adversely, they could have a material adverse effect on Crosman, its financial condition, business and results of operations. As more of Crosman's products are sold to and used by consumers, the likelihood of product liability claims being made against it increases.

Although Crosman provides information regarding safety procedures and warnings with all of its product packaging materials, not all users of its products will observe all proper safety practices. Failure to observe proper safety practices may result in injuries that give rise to product liability and personal injury claims and lawsuits, as well as claims for breach of contract, loss of profits and consequential damages against both companies.

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In addition, the running of statutes of limitations in the United States for personal injuries to minor children typically is suspended during the children's legal minority. Therefore, it is possible that accidents resulting in injuries to minors may not give rise to lawsuits until a number of years later.

While Crosman maintains product liability insurance to insure against potential claims, there is a risk such insurance may not be sufficient to cover all liabilities incurred in connection with such claims and the financial consequences of these claims and lawsuits will have a material adverse effect on its business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations.

Crosman relies on a limited number of suppliers and as a result, if suppliers are unable to provide materials on a timely basis, Crosman's financial condition, business and results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

Crosman is aware of only five manufacturers of the gelatin-encapsulated paintballs necessary for paintball play. Crosman believes that the cost of equipment and the knowledge required for the encapsulation process have historically been significant barriers to the entry of additional paintball suppliers. Accordingly, additional paintball suppliers may not exist in the future. Because Crosman does not manufacture its own paintballs, it has entered into a joint venture with a major paintball producer. Despite the existence of contractual arrangements, it is possible that the current supplier will not be able to supply sufficient quantities of its products in order to meet Crosman's current needs or to support any growth in Crosman's sales in the future.

Crosman does not currently have long-term contracts with any of its suppliers, nor does it currently have multiple suppliers for all parts, components, tooling, supplies and services critical to its manufacturing process. Its success will depend, in part, on its and Crosman's ability to maintain relationships with its current suppliers and on the ability of these and other suppliers to satisfy its product requirements. Failure of a key supplier to meet its product needs on a timely basis or loss of a key supplier could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Crosman cannot control certain of its operating expenses and as a result, if it is unable to pass on its cost increases, its financial condition, business and results of operations may be materially adversely affected.

Certain costs including, but not limited to, steel, plastics, labor and insurance may escalate. Although Crosman has the ability to pass on some price increases to customers, significant increases in these costs could significantly decrease the affordability of its products. The cost of maintaining property, casualty, products liability and workers' compensation insurance, for example, is significant. As a producer of recreational airguns and paintball products, Crosman is exposed to claims for personal injury or death as a result of accidents and misuse or abuse of its products. Generally, its insurance policies must be renewed annually. Its ability to continue to obtain insurance at affordable premiums also depends upon its ability to continue to operate with an acceptable safety record. Crosman could experience higher insurance premiums as a result of adverse claims experience or because of general increases in premiums by insurance carriers for reasons unrelated to its own claims experience. A significant increase in the number of claims against it, the assertion of one or more claims in excess of policy limits or the inability to obtain adequate insurance coverage at acceptable rates, or at all, could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

The members agreement governing GFP has certain covenants that may have important consequences to Crosman.

Under the terms of the members agreement governing GFP, Crosman is subject to certain non-competition and non-solicitation covenants restricting its participation in the paintball industry for a period

of three years from the date it terminates its interests in GFP. These covenants restrict its ability, among other things, to:

- engage in, have any equity or profit interest in, make any loan to or for the benefit of, or render services to any business that engages in providing goods or services provided by GFP in the relevant territory;
- employ any person who was employed by GFP and has not ceased to be employed for a period of at least one year;
- solicit any current or previous customer of GFP; and
- directly or indirectly engage in the manufacture of paintballs.

Crosman is restricted in their ability to engage in certain activities within a defined geographic scope for a period of three years following termination of its interest in GFP, and such restrictions could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Risks Related to Advanced Circuits

Defects in the products that Advanced Circuits produces for their customers could result in financial or other damages to those customers, which could result in reduced demand for Advanced Circuits' services and liability claims against Advanced Circuits.

Some of the products Advanced Circuits produces could potentially result in product liability suits against Advanced Circuits. While Advanced Circuits does not engage in design services for its customers, it does manufacture products to their customers' specifications that are highly complex and may at times contain design or manufacturing defects, errors or failures, despite its quality control and quality assurance efforts. Defects in the products it manufactures, whether caused by a design, manufacturing or materials failure or error, may result in delayed shipments, customer dissatisfaction, or a reduction in or cancellation of purchase orders or liability claims against Advanced Circuits. If these defects occur either in large quantities or frequently, its business reputation may be impaired. Defects in its products could result in financial or other damages to its customers.

If a person were to bring a product liability suit against Advanced Circuits' customers, such person may attempt to seek contribution from Advanced Circuits. Product liability claims made against any of these businesses, even if unsuccessful, would be time consuming and costly to defend. A customer may also bring a product liability claim directly against Advanced Circuits. A successful product liability claim or series of claims against Advanced Circuits in excess of its insurance coverage, and for which it is not otherwise indemnified, could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business or results of operations. Although Advanced Circuits maintains a warranty reserve, this reserve may not be sufficient to cover its warranty or other expenses that could arise as a result of defects in its products.

Unless Advanced Circuits is able to respond to technological change at least as quickly as its competitors, its services could be rendered obsolete, which could materially adversely affect its financial condition, business and results of operations.

The market for Advanced Circuits' services is characterized by rapidly changing technology and continuing process development. The future success of its business will depend in large part upon its ability to maintain and enhance its technological capabilities, retain qualified engineering and technical personnel, develop and market services that meet evolving customer needs and successfully anticipate and respond to technological changes on a cost-effective and timely basis. Advanced Circuits' core manufacturing capabilities are for 2 to 12 layer printed circuit boards. Trends towards miniaturization and increased performance of electronic products are dictating the use of printed circuit boards with increased layer counts. If this trend continues Advanced Circuits may not be able to effectively respond to the technological requirements of the changing market. If it determines that new technologies and equipment are required to remain competitive, the development, acquisition and implementation of these technologies

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may require significant capital investments. It may be unable to obtain capital for these purposes in the future, and investments in new technologies may not result in commercially viable technological processes. Any failure to anticipate and adapt to its customers' changing technological needs and requirements or retain qualified engineering and technical personnel could materially adversely affect its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Advanced Circuits' customers operate in industries that experience rapid technological change resulting in short product life cycles and as a result, if the product life cycles of its customers slow materially, and research and development expenditures are reduced, its financial condition, business and results of operations will be materially adversely affected.

Advanced Circuits' customers compete in markets that are characterized by rapidly changing technology, evolving industry standards and continuous improvement in products and services. These conditions frequently result in short product life cycles. As professionals operating in research and development departments represent the majority of Advanced Circuits' net sales, the rapid development of electronic products is a key driver of Advanced Circuits' sales and operating performance. Any decline in the development and introduction of new electronic products could slow the demand for Advanced Circuits' services and could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

The continued trend of technology companies moving their operations offshore may materially adversely affect Advanced Circuits' financial conditions, business and results of operations.

There is increasing pressure on technology companies to lower their cost of production. Many have responded to this pressure by relocating their operations to countries that have lower production costs. Despite Advanced Circuits' focus on quick-turn and prototype manufacturing, its operations, which are located in Colorado as well as the electronics manufacturing industry as a whole, may be materially adversely affected by U.S. customers moving their operations offshore.

Electronics manufacturing services corporations are increasingly acting as intermediaries, positioning themselves between PCB manufacturers and OEMS, which could reduce operating margins.

Advanced Circuits' OEM customers are increasingly outsourcing the assembly of equipment to third party manufacturers. These third party manufacturers typically assemble products for multiple customers and often purchase circuit boards from Advanced Circuits in larger quantities than OEM manufacturers. The ability of Advanced Circuits to sell products to these customers at margins comparable to historical averages is uncertain. Any material erosion in margins could have a material adverse effect on Advanced Circuits' financial condition, business and results of operations.

Risks Related to Silvue

Silvue derives a significant portion of its revenue from the eyewear industry. Any economic downturn in this market or increased regulations by the Food and Drug Administration, would materially adversely affect its operating results and financial condition.

Silvue's customers are concentrated in the eyewear industry, so the economic factors impacting this industry also impact its operations and revenues. Silvue's management estimates that in 2005 approximately 75% of its net sales were from the premium eyewear industry. Silvue's management estimates that it had approximately 17% share of this market in 2005. Any economic downturn in this market or increased regulations by the Food and Drug Administration, would materially adversely affect its operating results and financial condition.

Further, Silvue's coating technology is utilized primarily on mid and high value lenses. A decline in the ophthalmic and sunglass lens industry in general, or a change in consumers' preferences from mid and high value lenses to low value lenses within the industry, may have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Silvue's technology is compatible with certain substrates and processes and competes with a number of products currently sold on the market. A change in the substrate, process or competitive landscape could have a material adverse affect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Silvue provides material for the coating of polycarbonate, acrylic, glass, metals and other surfaces. Its business is dependent upon the continued use of these substrates and the need for its products to be applied to these substrates. In addition, Silvue's products are compatible with certain application techniques. New application techniques designed to improve performance and decrease costs are being developed that may be incompatible with Silvue's coating technologies. Further, Silvue competes with a number of large and small companies in the research, development, and production of coating systems. A competitor may develop a coating system that is technologically superior and render Silvue's products less competitive. Any of these conditions may have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Silvue has international operations and is exposed to general economic, political and regulatory conditions and risks in the countries in which they have operations.

Silvue has facilities located in United Kingdom and Japan. Conditions such as the uncertainties associated with war, terrorist activities, social, political and general economic environments in any of the countries in which Silvue or its customers operate could cause delays or losses in the supply or delivery of raw materials and products as well as increased security costs, insurance premiums and other expenses. Moreover, changes in laws or regulations, such as unexpected changes in regulatory requirements (including trade barriers, tariffs, import or export licensing requirements), or changes in the reporting requirements of United States, European and Asian governmental agencies, could increase the cost of doing business in these regions. Furthermore, in foreign jurisdictions where laws differ from those in the United States, it may experience difficulty in enforcing agreements. Any of these conditions may have a material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Changes in foreign currency exchange rates could materially adversely affect Silvue's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Approximately half of Silvue's net sales are in foreign currencies. Changes in the relative strength of these currencies can materially adversely affect Silvue's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Silvue relies upon valuable intellectual property rights that could be subject to infringement or attack. Infringement of these intellectual property rights by others could have a material adverse affect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

As a developer of proprietary high performance coating systems, Silvue relies upon the protection of its intellectual property rights. In particular, Silvue derives a majority of its revenues from products incorporating patented technology. Infringement of these intellectual property rights by others, whether in the United States or abroad (where protection of intellectual property rights can vary widely from jurisdiction to jurisdiction), could have a material adverse effect on Silvue's financial condition, business and results of operations. In addition, in the highly competitive hard coatings market, there can be no guarantee that Silvue's competitors would not seek to invalidate or modify Silvue's proprietary rights, including its nine patents related to its coating systems. While any such effort would be met with vigorous defense, the defense of any such matters could be costly and distracting and no assurance can be given that Silvue would prevail.

Risks Related to this Offering

There is no public market for our shares. You cannot be certain that an active trading market or a specific share price will be established, and you may not be able to resell your shares at or above the initial offering price.

We have filed an application to quote our shares on the Nasdaq National Market. However, there currently is no public trading market for our shares, and an active trading market may not develop upon completion of this offering or continue to exist if it does develop. The market price of our shares may also decline below the initial public offering price. The initial public offering price per share will be determined by agreement among us and the representatives of the underwriters, and may not be indicative of the market price of our shares after our initial public offering.

Future sales of shares may affect the market price of our shares.

We cannot predict what effect, if any, future sales of our shares, or the availability of shares for future sale, will have on the market price of our shares. Sales of substantial amounts of our shares in the public market following our initial public offering, or the perception that such sales could occur, could materially adversely affect the market price of our shares and may make it more difficult for you to sell your shares at a time and price which you deem appropriate. A decline below the initial public offering price, in the future, is possible. See the section entitled “Shares Eligible for Future Sale” for more information about the circumstances under which additional shares may be sold.

We, CGI, Pharos, the employees of our manager and our officers and directors have agreed that, with limited exceptions, we and they will not directly or indirectly, without the prior written consent of Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated, on behalf of the underwriters, offer to sell, sell or otherwise dispose of any shares they acquired in connection with this offering for a period of 180 days after the date of this prospectus.

We may issue additional debt and equity securities which are senior to our shares as to distributions and in liquidation, which could materially adversely affect the market price of our shares.

In the future, we may attempt to increase our capital resources by entering into additional debt or debt-like financing that is secured by all or up to all of our assets, or issuing debt or equity securities, which could include issuances of commercial paper, medium-term notes, senior notes, subordinated notes or shares. In the event of our liquidation, our lenders and holders of our debt securities would receive a distribution of our available assets before distributions to our shareholders. Any preferred securities, if issued by the company, may have a preference with respect to distributions and upon liquidation, which could further limit our ability to make distributions to our shareholders. Because our decision to incur debt and issue securities in our future offerings will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings and debt financing. Further, market conditions could require us to accept less favorable terms for the issuance of our securities in the future. Thus, you will bear the risk of our future offerings reducing the value of your shares and diluting your interest in us. In addition, we can change our leverage strategy from time to time without shareholder approval, which could materially adversely affect the market share price of our shares.

Our earnings and cash distributions may affect the market price of our shares.

Generally, the market price of our shares may be based, in part, on the market’s perception of our growth potential and our current and potential future cash distributions, whether from operations, sales, acquisitions or refinancings, and on the value of our businesses. For that reason, our shares may trade at prices that are higher or lower than our net asset value per share. Should we retain operating cash flow for investment purposes or working capital reserves instead of distributing the cash flows to our shareholders, the retained funds, while increasing the value of our underlying assets, may materially adversely affect the market price of our shares. Our failure to meet market expectations with respect to earnings and cash distributions could materially adversely affect the market price of our shares.

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If the market price of our shares declines, you may be unable to resell your shares at or above the initial public offering price. We cannot assure you that the market price of our shares will not fluctuate or decline significantly, including a decline below the initial public offering price, in the future.

The market price, trading volume and marketability of our shares may, from time to time, be significantly affected by numerous factors beyond our control, which may materially adversely affect the market price of your shares and our ability to raise capital through future equity financings.

The market price and trading volume of our shares may fluctuate significantly. Many factors that are beyond our control may significantly affect the market price and marketability of our shares and may materially adversely affect our ability to raise capital through equity financings. These factors include the following:

- price and volume fluctuations in the stock markets generally which create highly variable and unpredictable pricing of equity securities;
- significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of companies in the sectors in which our businesses operate, which may not be related to the operating performance of these companies and which may not reflect the performance of our businesses;
- changes and variations in our earnings and cash flows;
- any shortfall in revenue or net income or any increase in losses from levels expected by securities analysts;
- changes in regulation or tax law;
- operating performance of companies comparable to us;
- general economic trends and other external factors including inflation, interest rates, and costs and availability of raw materials, fuel and transportation; and
- loss of a major funding source.

All of our shares sold in this offering will be freely transferable by persons other than our affiliates and those persons subject to lock-up agreements, without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the sections entitled “Prospectus Summary,” “Risk Factors,” “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses,” “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and “Business,” and elsewhere in this prospectus contains forward-looking statements. We may, in some cases, use words such as “project,” “predict,” “believe,” “anticipate,” “plan,” “expect,” “estimate,” “intend,” “should,” “would,” “could,” “potentially,” or “may” or other words that convey uncertainty of future events or outcomes to identify these forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond our control, including, among other things:

- our ability to successfully operate our initial businesses on a combined basis, and to effectively integrate and improve any future acquisitions;
- our ability to remove our manager and our manager’s right to resign;
- our trust and organizational structure, which may limit our ability to meet our dividend and distribution policy;
- our ability to service and comply with the terms of our indebtedness;
- our cash flow available for distribution after the closing of this offering and our ability to make distributions in the future to our shareholders;
- our ability to pay the management fee, profit allocation and put price when due;
- the acquisition price of each initial business and the loan amounts to each initial business;
- decisions made by persons who control our initial businesses, including decisions regarding dividend and distribution policies;
- our ability to make and finance future acquisitions, including, but not limited to, the acquisitions described in this prospectus;
- our ability to implement our acquisition and management strategies;
- the regulatory environment in which our initial businesses operate;
- trends in the industries in which our initial businesses operate;
- changes in general economic or business conditions or economic or demographic trends in the United States and other countries in which we have a presence, including changes in interest rates and inflation;
- environmental risks affecting the business or operations of our initial businesses;
- our and our manager’s ability to retain or replace qualified employees of our initial businesses and our manager;
- costs and effects of legal and administrative proceedings, settlements, investigations and claims; and
- extraordinary or force majeure events affecting the business or operations of our initial businesses.

Our actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities could differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the forward-looking statements. A description of some of the risks that could cause our actual results to differ appears under the section “Risk Factors” and elsewhere in this prospectus. Additional risks of which we are not currently aware or which we currently deem immaterial could also cause our actual results to differ.

In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, you should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. The forward-looking events discussed in this prospectus may not occur. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this prospectus. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements after the completion of this offering, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that our net proceeds from the sale of 14,000,000 shares in this offering will be approximately \$194.8 million (or approximately \$224.0 million if the underwriters' overallotment option is exercised in full), based on the initial public offering price of \$15.00 per share (which is the mid-point of the estimated initial public offering price range set forth on the cover page on this prospectus) and after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions (including the financial advisory fee payable to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated) of approximately \$15.2 million (or approximately \$17.5 million if the underwriters' overallotment option is exercised in full), but without giving effect to the payment of public offering costs of approximately \$6.0 million. In addition, CGI and Pharos have each agreed to purchase in separate private placement transactions to close in conjunction with the closing of this offering a number of shares in the trust having an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$86 million and \$4 million, respectively, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price.

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, from the separate private placement transactions and from the initial borrowing under our third party credit facility to:

- pay the purchase price and related costs of the acquisition of our initial business of approximately \$140.8 million;
- make loans to each of our initial businesses to repay outstanding debt and to provide capitalization in an aggregate principal amount of \$170.8 million;
- pay the public offering costs of approximately \$6.0 million; and
- provide funds for general corporate purposes of approximately \$11.1 million.

The table below summarizes the expected sources and uses of the net proceeds from this offering, the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowings under our third party credit facility:

	<u>Sources of Funds</u>	
	(\$ in millions)	
Net proceeds from initial public offering	\$	194.8
Investment of Pharos		4.0
Investment of CGI		86.0
Net proceeds from initial borrowing under third party credit facility		43.9
Total Sources	\$	328.7

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	<u>Uses of Funds</u>	
	<u>(\$ in millions)</u>	
Purchase of Equity:		
CBS Personnel	\$	54.6
Crosmen		26.9
Advanced Circuits		35.3
Silvue		24.0
Loans to initial businesses:(1)		
CBS Personnel		66.4(2)
Crosmen		43.2
Advanced Circuits		47.4
Silvue		13.8
Public offering costs(3)		6.0
General corporate purposes		11.1
Total Uses	\$	328.7

(1) See the liquidity and capital resources discussion for each initial business in the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” for more information about the outstanding debt of each initial business that will be repaid in connection with this offering. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about the loans to each of our initial businesses.

(2) The \$66.4 million will be comprised of approximately \$50.0 million in term loans, approximately \$17.2 million of which will be used to pay down third party debt and approximately \$32.8 million of which represents a capitalization loan and approximately \$16.4 million of a \$37.5 million revolving loan commitment which will be made to CBS Personnel in conjunction with the closing of this offering. CBS Personnel will use a portion of the loans to redeem shares of its Class B and Class C common stock from certain holders thereof and to make payments to certain of its option holders as consideration for the termination of a portion of their options to acquire Class C common stock. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about the loans to CBS Personnel.

(3) This amount will be reimbursed by the company to the manager in conjunction with the closing of this offering. See the section entitled “Management Services Agreement—Reimbursement of Offering Expenses” and “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information about the reimbursement of offering expenses.

See the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” for information about the terms of existing loans for each business. See the sections entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” and “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for information about the acquisition of our initial businesses.

DIVIDEND AND DISTRIBUTION POLICY

The company's board of directors intends to declare and pay regular quarterly cash distributions on all outstanding shares. The company's board of directors intends to declare and pay an initial quarterly distribution for the first full fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2006 of approximately \$0.2625 per share and an initial distribution equal to the amount of the initial quarterly distribution, but pro rated for the period from the completion of this offering to June 30, 2006. The distributions will be paid to holders of record, as determined by the company's board of directors, together at the time that the initial quarterly distribution is paid. The company's board of directors intends to set this initial distribution on the basis of the current results of operations of our initial businesses and other resources available to the company, including the third party credit facility, and the desire to provide sustainable levels of distributions to our shareholders.

Our distribution policy is based on the predictable and stable cash flows of our initial businesses and our intention to provide sustainable levels of distributions to our shareholders while reinvesting a portion of our cash flows in our businesses or in the acquisition of new businesses. If our strategy is successful, we expect to maintain and increase the level of our distributions to shareholders in the future.

The declaration and payment of our initial distribution, our initial quarterly distribution and any future distribution will be subject to the approval of the company's board of directors, which will include a majority of independent directors. The company's board of directors will take into account such matters as general business conditions, our financial condition, results of operations, capital requirements and any contractual, legal and regulatory restrictions on the payment of distributions by us to our shareholders or by our subsidiaries to us, and any other factors that the board of directors deems relevant. However, even in the event that the company's board of directors were to decide to declare and pay distributions, our ability to pay such distributions may be adversely impacted due to unknown liabilities, government regulations, financial covenants of the debt of the company, funds needed for acquisitions and to satisfy short- and long-term working capital needs of our businesses, or if our initial businesses do not generate sufficient earnings and cash flow to support the payment of such distributions. In particular, we may incur debt in the future to acquire new businesses, which debt will have substantial debt commitments, which must be satisfied before we can make distributions. These factors could affect our ability to continue to make distributions.

We may use cash flow from our initial businesses, the capital resources of the company, including borrowings under the company's third party credit facility, or a reduction in equity to pay a distribution. See the section entitled "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" for more information about the tax treatment of distributions to our shareholders.

Estimated Pro Forma Cash Flow Available for Distribution for the Year Ended December 31, 2005

We believe that if we had completed this offering on January 1, 2005, our estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution for the year ended December 31, 2005, based on our pro forma condensed combined financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005, would have been approximately \$27.0 million.

The estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution for the year ended December 31, 2005 is based on pro forma condensed combined financial statements, which include certain assumptions and considerations. These statements do not reflect any internal growth in the cash flows of our businesses from the period covered until the date of this offering. In addition, the pro forma financial statements do not purport to present our results of operations had the transactions contemplated in this prospectus actually been completed as of the dates indicated. Furthermore, cash flow available for distribution is a cash accounting concept, while our pro forma financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis. As a result, you should only view the amount of pro forma estimated cash flow available for distribution as a general indication of the amount of cash we believe would have been available for distribution that we might have generated had we owned our initial businesses during these periods. No assurance can be given that the estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution presented in the prospectus will actually

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be produced or, to the extent it is produced, will be sufficient to make the initial distribution and the initial quarterly distribution or distributions in subsequent quarters.

Our estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution also includes certain other adjustments, assumptions and considerations and reflects the amount of cash that we believe would have been available for distribution to our shareholders subject to the assumptions described in the table below. The pro forma cash flow available for distribution includes management fee expense of approximately \$4.5 million, after taking into account the offsetting management fees, to be paid to our manager pursuant to the management services agreement. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee” for more information about the management fee to be paid to our manager. The estimated management fee expense is reflected in our pro forma financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005.

The following table sets forth our calculation of the estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution for the year ended December 31, 2005.

Cash Flow Available for Distribution	Year Ended December 31, 2005
	(\$ in thousands)
Net income per pro forma	\$ 8,783
Adjustment to reconcile pro forma net income to pro forma net cash provided by operating activities:	
Pro forma depreciation	5,398
Pro forma amortization	10,433
Pro forma amortization of debt issuance cost	1,220
Pro forma adjustment to add back in-process R&D expensed at acquisition date	1,240
Pro forma minority interest	3,265
Pro forma deferred taxes	367
Pro forma foregone offering costs ⁽¹⁾	3,022
Pro forma deferred interest	1,287
Pro forma loss from equity investment and other	98
Pro forma changes in operating assets and liabilities	5,893
Pro forma net cash provided by operating activities	41,006
Add:	
Pro forma unused fee on delayed term loan ⁽²⁾	2,300
Less:	
Pro forma changes in operating assets and liabilities	5,893
Pro forma deferred interest	1,287
Estimated incremental general and administrative expense ⁽³⁾	5,000
Capital expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2005 ⁽⁴⁾	
CBS Personnel	1,018
Crosman	1,747
Advanced Circuits	1,184
Silvue	178
Estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution	\$ 26,999

(1) Relates to Crosman’s foregone offering costs associated with its intended public offering in the Canadian Income Trust market that was ultimately not consummated.

(2) Represents the 2% commitment fee on the \$115 million unused delayed term loan.

(3) Represents ongoing incremental administrative expenses, professional fees and management fees we expect to incur annually as a public company such as accounting, legal and other consultant fees, SEC and listing fees, directors’ fees and directors’ and officers’ insurance. We currently estimate these costs to be approximately \$5.0 million.

(4) Represents capital expenditures that were funded from operating cash flow.

This calculation is an estimate of the cash flow available for distribution to shareholders on a pro forma basis for 2005 had this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowing under our third party credit facility been consummated on January 1, 2005. It does not include any profit allocation with respect to the allocation interests held by our manager, as no trigger event has occurred, or would have occurred on a pro forma basis, during such period.

Restrictions on Distribution Payments

We are a holding company with no operations. We will be dependent upon the ability of our initial businesses to generate earnings and cash flow and to make distributions to us in the form of interest and principal payments on indebtedness and distributions on equity to enable us to, first, satisfy our financial obligations including payments under our third party credit facility, the management fee, profit allocation and put price, and, second, make distributions to our shareholders. There is no guarantee that we will make quarterly distributions, including the distribution we project to make in the initial quantities following this offering. Our ability to make quarterly distributions may be subject to certain restrictions, including:

- The operating results of our initial businesses which are impacted by factors outside of our control including competition, inflation and general economic conditions;
- The ability of our businesses to make distributions to us, which may be subject to limitations under laws of the jurisdictions in which they are incorporated or organized;
- Insufficient cash to pay distributions due to increases in our general and administrative expenses, including our quarterly management fee, principal and interest payments on our outstanding debt, tax expenses or working capital requirements;
- The obligation to pay our manager a profit allocation upon the occurrence of a trigger event;
- The obligation to pay our manager the put price pursuant to the supplemental put agreement;
- The company's board of directors' election to keep a portion of the operating cash flow in the initial businesses or to use such funds for the acquisition of new businesses;
- Restrictions on distributions under our third party credit facility which contains financial tests and covenants that we will have to satisfy in order to make quarterly or annual distributions;
- Any dividends or distributions paid by our businesses *pro rata* to the minority shareholders of our businesses, which portion will not be available to us for any purpose, including for the purpose of making distributions to our shareholders;
- Possible future issuances of debt or debt-like financing arrangements that are secured by all or substantially all of our assets, or issuing debt or equity securities, which could include issuances of commercial paper, medium-term notes, senior notes, subordinated notes or shares, which obligations will have priority over our cash flow; and
- In the future, the company may issue preferred securities and holders of such preferred securities may have a preference with respect to distributions, which could limit our ability to make distributions to our shareholders.

If, as a consequence of these various restrictions, we are unable to generate sufficient distributions from our businesses, we may not be able to declare, or may have to delay or cancel payment of, distributions to our shareholders.

Because the company's board of directors intends to declare and pay regular quarterly cash distributions on all outstanding shares, our growth may not be as fast as businesses that reinvest their available cash to expand ongoing operations. We expect that we will rely upon external financing sources, including issuances of debt or debt-like financing arrangements and the issuance of debt and equity securities, to fund our acquisitions and expansion of capital expenditures. As a result, to the extent we are unable to finance growth externally, our decision to declare and pay regular quarterly distributions will significantly impair our ability to grow.

Our decision to incur debt and issue securities in future offerings will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control. Therefore, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings and debt financings. Likewise, holders of our shares may be diluted pursuant to additional equity issuances.

THE ACQUISITIONS OF AND LOANS TO OUR INITIAL BUSINESSES

The terms and conditions of the stock purchase agreement and the related documents pursuant to which the company will acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses, which agreement and documents are collectively referred to as the stock purchase agreement in this prospectus, were negotiated among representatives of CGI, on behalf of CGI, and representatives of our manager, on behalf of the company, in the overall context of this offering. The terms and conditions so negotiated relate to, among others, the acquisition prices of the initial businesses, the representations and warranties to be provided by CGI and its affiliates and the indemnity obligations of CGI and its affiliates following the acquisition of the initial businesses.

The terms and conditions of the loan agreements pursuant to which the company will make loans to the initial businesses were negotiated among representatives of the manager, on behalf of the company, and representatives of each initial business, on behalf of such initial business, in the overall context of this offering. The terms and conditions so negotiated relate to, among others, the nature of such loans, the aggregate principal amount of such loans, the interest rate terms of such loans and the repayment terms and schedules of such loans.

Background

The offering and transactions contemplated by this prospectus are the result of our management team's consideration of various means by which they could, generally, establish their independence from CGI in managing the initial businesses and augment their ability to raise additional capital for this purpose and possible future acquisitions. Our management team determined that the structure and transactions discussed in this prospectus were the most efficient and effective means by which to achieve both of these goals. In essence, the structure represents a modified management buy-out structure — one in which our management team creates a public vehicle to allow them to access the capital markets to raise the necessary resources to conduct both the acquisition of the initial businesses and the acquisition of future businesses, while at the same time allowing them to achieve their independence from CGI, notwithstanding CGI's investment in our shares. Significantly, certain members of our management team will invest (along the lines of such a management buy-out) approximately \$4.0 million in our shares, which shares will be acquired at the initial public offering price.

Once identified by our management team, the proposed structure and related transactions were presented to CGI's representatives. After due consideration, CGI informed the management team that it would be receptive to selling certain of the initial businesses subject to mutually agreeable terms and conditions. The initial businesses represent less than 30% of the assets and investments of CGI. After initially agreeing to the concept of selling the initial businesses and, notwithstanding the employment relationship between our management team and CGI, through The Compass Group International LLC, which we refer to as The Compass Group, the terms and conditions of this offering and the related transactions have been the subject of on-going negotiations between our management team, representing our interests, and CGI's representatives, representing the interests of CGI. These on-going negotiations have related to issues including, among other issues, the amount of the purchase price for each of the initial businesses and the terms and conditions of the stock purchase agreement, the amount of CGI's investment in the shares, CGI's participation in the profit allocation via its non-management interest in our manager and our management team's continuing ability to manage other investments on behalf of CGI.

The results of these negotiations are represented by our structure and the terms and conditions of the transactions described in this prospectus. Further, based on these negotiations in the overall context of this offering and the related transactions and the terms and conditions of the stock purchase agreement, our management team believes the purchase price of each of the initial businesses represents a fair value for each of the initial businesses. The company has entered into letters of intent in connection with the proposed acquisitions. An overview of the terms and conditions relating to the acquisitions in the context of this offering is discussed in more detail below.

Overview

The company will use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering, the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowings under our third party credit facility to acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses from the sellers for cash, as follows:

- approximately 97.6% of CBS Personnel on a primary basis, without giving effect to conversion of any convertible securities, and approximately 94.4% on a fully diluted basis, after giving effect to the exercise of vested and in the money options and vested non-contingent warrants (as applicable);
- approximately 75.4% of Crosman on a primary and fully diluted basis;
- approximately 70.2% of Advanced Circuits on a primary and fully diluted basis; and
- approximately 73.0% of Silvue on a primary and fully diluted basis, after giving effect to the conversion of preferred stock of Silvue we acquired.

CGI, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, is a limited partner in each of the entities from which the company will acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses. Navco Management, Inc., an affiliate of CGI, is the general partner of each of the entities from which the company will acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses. The remaining equity interests in each initial business will be held by the respective senior management of each of our initial businesses, as well as other minority shareholders. See the section entitled “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information about the relationship with CGI and its affiliated entities.

In addition, the company will use a portion of the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowings under our third party credit facility to make loans and financing commitments to each of our initial businesses, as follows:

- approximately \$50.0 million in term loans and approximately \$37.5 million in a financing commitment pursuant to a revolving loan to CBS Personnel. The full amount of the term loans, of which approximately \$32.8 million represents a capitalization loan, and approximately \$16.4 million of the revolving loan commitment will be funded to CBS Personnel in conjunction with the closing of this offering. At the closing of this offering, an aggregate amount of approximately \$66.4 million will be funded to CBS Personnel pursuant to these loans and financing commitments.
- approximately \$37.7 million in term loans and approximately \$18.0 million in a financing commitment pursuant to a revolving loan to Crosman. The full amount of the term loans and approximately \$5.5 million of the revolving loan commitment will be funded to Crosman in conjunction with the closing of this offering. At the closing of this offering, an aggregate amount of approximately \$43.2 million will be funded to Crosman pursuant to these loans and financing commitments.
- approximately \$37.0 million in term loans and approximately \$14.0 million in a financing commitment pursuant to a revolving loan to Advanced Circuits. The full amount of the term loans and approximately \$10.4 million of the revolving loan commitment will be funded to Advanced Circuits in conjunction with the closing of this offering. At the closing of this offering, an aggregate amount of approximately \$47.4 million will be funded to Advanced Circuits pursuant to these loans and financing commitments.
- approximately \$11.0 million in term loans and approximately \$5.0 million in a financing commitment pursuant to a revolving loan to Silvue. The full amount of the term loans and approximately \$2.8 million of the revolving loan commitment will be funded to Silvue in conjunction with the closing of this offering. At the closing of this offering, an aggregate amount of approximately \$13.8 million will be funded to Silvue pursuant to these loans and financing commitments.

The acquisition of and the making of the loans and financing commitments to each of our initial businesses will be conditioned upon the closing of this offering. Each of the loans and the financing

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commitments are discussed in more detail below. The terms, including pricing, and conditions of the stock purchase agreement were reviewed and approved by the independent directors of the company and the directors of each of the initial businesses who are not affiliated with our management team and our board of directors. The composition of the board of directors of each of the initial businesses will remain the same following the company's acquisition of such business. In addition, the composition of the management team of each of the initial businesses will remain the same following the company's acquisition thereof.

The terms and conditions of the loan agreements were reviewed and approved by the independent directors of the company and the directors of each of the initial businesses who are not affiliated with either our management team or the company's board of directors. While this process of review and approval is designed to ensure that the terms of the loans will be fair to the initial businesses, it is not necessarily designed to protect you. The company believes that the terms and conditions of the loans will be substantially similar to those that the initial businesses would be able to obtain from unaffiliated third parties. In addition, the company believes that the terms of the loans will be fair and reasonable given the leverage and risk profiles of each of the initial businesses.

Although we received an opinion from Duff & Phelps, LLC, an independent financial advisory and investment banking firm, regarding the fairness, from a financial point of view only, of the acquisition prices of the four initial businesses (on an individual basis only) and, notwithstanding that the stock purchase agreement and the loan agreements were approved by a majority of our independent directors and the directors of each of the initial businesses, neither the stock purchase agreement nor the loan agreements were negotiated on an arm's-length basis. As a result, such terms and conditions may be less favorable to the company than they might have been had they been negotiated at arm's-length with unaffiliated persons. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions — Relationships with Related Parties — CGI" for more information.

CBS Personnel

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, the company will acquire approximately 97.6%, on a primary basis, and 94.4%, on a fully diluted basis, of the equity of CBS Personnel for approximately \$54.6 million. This approximation is based upon an agreed upon enterprise value for CBS Personnel and assumes projected levels of debt and net working capital as of the closing of this offering. The actual purchase price will be based upon such agreed upon enterprise value and the actual levels of debt and net working capital at closing. Therefore, if the actual debt level at closing is less than such projected debt level, then the actual purchase price will be greater than such approximation. With respect to net working capital, the actual purchase price will be increased if the estimated net working capital of CBS Personnel as of the closing of the offering exceeds an agreed upon range, or decreased if such net working capital is less than such agreed upon range (with the adjustment, in either case, to be in an amount equal to the difference between such estimated net working capital and the mid-point of such agreed upon range). For a description of the formula for determining net working capital and the agreed upon range thereof, see the section below entitled "— Additional Acquisition Terms". In addition, in connection with such acquisition and concurrently with the closing of the offering, the company will lend approximately \$66.4 million to CBS Personnel. The proceeds of the company's debt and equity investments will be used to:

- retire approximately \$29.8 million of existing CBS Personnel debt, plus pay an early redemption premium of approximately \$0.4 million;
- purchase, in the aggregate, approximately \$54.6 million of equity from Compass CS Partners, L.P. and Compass CS II Partners, L.P., subsidiaries of CGI which we together refer to as Compass CS Partners;
- redeem approximately \$35.9 million of equity held by Compass CS Partners, members of CBS Personnel's management team and certain unaffiliated minority stockholders; and

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- make option termination payments aggregating approximately \$0.3 million to members of CBS Personnel's management team.

Acquisition

The company will acquire from Compass CS Partners 2,830,909 shares of CBS Personnel's Class A common stock and 1,450,035 of shares of CBS Personnel's Class B common stock. In addition, CBS Personnel will use a portion of the proceeds of the loan from the company to redeem 847,474 shares of Class B common stock held by Compass CS Partners, 2,197,325 shares of Class B common stock held by Robert Lee Brown, the founder of a predecessor to CBS Personnel and a member of CBS Personnel's board since October 13, 2000 and who we refer to as Mr. Brown, and 145,800 shares of CBS Personnel's Class C common stock held by certain members and former members of CBS Personnel's management team and a former director of CBS Personnel. Our ownership interest may be diluted by future options, if any, granted at the discretion of the CBS Personnel board of directors.

As of April 1, 2006, the issued and outstanding capital of CBS Personnel consisted of:

- 2,830,909 shares of Class A common stock, all of which were held by Compass CS Partners;
- 3,548,384 shares of Class B common stock, 2,274,052 of which were held by Compass CS Partners and 1,274,332 of which were held by Mr. Brown;
- 250,833 shares of Class C common stock, all of which were held by members of CBS Personnel's management team and certain other investors in CBS Personnel;
- warrants to acquire 23,457.15 shares of Class B common stock, all of which were held by Compass CS Partners and are expected to be exercised prior to the closing of this offering;
- warrants to acquire 922,993.45 shares of Class B common stock, all of which were held by Mr. Brown and are expected to be exercised prior to the closing of this offering; and
- options to purchase 454,417 shares of Series C common stock, all of which were held by members of CBS Personnel's management team and certain other investors.

The rights of the holders of such Class A, Class B and Class C shares are substantially identical except that each holder of Class A common stock is entitled to 10 votes per share, whereas each holder of Class B common stock and Class C common stock is entitled to only one vote per share.

Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, CGI and Compass CS Partners make certain representations, warranties and covenants for the company's benefit and provide the company with certain rights to receive indemnification. See the section below entitled "— Additional Acquisition Terms" for a more detailed discussion of such terms and provisions of the stock purchase agreement. See also the section below entitled "— Stockholders' Agreements" for a discussion of certain rights and restrictions of the stockholders of CBS Personnel.

Term Loans

The company will make term loans to CBS Personnel, consisting of a senior secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$30.0 million and a senior subordinated secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$20.0 million, pursuant to a credit agreement by and between the company and CBS Personnel. The proceeds of the term loans will be used, in part, to prepay all of the outstanding debt obligations of CBS Personnel and, in part as a capitalization loan, to redeem shares of Class B and Class C common stock of CBS Personnel and to terminate options to purchase Class C common stock held by certain members of CBS Personnel's management team. Interest on the senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will initially accrue at the per annum rates of LIBOR plus 3.25% and LIBOR plus 8.0% (or substantially equivalent rates based on the prime rate), respectively, and will be due and payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. The senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will have bullet maturities at the end of the 72nd month and 84th month, respectively, subsequent to the funding thereof but, in each case, will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of CBS Personnel. The credit agreement will contain customary covenants and events of default, and will require that a substantial portion of any excess cash

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flow generated by CBS Personnel be applied to repay the senior and senior subordinated term loans and then to repay any amount outstanding under the revolving credit facility. The covenants will require CBS Personnel to maintain, among other things, an agreed upon level of coverage against a number of measures, including the ratio of senior and total debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, which we refer to as EBITDA, as well as the level of EBITDA to CBS Personnel's fixed charges. In addition, the performance of CBS Personnel as measured by the ratio of total debt to EBITDA will affect the interest rate applicable to the borrowings under the credit agreement by varying the margin over the applicable index chosen by CBS Personnel (*i.e.*, LIBOR or prime rate based). In the event of a default by CBS Personnel, the interest rate otherwise applicable to the borrowings by CBS Personnel under the credit agreement will be increased by an additional 2% per annum.

The aggregate principal amount of the term loans will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of CBS Personnel from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering, and may be adjusted to achieve a specific leverage with respect to CBS Personnel.

See the section below entitled “— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Revolving Loan

The company will, pursuant to a revolving credit facility by and between the company and CBS Personnel, make available to CBS Personnel a secured revolving loan commitment of approximately \$37.5 million, of which approximately \$16.4 million will be funded. In addition, the company will procure a letter of credit facility from a third party financial institution in an aggregate commitment amount of approximately \$25.0 million, pursuant to which letters of credit in an aggregate amount of approximately \$20.0 million will be outstanding at the closing of the offering. The reimbursement obligations of CBS Personnel under the letter of credit facility will be secured by a first priority lien on the accounts receivable of CBS Personnel. Interest on outstanding revolving loans will initially accrue at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.25% per annum (or a substantially equivalent rate based on the prime rate) and will be payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. In addition, CBS Personnel will be charged a fee based upon the face amount of all letters of credit issued by such financial institution and a commitment fee (based upon the ratio of total debt to EBITDA) on the unused balance of the letter of credit commitment amount. In addition, CBS Personnel will be charged a fee equal to between 0.25% and 0.5% per annum (based on the ratio of total debt to EBITDA) on the unused balance of the revolving loan commitment amount. The revolving loan commitment will expire, and all revolving loans will mature, at the end of the 72nd month subsequent to the effective date of the commitment, but such revolving loans will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of CBS Personnel. The revolving credit facility will contain customary covenants and events of default. The revolving credit facility will replace an existing revolving credit facility provided by a third party lending group. CBS Personnel will use this revolving credit facility to finance its working capital needs and for general corporate purposes.

The revolving loan commitment will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of CBS Personnel from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering, and may be adjusted to achieve a specific leverage with respect to CBS Personnel.

In connection with the extension of the term loans and revolving credit commitment, CBS Personnel will pay to the company an origination fee equal to 1.0% of the revolving loan commitment and senior term loan and 2.0% of the senior subordinated term loan.

See the section below entitled “— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Crosman

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, the company will acquire, on both a primary basis and a fully diluted basis, approximately 75.4% of the equity of Crosman for approximately \$26.9 million. This approximation is based upon an agreed upon enterprise value for Crosman and assumes projected levels of debt and net working capital as of the closing of this offering. The actual purchase price will be based

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upon such agreed upon enterprise value and the actual levels of debt and net working capital at closing. Therefore, if the actual debt level at closing is less than such projected debt level, then the actual purchase price will be greater than such approximation. With respect to net working capital, the actual purchase price will be increased if the estimated net working capital of Crosman as of the closing of the offering exceeds an agreed upon range, or decreased if such net working capital is less than such agreed upon range (with the adjustment, in either case, to be in an amount equal to the difference between such estimated net working capital and the mid-point of such agreed upon range). For a description of the formula for determining net working capital and the agreed upon range thereof, see the section below entitled “— Additional Acquisition Terms”. In addition, in connection with such acquisition and concurrently with the closing of the offering, the company will lend approximately \$43.2 million to, and will assume approximately \$0.2 million of capital leases from, Crosman. The proceeds of the company’s debt and equity investments will be used to purchase approximately \$26.3 million of such equity from Compass Crosman Partners, L.P., a subsidiary of CGI, which we refer to as Compass Crosman Partners, and approximately \$0.4 million of equity from individuals affiliated with the manager.

Acquisition

The company will acquire from Compass Crosman Partners 428,292 shares of Crosman common stock and certain contingent, unvested warrants. In addition, the company will acquire 6,825 shares of common stock owned by employees of our manager and a former director of Crosman. The company’s ownership interest in Crosman may be diluted by future options, if any, granted at the discretion of the Crosman board of directors.

As of April 1, 2006, the issued and outstanding capital stock of Crosman consisted of:

- 577,232 shares of a single class of common stock, 428,292 of which were held by Compass Crosman Partners and the balance of which was held by members of Crosman’s management team and certain other stockholders of Crosman; and
- options to purchase 30,000 additional shares of Crosman’s common stock, all of which were held by a member of Crosman’s management team.

Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, CGI and Compass Crosman Partners make certain representations, warranties and covenants for the company’s benefit and provide the company with certain rights to receive indemnification. See the section below entitled “— Additional Acquisition Terms” for a more detailed discussion of such terms and provisions of the stock purchase agreement. See also the section below entitled “— Stockholders’ Agreements” for a discussion of certain rights and restrictions of the stockholders of Crosman.

Term Loans

The company will make term loans to Crosman, consisting of a senior secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$23.7 million and a senior subordinated secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$14.0 million, pursuant to a credit agreement by and between the company and Crosman. The proceeds of the term loans will be used to prepay all of the outstanding debt obligations of Crosman. Interest on the senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will initially accrue at a floating rate of LIBOR plus 3.5% per annum and a fixed rate of 15.0% per annum, respectively, and will be payable monthly in arrears the last day of each calendar month. The senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will have bullet maturities at the end of the 72nd month and 84th month, respectively, subsequent to the funding thereof but, in each case, will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Crosman. The credit agreement will contain customary covenants and events of default, and will require that a substantial portion of any excess cash flow generated by Crosman be applied to repay the senior and senior subordinated term loans and then to repay any amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility. The covenants will require Crosman to maintain, among other things, an agreed upon level of coverage against a number of measures, including the ratio of senior and total debt to EBITDA, as well as the level of EBITDA to Crosman’s fixed charges.

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In addition, the performance of Crosman as measured by the ratio of total debt to EBITDA will affect the interest rate applicable to the borrowings under the credit agreement by varying the margin over the applicable index chosen by Crosman (*i.e.*, LIBOR or prime rate based). In the event of a default by Crosman, the interest rate otherwise applicable to the borrowings by Crosman under the credit agreement will be increased by an additional 2% per annum.

The aggregate principal amount of term loans will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Crosman from January 1, 2006 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled “— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Revolving Loan

The company will, pursuant to a revolving credit facility by and between the company and Crosman, make available to Crosman a secured revolving loan commitment of approximately \$18.0 million, of which approximately \$5.5 million will be funded. Interest on outstanding revolving loans will initially accrue at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.25% per annum (or a substantially equivalent rate based on the prime rate), and will be payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. In addition, Crosman will be charged a commitment fee equal to between 0.25% and 0.5% per annum (based on the ratio of total debt to EBITDA) on the unused balance of the revolving loan commitment amount. The revolving loan commitment will expire, and all revolving loans will mature, at the end of the 72nd month subsequent to the effective date of the commitment, but such revolving loans will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Crosman. The revolving credit facility will contain customary covenants and events of default. The revolving credit facility will replace an existing revolving credit facility provided by a third party lending group. Crosman will use this revolving credit facility to finance its working capital needs and for general corporate purposes.

The revolving loan commitment will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Crosman from January 1, 2006 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled “— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Advanced Circuits

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, the company will acquire, on both a primary basis and a fully diluted basis, approximately 70.2% of the equity of Advanced Circuits for approximately \$35.3 million. This approximation is based upon an agreed upon enterprise value for Advanced Circuits and assumes projected levels of debt and net working capital as of the closing of this offering. The actual purchase price will be based upon such agreed upon enterprise value and the actual levels of debt and net working capital at closing. Therefore, if the actual debt level at closing is less than such projected debt level, then the actual purchase price will be greater than such approximation. With respect to net working capital, the actual purchase price will be increased if the estimated net working capital of Advanced Circuits as of the closing of the offering exceeds an agreed upon range, or decreased if such net working capital is less than such agreed upon range (with the adjustment, in either case, to be in an amount equal to the difference between such estimated net working capital and the mid-point of such agreed upon range). For a description of the formula for determining net working capital and the agreed upon range thereof, see the section below entitled “— Additional Acquisition Terms”.

In addition, in connection with such acquisition and concurrently with the closing of the offering, the company will lend approximately \$47.4 million to Advanced Circuits. The proceeds of the company’s debt and equity investments will be used to purchase approximately \$33.3 million of such equity from Compass Advanced Partners, L.P., a subsidiary of CGI which we refer to as Compass Advanced Partners, approximately \$0.5 million of such equity from individuals affiliated with our manager and approximately \$1.5 million of such equity from an unaffiliated minority stockholder.

Acquisition

The company will acquire from Compass Advanced Partners 882,120 shares of Advanced Circuits' Series B common stock. In addition, the company will acquire 11,880 shares of Series B common stock from an entity owned by employees of our manager and 40,000 shares of Advanced Circuits' Series A common stock from a lender to Advanced Circuits. The company's ownership interest may be diluted by future options, if any, granted at the discretion of the Advanced Circuits board of directors.

As of April 1, 2006, the issued and outstanding capital of Advanced Circuits consisted of:

- 425,729 shares of Series A common stock, all of which were held by members of Advanced Circuits' management team and certain other stockholders of Advanced Circuits; and
- 904,000 shares of Series B common stock, 882,120 of which were held by Compass Advanced Partners, and the balance of which were held by certain other investors.

The rights of all holders of common stock are substantially identical except that each holder of Series A common stock is entitled to only one vote per share, whereas each holder of Series B common stock is entitled to ten votes per share.

Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, CGI and Compass Advanced Partners make certain representations, warranties and covenants for the company's benefit and provide the company with certain rights to receive indemnification. See the section below entitled "— Additional Acquisition Terms" for a more detailed discussion of such terms and provisions of the stock purchase agreement. See also the section below entitled "— Stockholders' Agreements" for a discussion of certain rights and restrictions of the stockholders of Advanced Circuits.

Term Loans

The company will make term loans to Advanced Circuits, consisting of a senior secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$21.5 million and a senior subordinated secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$15.5 million, pursuant to a credit agreement by and between the company and Advanced Circuits. The proceeds of the term loans will be used to prepay all of the outstanding debt obligations of Advanced Circuits. Interest on the senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will accrue at the per annum rates of LIBOR plus 3.75% and LIBOR plus 7.5% (or substantially equivalent rates based on the prime rate), respectively, and will be due and payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. The senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will have bullet maturities at the end of the 72nd month and 84th month, respectively, subsequent to the funding thereof but, in each case, will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Advanced Circuits. The credit agreement will contain customary covenants and events of default, and will require that a substantial portion of any excess cash flow generated by Advanced Circuits be applied to repay the senior and senior subordinated term loans and then to repay any amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility. The covenants will require Advanced Circuits to maintain, among other things, an agreed upon level of coverage against a number of measures, including the ratio of senior and total debt to EBITDA, as well as the level of EBITDA to Advanced Circuits' fixed charges. In the event of a default by Advanced Circuits, the interest rate otherwise applicable to the borrowings by Advanced Circuits under the credit agreement will be increased by an additional 2% per annum.

The aggregate principal amount of term loans will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Advanced Circuits from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled "— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Revolving Loan

The company will, pursuant to a revolving credit facility by and between the company and Advanced Circuits, make available to Advanced Circuits a secured revolving loan commitment of approximately \$14.0 million, of which \$10.4 million will be funded. Interest on outstanding revolving loans will accrue at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.75% per annum (or a substantially equivalent rate based on the prime rate), and will be payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. In addition, Advanced Circuits will be charged a commitment fee equal to 0.5% per annum on the unused balance of the revolving loan commitment amount. The revolving loan commitment will expire, and all revolving loans will mature, at the end of the 72nd month subsequent to the effective date of the commitment, but such revolving loans will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Advanced Circuits. The revolving credit facility will contain customary covenants and events of default. The revolving credit facility will replace an existing revolving credit facility provided by a third party lending group. Advanced Circuits will use this revolving credit facility to finance its working capital needs and for general corporate purposes.

The revolving loan commitment will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Advanced Circuits from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled “— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Silvue

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, the company will acquire common and preferred equity securities of Silvue, representing approximately 73.0% interest in Silvue’s equity capital, after giving effect to the conversion of preferred stock of Silvue to be acquired by the company, for approximately \$24.0 million. This approximation is based upon an agreed upon enterprise value for Silvue and assumes projected levels of debt and net working capital as of the closing of this offering. The actual purchase price will be based upon such agreed upon enterprise value and the actual levels of debt and net working capital at closing. Therefore, if the actual debt level at closing is less than such projected debt level, then the actual purchase price will be greater than such approximation. With respect to net working capital, the actual purchase price will be increased if the estimated net working capital of Silvue as of the closing of the offering exceeds an agreed upon range, or decreased if such net working capital is less than such agreed upon range (with the adjustment, in either case, to be in an amount equal to the difference between such estimated net working capital and the mid-point of such agreed upon range). For a description of the formula for determining net working capital and the agreed upon range thereof, see the section below entitled “— Additional Acquisition Terms”. In addition, in connection with such acquisition and concurrently with the closing of the offering, the company will lend approximately \$13.8 million to Silvue. The proceeds of the company’s debt and equity investments will be used to purchase approximately \$22.8 million of such equity from Compass Silvue Partners, LP, a subsidiary of CGI, which we refer to as Compass Silvue Partners, approximately \$0.4 million of such equity from individuals affiliated with the manager and approximately \$0.8 million of such equity from unaffiliated minority investors.

Acquisition

The company will acquire from Compass Silvue Partners 1,716 shares of Silvue’s Series A common stock, 4,901.4 shares of Silvue’s Series B common stock and 21,521.85 shares of Silvue’s Series A convertible preferred stock. In addition, the company will acquire 1,465.72 shares of Silvue’s Series A common stock, 98.6 shares of Silvue’s Series B common stock and 552.42 shares of Silvue’s Series A convertible preferred stock from an entity owned by employees of our manager, a retiring manager of Silvue and certain individuals affiliated with an investment banking firm. Such shares of common stock to be acquired by the company will represent, on both a primary basis and a fully diluted basis, approximately 43.0% of the then issued and outstanding shares, approximately 73.0% of the issued and outstanding shares after giving effect to the conversion of preferred stock of Silvue to be acquired by the

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company, and approximately 87.0% of the voting power of all series of stock of Silvue after giving effect to the conversion of preferred stock of Silvue to be acquired by the company. The company's ownership interest may be diluted by future options, if any, granted at the discretion of the Silvue board of directors.

As of April 1, 2006, Silvue's issued and outstanding capital consisted of:

- 14,036.72 shares of Series A common stock, all of which were held by members of Silvue's management team and other stockholders of Silvue;
- 5,000 shares of Series B common stock, 4,901.4 of which were held by Compass Silvue Partners and the remainder of which were held by certain other stockholders of Silvue;
- 22,432.23 shares of Series A convertible preferred stock, 21,521.85 of which were held by CGI's subsidiary and the remainder of which were held by certain stockholders of Silvue; and
- 4,500 shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock, all of which were held by members of Silvue's management team.

Prior to the closing of this offering, Compass Silvue Partners will acquire 1,716 shares of Silvue's Series A common stock from a retiring Silvue manager. In addition, as of April 1, 2006, certain members of the management team, employees and directors of Silvue held options to purchase 1,581 additional shares of Series A common stock of Silvue, all of which were unvested.

The rights of all holders of common stock are substantially identical except that each holder of Series A common stock is entitled to only one vote per share, whereas each holder of Series B common stock is entitled to ten votes per share. Among other rights, each share of Series A convertible preferred stock is convertible into both (i) one share of Series A common stock and (ii) that number of shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock which equals the *product* of (x) the *product* of (A) 15.714 multiplied by (B) the number of shares of Series A convertible preferred stock, *multiplied by* (y) 1.13, reflecting a 13% return compounded annually, from the date of issuance of such shares to the date of conversion. In each following year, the number of shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock would equal the *product* of (x) prior years calculated number of Series B redeemable preferred stock, *multiplied by* (y) 1.13. Among other rights, each share of Series B redeemable preferred stock is entitled to a redemption preference equal to the face amount of the shares multiplied by 20 plus a 13% return, compounded annually, from the date of issuance of such share to the date of redemption.

Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, CGI and CGI's subsidiary make certain representations, warranties and covenants for the company's benefit and provide the company with certain rights to receive indemnification. See the section below entitled "— Additional Acquisition Terms" for a more detailed discussion of such terms and provisions of the stock purchase agreement. See also the section below entitled "— Stockholders' Agreements" for a discussion of certain rights and restrictions of the stockholders of Silvue.

Term Loans

The company will make term loans to Silvue, consisting of a senior secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$8.0 million and a senior subordinated secured term loan in the principal amount of approximately \$3.0 million, pursuant to a credit agreement by and between the company and Silvue. The proceeds of the term loans will be used to prepay all of the outstanding debt obligations of Silvue. Interest on the senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will initially accrue at the per annum rates of LIBOR plus 3.5% and LIBOR plus 8.5% (or substantially equivalent rates based on the prime rate), respectively, and will be due and payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. The senior term loan and the senior subordinated term loan will have bullet maturities at the end of the 72nd month and 84th month, respectively, subsequent to the funding thereof but, in each case, will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Silvue. The credit agreement will contain customary covenants and events of default, and will require that a substantial portion of any excess cash flow generated by Silvue be applied to repay the senior and senior subordinated term loans and then

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to repay any amounts outstanding under the revolving credit facility. The covenants will require Silvue to maintain, among other things, an agreed upon level of coverage against a number of measures, including the ratio of senior to total debt to EBITDA, as well as the level of EBITDA to Silvue's fixed charges. In addition, the performance of Silvue as measured by the ratio of total debt to EBITDA will affect the interest rate applicable to the borrowings under the credit agreement by varying the margin over the applicable index chosen by Silvue (*i.e.*, LIBOR or prime rate based). In the event of a default by Silvue, the interest rate otherwise applicable to the borrowings by Silvue under the credit agreement will be increased by an additional 2% per annum.

The aggregate principal amount of term loans will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Silvue from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled "— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Revolving Loan

The company will, pursuant to a revolving credit facility by and between the company and Silvue, make available to Silvue a secured revolving loan commitment of approximately \$5.0 million, of which \$2.8 million will be funded. Interest on outstanding revolving loans will initially accrue at a rate of LIBOR plus 3.5% per annum (or a substantially equivalent rate based on the prime rate), and will be payable monthly in arrears on the last day of each calendar month. In addition, Silvue will be charged a commitment fee equal to between 0.25% and 0.5% per annum (based upon the ratio of total debt to EBITDA) on the unused balance of the revolving loan commitment amount. The revolving loan commitment will expire, and all revolving loans will mature, at the end of the 72nd month subsequent to the effective date of the commitment, but such revolving loans will be pre-payable, without premium or penalty, at any time at the option of Silvue. The revolving credit facility will contain customary covenants and events of default. The revolving credit facility will replace an existing revolving credit facility provided by a third party lending group. Silvue will use this revolving credit facility to finance its working capital needs and for general corporate purposes.

The revolving loan commitment will be adjusted to give effect to payments made by or other borrowings of Silvue from December 31, 2005 until the closing of this offering.

See the section below entitled "— Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for a description of the collateral securing the loans to our initial businesses.

Additional Acquisition Terms

Pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, the purchase price to be paid by the company for each of the initial businesses will be increased if the estimated net working capital of such business, agreed upon by the company and the sellers immediately prior to the acquisition thereof, exceeds an agreed upon range, or decreased if such estimated net working capital is less than such range. The amount of such increase or decrease, as the case may be, will be equal to the difference between the mid-point of the agreed upon range and such estimated net working capital. For purposes of this adjustment, net working capital for each of the initial businesses is defined as the excess at any time, calculated on a consolidated basis taking into account intercompany eliminations, of (i) all current assets (exclusive of deferred income taxes) of such business at such time, over (ii) all current liabilities (exclusive of current maturities on long-term debt and deferred income taxes) of such business at such time, including, in the case of CBS Personnel, all workers compensation liabilities, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, whether short-term or long-term.

Further, pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, with respect to the company's acquisition of each of the initial businesses, CGI and the applicable selling CGI subsidiary or subsidiaries, as the case may be, jointly and severally represent and warrant to the company, among other matters, as to the due organization, valid existence and good standing of such businesses, their authority to enter into the stock purchase agreement and their legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations thereunder, the capitalization of such businesses and ownership of the shares, the accuracy of the financial statements of

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such businesses, the good and marketable title of such business to their assets and properties, the good condition and sufficiency of the assets and properties of such businesses, compliance by such businesses with applicable legal requirements, the absence of any material adverse change to the assets or results of operations of such businesses, legal proceedings, insurance and intellectual property. Additionally, CGI and Compass CS Partners jointly and severally represent and warrant to the company as to labor matters, CGI and Compass Crosman Partners jointly and severally represent and warrant to the company as to labor matters, environmental matters and customer and supplier contracts, CGI and Compass Advanced Partners jointly and severally represent and warrant to the company as to labor and environmental matters and permits and compliance with laws, and CGI and Compass Silvue Partners jointly and severally represent and warrant to the company as to labor and environmental matters. In addition, the company's acquisition of the initial businesses is subject to customary conditions precedent and regulatory approval, including expiration or early termination of the applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976. The waiting period for our Hart-Scott-Rodino filing expired on February 21, 2006.

Except for representations and warranties with respect to due organization and valid existence of each of the initial businesses and their subsidiaries, capitalization and ownership of shares, authority to enter into the stock purchase agreement and their legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations under the stock purchase agreement, which representations and warranties will survive for the periods of any applicable statutes of limitations, all representations and warranties and covenants of CGI and its selling subsidiaries will survive the closing of the applicable acquisition for 15 months (except for certain representations, warranties and covenants made by CGI and its selling subsidiaries under the agreements pursuant to which CGI originally acquired control of the businesses, which shall survive for the periods set forth in such agreements), and the applicable sellers and CGI agree to indemnify the company for their proportionate shares of any damages arising from a breach of any such representation, warranty or covenant by any of CGI and the selling subsidiaries, in each case in respect only of that business which the company is acquiring from them. The parties to the stock purchase agreement also indemnify each other against claims for brokerage or finder's fees or commissions in connection with the purchase and sale of the applicable initial business. The indemnification obligations of the parties (except in respect of breaches of representations and warranties as to due organization and valid existence of each of the initial businesses and their subsidiaries, capitalization and ownership of shares, authority to enter into the stock purchase agreement and their legal, valid, binding and enforceable obligations under the stock purchase agreement) are subject to a threshold above which claims must aggregate prior to the availability of recovery and a cap on the maximum potential indemnification liability.

In addition to the indemnification provisions described above:

- the company will indemnify CGI and Compass Crosman Partners for any damages arising pursuant to a partial guaranty by Compass Crosman Partners of an obligation of Crosman to pay to the former owners of Crosman an earn-out under the agreement pursuant to which CGI acquired control of Crosman. Such earn-out would be triggered if Crosman meets certain financial performance benchmarks for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. If triggered, we do not anticipate that such earn-out would be material to our results of operations or financial condition. A similar earn-out with respect to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was not triggered.
- CGI and Compass Advanced Partners will indemnify the company against any damages resulting from a breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or obligation of Compass Advanced Partners or Advanced Circuits under the agreement pursuant to which CGI originally acquired control of Advanced Circuits, or any failure by either of them to perform any obligation under such original purchase agreement after the date of the closing of CGI's original acquisition and through the closing of this offering.
- CGI and Compass Silvue Partners will indemnify the company against any damages resulting from a breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or obligation of Compass Silvue Partners or Silvue under the agreement pursuant to which CGI originally acquired control of Silvue, or any

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failure by either of them to perform any obligation under such original purchase agreement after the date of the closing of CGI's original acquisition and through the closing of this offering.

The representations and warranties set forth in each of the stock purchase agreement and each other agreement filed as an exhibit to the registration statement were made exclusively for the benefit of the parties to such agreement and not for the benefit of any other person, including those persons seeking to make an investment decision with respect to us or the shares. Such representations and warranties will be made solely for the purpose of consummating the transactions contemplated by the applicable agreement and allocating risk among the parties thereto, and for no other purpose. In this respect, such representations and warranties are not an indication of the actual state of facts at the time made or otherwise. Further, such representations and warranties will be made as of a specific date or dates as opposed to generally. Likewise, such representations and warranties will be subject to the limitations negotiated by the parties to the applicable agreement, including those relating to materiality, substantive limitations as to the scope and nature of such representations and warranties and limitations arising out of disclosures between the parties during the negotiation process. Standards of materiality set forth in such representations or warranties or which are used for determining satisfaction of such representations or warranties do not correspond to standards of materiality with respect to disclosures made in a registration statement or made to the public generally. As a result, you should not place any reliance on any such representations and warranties in the course of making an investment decision with respect to us or the shares.

Stockholders' Agreements

With respect to each of our initial businesses, the respective stockholders are party to one or more stockholders' agreements that restrict the rights of some or all of such stockholders to transfer the shares held by them, and grant to the applicable selling CGI subsidiary or subsidiaries certain rights with respect to shares held by minority stockholders. Upon consummation of the transactions contemplated by the stock purchase agreement, the company will succeed to the rights and interests of the applicable selling CGI subsidiaries under such stockholders' agreements.

In the case of CBS Personnel, there is a stockholders' agreement among the holders of Class A common stock and Class B common stock. However, pursuant to the stock purchase agreement, the company will acquire all outstanding shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock and, therefore, such stockholders' agreement relating to Class A and Class B common stock will have no legal effect. In addition, each holder of Class C common stock of CBS Personnel is party to a stockholders' agreement among such holder, CBS Personnel and Compass CS Partners. Pursuant to each such Class C stockholders' agreement, the company will have the benefit of both the right, which we refer to as a right of first refusal, upon a proposed sale by a holder of shares to an unaffiliated person, to acquire such shares on the same terms as offered to such unaffiliated person, and the right, referred to as a drag-along right, upon a proposed sale by the company of some or all of its shares, to cause the other holders of shares to sell, on the same terms, a proportionate number of such shares held by such other holders. Such drag-along right will enable the company to cause the complete disposition of CBS Personnel. These Class C stockholders' agreements do not restrict the company's ability to sell, pledge or otherwise dispose of its shares.

The holders of Crosman common stock are party to a stockholders' agreement among such holders and Crosman, pursuant to which the company will have rights of first refusal and drag-along rights, which drag-along rights will enable the company to cause the complete disposition of Crosman. Pursuant to this stockholders' agreement, the company will be permitted to sell or otherwise dispose of its shares to unaffiliated persons subject, however, to the right, which we refer to as a drag-along right, of each other stockholder to sell, on the same terms available to the company, a proportionate number of its shares to such proposed purchaser. In addition, this stockholders' agreement permits the company to pledge its controlling interest in Crosman as security for loans to the company.

The holders of Advanced Circuits common stock and Silvue common and preferred stock are party to stockholders' agreements among such holders and the applicable initial business, pursuant to which the

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company will have drag-along rights, which drag-along rights will enable the company to cause the complete disposition of either or both Advanced Circuits or Silvue, and the other stockholders will have tag-along rights. These stockholders' agreements do not permit stockholders other than the company to sell shares to unaffiliated persons. In addition, these stockholders' agreements permit the company to pledge its controlling interest in the applicable initial business as security for loans to the company.

Collateralization of Loans to Our Initial Businesses

The senior secured term loans and the revolving loans to each of our initial businesses will be secured by a first priority lien on all properties and assets of such businesses. The senior subordinated secured term loans to each of our initial businesses will be secured by a second priority lien on all properties and assets of such businesses.

OUR MANAGER

Overview of Our Manager

Our manager is a newly created entity that is owned and controlled by its sole and managing member, our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud. Following this offering, CGI, through a subsidiary, and Sostratus LLC, an entity owned by our management team, will become non-managing members of our manager. CGI will be issued its non-management interest in our manager in conjunction with the closing of this offering and will not pay any cash consideration for this interest; CGI will receive this consideration as part of the overall consideration for participating and engaging in the transactions contemplated by this offering. Sostratus LLC paid \$100,000 for its non-management interest in our manager.

Key Personnel of Our Manager

Our Chief Executive Officer's and Chief Financial Officer's business experiences are described in the section entitled "Management". In addition, the following personnel are key employees of our manager. Each of these individuals will be compensated entirely by our manager from the management fees it receives. Currently, these individuals are employees of The Compass Group. In conjunction with the closing of this offering, these individuals will resign from The Compass Group and become employees of our manager and comprise our management team. As employees of our manager, it is anticipated that these individuals will devote a substantial majority of their time to the affairs of our company. The titles reflected for each individual reflect that individual's position with the manager and is not related to any role or responsibility that individual may have with the company at any time.

Alan B. Offenberg, Partner. Mr. Offenberg joined The Compass Group in 1998 as a Principal. Prior to joining The Compass Group, Mr. Offenberg worked in mergers and acquisitions for Trigen Energy Corporation. Previously, Mr. Offenberg was with Creditanstalt Bankverein and with GE Capital. Collectively, Mr. Offenberg's background in finance includes deal origination, underwriting, portfolio management, restructuring and due diligence. Mr. Offenberg began his professional career as a research analyst with Alan Haft and Associates. Mr. Offenberg received his B.S. in Management from Tulane University and his MBA from Northeastern University, where he graduated Beta Gamma Sigma. Mr. Offenberg is currently a director of a number of private companies, including Crosman.

Elias J. Sabo, Partner. Mr. Sabo joined The Compass Group in 1998 as a Principal. Previously, Mr. Sabo was an investment banker at CIBC Oppenheimer, where he was responsible for the successful execution of numerous private and public financings, as well as the provision of merger and acquisition advisory services. Prior to joining CIBC Oppenheimer, Mr. Sabo was President and Chief Investment Officer of Boundary Partners, LLC, a hedge fund management company. Prior to that, Mr. Sabo worked at Colony Capital, Inc. Mr. Sabo graduated from Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute with a B.S. in management. Mr. Sabo is currently a director of a number of companies, including CBS Personnel, Advanced Circuits, Silvue and Comsys IT Partners, a Nasdaq listed company.

David P. Swanson, Principal. Mr. Swanson joined The Compass Group in 2001 as a Vice President. Previously, Mr. Swanson was with Goldman Sachs in the Financial Institutions and Distressed Debt practices. Mr. Swanson has also worked with Credit Suisse First Boston's private equity investment group. Mr. Swanson is a graduate of the Harvard Business School MBA program and also holds a B.A. in Economics from the University of Chicago, where he was elected Phi Beta Kappa.

Joseph P. Milana, Executive Vice President, Finance. Mr. Milana joined The Compass Group as Controller in 1998. Prior to that, Mr. Milana managed his own consulting practice providing accounting and tax services to small businesses and high-net worth individuals. From 1984 through 1995, Mr. Milana was with KPMG LLP as a senior manager servicing mid-size, domestic and international clients. Mr. Milana received both a B.B.A. in Accounting and an M.S. in Taxation from Pace University in New York. Mr. Milana is a director of Families Network of Western Connecticut.

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Patrick A. Maciariello, Vice President. Mr. Maciariello joined The Compass Group in 2005 as a Vice President. Previously, Mr. Maciariello worked as a management consultant at Bain & Company, in their London and Los Angeles offices, providing consulting services to both corporate and private equity clients. Mr. Maciariello also worked in the business services investment banking group of Deutsche Banc Alex. Brown. Mr. Maciariello received a B.B.A., cum laude, from the University of Notre Dame and an MBA from Columbia University where he graduated Beta Gamma Sigma.

Timothy K. Chiodo, Associate. Mr. Chiodo joined The Compass Group in 2004 as an Associate. Previously, Mr. Chiodo worked as a mergers and acquisitions investment banker at Lazard Frères & Co. LLC, focusing on transactions in the consumer products industry. Mr. Chiodo graduated with a B.S. degree in Mathematics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2001.

Our Relationship With Our Manager

Our relationship with our manager is based on our manager having two distinct roles: first, as a service provider to us and, second, as an equity holder of the allocation interests.

As a service provider, our manager will perform a variety of services for us, which will entitle it to receive a management fee. As holder of the company's allocation interests, our manager has the right to a preferred distribution in the form of a profit allocation upon the occurrence of certain events. Our manager paid \$100,000 for the allocation interests. In addition, our manager will have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement.

These relationships with our manager will be governed principally by the following agreements:

- the management services agreements relating to the services our manager will perform for us and the businesses we own;
- the company's LLC agreement relating to our manager's rights with respect to the allocation interests it owns; and
- the supplemental put agreement relating to our manager's right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests it owns.

We also expect that our manager will enter into offsetting management services agreements and transaction services agreements with our businesses directly. These agreements, and some of the material terms relating thereto, are discussed in more detail below. The management fee, profit allocation and put price under the supplemental put agreement will be payment obligations of the company and, as a result, will be paid, along with other company obligations, prior to the payment of distributions to shareholders.

Our Manager as a Service Provider

The company's board of directors will engage our manager to manage the day-to-day operations and affairs of the company, oversee the management and operations of our businesses and perform certain other services for us. The company will enter into a management services agreement which will set forth the services to be performed by our manager and the fees to be paid to our manager for providing such services. The company will pay our manager a quarterly management fee equal to 0.5% (2.0% annualized) of its adjusted net assets, as discussed in more detail below. See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement" for more information about the material terms of the management services agreement.

Management Fee

Subject to any adjustments discussed below, for performing management services under the management services agreement during any fiscal quarter, the company will pay our manager a management fee with respect to such fiscal quarter. The management fee to be paid with respect to any fiscal quarter will be calculated as of the last day of such fiscal quarter, which we refer to as the

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calculation date. The management fee will be calculated by an administrator, which will be our manager so long as the management services agreement is in effect. The amount of any management fee payable by the company as of any calculation date with respect to any fiscal quarter will be (i) *reduced* by the aggregate amount of any offsetting management fees, if any, received by our manager from any of our businesses with respect to such fiscal quarter, (ii) *reduced (or increased)* by the amount of any over-paid (or under-paid) management fees received by (or owed to) our manager as of such calculation date, and (iii) *increased* by the amount of any outstanding accrued and unpaid management fees.

As an obligation of the company, the management fee will be paid prior to the payment of distributions to our shareholders. If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay the management fee when due, we may be required to liquidate assets or incur debt in order to pay the management fee.

Example of Calculation of Management Fee

Based on the pro forma condensed combined financial statements set forth in this prospectus at or for the quarter ended December 31, 2005, the quarterly management fee that would have been payable under the management services agreement, on a pro forma basis, would be calculated as follows:

	(In thousands)
Total Management fee:	
1. Total assets	\$ 458,207
2. Accumulated amortization of intangibles	0
3. Adjusted total liabilities	113,979
4. Adjusted net assets (1 – 2 – 3)	344,228
5. Quarterly management fee (0.5% * 4)	1,721
Offsetting management fees:	
6. CBS Personnel	250
7. Crosman	145
8. Advanced Circuits	125
9. Silvue	88
10. Total offsetting management fees (6 + 7 + 8 + 9)	608
11. Quarterly management fee payable by the company (5 – 10)	\$ 1,113

Assuming the information above remained constant for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, the total management fee, on a pro forma basis, that would have been due for such fiscal year would have been approximately \$6.9 million (4 x line 5), with total offsetting management fees of approximately \$2.4 million, resulting in a management fee payable by the company of approximately \$4.5 million (4 x line 11). There were no transaction services agreements during this period.

For purposes of this provision:

- “*Adjusted net assets*” will be equal to, with respect to the company as of any calculation date, the *sum* of (i) consolidated total assets (as determined in accordance with GAAP) of the company as of such calculation date, *plus* (ii) the absolute amount of consolidated accumulated amortization of intangibles (as determined in accordance with GAAP) for the company as of such calculation date, *minus* (iii) the absolute amount of adjusted total liabilities of the company as of such calculation date.
- “*Adjusted total liabilities*” will be equal to, with respect to the company as of any calculation date, the company’s consolidated total liabilities (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such calculation date after excluding the effect of any outstanding third party indebtedness of the company.
- “*Management fee*” will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the *product* of (i) 0.5%, *multiplied by* (ii) the company’s adjusted net assets as of such calculation date; *provided, however, that, with*

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respect to the fiscal quarter in which the closing of this offering occurs, the company will pay our manager a management fee with respect to such fiscal quarter equal to the *product* of (i)(x) 0.5%, *multiplied by* (y) the company's adjusted net assets as of such calculation date, *multiplied by* (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days from and including the date of closing to and including the last day of such fiscal quarter and the denominator of which is the number of days in such fiscal quarter; *provided, further, however,* that, with respect to any fiscal quarter in which the management services agreement is terminated, the company will pay our manager a management fee with respect to such fiscal quarter equal to the *product* of (i)(x) 0.5%, *multiplied by* (y) the company's adjusted net assets as of such calculation date, *multiplied by* (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days from and including the first day of such fiscal quarter to but excluding the date upon which the management services agreement is terminated and the denominator of which is the number of days in such fiscal quarter.

- “*Third party indebtedness*” means any indebtedness of the company owed to third party lenders that are not affiliated with the company.

Reimbursement of Expenses

The company will be responsible for paying costs and expenses relating to its business and operations. The company will agree to reimburse our manager during the term of the management services agreement for:

- all costs and expenses of the company that are incurred by our manager or its affiliates on behalf of the company, including any out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of services under the management services agreement, and all costs and expenses the reimbursement of which are specifically approved by the company's board of directors; and
- the compensation and other costs and expenses of the Chief Financial Officer and his staff as approved by the company's compensation committee.

The company will not be obligated or responsible for reimbursing or otherwise paying for any costs or expenses relating to our manager's overhead or any other costs and expenses relating to our manager's conduct of its business and operations. Also, the company will not be obligated or responsible for reimbursing our manager for costs and expenses incurred by our manager in the identification, evaluation, management, performance of due diligence on, negotiation and oversight of potential acquisitions of new businesses for which the company (or our manager on behalf of the company) fails to submit an indication of interest or letter of intent to pursue such acquisition, including costs and expenses relating to travel, marketing and attendance of industry events and retention of outside service providers relating thereto. In addition, the company will not be obligated or responsible for reimbursing our manager for costs and expenses incurred by our manager in connection with the identification, evaluation, management, performance of due diligence on, negotiating and oversight of an acquisition by the company if such acquisition is actually consummated and the business so acquired entered into a transaction services agreement with our manager providing for the reimbursement of such costs and expenses by such business. In this respect, the costs and expenses associated with the pursuit of add-on acquisitions for the company may be reimbursed by any businesses so acquired pursuant to a transaction services agreement. Further, the company will not reimburse our manager for the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and any other personnel providing services pursuant to the management services agreement, including personnel seconded to the company.

All reimbursements will be reviewed and, in certain circumstances, approved by the compensation committee of the company's board of directors on an annual basis in connection with the preparation of year end financial statements.

Termination Fee

We will pay our manager a termination fee upon termination of the management services agreement if such termination is based solely on a vote of the company's board of directors and our shareholders; no other termination fee will be payable to our manager in connection with the termination of the management services agreement for any other reason. The termination fee that is payable to our manager will be equal to the *product* of (i) two (2) *multiplied by* (ii) the *sum* of the amount of the four management fees calculated with respect to the four fiscal quarters immediately preceding the termination date of the management services agreement. The termination fee will be payable in eight equal quarterly installments, with the first such installment being paid on or within five business days of the last day of the fiscal quarter in which the management services agreement was terminated and each subsequent installment being paid on or within five business days of the last day of each subsequent fiscal quarter, until such time as the termination fee is paid in full to our manager.

Offsetting Management Services Agreements

Pursuant to the management services agreement, we have agreed that our manager may, at any time, enter into offsetting management services agreements with our businesses pursuant to which our manager may perform services that may or may not be similar to management services. Any fees to be paid by one of our businesses pursuant to such agreements are referred to as offsetting management fees and will offset, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, the management fee otherwise due and payable by the company under the management services agreement with respect to a fiscal quarter. The management services agreement provides that the aggregate amount of offsetting management fees to be paid to our manager with respect to any fiscal quarter shall not exceed the management fee to be paid to our manager with respect to such fiscal quarter. See the section entitled “— Management Fee” for more information about the treatment of offsetting management fees.

In connection with the historical acquisition by CGI and its subsidiaries of each of our initial businesses, such businesses entered into management services agreements with an affiliate of The Compass Group. Pursuant to each such agreement, the applicable affiliate of The Compass Group continues to provide services to our initial businesses, and the applicable business is obligated to pay to such affiliate an annual management fee. In conjunction with the closing of this offering, CGI or The Compass Group will cause their respective affiliates to assign each such agreement to our manager. Each such agreement will be an offsetting management services agreement and all payments thereunder will be offsetting management fees. Each such agreement will be terminable by the relevant initial businesses upon 30 days prior written notice. A summary of each such agreement is as follows:

- CBS Personnel and an affiliate of The Compass Group are parties to a five year, automatically renewable management services agreement, dated October 13, 2000. Such management services agreement is currently in its renewal period. Under such management services agreement, CBS Personnel is obligated to pay an annual fee equal to 0.15% of its annual gross revenues, which is payable quarterly in arrears. In addition, CBS Personnel is obligated to provide reimbursement for certain expenses in connection with the services performed under such management services agreement. Such management services agreement may be terminated upon the occurrence of an event of default, as set forth. For the year ended December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel paid approximately \$1.0 million to an affiliate of The Compass Group under such management services agreement.
- Crosman and an affiliate of The Compass Group are parties to a one year, automatically renewable management services agreement, dated February 10, 2004. Such management services agreement is currently in its renewal period. Under such management services agreement, Crosman is obligated to pay a fixed annual fee equal to \$580,000, which is payable quarterly in advance. In addition, Crosman is obligated to provide reimbursement for certain expenses in connection with the services performed under such management services agreement. Such management services agreement may be terminated upon the occurrence of an event of default, as set forth in such agreement. For the

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year ended June 30, 2005, Crosman paid approximately \$580,000 to an affiliate of The Compass Group under such management services agreement.

- Advanced Circuits and an affiliate of The Compass Group are parties to a five year, automatically renewable management services agreement, dated September 20, 2005. Under such management services agreement, Advanced Circuits is obligated to pay a fixed annual fee equal to \$500,000, which is payable quarterly in arrears. In addition, Advanced Circuits is obligated to provide reimbursement for certain expenses in connection with the services performed under such management services agreement. Such management services agreement may be terminated upon the occurrence of an event of default, as set forth in such agreement. For the period from September 2005 to December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits paid approximately \$139,000 to an affiliate of The Compass Group under such management services agreement.
- Silvue and an affiliate of The Compass Group are a party to a three year, automatically renewable management services agreement, dated September 2, 2004 as amended September 30, 2004. Under such management services agreement, Silvue is obligated to pay a fixed annual fee equal to \$350,000, which is payable quarterly in arrears. In addition, Silvue is obligated to provide reimbursement for certain expenses in connection with the services performed under such management services agreement. Such management services agreement may be terminated upon the occurrence of an event of default, as set forth in such agreement. For the year ended December 31, 2005, Silvue paid approximately \$350,000 to an affiliate of The Compass Group under such management services agreement.

The boards of directors and management teams of each of our initial businesses believe the fees charged under the offsetting management services agreements are reasonable.

Transaction Services Agreements

Pursuant to the management services agreement, we have agreed that our manager may, at any time, enter into transaction services agreements with any of our businesses relating to the performance by our manager of certain transaction-related services in connection with the acquisitions of target businesses by the company or its businesses or dispositions of the company's or its subsidiaries' property or assets. Our manager will contract for the performance of transaction services on market terms and conditions. Any fees received by our manager pursuant to such a transaction services agreement will be in addition to the management fee payable by the company pursuant to the management services agreement and *will not* offset the payment of such management fee. A transaction services agreement with any of our businesses may provide for the reimbursement of costs and expenses incurred by our manager in connection with the acquisition of such businesses. Entry into a transaction services agreement will be subject to the authorization and approval of the company's nominating and corporate governance committee.

Our Manager as an Equity Holder

Our manager will own 100% of the allocation interests of the company, which generally will entitle our manager to receive a 20% profit allocation as a form of preferred distribution, subject to the company's profit with respect to a business exceeding on an annualized hurdle rate of 7%, which hurdle is tied to such business' growth relative to our consolidated net equity. The calculation of the profit allocation and the rights of our manager, as the holder of the allocation interests, are governed by the LLC agreement. See the section entitled "Description of Shares" for more information about the LLC agreement.

Manager's Profit Allocation

The profit allocation to be paid to our manager is intended to reflect our ability to generate ongoing cash flows and capital gains in excess of a hurdle rate. In general, such profit allocation is designed to pay our manager 20% of the company's profits upon clearance of the 7% annualized hurdle rate. The company's audit committee, which is comprised solely of independent directors, will have the opportunity to review and approve the calculation of manager's profit allocation when it becomes due and payable. Our

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manager will not receive a profit allocation on an annual basis. Instead, our manager will be paid a profit allocation only upon the occurrence of one of the following events, which we refer to collectively as the trigger events:

- the sale of a material amount, as determined by our manager and reasonably consented to by a majority of the company's board of directors, of the capital stock or assets of one of our businesses or a subsidiary of one of our businesses, which event we refer to as a sale event; or
- at the option of our manager, for the 30-day period following the fifth anniversary of the date upon which we acquired a controlling interest in a business, which event we refer to as a holding event. If our manager elects to forego declaring a holding event with respect to such business during such period, then our manager may only declare a holding event with respect to such business during the 30-day period following each anniversary of such fifth anniversary date with respect to such business. Once declared, our manager may only declare another holding event with respect to a business following the fifth anniversary of the calculation date with respect to a previously declared holding event.

We believe this allocation timing, rather than a method that provides for annual allocations, more accurately reflects the long-term performance of each of our businesses and is consistent with our intent to hold, manage and grow our businesses over the long term. We refer generally to the obligation to make this payment to our manager as the "profit allocation" and, specifically, to the amount of any particular profit allocation as the "manager's profit allocation". Definitions used in, and an example of the calculation of profit allocation, are set forth in more detail below.

The amount of the manager's profit allocation will be based on the extent to which the total profit allocation amount with respect to any business, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter in which a trigger event occurs, which date we refer to as the calculation date, exceeds the relevant hurdle amounts with respect to such business, as of such calculation date. Manager's profit allocation will be calculated by an administrator, which will be our manager so long as the management services agreement is in effect, and such calculation will be subject to a review and approval process by the company's audit committee. For this purpose, "total profit allocation amount" will be equal to, with respect to any business as of any calculation date, the *sum* of:

- the contribution-based profit of such business as of such calculation date, which will be calculated upon the occurrence of any trigger event with respect to such business; *plus*
- the cumulative gains and losses of the company as of such calculation date, which will only be calculated upon the occurrence of a sale event with respect to such business. We generally expect this component to be the most significant component in calculating total profit allocation amount.

Specifically, manager's profit allocation will be calculated and paid as follows:

- manager's profit allocation *will not* be paid with respect to a trigger event relating to any business if the total profit allocation amount, as of any calculation date, with respect to such business does *not* exceed such business' level 1 hurdle amount (7% annualized), as of such calculation date; and
- manager's profit allocation *will* be paid with respect to a trigger event relating to any business if the total profit allocation amount, as of any calculation date, with respect to such business *exceeds* such business' level 1 hurdle amount (7% annualized), as of such calculation date. Manager's profit allocation to be paid with respect to such calculation date will be equal to the *sum* of the following:
 - 100% of such business' total profit allocation amount, as of such calculation date, with respect to that portion of the total profit allocation amount that exceeds such business' level 1 hurdle amount (7% annualized) but is less than or equal to such business' level 2 hurdle amount (8.75% annualized), in each case, as of such calculation date. We refer to this portion of the total profit allocation amount as the "catch-up." The "catch-up" is intended to provide our manager with an overall profit allocation of 20% once the level 1 hurdle amount has been surpassed; *plus*

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- 20% of the total profit allocation amount, as of such calculation date, that exceeds such business' level 2 hurdle amount (8.75% annualized) as of such calculation date; *minus*
- the high water mark allocation, if any, as of such calculation date. The effect of deducting the high water mark allocation is to take into account allocations our manager has already received in respect of past gains and losses.

The administrator will calculate manager's profit allocation on or promptly following the relevant calculation date, subject to a "true-up" calculation upon availability of audited or unaudited consolidated financial statements, as the case may be, of the company to the extent not available on such calculation date. Any adjustment necessitated by the true-up calculation will be made in connection with the next calculation of manager's profit allocation. Because of the length of time that may pass between trigger events, there may be a significant delay in the company's ability to realize the benefit, if any, of a true-up of manager's profit allocation.

Once calculated, the administrator will submit the calculation of manager's profit allocation, as adjusted pursuant to any true-up, to the company's audit committee, which is comprised solely of independent directors, for its review and approval. The audit committee will have ten business days to review and approve the calculation, which approval shall be automatic absent disapproval by the audit committee. Manager's profit allocation will be paid ten business days after such approval.

If the audit committee disapproves of the administrator's calculation of manager's profit allocation, the calculation and payment of manager's profit allocation will be subject to a dispute resolution process, which may result in manager's profit allocation being determined, at the company's cost and expense, by two independent accounting firms. Any determination by such independent accounting firms will be conclusive and binding on the company and our manager.

We will also pay a tax distribution to our manager if our manager is allocated taxable income by the company but does not realize distributions from the company at least equal to the taxes payable by our manager resulting from allocations of taxable income. Any such tax distributions will be paid in a similar manner as profit allocations are paid.

For any fiscal quarter in which a trigger event occurs with respect to more than one business, the calculation of the manager's profit allocation, including the components thereof, will be made with respect to each business in the order in which controlling interests in such businesses were acquired or obtained by the company and the resulting amounts shall be aggregated to determine the total amount of manager's profit allocation. If controlling interests in two or more businesses were acquired at the same time and such businesses give rise to a calculation of manager's profit allocation during the same fiscal quarter, then manager's profit allocation will be further calculated separately for each such business in the order in which such businesses were sold.

As obligations of the company, profit allocations and tax distributions will be paid prior to the payment of distributions to our shareholders. If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay the profit allocations or tax distributions when due, we may be required to liquidate assets or incur debt in order to pay such profit allocation. Our manager will have the right to elect to defer the payment of the manager's profit allocation due on any payment date. Once deferred, our manager may demand payment thereof upon 20 business days prior written notice.

Termination of the management services agreement, by any means, will not affect our manager's rights with respect to the allocation interests that it owns, including its right to receive profit allocations.

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Example of Calculation of Manager's Profit Allocation

The manager will receive a profit allocation at the end of the fiscal quarter in which a trigger event occurs, as follows (all dollar amounts are in millions):

Assumptions

Year 1:

Acquisition of Company A ("Company A")

Acquisition of Company B ("Company B")

Year 3

Acquisition of Company C ("Company C")

Year 4

Company A (or assets thereof) sold for \$20 capital gain over book value of assets at time of sale, which is a qualifying trigger event

Company A's average allocated share of our consolidated net equity over its ownership is \$40

Company A's holding period in quarters is 12

Company A's contribution-based profit since acquisition is \$8.5

Year 6:

Company B's contribution-based profit since acquisition is \$4.5

Company B's average allocated share of our consolidated net equity over its ownership is \$30

Company B's holding period in quarters is 20

Manager elects to have holding period measured for purposes of profit allocation for Company B

Year 7:

Company B (or assets thereof) is sold for \$5 capital loss under book value of assets at time of sale

Company B's average allocated share of our consolidated net equity over its ownership is \$30

Company B's holding period in quarters is 24

Company B's contribution-based profit since acquisition is \$8.5

Company C (or assets thereof) is sold for \$12 capital gain over book value of assets at time of sale

Company C's average allocated share of our consolidated net equity over its ownership is \$35

Company C's holding period in quarters is 16

Company C's contribution-based profit since acquisition is \$8

	<u>With Respect to Relevant Business</u>	<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Year 6</u>	<u>Year 7</u>	<u>Year 7</u>
		<u>A, due to sale</u>	<u>B, due to 5 year hold</u>	<u>B, due to sale</u>	<u>C, due to sale</u>
1	Contribution-based profit since acquisition for respective subsidiary	\$ 8.5	\$ 4.5	\$ 1	\$ 8
2	Gain/ Loss on sale of company	20	0	(5)	12
3	Cumulative gains and losses	20	20	15	27
4	High water mark prior to transaction	0	20	20	20
5	Total Profit Allocation Amount (1 + 3)	28.5	24.5	16	35
6	Business' holding period in quarters since ownership or last measurement due to holding event	12	20	4	16
7	Business' average allocated share of consolidated net equity	40	30	30	35
8	Business' level 1 hurdle amount (1.75% * 6 * 7)	8.4	10.5	2.1	9.8
9	Business' excess over level 1 hurdle amount (5 - 8)	20.1	14	13.9	25.2
10	Business' level 2 hurdle amount (125% * 8)	10.5	13.125	2.625	12.25
11	Allocated to manager as "catch-up" (10 - 8)	2.1	2.625	0.525	2.45
12	Excess over level 2 hurdle amount (9 - 11)	18	11.375	13.375	22.75
13	Allocated to manager from excess over level 2 hurdle amount (20% * 12)	3.6	2.275	2.675	4.55
14	Cumulative allocation to manager (11 +13)	5.7	4.9	3.2	7
15	High water mark allocation (20% * 4)	0	4	4	4
16	Manager's Profit Allocation for Current Period (14 - 15,> 0)	<u>\$ 5.7</u>	<u>\$ 0.9</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>

Definitions

For purposes of calculating profit allocation:

- An entity's "*adjusted net assets*" will be equal to, as of any date, the *sum* of (i) such entity's consolidated total assets (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such date, *plus* (ii) the absolute amount of such entity's consolidated accumulated amortization of intangibles (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such date, *minus* (iii) the absolute amount of such entity's adjusted total liabilities as of such date.
- An entity's "*adjusted total liabilities*" will be equal to, as of any date, such entity's consolidated total liabilities (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such date after excluding the effect of any outstanding third party indebtedness of such entity.
- A business' "*allocated share of the company's overhead*" will be equal to, with respect to any measurement period as of any calculation date, the aggregate amount of such business' quarterly share of the company's overhead for each fiscal quarter ending during such measurement period.
- A business' "*average allocated share of our consolidated equity*" will be equal to, with respect to any measurement period as of any calculation date, the average (*i.e.*, arithmetic mean) of a business' quarterly allocated share of our consolidated equity for each fiscal quarter ending during such measurement period.
- "*Capital gains*" (i) means, with respect to any entity, capital gains (as determined in accordance with GAAP) that are calculated with respect to the sale of capital stock or assets of such entity and which sale gave rise to a sale event and the calculation of profit allocation and (ii) will be equal to the amount, adjusted for minority interests, by which (x) the net sales price of such capital stock or assets, as the case may be, *exceeded* (y) the net book value (as determined in accordance with GAAP) of such capital stock or assets, as the case may be, at the time of such sale, as reflected on the company's consolidated balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP; *provided*, that such amount shall not be less than zero.
- "*Capital losses*" (i) means, with respect to any entity, capital losses (as determined in accordance with GAAP) that are calculated with respect to the sale of capital stock or assets of such entity and which sale gave rise to a sale event and the calculation of profit allocation and (ii) will be equal to the amount, adjusted for minority interests, by which (x) the net book value (as determined in accordance with GAAP) of such capital stock or assets, as the case may be, at the time of such sale, as reflected on the company's consolidated balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP, *exceeded* (y) the net sales price of such capital stock or assets, as the case may be; *provided*, that such absolute amount thereof shall not be less than zero.
- The company's "*consolidated net equity*" will be equal to, as of any date, the *sum* of (i) the company's consolidated total assets (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such date, *plus* (ii) the aggregate amount of asset impairments (as determined in accordance with GAAP) that were taken relating to any businesses owned by the company as of such date, *plus* (iii) the company's consolidated accumulated amortization of intangibles (as determined in accordance with GAAP), as of such date *minus* (iv) the company's consolidated total liabilities (as determined in accordance with GAAP) as of such date.
- A business' "*contribution-based profits*" will be equal to, for any measurement period as of any calculation date, the *sum* of (i) the aggregate amount of such business' net income (loss) (as determined in accordance with GAAP and as adjusted for minority interests) with respect to such measurement period (without giving effect to (x) any capital gains or capital losses realized by such business that arise with respect to the sale of capital stock or assets held by such business and which sale gave rise to a sale event and the calculation of profit allocation or (y) any expense attributable to the accrual or payment of any amount of profit allocation or any amount arising under the supplemental put agreement, in each case, to the extent included in the calculation of

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such business' net income (loss)), *plus* (ii) the absolute aggregate amount of such business' loan expense with respect to such measurement period, *minus* (iii) the absolute aggregate amount of such business' allocated share of the company's overhead with respect to such measurement period.

- The company's "*cumulative capital gains*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the aggregate amount of capital gains realized by the company as of such calculation date, after giving effect to any capital gains realized by the company on such calculation date, since its inception.
- The company's "*cumulative capital losses*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the aggregate amount of capital losses realized by the company as of such calculation date, after giving effect to any capital losses realized by the company on such calculation date, since its inception.
- The company's "*cumulative gains and losses*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the *sum* of (i) the amount of cumulative capital gains as of such calculation date, *minus* (ii) the absolute amount of cumulative capital losses as of such calculation date.
- The "*high water mark*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the highest positive amount of the company's cumulative capital gains and losses as of such calculation date that were calculated in connection with a qualifying trigger event that occurred prior to such calculation date.
- The "*high water mark allocation*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the *product* of (i) the amount of the high water mark as of such calculation date, *multiplied by* (ii) 20%.
- A business' "*level 1 hurdle amount*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the *product* of (i) (x) the quarterly hurdle rate of 1.75% (7% annualized), *multiplied by* (y) the number of fiscal quarters ending during such business' measurement period as of such calculation date, *multiplied by* (ii) a business' average allocated share of our consolidated equity for each fiscal quarter ending during such measurement period.
- A business' "*level 2 hurdle amount*" will be equal to, as of any calculation date, the *product* of (i) (x) the quarterly hurdle rate of 2.1875% (8.75% annualized, which is 125% of the 7% annualized hurdle rate), *multiplied by* (y) the number of fiscal quarters ending during such business' measurement period as of such calculation date, *multiplied by* (ii) a business' average allocated share of our consolidated equity for each fiscal quarter ending during such measurement period.
- A business' "*loan expense*" will be equal to, with respect to any measurement period as of any calculation date, the aggregate amount of all interest or other expenses paid by such business with respect to indebtedness of such business to either the company or other company businesses with respect to such measurement period.
- The "*measurement period*" will mean, with respect to any business as of any calculation date, the period from and including the later of (i) the date upon which the company acquired a controlling interest in such business and (ii) the immediately preceding calculation date as of which contribution-based profits were calculated with respect to such business and with respect to which profit allocation were paid (or, at the election of the allocation member, deferred) by the company up to and including such calculation date.
- The company's "*overhead*" will be equal to, with respect to any fiscal quarter, the *sum* of (i) that portion of the company's operating expenses (as determined in accordance with GAAP) (without giving effect to any expense attributable to the accrual or payment of any amount of profit allocation or any amount arising under the supplemental put agreement to the extent included in the calculation of the company's operating expenses), including any management fees actually paid by the company to our manager, with respect to such fiscal quarter that are not attributable to any of the businesses owned by the company (i.e., operating expenses that do not correspond to operating expenses of such businesses with respect to such fiscal quarter), *plus* (ii) the company's accrued interest expense (as determined in accordance with GAAP) on any outstanding third party indebtedness of the company with respect to such fiscal quarter, *minus* (iii) revenue, interest

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income and other income reflected in the company's unconsolidated financial statements as prepared in accordance with GAAP.

- A “*qualifying trigger event*” will mean, with respect to any business, a trigger event that gave rise to a calculation of total profit allocation with respect to such business as of any calculation date and (ii) where the amount of total profit allocation so calculated as of such calculation date exceeded such business' level 2 hurdle amount as of such calculation date.
- A business' “*quarterly allocated share of our consolidated equity*” will be equal to, with respect to any fiscal quarter, the *product* of (i) the company's consolidated net equity as of the last day of such fiscal quarter, *multiplied by* (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is such business' adjusted net assets as of the last day of such fiscal quarter and the denominator of which is the *sum* of (x) the company's adjusted net assets as of the last day of such fiscal quarter, *minus* (y) the aggregate amount of any cash and cash equivalents as such amount is reflected on the company's consolidated balance sheet as prepared in accordance with GAAP that is not taken into account in the calculation of any business' adjusted net assets as of the last day of such fiscal quarter.
- A business' “*quarterly share of the company's overhead*” will be equal to, with respect to any fiscal quarter, the *product* of (i) the absolute amount of the company's overhead with respect to such fiscal quarter, *multiplied by* (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is such business' adjusted net assets as of the last day of such fiscal quarter and the denominator of which is the company's adjusted net assets as of the last day of such fiscal quarter.
- An entity's “*third party indebtedness*” means any indebtedness of such entity owed to any third party lenders that are not affiliated with such entity.

Supplemental Put Agreement

In addition to the provisions discussed above, in consideration of our manager's acquisition of the allocation interests, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager will have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement. Termination of the management services agreement, by any means, will not affect our manager's rights with respect to the allocation interests that it owns. In this regard, our manager will retain its put right and its allocation interests after ceasing to serve as our manager.

If (i) the management services agreement is terminated at any time other than as a result of our manager's resignation or (ii) our manager resigns on any date that is at least three years after the closing of this offering, then our manager will have the right, but not the obligation, for one year from the date of such termination or resignation, as the case may be, to elect to cause the company to purchase all of allocation interests then owned by our manager for the put price as of the put exercise date.

For purposes of this provision, the “put price” shall be equal to, as of any exercise date, (i) if we terminate the management services agreement, the *sum* of two separate, independently made calculations of the aggregate amount of manager's profit allocation as of such exercise date or (ii) if our manager resigns, the *average* of two separate, independently made calculations of the aggregate amount of manager's profit allocation as of such exercise date, in each case, calculated assuming that (x) all of the businesses are sold in an orderly fashion for fair market value as of such exercise date in the order in which the controlling interest in each business was acquired or otherwise obtained by the company, (y) the last day of the fiscal quarter ending immediately prior to such exercise date is the relevant calculation date for purposes of calculating manager's profit allocation as of such exercise date. Each of the two separate, independently made calculations of the manager's profit allocation for purposes of calculating the put price shall be performed by a different investment bank that is engaged by the company at its cost and expense. The put price will be adjusted to account for a final “true-up” of the manager's profit allocation.

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Our manager and the company can mutually agree to permit the company to issue a note in lieu of payment of the put price when due; *provided*, that if our manager resigns and terminates the management services agreement, then the company will have the right, in its sole discretion, to issue a note in lieu of payment of the put price when due. In either case the note would have an aggregate principal amount equal to the put price, would bear interest at a rate of 8.00% per annum, would mature on the first anniversary of the date upon which the put price was initially due and would be secured by a lien on our equity interests in each of our businesses.

The company's obligations under the supplemental put agreement are absolute and unconditional. In addition, the company will be subject to certain obligations and restrictions upon exercise of our manager's put right until such time as the company's obligations under the supplemental put agreement, including any related note, have been satisfied in full, including:

- subject to the company's right to issue a note in the circumstances described above, the company must use commercially reasonable efforts to raise sufficient debt or equity financing to permit the company to pay the put price or note when due and obtain approvals, waivers and consents or otherwise remove any restrictions imposed under contractual obligations or applicable law or regulations that have the effect of limiting or prohibiting the company from satisfying its obligations under the supplemental put agreement or note;
- our manager will have the right to have a representative observe meetings of the company's board of directors and have the right to receive copies of all documents and other information furnished to the board of directors;
- the company and its businesses will be restricted in their ability to sell or otherwise dispose of their property or assets or any businesses they own and in their ability to incur indebtedness (other than in the ordinary course of business) without granting a lien on the proceeds therefrom to the manager, which lien will secure the company's obligations under the supplemental put agreement or note;
- the company will be restricted in its ability to (i) engage in certain mergers or consolidations, (ii) sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of all or a substantial part of its business, property or assets or all or a substantial portion of the stock or beneficial ownership of its businesses or a portion thereof, (iii) liquidate, wind-up or dissolve, (iv) acquire or purchase the property, assets, stock or beneficial ownership or another person, or (v) declare and pay distributions.

The company also has agreed to indemnify our manager for any losses or liabilities it incurs or suffers in connection with, arising out of or relating to its exercise of its put right or any enforcement of terms and conditions of the supplemental put agreement.

As an obligation of the company, the put price will be paid prior to the payment of distributions to our shareholders. If we do not have sufficient liquid assets to pay the put price when due, we may be required to liquidate assets or incur debt in order to pay the put price.

PRO FORMA CAPITALIZATION

The following table sets forth our unaudited pro forma capitalization, assuming the underwriters' overallotment option is not exercised, after giving effect to the closing of this offering and sale of our shares at the assumed public offering price of \$15.00 per share (the mid-point of the expected public offering price range) and the application of the estimated net proceeds of such sale (after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions (including the financial advisory fee to be paid to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated) and our estimated offering expenses) as well as the proceeds from the separate private placement transactions and the initial borrowing under our third party credit facility. The pro forma capitalization gives effect to:

- loans retiring;
- debt issuances;
- minority interests; and
- acquisitions.

See the section entitled "Use of Proceeds" for more information.

You should read this information in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes related thereto, the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements and the notes related thereto and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations," all of which are included elsewhere in this prospectus.

	(Unaudited) Pro Forma As of December 31, 2005
	(\$ in thousands)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,146
Long-term debt:	
Total long-term debt	50,000
Shareholders' equity:	
Shares: (no par value); 500,000,000 shares authorized; 20,000,000 shares issued and outstanding as adjusted for the offering ⁽¹⁾	
Total shareholders' equity	277,535
Total capitalization	\$ 327,535

(1) Each trust share representing one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property.

PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Unaudited)

Compass Diversified Trust and Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC were organized on November 18, 2005 for the purpose of making the acquisitions described below, using the net proceeds from this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowings under our third party credit facility. The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of December 31, 2005, gives effect to the acquisition of:

- approximately 94.4% of CBS Personnel;
- approximately 75.4% of Crosman;
- approximately 70.2% of Advanced Circuits; and
- approximately 73.0% of Silvue,

each on a fully diluted basis, as if all these transactions had been completed as of December 31, 2005. The purchase prices for certain of these acquisitions are subject to adjustment. The actual amount of such adjustments, which we do not expect to be material, will depend upon the actual closing date for the acquisition. Each of these acquisitions requires the satisfaction of conditions precedent set forth in the related stock purchase agreement. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about the calculation of the percentage of equity interest we are acquiring of each initial business and the conditions to be satisfied for each acquisition.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations for the year ended December 31, 2005, gives effect to these transactions as if they all had occurred at the beginning of the fiscal period presented. The “as reported” financial information in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet at December 31, 2005, and for the year ended December 31, 2005, for CBS Personnel, Advanced Circuits and Silvue are derived from the audited financial statements for the periods indicated therein of each of the businesses, all of which are included elsewhere in this prospectus. The “as reported” financial information in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet at January 1, 2006, for Crosman is derived from unaudited financial statements that are included elsewhere in this prospectus. The “as reported” financial information in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2005, for Crosman is derived from unaudited financial statements that are not included elsewhere in this prospectus. These financial statements reflect the combination of the unaudited financial information for the period from July 1, 2005 to January 1, 2006 with the unaudited financial information for the period from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. This combination was required due to Crosman having a June 30th fiscal year-end. The “as reported” financial information for Compass Diversified Trust at December 31, 2005, is derived from the audited financial statements of Compass Diversified Trust as of December 31, 2005, which is included elsewhere in this prospectus.

We refer to CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue as the consolidated businesses, and the following unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements, or the pro forma financial statements, have been prepared assuming that our acquisitions of the consolidated businesses will be accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. Under the purchase method of accounting, the asset acquired and the liabilities assumed will be recorded at their respective fair value at the date of acquisition. The total purchase price has been allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimates of their respective fair values, which are subject to revision if the finalization of the respective fair values results in a material difference to the preliminary estimate used.

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The company will enter into the management services agreement with our manager, pursuant to which our manager will provide management services for a management fee. In addition, our manager will receive a profit allocation as a holder of 100% of the allocation interests in the company. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee” for a discussion of how the management fee will be calculated and “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager’s Profit Allocation” for a discussion of how profit allocation will be calculated.

We also expect that our manager will enter into offsetting management services agreements, transaction services agreements and other agreements, in each case, with some or all of the businesses that we own. In this respect, we expect that The Compass Group will cause its affiliates to assign any outstanding management services agreements with our initial businesses to our manager in connection with the closing of this offering. The Compass Group is the entity for which our management team worked prior to the closing of this offering and which is a subsidiary of CGI. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Offsetting Management Services Agreements” for information about these agreements.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations are not necessarily indicative of operating results that would have been achieved had the transactions described above been completed at the beginning of the period presented and should not be construed as indicative of future operating results.

You should read these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements in conjunction with the accompanying notes, the financial statements of the initial businesses to be acquired and the consolidated financial statements for the trust and the company, including the notes thereto, and the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” located elsewhere in this prospectus.

Compass Diversified Trust
Condensed Combined Pro Forma Balance Sheet
at December 31, 2005
(Unaudited)

	Compass Diversified Trust As Reported	Offering*	CBS Personnel As Reported	Crosman As Reported** (\$ in thousands)	Advanced Circuits As Reported	Silvue As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma Combined Compass Diversified Trust
Assets								
<i>Current Assets:</i>								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 100	\$ 284,775	\$ 992	\$ 796	\$ 1,602	\$ 1,516	\$ (273,635) (1)	\$ 16,146
Accounts receivable, net			62,840	19,794	2,847	2,240		87,721
Inventories			—	12,316	328	627		13,271
Prepaid expenses and other current assets			3,472	2,302	132	343		6,249
Deferred offering cost	3,308		—	—	—	—	(3,308) (2)	—
Deferred tax assets			1,525	1,262	111	398		3,296
Current assets of discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	—	901		901
Total current assets	<u>3,408</u>	<u>284,775</u>	<u>68,829</u>	<u>36,470</u>	<u>5,020</u>	<u>6,025</u>	<u>(276,943)</u>	<u>127,584</u>
Property and equipment, net			2,876	10,069	3,185	1,257	722 (3)	18,109
Investment in subsidiary			—	520	—	—	2,803 (4)	3,323
Goodwill			59,295	30,951	50,659	11,266	12,558 (5)	164,729
Intangible and other assets, net			9,525	13,585	21,106	12,697	86,322 (6)	143,235
Deferred tax assets			1,227	—	—	—		1,227
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,408</u>	<u>\$ 284,775</u>	<u>\$ 141,752</u>	<u>\$ 91,595</u>	<u>\$ 79,970</u>	<u>\$ 31,245</u>	<u>\$ (174,538)</u>	<u>\$ 458,207</u>
Liabilities and shareholders' equity								
<i>Current liabilities:</i>								
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	\$	\$ 2,037	\$ 4,100	\$ 3,875	\$ 1,621	\$ (11,633) (7)	\$ —
Accounts payable			8,777	5,863	848	465		15,953
Accrued expenses	3,309		33,700	4,635	2,551	3,596	(3,308) (8)	44,483
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	—	—	—	—	—	291		291
Total current liabilities	<u>3,309</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>44,514</u>	<u>14,598</u>	<u>7,274</u>	<u>5,973</u>	<u>(14,941)</u>	<u>60,727</u>
Long-term debt			31,154	47,605	45,688	11,591	(86,038) (9)	50,000
Workers' compensation			12,949	—	—	—		12,949
Deferred taxes			—	3,522	249	4,489	30,967 (10)	39,227
Other liabilities			—	692	131	253		1,076
Total liabilities	<u>3,309</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>88,617</u>	<u>66,417</u>	<u>53,342</u>	<u>22,306</u>	<u>(70,012)</u>	<u>163,979</u>
Minority interest	99		—	—	—	—	16,594 (11)	16,693
Redeemable preferred stock			—	—	—	90	(90)(12)	—
Total shareholders' equity		<u>284,775</u>	<u>53,135</u>	<u>25,178</u>	<u>26,628</u>	<u>8,849</u>	<u>(121,030) (13)</u>	<u>277,535</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 3,408</u>	<u>\$ 284,775</u>	<u>\$ 141,752</u>	<u>\$ 91,595</u>	<u>\$ 79,970</u>	<u>\$ 31,245</u>	<u>\$ (174,538)</u>	<u>\$ 458,207</u>

* Reflects the issuance of shares and the net proceeds from this offering (after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions, including the financial advisory fee payable to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated, of \$15,225) and net proceeds from the separate private placement transactions.

** Information is as of January 1, 2006.

Compass Diversified Trust
Condensed Combined Pro Forma Statement of Operations
for the year ended December 31, 2005
(Unaudited)

	CBS Personnel As Reported	Crosman As Reported*	Advanced Circuits As Reported	Silvue As Reported	Pro Forma Adjustments	Pro Forma Combined Compass Diversified Trust
	(\$ in thousands)					
Net Sales	\$ 543,012	\$ 77,049	\$ 41,969	\$ 17,093	\$	\$ 679,123
Cost of Sales	441,685	57,319	18,102	3,816	481 (2)	521,403
Gross profit	101,327	19,730	23,867	13,277	(481)	157,720
Operating expenses:						
Staffing Expense	54,249	—	—	—		54,249
Selling, general and administrative expense	26,723	10,029	8,283	7,491	(2,080) (4)	57,331
					6,885 (5)	
Research and development expense	—	—	—	1,072	1,240 (6)	2,312
Amortization expense	1,902	686	717	709	6,419 (1)	10,433
Operating income (loss)	18,453	9,015	14,867	4,005	(12,945)	33,395
Other income (expense):						
Interest income	—	—	233	—		233
Interest expense	(4,453)	(5,097)	(1,491)	(1,439)	4,120 (3)	(8,360)
Other income (expense), net	138	(2,531)	—	90		(2,303)
Income (loss) before provision for income taxes and minority interest	14,138	1,387	13,609	2,656	(8,825)	22,965
Provision for income taxes	5,150	426	1,001	1,258	3,215 (7)	11,050
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	—	—	—	133		133
Minority interest in income of subsidiary	—	—	—	—	3,265 (8)	3,265
Net income (loss)	\$ 8,988	\$ 961	\$ 12,608	\$ 1,531	\$ (15,305)	\$ 8,783
Pro forma net income per share						\$ 0.44
Pro forma weighted average number of shares outstanding						20,000
Supplemental Information:						
Depreciation Expense	\$ 1,426	\$ 2,203	\$ 884	\$ 404	\$ 481	\$ 5,398
Capital Expenditures	\$ 1,018	\$ 1,747	\$ 1,184	\$ 178	\$ —	\$ 4,127

* Reflects the combination of the unaudited financial information for the period from July 1, 2005 to January 1, 2006 with the unaudited financial information for the period from January 1, 2005 to June 30, 2005. This combination was required due to Crosman having a June 30th fiscal year-end.

Notes To Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements
(Unaudited)

This information in Note 1 provides all of the pro forma adjustments from each line item in the pro forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements. Note 2 describes how the adjustments were derived for each of the initial businesses that we are acquiring. Unless otherwise noted, all amounts are in thousands of dollars (\$000).

Note 1. Pro Forma Adjustments**Balance Sheet:**

1. Cash and cash equivalents	
Net proceeds from private debt placement to finance acquisitions	\$ 43,900 a
Net proceeds from offering and private placement transactions to finance acquisitions	(311,535)b
Compass Diversified Trust	(6,000)g
	<u>\$ (273,635)</u>
2. Deferred Offering Costs	
Compass Diversified Trust	<u>\$ (3,308)g</u>
3. Property, plant and equipment, net	
Crosman	\$ (141)d(1)
Silvue	863 f(1)
	<u>\$ 722</u>
4. Investment in subsidiary	
Crosman	<u>\$ 2,803 d(1)</u>
5. Goodwill	
CBS Personnel	\$ (1,673)c(1)
Crosman	(6,970)d(1)
Advanced Circuits	12,391 e(1)
Silvue	8,810 f(1)
	<u>\$ 12,558</u>
6. Intangible and other assets, net	
Debt issuance cost incurred as part of private debt placement	\$ 6,100 a
CBS Personnel	63,941 c(1)
Crosman	4,495 d(1)
Advanced Circuits	(406)e(1)
Silvue	13,432 f(1)
Silvue	(1,240)h(1)
	<u>\$ 86,322</u>

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7. Current portion of long-term debt	
CBS Personnel	\$ (2,037)c(1)
Crosman	(4,100)d(1)
Advanced Circuits	(3,875)e(1)
Silvue	(1,621)f(1)
	<u>\$ (11,633)</u>
8. Accrued Expenses	
Compass Diversified Trust	<u>\$ (3,308)g</u>
9. Long-term debt	
Private Debt Placement	\$ 50,000 a
CBS Personnel	(31,154)c(1)
Crosman	(47,605)d(1)
Advanced Circuits	(45,688)e(1)
Silvue	(11,591)f(1)
	<u>\$ (86,038)</u>
10. Deferred tax liability	
CBS Personnel	\$ 24,298 c(1)
Crosman	1,708 d(1)
Silvue	4,961 f(1)
	<u>\$ 30,967</u>
11. Minority interest	
CBS Personnel	\$ 3,340 c(1)
Crosman	5,275 d(1)
Advanced Circuits	5,502 e(1)
Silvue	2,477 f(1)
	<u>\$ 16,594</u>
12. Redeemable preferred stock	
Silvue	<u>\$ (90)f(1)</u>
13. Total shareholders' equity	
CBS Personnel	\$ (53,135)c(1)
Crosman	(25,178)d(1)
Advanced Circuits	(26,628)e(1)
Silvue	(8,849)f(1)
Compass Diversified Trust	(6,000)g
Silvue	(1,240)h(1)
	<u>\$ (121,030)</u>

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	Year Ended December 31, 2005
1. Amortization expense	
CBS Personnel	\$ 3,898 a(1)
Crosman	(168)b(1)
Advanced Circuits	1,944 c(1)
Silvue	745 d(1)
	<u>\$ 6,419</u>
2. Depreciation expense	
Crosman	\$ 116 b(3)
Silvue	365 d(3)
	<u>\$ 481</u>
3. Interest expense	
CBS Personnel	\$ 4,453 a(2)
Crosman	5,097 b(2)
Advanced Circuits	1,491 c(2)
Silvue	1,439 d(2)
Compass Diversified Trust	(8,360)g
	<u>\$ 4,120</u>
4. Elimination of prior management fee	
CBS Personnel	\$ (1,011)a(3)
Crosman	(580)b(4)
Advanced Circuits	(139)c(3)
Silvue	(350)d(4)
	<u>\$ (2,080)</u>
5. New management fee	
Compass Diversified Trust	<u>\$ 6,885 e</u>
6. Research and development expense	
Silvue	<u>\$ 1,240 f</u>
7. Provision for income taxes	
Compass Diversified Trust	<u>\$ 3,215 h</u>
8. Minority interest in income of subsidiaries	
Compass Diversified Trust	<u>\$ 3,265 i</u>

Note 2. Pro Forma Adjustments by Acquisition

As a further illustration, we have grouped the pro forma adjustments detailed in Note 1 to the Pro Forma Condensed Financial Statements by each initial business to show the combined effect of the pro forma adjustments on each initial business.

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Balance Sheet

a. Reflects the net proceeds received in connection with the third party credit facility (after deducting debt issuance cost and closing fees of \$6.1 million):

Cash	\$	43,900
Other assets		6,100
Long-term debt		(50,000)
	\$	—

b. Reflects the use of net proceeds from the offering and private debt placement to finance acquisitions, including equity redemptions, and debt repayments:

CBS Personnel	\$	120,956
Crosman		70,087
Advanced Circuits		82,674
Silvue		37,818
	\$	311,535

c. CBS Personnel Acquisition

The following information represents the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect our acquisition of a 94.4% equity interest in, and loans to, CBS Personnel for a total cash investment of approximately \$121.0 million. This investment of \$121.0 million was assigned to assets of \$204.1 million, current liabilities of \$42.5 million consisting of the historical carrying values for accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$37.3 million to deferred tax and other liabilities and \$3.3 million to minority interest. The asset allocation represents \$68.8 million of current assets valued at their historical carrying values, property and equipment of \$2.9 million valued through a preliminary asset appraisal, \$74.8 million of intangible and other assets and \$57.6 million of goodwill representing the excess of the purchase price over identifiable assets. The preliminary intangible asset values consist principally of customer relationships valued at \$61.6 million, trade names valued at \$10.4 million and non-piracy covenants of \$0.6 million.

The trade names were valued at \$10.4 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 0.25% of revenues, a royalty revenue base equal to 100% of CBS's revenues, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 15.5%, and an indefinite remaining useful life.

The non-piracy covenants were valued at \$0.6 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on, and of the other assets utilized in, the business. The non-piracy covenants protect CBS from a loss of revenue due to former employees soliciting customers during the 12 months after their termination date. The key assumptions in this analysis were an economic margin of approximately 1.8% (on average) of the revenues protected by the non-piracy covenants, an estimate that 65% of CBS's revenues were initially protected by the non-piracy covenants (reflecting the revenue base attributable to the covenantors), a covenantor attrition (reflecting the rate at which the employment of CBS's employees subject to non-piracy covenants is expected to terminate) of 50% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 18%, and a remaining useful life of three years.

The customer relationships were valued at \$61.6 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on, and of the other assets utilized in, the business. The key assumptions in this analysis were an economic margin of approximately 3.5% (on average) of revenues attributable to CBS's customer relationships, an estimate that 90% of CBS's revenues come from recurring customers, a customer attrition

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rate (reflecting the rate at which CBS's customer relationships are lost) of 12.5% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 20%, and a remaining useful life of 11 years.

The value assigned to minority interest was derived from the historical equity value at December 31, 2005 multiplied by the minority interest ownership percentage calculated on a fully diluted basis.

1. Reflects (1) purchase accounting adjustments to reflect CBS Personnel assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their estimated fair values, (2) redemption of existing debt of CBS Personnel and (3) elimination of historical shareholders' equity:

Goodwill	\$	(1,673)
Intangible and other assets		63,941
Current portion of long-term debt		2,037
Long-term debt		31,154
Deferred tax liability		(24,298)
Establishment of minority interest		(3,340)
Elimination of historical shareholders' equity		53,135
	\$	<u>120,956</u>

d. Crosman Acquisition

The following information represents the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect our acquisition of a 75.4% equity interest in, and loans to, Crosman for a total cash investment of approximately \$70.1 million. This investment of \$70.1 million was assigned to assets of \$91.8 million, current liabilities of \$10.5 million consisting of the historical carrying values for accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$5.9 million to deferred tax and other liabilities and \$5.3 million to minority interest. The asset allocation represents \$36.5 million of current assets valued at their historical carrying values, property and equipment of \$9.9 million valued through a preliminary asset appraisal, \$3.3 million for the investment in a subsidiary, \$18.1 million of intangible and other assets and \$24.0 million of goodwill representing the excess of the purchase price over identifiable assets. The preliminary intangible asset values consist principally of \$0.8 million for technology, licenses agreements valued at \$1.1 million, distributor relationships of \$2.9 million and trade names valued at \$13.3 million.

The trade names were valued at \$13.3 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 4% of sales, a royalty sales base equal to approximately 94% of Crosman's total sales, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 20.0%, and an indefinite remaining useful life.

The technology (consisting of a specific product technology) was valued at \$0.8 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 3% of sales, an initial royalty sales base equal to approximately \$10.6 million per annum (representing sales of products utilizing the technology), an obsolescence factor (reflecting the rate at which the utility of the core technology degrades relative to time) of 10% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 25%, and a remaining useful life of 11 years.

The licensing agreement (representing Crosman's right to use the Remington name on the sale of certain products) was valued at \$1.1 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on, and of the other assets utilized in, the business. The key assumptions in this analysis were an economic margin of approximately 5.3% (on average) of sales made pursuant to the licensing agreement (which is net of a 4.5% royalty payable to the licensor), next-year sales under the agreement of \$4.7 million with 3% growth per annum during the remaining term of the agreement, the expected renewal of the agreement for

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a subsequent four-year term starting at the end of 2007, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 20%, and a remaining useful life of 6 years.

The distributor relationships were valued at \$2.9 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on and of the other assets utilized in the business. The key assumptions in this analysis were an economic margin of approximately 6.5% (on average) of sales attributable to Crosman's distributor relationships, an estimate that 2006 sales to these distributors would be \$10.5 million, an attrition rate (reflecting the rate at which Crosman's distributor relationships are lost) of 10% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 20%, and a remaining useful life of 11 years.

The value assigned to minority interest was derived from the historical equity value at December 31, 2005 multiplied by the minority interest ownership percentage calculated on a fully diluted basis. The Crosman minority interest was reduced by an outstanding loan in the amount of \$1.2 million due from the minority holders in connection with the issuance of their equity interest.

1. Reflects (1) purchase accounting adjustments to reflect Crosman assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their estimated fair values, (2) redemption of existing debt of Crosman and (3) elimination of historical shareholders' equity:

Property and equipment	\$	(141)
Investment in subsidiary		2,803
Goodwill		(6,970)
Intangible and other assets		4,495
Current portion of long-term debt		4,100
Long-term debt		47,605
Deferred tax liability		(1,708)
Establishment of minority interest		(5,275)
Elimination of historical shareholders' equity		25,178
	<u>\$</u>	<u>70,087</u>

e. Advanced Circuits Acquisition

The following information represents the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect our acquisition of a 70.2% equity interest in, and loans to, Advanced Circuits for a total cash investment of approximately \$82.7 million. This investment of \$82.7 million was assigned to assets of \$91.9 million, current liabilities of \$3.4 million consisting of the historical carrying values for accounts payable and accrued expenses, deferred tax and other liabilities of \$0.3 million and \$5.5 million to minority interest. The asset allocation represents \$5.0 million of current assets valued at their historical carrying values, property and equipment of \$3.2 million valued through a preliminary asset appraisal, \$20.7 million of intangible and other assets and \$63.0 million of goodwill representing the excess of the purchase price over identifiable assets. The preliminary intangible asset values consist principally of customer relationships valued at \$18.1 million and technology valued at \$2.6 million.

The technology was valued at \$2.6 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 7% of sales, an initial royalty sales base equal to 100% of Advanced Circuits' sales, an obsolescence factor (reflecting the rate at which the utility of the technology degrades relative to time) of 50% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 18%, and a remaining useful life of four years.

The customer relationships were valued at \$18.1 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on, and of the other assets utilized in, the business. The key assumptions in this analysis

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were an economic margin of approximately 18.5% (on average) of sales attributable to Advanced Circuits' customer relationships, an estimate that 75% of Advanced Circuits' sales come from recurring customers, a customer attrition rate (reflecting the rate at which Advanced Circuits' customer relationships are lost) of 20% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 18%, and a remaining useful life of nine years.

The value assigned to minority interest was derived from the historical equity value at December 31, 2005 multiplied by the minority interest ownership percentage calculated on a fully diluted basis. The Advanced Circuits minority interest was reduced by an outstanding loan in the amount of \$3.5 million due from the minority holders in connection with the issuance of their equity interest.

1. Reflects (1) purchase accounting adjustments to reflect Advanced Circuits assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their estimated fair values, (2) redemption of existing debt of Advanced Circuits and (3) elimination of historical shareholders' equity:

Goodwill	\$	12,391
Intangible and other assets		(406)
Current portion of long-term debt		3,875
Long-term debt		45,688
Establishment of minority interest		(5,502)
Elimination of historical shareholders' equity		26,628
	\$	<u>82,674</u>

f. Silvue Acquisition

The following information represents the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect our acquisition of a 73.0% equity interest in, and loans to, Silvue for a total cash investment of approximately \$37.8 million. This investment of \$37.8 million was assigned to assets of \$54.4 million, current liabilities of \$4.4 million consisting of the historical carrying values for accounts payable and accrued expenses, \$9.7 million to deferred tax and other liabilities and \$2.5 million to minority interest. The asset allocation represents \$6.0 million of current assets valued at their historical carrying values, property and equipment of \$2.1 million valued through a preliminary asset appraisal, \$26.2 million of intangible and other assets and \$20.1 million of goodwill representing the excess of the purchase price over identifiable assets. The preliminary intangible asset values consist principally of customer relationships of \$18.7 million, core technology of \$3.7 million, trade names of \$1.7 million and in process research and development of \$1.2 million.

The trade names were valued at \$1.7 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 1% of sales, a royalty sales base equal to 100% of Silvue's sales, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 13.0%, and an indefinite remaining useful life.

The core technology was valued at \$3.7 million using a royalty savings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that ownership of the asset relieves the company from the obligation of paying royalties for the benefits generated by the asset. The key assumptions in this analysis were a royalty rate equal to 5% of sales, an initial royalty sales base equal to 100% of Silvue's sales, an obsolescence factor (reflecting the rate at which the utility of the core technology degrades relative to time) of 10% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 12%, and a remaining useful life of 13 years.

The customer relationships were valued at \$18.7 million using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on, and of the other assets utilized in, the business. The key assumptions in this analysis were an economic margin of approximately 16.0% (on average) of sales attributable to Silvue's customer

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relationships, an estimate that 90% of Silvue's sales come from recurring customers, a customer attrition rate (reflecting the rate at which Silvue's customer relationships are lost) of 5% per annum, a risk-adjusted discount rate of 14%, and a remaining useful life of 16 years.

The IPR&D projects — backside coating and Gen-3 — were valued at \$0.7 million and \$0.5 million, respectively, using an excess earnings methodology, in which an asset is valuable to the extent that the asset enables its owner to earn a return in excess of the required returns on and of the other assets utilized in the business.

The key assumptions in the analysis of the backside coating project were remaining development costs of \$100,000, a product launch in the last half of 2006, peak market share of 33% by 2010, 33% EBITDA margins and economic margins of approximately 6.9% (on average) of sales of the product, an obsolescence factor (reflecting the rate at which the utility of the product's technology degrades relative to time) of 10% per annum starting in 2013, and a risk-adjusted discount rate of 25%.

The key assumptions in the analysis of the Gen-3 project were remaining development costs of \$600,000, a product launch in 2008 with immediate incremental sales, 33% EBITDA margins and economic margins of approximately 7.5% (on average) of incremental sales, an obsolescence factor (reflecting the rate at which the utility of the product's technology degrades relative to time) of 10% per annum starting in 2013, and a risk-adjusted discount rate of 20%.

The value assigned to minority interest was derived from the historical equity value at December 31, 2005 multiplied by the minority interest ownership percentage calculated on a fully diluted basis.

1. Reflects (1) purchase accounting adjustments to reflect Silvue assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their estimated fair values, (2) redemption of existing debt of Silvue and (3) elimination of historical shareholders' equity:

Property and equipment	\$ 863
Goodwill	8,810
Intangible and other assets	13,432
Current portion of long-term debt	1,621
Long-term debt	11,591
Deferred tax liability	(4,961)
Repayment of mandatorily redeemable preferred stock	90
Establishment of minority interest	(2,477)
Elimination of historical shareholders' equity	8,849
	<u>\$ 37,818</u>

g. Purchase Accounting Adjustment

The following pro forma adjustment made by us in Note 1 reflects the payment of the public offering costs:

Cash	\$ (6,000)
Accrued Expenses	3,308
Deferred Offering Cost	(3,308)
Shareholders' Equity	6,000
	<u>\$ —</u>

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h. In-Process Research & Development

Reflects the expensing of the in-process research and development (“IPR&D”) identified as part of the Silvue acquisition. This amount was expensed as of the date of acquisition since the IPR&D had no alternative use.

Shareholders’ Equity	\$ 1,240
Intangible and Other Assets	(1,240)
	<u>\$ —</u>

Statements of Operations:

	<u>Year Ended December 31, 2005</u>
A. The following entries represent the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect the effect of our acquisition of CBS Personnel upon the results of their operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 as if we had acquired CBS Personnel at the beginning of the fiscal year presented:	
1. Additional amortization expense of intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of CBS Personnel:	
Customer relationships of \$61,600 which will be amortized over 11 years	\$ 5,600
Non-piracy covenants of \$600 which will be amortized over 3 years	200
Subtotal	5,800
Amortization included in historical financial statements	(1,902)
	<u>\$ 3,898</u>
2. Reduction of interest expense with respect to the \$33.2 million long-term debt redeemed in connection with the acquisition of CBS Personnel	<u>\$ (4,453)</u>
3. Elimination of management fees paid to prior owner of CBS Personnel in connection with management service contract	<u>\$ (1,011)</u>
B. The following entries represent the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect the effect of our acquisition of Crosman upon the results of their operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 as if we had acquired Crosman at the beginning of the fiscal year presented:	
1. Additional amortization expense of intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of Crosman:	
Technology of \$780 which will be amortized over 11 years	\$ 71
License agreement of \$1,100 which will be amortized over 6 years	183
Distributor relationships of \$2,900 which will be amortized over 11 years	264
Subtotal	518
Amortization included in historical financial statements	(686)
	<u>\$ (168)</u>
2. Reduction of interest expense with respect to \$51.7 million debt redeemed in connection with acquisition of Crosman	<u>\$ (5,097)</u>
3. Additional depreciation expense resulting from the acquisition of Crosman	<u>\$ 116</u>

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	<u>Year Ended December 31, 2005</u>
4. Elimination of management fees paid to prior owner of Crosman in connection with prior management services contract	\$ (580)
C. The following entries represent the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect the effect of our acquisition of Advanced Circuits upon the results of their operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 as if we had acquired Advanced Circuits at the beginning of the fiscal year presented:	
1. Additional amortization expense of intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of Advanced Circuits:	
Customer relationships of \$18,100 which will be amortized over 9 years	\$ 2,011
Technology of \$2,600 which will be amortized over 4 years	650
Subtotal	\$ 2,661
Amortization included in historical financial statements	(717)
	<u>\$ 1,944</u>
2. Reduction of interest expense with respect to \$49.6 million of debt redeemed in connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits	\$ (1,491)
3. Elimination of management fee paid to prior owner of Advanced Circuits in connection with prior management service contract	\$ (139)
D. The following entries represent the pro forma adjustments made by us in Note 1 to reflect the effect of our acquisition of Silvue upon the results of their operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 as if we had acquired Silvue at the beginning of the fiscal year presented:	
1. Additional amortization expense of intangible assets resulting from the acquisition of Silvue:	
Customer relationships of \$18,700 which will be amortized over 16 years	\$ 1,169
Core technology of \$3,700 which will be amortized over 13 years	285
Subtotal	1,454
Amortization included in historical financial statements	(709)
	<u>\$ 745</u>
2. Reduction of interest expense with respect to \$13.2 million of debt redeemed in connection with the acquisition of Silvue	\$ (1,439)
3. Additional depreciation expense resulting from the acquisition of Silvue	\$ 365
4. Elimination of management fees paid to prior owner of Silvue in connection with management service contract not assumed by us	\$ (350)

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	Year Ended December 31, 2005
E.	Adjustment to record the estimated management fee expense pursuant to the Management Services Agreement to be incurred in connection with the closing of this offering. This amount will represent the total management fee to be paid to the manager. The amounts were determined by using the combined pro forma balance sheet at December 31, 2005 and was calculated as follows:
	\$ 458,207
	113,979
	344,228
	2.0%
	<u>\$ 6,885</u>
F.	Adjustment to record expensing of the IPR&D acquired in connection with the acquisition of Silvue on January 1, 2005 since the IPR&D had no alternative use.
	<u>\$ 1,240</u>
G.	Adjustment to record the estimated interest expense associated with the third party credit facility. The amounts were calculated as follows:
	\$ (3,840)
	(600)
	(2,700)
	(1,220)
	<u>\$ (8,360)</u>
H.	Adjustment to record the estimated tax expense associated with the pro forma adjustments to pre-tax income to reflect income tax expense for Advanced Circuits due to its change from a Subchapter S corporation. The amounts were calculated as follows:
	\$ 13,609
	(1,944)
	(362)
	11,303
	4,216
	(1,001)
	<u>\$ 3,215</u>
I.	Adjustment to record the minority interest in net income. The adjustment for minority interest was calculated by applying the minority ownership percentage for each business to the net income applicable to the minority interest holders.
	<u>\$ 3,265</u>

Note 3. Pro Forma Income from Continuing Operations per Share

Pro forma net income per share is \$0.44 for the year ended December 31, 2005, reflecting the shares issued from this offering and the private placement transactions as if such shares were outstanding from the beginning of the respective periods and was calculated as follows:

Net Income	\$ 8,783
Pro Forma Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding ⁽¹⁾	20,000
Pro Forma Net Income Per Share	<u>\$ 0.44</u>

(1) Pro Forma weighted average number of shares outstanding was derived by dividing the estimated gross proceeds from the offering and private placement of \$300.0 million by the assumed initial price per share of \$15.

Note 4. Other Estimates

In addition to the pro forma adjustments above, we expect to incur incremental administrative expenses, professional fees and management fees as a public company after the consummation of the transactions described above. Such fees and expenses include accounting, legal and other consultant fees, SEC and listing fees, directors' fees and directors' and officers' insurance. We currently estimate these fees and expenses will total approximately \$5.0 million during our first year of operations. The actual amount of these expenses and fees could vary significantly.

SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The company and the trust were formed on November 18, 2005 and have conducted no operations and have generated no revenues to date. We will use the proceeds of the offering, in part, to acquire and capitalize our initial businesses.

The following summary financial data represent the historical financial information for CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue and does not reflect the accounting for these businesses upon completion of the acquisitions and the operation of the businesses as a consolidated entity. You should read this information in conjunction with the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", the financial statements and notes thereto, and the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements and notes thereto, all included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected financial data for CBS Personnel at December 31, 2005 and 2004, and for fiscal years ended December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of CBS Personnel included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected financial data for Crosman at June 30, 2005 and 2004, and for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Crosman included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected financial data for Crosman for the year ended June 30, 2003 (predecessor) and for the periods July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004 (predecessor) and February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004 (successor) were derived from the audited financial statements of Crosman. The selected financial data of Crosman at January 1, 2006 and for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004 were derived from Crosman's unaudited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected financial data for Advanced Circuits at December 31, 2005 (successor) and 2004 (predecessor), and for the periods September 20, 2005 to December 31, 2005 (successor) and January 1, 2005 to September 19, 2005 (predecessor) and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 (predecessor) were derived from Advanced Circuits' audited consolidated and combined financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

The selected financial data for Silvue at December 31, 2005 and 2004 (restated), and for fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of Silvue included elsewhere in this prospectus. The selected financial data for Silvue for the period January 1, 2004 to September 2, 2004 (predecessor) and September 3, 2004 (inception) to December 31, 2004 and for the year ended December 31, 2003 (predecessor) were derived from the audited financial statements of Silvue.

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The unaudited financial data for Crosman shown below may not be indicative of the financial condition and results of operations of Crosman for any other period. The unaudited financial data, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, considered necessary for a fair presentation of such data.

CBS Personnel	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,		
	2003	2004	2005
	(\$ in thousands)		
Statements of Operations Data:			
Revenues	\$ 194,717	\$ 315,258	\$ 543,012
Direct cost of revenues	155,368	254,987	441,685
Gross Profit	39,349	60,271	101,327
Operating expenses:			
Staffing	23,081	31,974	54,249
Selling, general and Administrative	12,132	17,796	26,723
Amortization	491	1,051	1,902
Income from operations	3,645	9,450	18,453
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense	(2,929)	(2,100)	(4,453)
Other Income	224	148	138
Income before provision for income taxes	940	7,498	14,138
Provision for income taxes	(117)	(85)	(5,150)
Net income	\$ 823	\$ 7,413	\$ 8,988
Cash Flow Data:			
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 3,944	6,581	14,654
Cash (used in) investing activities	(302)	(30,059)	(1,018)
Cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(3,736)	23,970	(13,176)
Net (decrease) increase in cash	\$ (94)	\$ 492	\$ 460
Supplemental Information:			
Depreciation Expense	\$ 1,431	\$ 1,344	\$ 1,426
	At December 31,		
	2004	2005	
	(\$ in thousands)		
Balance Sheet Data:			
Total current assets		\$ 66,371	\$ 68,829
Property and equipment, net		3,081	2,876
Goodwill		59,307	59,295
Other intangibles, net and other assets		11,228	10,752
Total assets		139,987	141,752
Current liabilities		41,499	44,514
Long-term debt		43,893	31,154
Workers' Compensation and other liabilities		10,684	12,949
Total liabilities		96,076	88,617
Shareholders' equity		43,911	53,135

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Crosmann	Year Ended June 30, 2003	Predecessor July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004	Successor February 10, 2004 to June 30 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2005	(Unaudited)	
					Six Months Ended	
					December 26, 2004	January 1, 2006
(\$ in thousands)						
Statements of Operations Data:						
Net sales	\$ 53,333	\$ 38,770	\$ 24,856	\$ 70,060	\$ 38,234	\$ 45,223
Cost of sales	37,382	26,382	17,337	50,874	26,471	32,916
Gross Profit	15,951	12,388	7,519	19,186	11,763	12,307
Operating expenses:						
Selling, general and administrative	8,749	5,394	4,119	10,526	5,393	4,896
Amortization	132	70	258	629	310	367
Operating income	7,070	6,924	3,142	8,031	6,060	7,044
Other income (expense):						
Interest expense	(1,978)	(402)	(1,588)	(4,638)	(2,236)	(2,695)
Other income (expense)	424	(1,560)	(281)	(2,792)	(68)	193
Income before provision for income taxes	5,516	4,962	1,273	601	3,756	4,542
Provision for income taxes	(2,122)	(1,824)	(463)	(112)	(1,407)	(1,721)
Net income	\$ 3,394	\$ 3,138	\$ 810	\$ 489	\$ 2,349	\$ 2,821
Cash Flow Data:						
Cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 4,360	\$ 8,551	\$ 89	\$ 3,110	\$ (6,133)	\$ 647
Cash (used in) investing activities	(572)	(1,181)	(65,809)	(2,014)	(944)	(677)
Cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(3,865)	(7,146)	65,905	(527)	7,346	53
Net (decrease) increase in cash	\$ (77)	\$ 224	\$ 185	\$ 569	\$ 269	\$ 23
Supplemental Information:						
Depreciation Expense	\$ 2,295	\$ 1,205	\$ 847	\$ 2,146	\$ 1,069	\$ 1,121

	At June 30,		(Unaudited) At January 1, 2006
	2004	2005	
	(\$ in thousands)		
Balance Sheet Data:			
Total current assets	\$ 25,497	\$ 28,622	\$ 36,470
Property, plant and equipment, net	10,583	10,513	10,069
Goodwill	30,951	30,951	30,951
Intangible and other assets	14,900	14,097	14,105
Total assets	81,931	84,183	91,595
Current liabilities	10,072	11,001	14,598
Notes payable under revolving line of credit	7,138	10,385	11,329
Long-term debt	37,917	35,334	35,033
Capitalized lease obligations and other liabilities	4,878	5,117	5,457
Total liabilities	60,005	61,837	66,417
Shareholders' equity	21,926	22,346	25,178

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<u>Advanced Circuits</u>	<u>Predecessor Year Ended December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Predecessor Year Ended December 31, 2004</u>	<u>Predecessor January 1, 2005 to September 19, 2005</u>	<u>Successor September 20, 2005 to December 31, 2005</u>
	(\$ in thousands)			
Statements of Operations Data:				
Net sales	\$ 27,796	\$ 36,642	\$ 29,726	\$ 12,243
Cost of sales	14,568	17,867	12,960	5,143
Gross Profit	13,228	18,775	16,766	7,100
Operating expenses:				
General and administrative	5,521	6,564	5,835	2,448
Amortization of intangibles	—	—	—	717
Income from operations	7,707	12,211	10,931	3,935
Other income (expense):				
Interest Expense	(204)	(242)	(173)	(1,318)
Interest income	16	42	164	70
Other income	15	82	—	—
Income before provision for income taxes	7,534	12,093	10,922	2,687
Provision for income taxes	—	—	—	(1,001)
Net income	<u>\$ 7,534</u>	<u>\$ 12,093</u>	<u>\$ 10,922</u>	<u>\$ 1,686</u>
Cash Flow Data:				
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 8,021	\$ 12,689	\$ 11,503	\$ 3,170
Cash (used in) investing activities	(2,167)	(1,310)	(502)	(74,724)
Cash (used in) provided financing activities	(4,458)	(8,830)	(17,453)	73,156
Net increase (decrease) in cash	<u>\$ 1,396</u>	<u>\$ 2,549</u>	<u>\$ (6,452)</u>	<u>\$ 1,602</u>
Supplemental Information:				
Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 729</u>	<u>\$ 869</u>	<u>\$ 715</u>	<u>\$ 169</u>

	<u>At December 31,</u>	
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
	(\$ in thousands)	
Balance Sheet Data:		
Total current assets	\$ 9,564	\$ 5,020
Property and equipment, net	6,669	3,185
Goodwill and other assets	556	71,765
Total assets	16,789	79,970
Current liabilities	3,422	7,274
Long-term debt	2,787	45,688
Other liabilities	131	380
Total liabilities	6,340	53,342
Shareholders' equity	10,449	26,628

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<u>Silvue</u>	<u>Predecessor Year Ended December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Predecessor January 1, 2004 to September 2, 2004</u>	<u>Successor September 3, 2004 to December 31, 2004</u>	<u>Successor Year Ended December 31, 2005</u>
	(\$ in thousands)			
Statements of Operations Data:				
Net sales	\$ 10,446	\$ 7,604	\$ 4,532	\$ 17,093
Cost of sales	1,555	1,094	611	3,816
Gross Profit	8,891	6,510	3,921	13,277
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative	5,276	4,006	2,320	7,491
Research and Development costs	550	448	637	1,072
Amortization of intangibles	—	—	209	709
Operating income	3,065	2,056	756	4,005
Other income (expense):				
Interest income	8	5	—	—
Interest expense	(31)	(5)	(366)	(1,439)
Other income	377	175	136	90
Income before provision for income taxes	3,419	2,231	525	2,656
Provision for income taxes	1,062	735	472	1,257
Income from continuing operations	2,357	1,496	53	1,399
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(843)	(225)	59	132
Net income	<u>\$ 1,514</u>	<u>\$ 1,271</u>	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 1,531</u>
Cash Flow Data:				
Cash provided by operating activities	\$ 1,853	\$ 1,378	\$ 867	\$ 2,338
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(859)	(210)	(8,460)	24
Cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(228)	(3,045)	7,264	(1,692)
Net increase (decrease) in cash	<u>\$ 766</u>	<u>\$ (1,876)</u>	<u>\$ (329)</u>	<u>\$ 670</u>
Supplemental Information:				
Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 196</u>	<u>\$ 219</u>	<u>\$ 104</u>	<u>\$ 404</u>

	<u>At December 31,</u>	
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
	(\$ in thousands)	
Balance Sheet Data:		
Total current assets	\$ 4,743	\$ 6,025
Property, plant and equipment, net	750	1,257
Goodwill	9,109	11,266
Other Intangibles, net and other assets	13,899	12,697
Total assets	28,501	31,245
Current liabilities	4,679	5,973
Long-term debt	11,788	11,591
Deferred income tax liability and other liabilities	4,458	4,742
Total liabilities	20,925	22,306
Cumulative redeemable preferred stock	90	90
Shareholders' equity	7,486	8,849

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

Overview

We are and will be dependent upon the earnings of and cash flow from the businesses that we own to meet our corporate overhead and management fee expenses and to make distributions. These earnings, net of any minority interests in these businesses, will be available:

- first, to meet capital expenditure requirements, management fees and corporate overhead expenses of the company and the trust;
- second, to fund distributions by the company to the trust; and
- third, to be distributed by the trust to shareholders.

Acquisition of Initial Businesses

We will use approximately \$312 million of the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions, and our initial borrowing under our third party credit facility to acquire controlling interests in, and make loans to, our initial businesses. Approximately \$140.8 million will be used to pay the purchase price and related costs of the acquisitions of our initial businesses and approximately \$170.8 million will be used to make loans to each of the initial businesses. The terms and conditions of the stock purchase agreement were negotiated among representatives of CGI, on behalf of CGI, and representatives of our manager, on behalf of the company in the overall context of this offering. The acquisition of each of the initial businesses will be conditioned upon the consummation of our acquisition of each of the other initial businesses.

In connection with this offering, the company will use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering to acquire controlling interests in:

- CBS Personnel;
- Crosman;
- Advanced Circuits; and
- Silvue.

See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for more information about the calculation of the percentages of equity interest we are acquiring of each initial business.

In connection with this offering, the company will use a portion of the proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowing under our third party credit facility to make loans and financing commitments to each of our initial businesses. The following sets forth the amounts we expect to be outstanding at each of our initial businesses in connection with the closing of this offering:

- an aggregate amount of approximately \$66.4 million will be funded to CBS Personnel;
- an aggregate amount of approximately \$43.2 million will be funded to Crosman;
- an aggregate amount of approximately \$47.4 million will be funded to Advanced Circuits; and
- an aggregate amount of approximately \$13.8 million will be funded to Silvue.

The term loans will be used to repay all of the debt outstanding at each of our initial businesses immediately prior to the offering and to recapitalize each initial business. The revolving loans will be used to provide a source of revolving credit for each of our initial businesses, as necessary. See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for more information regarding the

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percentage of equity interest we are acquiring of each business and the loans made by the company to each initial business.

Our loans to our initial businesses will be structured with standard third party terms, security and covenants. We expect these loans to have bullet maturities and substantial sweeps of excess cash flows at those businesses.

Critical Accounting Policies

The following discussion relates to critical accounting policies for the company, the trust and each of our initial businesses.

The preparation of our financial statements in conformity with GAAP will require management to adopt accounting policies and make estimates and judgments that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Upon the completion of the acquisitions contemplated in the offering, we will base our estimates on historical information and experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ from these estimates under different assumptions and judgments and uncertainties, and potentially could result in materially different results under different conditions. Our critical accounting policies are discussed below. These policies are generally consistent with the accounting policies followed by the businesses we plan to acquire. These critical accounting policies will be reviewed by our independent auditors and the audit committee of the company's board of directors.

Supplemental Put Agreement

In connection with the completion of the offering, the company will enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement with our manager for a price to be determined in accordance with the supplemental put agreement. The company will record the supplemental put agreement at its fair value at each balance sheet date by recording any change in value through the income statement. The fair value of the supplemental put agreement is largely related to the value of the profit allocation that our manager, as holder of allocation interests, will receive. The valuation of the supplemental put agreement requires the use of complex models, which require highly sensitive assumptions and estimates. The impact of over-estimating or under-estimating the value of the supplemental put agreement could have a material effect on future operating results. In addition, the value of the supplemental put agreement will be subject to the volatility of the company's operations which may result in significant fluctuation in the value assigned to this supplemental put agreement.

Revenue Recognition

The company recognizes revenue when it is realized or realizable and earned. The company considers revenue realized or realizable and earned when it has persuasive evidence of an arrangement, the product has been shipped or the services have been provided to the customer, the sales price is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured. Provisions for customer returns and other allowances based on historical experience are recognized at the time the related sale is recognized.

In addition, CBS Personnel recognizes revenue for temporary staffing services at the time services are provided by CBS Personnel employees and reports revenue based on gross billings to customers. Revenue from CBS Personnel employee leasing services is recorded at the time services are provided. Such revenue is reported on a net basis (gross billings to clients less worksite employee salaries, wages and payroll-related taxes). The company believes that net revenue accounting for leasing services more closely depicts the transactions with its leasing customers and is consistent with guidelines outlined in Emerging Issue Task Force ("EITF") No. 99-19, *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent*. The effect of using this method of accounting is to report lower revenue than would be otherwise reported.

Business Combinations

The acquisitions contemplated in the offering and future acquisitions of businesses that we will control will be accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The amounts assigned to the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in connection with acquisitions will be based on estimated fair values as of the date of the acquisition, with the remainder, if any, to be recorded as identifiable intangibles or goodwill. The fair values will be determined by our management team, taking into consideration information supplied by the management of the acquired entities and other relevant information. Such information will include valuations supplied by independent appraisal experts for significant business combinations. The valuations will generally be based upon future cash flow projections for the acquired assets, discounted to present value. The determination of fair values requires significant judgment both by our management team and by outside experts engaged to assist in this process. This judgment could result in either a higher or lower value assigned to amortizable or depreciable assets. The impact could result in either higher or lower amortization and depreciation expense.

Goodwill, Intangible Assets and Property and Equipment

Significant assets that will be acquired in connection with the contemplated acquisitions will include customer relationships, noncompete agreements, trademarks, technology, property and equipment and goodwill.

Trademarks are considered to be indefinite life intangibles. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the assets acquired. Trademarks and goodwill will not be amortized. However, we will be required to perform impairment reviews at least annually and more frequently in certain circumstances.

The goodwill impairment test is a two-step process, which will require management to make judgments in determining what assumptions to use in the calculation. The first step of the process consists of estimating the fair value of each of our reporting units based on a discounted cash flow model using revenue and profit forecasts and comparing those estimated fair values with the carrying values, which include the allocated goodwill. If the estimated fair value is less than the carrying value, a second step is performed to compute the amount of the impairment by determining an “implied fair value” of goodwill. The determination of a reporting unit’s “implied fair value” of goodwill requires the allocation of the estimated fair value of the reporting unit to the assets and liabilities of the reporting unit. Any unallocated fair value represents the “implied fair value” of goodwill, which will then be compared to its corresponding carrying value. The impairment test for trademarks requires the determination of the fair value of such assets. If the fair value of the trademark is less than its carrying value, an impairment loss will be recognized in an amount equal to the difference. We cannot predict the occurrence of certain future events that might adversely affect the reported value of goodwill and/or intangible assets. Such events include, but are not limited to, strategic decisions made in response to economic and competitive conditions, the impact of the economic environment on our customer base, and material adverse effects in relationships with significant customers.

The “implied fair value” of reporting units will be determined by our management and will generally be based upon future cash flow projections for the reporting unit, discounted to present value. We will use outside valuation experts when management considers that it would be appropriate to do so.

Intangibles subject to amortization, including customer relationships, noncompete agreements and technology are amortized using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the intangible assets, which we will determine based on the consideration of several factors including the period of time the asset is expected to remain in service. We will evaluate the carrying value and remaining useful lives of intangibles subject to amortization whenever indications of impairment are present.

Property and equipment are initially stated at cost. Depreciation on property and equipment will be computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the property and equipment after consideration of historical results and anticipated results based on our current plans. Our estimated

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useful lives represent the period the asset is expected to remain in service assuming normal routine maintenance. We will review the estimated useful lives assigned to property and equipment when our business experience suggests that they may have changed from our initial assessment. Factors that lead to such a conclusion may include physical observation of asset usage, examination of realized gains and losses on asset disposals and consideration of market trends such as technological obsolescence or change in market demand.

We will perform impairment reviews of property and equipment, when events or circumstances indicate that the value of the assets may be impaired. Indicators include operating or cash flow losses, significant decreases in market value or changes in the long-lived assets' physical condition. When indicators of impairment are present, management determines whether the sum of the undiscounted future cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets is less than the carrying amount of those assets. In this circumstance, the impairment charge is determined based upon the amount by which the carrying value of the assets exceeds their fair value. The estimates of both the undiscounted future cash flows and the fair values of assets require the use of complex models, which require numerous highly sensitive assumptions and estimates.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The company records an allowance for doubtful accounts on an entity-by-entity basis with consideration for historical loss experience, customer payment patterns and current economic trends. The company reviews the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts on a periodic basis and adjusts the balance, if necessary. The determination of the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts requires significant judgment by management. The impact of either over or under estimating the allowance could have a material effect on future operating results.

The table below summarizes the allowance for doubtful accounts as a percentage of net sales and accounts receivable, respectively.

	Year Ended December 31, 2005			Year Ended
	CBS Personnel	Advanced Circuits(2)	Silvue	June 30, 2005
				Crosman(1)
		(\$ in thousands)		
Net Sales	\$ 543,012	\$ 41,969	\$ 17,093	\$ 70,060
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 2,646	\$ 105	\$ 5	\$ 998
% of Revenue	0.48%	0.25%	0.03%	1.42%
Accounts Receivable	\$ 65,969	\$ 2,952	\$ 2,245	\$ 14,745
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 2,646	\$ 105	\$ 5	\$ 998
% of Accounts Receivable	4.01%	3.56%	0.22%	6.77%

(1) For presentation of annualized amounts, it was necessary to reflect amounts as of June 30, 2005 due to Crosman having a June 30th fiscal year end.

(2) Computed as net sales for predecessor combined January 1, 2005 through September 19, 2005 plus consolidated successor September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

Workers' Compensation Liability

CBS Personnel self-insures its workers' compensation exposure for certain employees. CBS Personnel establishes reserves based upon its experience and expectations as to its ultimate liability for those claims using developmental factors based upon historical claim experience. CBS Personnel continually evaluates the potential for change in loss estimates with the support of qualified actuaries. As of December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel had approximately \$20.8 million of workers' compensation liability. The ultimate settlement of this liability could differ materially from the assumptions used to calculate this liability, which could have a material adverse effect on future operating results.

Deferred Tax Assets

Several of the contemplated acquisitions have deferred tax assets recorded at December 31, 2005 which in total amount to approximately \$4.5 million. These deferred tax assets are largely comprised of workers' compensation liabilities not currently deductible for tax purposes. The temporary differences that have resulted in the recording of these tax assets may be used to offset taxable income in future periods, reducing the amount of taxes we might otherwise be required to pay. Realization of the deferred tax assets is dependent on generating sufficient future taxable income. Based upon the expected future results of operations, the company believes it is more likely than not that the company will generate sufficient future taxable income to realize the benefit of existing temporary differences, although there can be no assurance of this. The impact of not realizing these deferred tax assets would result in an increase in income tax expense for such period when the determination was made that the assets are not realizable.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The following discussion relates to recent accounting pronouncements for the company, the trust and each of our initial businesses.

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued a revised FAS No. 123(R) entitled "Share-Based Payment." FAS No. 123(R) sets accounting requirements for "share-based" compensation to employees and requires companies to recognize in the income statement the grant-date fair value of the stock options and other equity-based compensation. FAS No. 123(R) is effective in annual periods beginning after June 15, 2005. Crosman adopted FAS No. 123(R) for the quarter ended October 2, 2005. Our other initial businesses will be required to adopt FAS No. 123(R) in the first quarter of 2006. Crosman currently discloses and the businesses that we will own will disclose the effect on net income and earnings per share of the fair value recognition provisions of FAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. The company is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of FAS No. 123(R) on its financial position and results of operations, including the valuation methods and support for the assumptions that underlie the valuation of awards, but does not expect that the adoption of FAS No. 123(R) will have a material impact on the financial condition and results of operations of the other initial businesses that we will own.

In November 2004, the FASB issues FAS No. 151 entitled "Inventory Costs." This Statement amends the guidance in ARB No. 43, "Inventory Pricing," to clarify the accounting for abnormal amounts of idle facility expense, freight handling costs and wasted material (spoilage). The provisions of this Statement will be effective for inventory costs incurred during fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005. We do not expect the adoption of FAS No. 151 to have a material impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the businesses that we will own.

In March 2005, the FASB issued FASB Interpretation No. 47 ("FIN 47") "Accounting for Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations." This Interpretation clarifies that an entity is required to recognize a liability for the fair value of a conditional asset retirement obligation when incurred if the liability's fair value can be reasonably estimated. The provisions of this Interpretation shall be effective no later than the end of fiscal years ending after December 31, 2005, for calendar-year companies. We are currently evaluating the impact for the contemplated acquisitions of the adoption of FIN 47 on the financial condition, business and results of operation of the businesses that we will own.

In May 2005, FASB issued SFAS No. 154, "Accounting Changes and Error Corrections" ("SFAS 154"), which establishes retrospective application as the required method for reporting a change in accounting principle, unless impracticable, in the absence of explicit transition requirements specific to the newly adopted accounting principle. The statement provides guidance for determining whether retrospective application of a change in accounting principle is impracticable. The statement also addresses the reporting of a correction of error by restating previously issued financial statements. SFAS 154 is effective for accounting changes and corrections of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. We do not expect adoption of this statement to have a material impact on the financial condition or results of operations of the businesses that we will own.

Revenues

We do not plan to generate any revenues apart from those generated by our businesses. We may generate interest income on the investment of available funds but expect such earnings to be minimal. Our investment in our initial businesses will typically be in the form of loans from the company to our businesses, as well as equity interests in those companies. Cash flow coming to us will be the result of interest payments on those loans, amortization of those loans and, potentially, dividends on our equity ownership. However, on a GAAP basis, these loans will be consolidated.

Expenses

Our operating expenses will primarily consist of the salary and related costs and expenses of our Chief Financial Officer and his staff and for the cost of professional services and for other expenses. These other expenses will include the cost of audit fees, directors and officers' insurance premiums paid and tax preparation services. We estimate that our operating expenses will be approximately \$5.0 million during our first full year of operation.

In addition, pursuant to the management services agreement, the company will pay our manager a quarterly management fee equal to 0.5% (2.0%) of our adjusted net assets, which is defined in the management services agreement. We will accrue for the management fee on a quarterly basis. Based on the pro forma condensed combined financial statements set forth in this prospectus at or for the quarter ended December 31, 2005, the quarterly management fee payable would have been approximately \$1.7 million on a pro forma basis. Assuming no change in the quarterly financial information, the annual management fee at or for the year ended December 31, 2005, would have been approximately \$6.9 million on a pro forma basis, representing approximately 43.9% of the pro forma net income of the company before the management fee and approximately 78.4% of pro forma net income. Neither the company nor the initial businesses are planning any transactions in the near future that will materially alter the adjusted net assets, which would impact the management fee. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee" for more information about the calculation, an example of such calculation and payment of the management fee and the specific definitions of the terms used in such calculation.

Financial Condition, Liquidity and Capital Resources

At the closing of this offering, our capital will consist of net proceeds from this offering of approximately \$16.1 million in cash and undrawn amounts under our third-party credit facility of approximately \$155 million. This amount does not take into account the exercise of the over-allotment option.

We will generate cash from the receipt of interests and principal on the loans to our businesses, as described below, in addition to any dividends received from the businesses. In the future, we may also fund acquisitions through borrowings from banks and issuances of senior securities.

Our primary use of funds will be for the payment of interest and debt repayment under our third party credit facility, public company expenses including director fees, cash distributions to our shareholders, investments in future acquisitions, payments to our manager pursuant to the management services agreement, potential payment of profit allocations to our manager and potential put price to our manager in respect of the allocation interests it owns. The management fee, expenses, potential profit allocation and potential put price are paid before distributions to shareholders and may be significant and exceed the funds held by the company, which may require the company to dispose of assets or incur debt to fund such expenditures. See the section entitled "Our Manager," for more information concerning the management fee, the profit allocation and put price.

We intend to finance our acquisition strategy primarily through a combination of issuing new equity and incurring debt as well as cash generated by operations. We expect all or most of the new debt to be incurred at the company level.

Our Third Party Credit Facility

In conjunction with this offering, the company intends to enter into a secured third party credit facility with Ableco Financing LLC for an aggregate amount of approximately \$225.0 million. This third party credit facility will consist of a \$60.0 million revolving line of credit commitment, a \$50.0 million term loan and a \$115.0 million delayed draw term loan commitment. We will draw the full amount under the \$50.0 million term loan at the closing of this offering. We may draw down on the delayed draw term loan at any time, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, from the closing of this offering until the third anniversary of such closing. We intend to use this third party credit facility to provide for the working capital needs of the company and the businesses and to pursue acquisitions of additional businesses by the company. All obligations under the third party credit facility will mature five years after the date of the closing of this offering.

This third party credit facility will bear interest at rates equal to the London Interbank Offer Rate, or LIBOR, plus a spread ranging from 4.25% to 5.50%, depending on the company's leverage ratio (as defined in the third party credit facility agreement) at the time of borrowing. The interest rate shall increase by 2.0% during any period when an event of default under the third party credit facility has occurred and is continuing. In addition, the company will pay commitment fees equal to 1.5% per annum on the unused portion of the \$60.0 million revolving line of credit and a rate ranging between 1.0% and 2.0% on the unused portion of the \$115.0 million delayed draw term loan, which rate will adjust downwards as such term loan is drawn. The Company will pay letter of credit override fees at a rate ranging between 1.0% and 1.5% of the aggregate amount of letters of credit outstanding at any business, which rate will adjust downward based on the amount drawn on the revolving line of credit.

Our third party credit facility will be secured by a first priority lien on all the assets of the company, including, but not limited to, the capital stock of our businesses, loan receivables from the company's businesses, cash and other assets. Our third party credit facility also requires that the loan agreements between the company and our businesses be secured by a first priority lien on the assets of our businesses subject, in the case of CBS Personnel, to the letters of credit issued by a third party lender on behalf of CBS Personnel.

We will be subject to certain affirmative and restrictive covenants arising under the third party credit facility, including, among other customary covenants:

- We will be required to maintain a minimum level of cash flow;
- We will be required to leverage new businesses we acquire to a minimum specified level at the time of acquisition;
- We will be required to keep our total debt to cash flow at or below a ratio of 3 to 1; and
- We will only be permitted to make acquisitions that satisfy certain specified minimum criteria.

Our breach of any of these covenants will be an event of default under the third party credit facility, among other customary events of default. Upon the occurrence of an event of default, our lender will have the right to accelerate the maturity of any debt outstanding under the third party credit facility, we may be prohibited from making any distributions to our shareholders and we will be subject to additional restrictions, prohibitions and limitations.

We will have the ability to voluntarily prepay up to approximately \$50 million of the third party credit facility without penalty. If we voluntarily prepay any amounts in excess of \$50 million, we will be required to pay a premium ranging from 4% if the prepayment occurs on or prior to the first anniversary of the closing of the third party credit facility, which premium decreases to 2% after the first anniversary and on or prior to the second anniversary and 1% after the second anniversary and on or prior to third anniversary of this offering. After the third anniversary of the closing of this offering, there will be no prepayment penalty.

We will be required to repay the term loan upon the occurrence of, and with the proceeds from, the sale of shares in the trust or minority interests in our businesses, as well as upon the occurrence of certain other

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events. If the term loan has been repaid in full upon the occurrence of such an event, then the proceeds from such event will be used to repay the delayed draw term loan and, then, the revolving line of credit.

We believe that we will be in compliance with the covenants contained in the third party credit facility at the close of this offering. We do not believe these financial covenants, including the limitation on the total debt the company may have, will materially limit our ability to undertake future financing.

We will incur approximately \$6.1 million in fees and costs for the arranging of the third party credit facility, which will be paid to the lender, another third party that assisted us in obtaining the third party credit facility and for various other costs.

The Compass Group has provided a deposit of \$250,000 for expenses incurred pursuant to the commitment letter entered into in connection with establishing the third party credit facility. We expect the company to reimburse this amount upon the closing of this offering.

Loans to Our Initial Businesses

At the closing of this offering, we will have the following outstanding loans due from each of our initial business:

- CBS Personnel — Approximately \$66.4 million;
- Crosman — Approximately \$43.2 million;
- Advanced Circuits — Approximately \$47.4 million; and
- Silvue — Approximately \$13.8 million.

We will receive interest and principal payments from each business as a result of the above loans. Each loan will have a scheduled maturity and each business is able to repay the entire principal prior to maturity.

Dividend and Distribution Policy

We intend to pursue a policy of making regular distributions on our outstanding shares. Our policy is based on the liquidity and capital of our initial businesses and on our intention to pay out as distributions to our shareholders the majority of cash resulting from the ordinary operation of our businesses, and not to retain significant cash balances in excess of what is prudent for the company or our businesses, or as may be prudent for the consummation of attractive acquisition opportunities. The company's board of directors intends to set this initial distribution on the basis of the current results of operations of our initial businesses and other resources available to the company, including the third party credit facility, and the desire to provide sustainable levels of distributions to our shareholders.

We will require approximately \$5.3 million to pay the initial distribution and approximately \$3.1 million to pay the initial quarterly distribution on the shares outstanding immediately following this offering, assuming the offering closes on or about May 9, 2005 (but before June 30, 2006). Subject to the assumptions and considerations set forth in the pro forma condensed combined financial statements, we believe that if we had completed this offering on January 1, 2005 our estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution for the year ended December 31, 2005 based on our pro forma condensed combined financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2005, would have been approximately \$27.0 million.

On a quarterly basis, the company is expected to receive cash payments from our initial businesses which will be in the form of interest and debt repayment and inter-company debt amortization or possibly from distributions or dividends from each of the individual businesses. Each of the initial businesses will be required to make quarterly interest and principal payments as a result of the loans to each of the initial businesses. However, the amount of total quarterly payments to be received from each business by the company is dependent on the amount of excess cash each business will have, after taking into consideration its operating and capital needs for both the short and long term and, therefore, may fluctuate from quarter to quarter.

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The company anticipates using such cash received to make debt payments, pay operating expenses, including the management fee, and to make distributions. We may use such cash from our initial businesses or the capital resources of the company, including borrowings under the company's third party credit facility to pay a distribution. See the section entitled "Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" for more information about the tax treatment of distributions to our shareholders.

Our ability to pay distributions may be constrained by our operating expenses, which includes the management fee to be paid to our manager pursuant to the management services agreement. Other constraints on our ability to pay distributions include unknown liabilities, government regulations, financial covenants of the debt of the company, funds needed for acquisitions and to satisfy short- and long-term working capital needs of our businesses, or if our initial businesses do not generate sufficient earnings and cash flow to support the payment of such distributions. In particular, we may incur additional debt in the future to acquire new businesses, which debt will have additional debt commitments, which must be satisfied before we can make distributions. These factors could affect our ability to continue to make distributions, in the initial quarterly per share amounts or at all. In addition, as we will not own 100% of our businesses, any dividends or distributions paid by our businesses and any proceeds from a sale of a business will be shared *pro rata* with the minority shareholders of our businesses and the amounts paid to minority shareholders will not be available to us for any purpose, including company debt service, payment of operating expenses or distributions to our shareholders.

As holder of allocation interests in the company, our manager is entitled to a profit allocation. Our manager will not receive a profit allocation on an annual basis but only upon the occurrence of a trigger event. When such an event does occur, we are obligated to pay the profit allocation to our manager prior to making any distributions to our shareholders. Accordingly, the cash flow available for distribution to shareholders will be reduced by the payment of profit allocation to our manager upon the occurrence of a trigger event. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" for more information about the profit allocation.

In addition, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement. The company's obligations under the supplemental put agreement are absolute and unconditional. In addition, the supplemental put agreement places certain additional obligations on the company upon exercise of our manager's put right until such time as the company's obligations under the supplemental put agreement have been satisfied, including limitations on declaring and paying any distributions. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement" for more information.

Contractual Obligations

We will engage our manager to manage the day-to-day operations and affairs of the company. Our relationship with our manager will be governed principally by the following two agreements:

- the management services agreement relating to the management services our manager will perform for us and the businesses we own and the management fee to be paid to our manager in respect thereof; and
- the company's LLC agreement setting forth our manager's rights with respect to the allocation interests it owns, including the right to receive profit allocations from the company.

In addition, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement. We will not record any obligation relating to the supplemental put agreement at the closing of this offering because we estimate the amount paid for our manager's allocation interest approximates the fair value of the supplemental put agreement. We will recognize any change in the fair value of the supplemental put agreement by recording

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an increase or decrease in the Company's liability related to the fair value of the supplemental put agreement through the income statement. The liability will be determined by consideration of any changes in the estimated profit allocation, as well as for any additional value related to the put itself. This liability will represent an estimate of the amounts to ultimately be paid to our manager, whether as a result of the occurrence of the various trigger events or upon the exercise of the supplemental put agreement following the termination of the management services agreement. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement" for more information about this agreement.

We also expect that our manager will enter into off-setting management services agreements, transaction services agreements and other agreements, in each case, with some or all of the businesses that we own. In this respect, we expect that The Compass Group will cause its affiliates to assign any outstanding agreements with our initial businesses to our manager in connection with the closing of this offering. See the sections entitled "Management Services Agreement" and "Description of Shares" for information about these and other agreements the company intends to enter into with our manager.

Concurrently with the closing of this offering, all the employees of The Compass Group will become employees of our manager. Our management team intends to devote a substantial majority of their time to the affairs of our company. However, our manager expects to remain affiliated with CGI after closing of this offering. It is further expected that our manager, our management team and CGI may pursue joint business endeavors.

The company has agreed to reimburse our manager and its affiliates, within five business days after the closing of this offering, for certain costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred prior to and in connection with the closing of this offering in the aggregate amount of approximately \$6.0 million. See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement — Reimbursement of Expenses" for more information about the reimbursement of our manager's fees and expenses.

CBS Personnel

Overview

CBS Personnel, a provider of temporary staffing services in the United States, provides a wide range of human resources services, including temporary staffing services, employee leasing services, permanent staffing and temporary-to-permanent placement services. CBS Personnel derives a majority of its revenues from its temporary staffing services, which generated approximately 97.1% and 96.9% of revenues for fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. CBS Personnel serves over 3,500 corporate and small business clients and during an average week places over 21,000 temporary employees in a broad range of industries, including manufacturing, transportation, retail, distribution, warehousing, automotive supply, construction, industrial, healthcare and financial sectors.

As a result of strong economic conditions, CBS Personnel's revenues have grown during the past three years as it has experienced increased demand from both existing and new clients. In addition to organic growth, the acquisition of Venturi Staffing Partners, or VSP, in September 2004 contributed significantly to CBS Personnel's revenue growth. As the salaries of temporary employees represent the largest costs of providing staffing services, the increase in number of temporary workers on hire has resulted in a corresponding increase in CBS Personnel's costs of services. Based on forecasts of continued economic growth, CBS Personnel's management believes the demand for temporary staffing services will continue to grow.

CBS Personnel's business strategy includes increasing the number of offices in each of its existing markets and expanding organically into contiguous markets where it can benefit from shared management and administrative expenses. CBS Personnel typically enters into new markets through acquisitions. The acquisition of VSP, for example, gave CBS Personnel a presence in numerous new markets in which it did not previously operate. While no specific acquisitions are currently contemplated, CBS Personnel continues to view acquisitions as an attractive means to enter new geographic markets.

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 as Compared to Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations data for CBS Personnel for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2004	2005
	(\$ in thousands)	
Revenues	\$ 315,258	\$ 543,012
Direct cost of revenues	254,987	441,685
Gross profit	60,271	101,327
Staffing expense	31,974	54,249
Selling, general and administrative expenses	17,796	26,723
Amortization expense	1,051	1,902
Income from operations	9,450	18,453
Interest expense	(2,100)	(4,453)
Other income	148	138
Income before provision for income taxes	7,498	14,138
Provision for income taxes	85	5,150
Net income	<u>\$ 7,413</u>	<u>\$ 8,988</u>

Revenues

Revenues for the year ended December 31, 2005 were approximately \$543.0 million as compared to approximately \$315.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$227.8 million or approximately 72.2%. This increase was primarily due to both increased demand from new and existing customers and the acquisition of VSP on September 30, 2004. The acquisition of VSP contributed approximately \$209.4 million of the increase in revenues. The increase in revenues attributable to VSP were in large part due to operations in California and Texas, which accounted for approximately \$62.6 million and \$54.5 million of total revenue growth, respectively. In addition to revenue growth from the VSP acquisition, revenue increased by \$18.4 million, due mainly to revenue increases in Ohio. Revenues from clerical and administrative staffing were approximately \$210.3 million in the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$85.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$125.2 million or approximately 147.1%.

Direct cost of revenues

Direct cost of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$441.7 million as compared to approximately \$255.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of \$186.7 million or approximately 73.2%. The acquisition of VSP accounted for approximately \$170.4 million of the increase. The increase in cost of services was primarily due to an increase in hours worked by CBS Personnel's temporary personnel. The largest component of cost of services is wages paid to temporary employees. Temporary employees are typically paid on an hourly basis and therefore increases in number of hours billed directly impact cost of services. For the year ended December 31, 2005 temporary employees at CBS Personnel billed a total of 35.6 million hours as compared to 21.9 million hours in 2004, an increase of 13.7 million or 62.3%. As a percentage of revenue, direct cost for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately 81.3% as compared to approximately 80.9% for the year ended December 31, 2004. Direct cost of revenues increased as a percentage of revenue, primarily due to increases in workers compensation expenses and from higher unemployment tax rates. These factors were partially offset by increased permanent placement revenue, primarily attributable to the acquisition of VSP.

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Staffing expense

Staffing expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$54.2 million as compared to approximately \$32.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$22.3 million or 69.7%. This increase was primarily due to direct costs associated with the acquisition of VSP, which was approximately \$21.0 million of the increase. The additional increase in staffing expense was due to additional employees to support the business growth and for merit increases for existing staff.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2005 were approximately \$26.7 million as compared to approximately \$17.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$8.9 million or approximately 50.1%. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of VSP, which was approximately \$8.9 million of the increase. Nonrecurring restructuring and integration costs associated with the acquisition totaled approximately \$0.8 million and approximately \$1.1 million in the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Amortization expense

Amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$1.9 million as compared to approximately \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.9 million or approximately 81.0%.

This increase was primarily due to the amortization of intangibles acquired in connection with the acquisition of VSP. As part of the VSP acquisition the company allocated \$8.2 million of the purchase price to intangible assets with finite lives. These intangible assets are amortized over a period ranging from 4 to 9 years. The acquisition of VSP resulted in the incurrence of \$1.0 million in additional amortization expense over the year ended December 31, 2004.

Income from operations

Income from operations was approximately \$18.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$9.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$9.0 million or approximately 95.3%. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of VSP, which contributed approximately \$8.3 million of the increase. The remaining increase was due to organic income growth partially offset by additional overhead costs to support the VSP acquisition.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$4.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$2.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$2.4 million or approximately 112.0%. This increase was primarily due to higher borrowing levels associated with the financing of VSP as approximately \$22.0 million of long-term debt was issued in connection with the acquisition.

Provision for income taxes

The provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$5.2 million as compared to approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$5.1 million. The provision for income taxes includes a tax benefit in the amount of approximately \$2.5 million for the reduction of the deferred tax valuation allowance during the year ended December 31, 2004. The remaining increase is due to higher taxable income at statutory rates.

Net income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$9.0 million as compared to approximately \$7.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately

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\$1.6 million or 21.2%. The increase in net income was principally due to the acquisition of VSP, but was offset by increased interest expense and a higher provision for income taxes.

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004 as Compared to Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations data for CBS Personnel Holdings for the year ending December 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2003	2004
	(\$ in thousands)	
Revenues	\$ 194,717	\$ 315,258
Direct cost of revenues	155,368	254,987
Gross profit	39,349	60,271
Staffing expense	23,081	31,974
Selling, general and administrative expenses	12,132	17,796
Amortization expense	491	1,051
Income from operations	3,645	9,450
Interest expense	(2,929)	(2,100)
Other income	224	148
Income before provision for income taxes	940	7,498
Provision for income taxes	117	85
Net income	\$ 823	\$ 7,413

Revenues

Revenues for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approximately \$315.3 million as compared to approximately \$194.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$120.5 million or 61.9%. This increase was due to both increased demand from new and existing customers and the acquisition of VSP on September 30, 2004. Revenue from existing operations increased by approximately \$50.9 million or 26.1% due largely to increasing demand for staffing services as a result of improvements in economic conditions and increases in U.S. payroll employment during 2004. This growth was most evident in operations in Indiana and South Carolina, which contributed approximately \$13.8 million and \$11.0 million of the increase, respectively. The acquisition of VSP contributed approximately \$70.6 million of the increase driven primarily by revenues in California and Texas. Increases in revenues from clerical and administrative staffing and light industrial staffing accounted for approximately \$55.1 million and \$47.9 million of the increase in revenue, respectively.

Direct cost of revenues

Direct cost of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$255.0 million as compared to approximately \$155.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$99.6 million or approximately 64.1%. The acquisition of VSP accounted for approximately \$56.8 million of the increase. This increase was primarily due to an increase in hours worked by CBS temporary personnel. In 2004, temporary employees billed a total of approximately 21.9 million hours as compared to approximately 14.2 million hours in 2003, an increase of approximately 7.8 million hours or 54.9%. As a percentage of revenue, direct cost for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately 80.9% as compared to approximately 79.8% for the year ended December 31, 2003. Direct cost of revenues increased as a percentage of revenue, primarily due to increases in workers compensation expenses and from higher unemployment tax rates. These factors were partially offset by increased permanent placement revenue.

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Staffing expense

Staffing expense for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$32.0 million as compared to approximately \$23.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$8.9 million or approximately 38.5%. This increase was primarily due to direct costs associated with the acquisition of VSP, which was approximately \$7.2 million of the increase. Staffing expense also increased by approximately \$1.1 million due to an increase in variable compensation related to improved results.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approximately \$17.8 million as compared to approximately \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$5.7 million or approximately 46.7%. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of VSP, which was approximately \$3.4 million of the increase. Additional reasons for this increase include nonrecurring integration costs associated with the acquisition of approximately \$1.1 million.

Amortization expense

Amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$1.1 million as compared to approximately \$0.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.6 million or approximately 114.1%. This increase was primarily due to the amortization of intangibles and fixed assets acquired in connection with the acquisition of VSP. As part of the VSP acquisition the company allocated \$8.2 million of the purchase price to intangible assets. These intangible assets are amortized over a period ranging from 4 to 9 years. The acquisition of VSP resulted in the incurrence of \$0.3 million in additional amortization expense over the year ended December 31, 2003.

Income from operations

Income from operations was approximately \$9.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$3.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$5.8 million or approximately 159.3%. The increase was primarily due to increased demand as a result of improving economic conditions and the acquisition of VSP, which contributed approximately \$1.7 million of the increase.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$2.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.8 million or approximately 27.6%. Interest expense decreased due to a lower effective interest rate associated with a revised credit agreement entered into in 2004. These benefits were offset by higher borrowing levels in the fourth quarter of the year as a result of the VSP acquisition.

Other income

Other income was approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$76 thousand. This decrease was primarily due to the loss on a sale of a building.

Provision for income taxes

The provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$0.1 million as compared to approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. The provision for income taxes includes a tax benefit in the amount of approximately \$2.5 million for the reversal of the deferred tax valuation during fiscal 2004.

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Net income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$7.4 million as compared to approximately \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$6.6 million or 800.7%. This increase was principally due to increased demand as a result of improving economic conditions, the acquisition of VSP and a lower level of interest expense.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Impact of proposed acquisition by the company

The following discussion reflects CBS Personnel's liquidity and capital resources prior to the closing of this offering. Upon the closing of this offering, the company will loan CBS Personnel approximately \$66.4 million, approximately \$33.6 million of which will be used to repay currently outstanding loans from third parties, including a prepayment penalty but excluding the revolving credit facility related to the letters of credits, and approximately \$32.8 million representing a capitalization loan. We expect the terms and covenants of the intercompany loans to CBS Personnel to be substantially similar to those currently in place. The proposed transaction, and related intercompany loans, should not significantly impact CBS Personnel's liquidity and capital resources, exclusive of the capitalization loan.

Sources of and uses for cash

Historically, CBS Personnel has financed its operations through cash generated by operating activities and third party debt. As highlighted in the Statements of Cash Flows, CBS Personnel's liquidity and available capital resources are impacted by four key components: cash and equivalents, operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

The ability of CBS Personnel to satisfy its obligations will depend on its future performance, which will be subject to prevailing economic, financial, business and other factors, most of which are beyond its control. To the extent future capital requirements exceed cash flows from operating activities, CBS Personnel anticipates that:

- working capital will be financed by CBS Personnel's revolving credit facility as discussed below and repaid from subsequent reductions in current assets or from subsequent earnings;
- capital expenditures will be financed by the use of the revolving credit facility; and
- third-party long-term debt will be repaid with long-term debt with similar terms.

CBS Personnel believes that its current cash balances, combined with future cash flows from operations will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash needs for operations for the next 12 months. CBS Personnel is unaware of any known material trends or uncertainties that may require it to make cash management decisions that will impair its operating capabilities during the next year.

Cash and Equivalents

Cash and equivalents totaled approximately \$1.0 million at December 31, 2005, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million from approximately \$0.5 million at December 31, 2004. As further described below, during the year ended December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel generated approximately \$14.7 million of cash from operating activities, used approximately \$1 million of cash in investing activities and approximately \$13.2 million in financing activities.

Operating Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel generated approximately \$14.7 million in cash from its operating activities as compared to approximately \$6.6 million in the year ended December 31,

2004. The most significant reasons for the change in cash generated from operations for the year ended December 31, 2005, were:

- An increase in net income of approximately \$1.6 million principally due to higher operating income as a result of the acquisition of VSP partially offset by increases in interest expense and taxes.
- An increase in non-cash charges included in net income of approximately \$2.0 million. Significant components of this increase are an increase of approximately \$0.9 million in depreciation and amortization primarily due to the amortization of intangibles acquired in connection with the acquisition of VSP, approximately \$0.6 million of deferred interest charge in the year ended December 31, 2005, associated with the loan incurred in connection with the acquisition of VSP, and a decrease in deferred taxes of approximately \$0.5 million.
- An increase of approximately \$1.6 million in accounts receivable for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase of approximately \$6.9 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The greater increase in the year ended December 31, 2004, was primarily related to a large increase in revenue and number of customers served as a result of the VSP acquisition. Accounts receivables totaled approximately \$62.8 million at December 31, 2005.
- An increase of approximately \$0.6 million in prepaid expenses and other assets for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase of approximately \$1.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The greater increase in the year ended December 31, 2004, was primarily related to assets acquired as part of the VSP acquisition.
- An increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities of approximately \$3.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to a decrease in accounts payable of approximately \$1.6 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The increase in accounts payable is primarily due to CBS Personnel's purchase of goods and services in the year ended December 31, 2005 at more favorable terms. Accounts payable totaled approximately \$8.8 million at December 31, 2005.

As of December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel had working capital of approximately \$24.3 million.

Investing Activities

Cash used in investing activities was approximately \$1.0 million in the year ended December 31, 2005, compared to cash used in investing activities of approximately \$30.1 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. Cash used in investing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, was primarily used in purchases of property and equipment and is representative of CBS Personnel's capital expenditures activities. The significant decrease in cash used in investing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2004, is primarily related to approximately \$30.3 million of cash used in the acquisition of VSP in the year ended December 31, 2004.

Capital spending in fiscal year 2006 is expected to total between approximately \$1.3 million and approximately \$1.7 million. Future capital requirements for CBS Personnel are expected to be provided by cash flows from operating activities and cash on hand at December 31, 2005. However, a large acquisition of a business could require it to incur additional debt financing, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all. No such activities are anticipated at this time.

Financing Activities

Cash used in financing activities was approximately \$13.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to cash provided by financing activities of approximately \$24.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2004.

In connection with the acquisition of VSP in September 2004, CBS Personnel issued long-term debt of approximately \$20 million and drew down approximately \$11.9 million from its revolving line of credit. Cash used in financing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, included approximately

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\$3.8 million for the repayment of long-term debt and approximately \$9.5 million for the repayment of CBS Personnel's revolving credit facility.

At December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel had a senior credit facility that consisted of a \$50.0 million revolving credit facility and a term loan. The revolving credit facility allows for the issuance of letters of credit and expires on June 30, 2009. At December 31, 2005, approximately \$6.8 million of borrowings and approximately \$18.6 million of letters of credit were outstanding under this facility, leaving availability of approximately \$24.6 million at December 31, 2005. The term loan, which matures on June 30, 2008, had a balance outstanding of approximately \$5.8 million at December 31, 2005 of which approximately \$2.0 million was classified as current.

At December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel also had other long-term debt outstanding of approximately \$20.6 million. This other long-term debt consisted of a \$20.0 million term loan that was incurred as part of the acquisition of VSP and bears interest at 12% plus a margin of 2.5% based on defined debt to EBITDA ratios. The margin is payable either quarterly or at maturity at the discretion of the senior lender. As of December 31, 2005, the long-term debt includes deferred interest of approximately \$0.6 million. The note is due in full on December 31, 2009 and is subordinate to borrowings under the senior credit facility described above.

Commitments and Contingencies

CBS Personnel's principal commitments at December 31, 2005 consisted primarily of its commitments related to the long-term debt and for obligations incurred under operating leases.

The following table summarizes CBS Personnel's contractual obligations for the repayment of debt and payment of other contractual obligations as of December 31, 2005.

	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less than 1 Year	2-3 Years (\$ in thousands)	4-5 Years	More than 5 Years
Long-term debt	\$ 33,191	\$ 2,037	\$ 3,757	\$ 27,397	\$ —
Operating lease obligations	13,977	4,709	6,216	2,321	731
Compensation due under employment agreements	408	350	58	—	—
Total contractual cash obligations	<u>\$ 47,576</u>	<u>\$ 7,096</u>	<u>\$ 10,031</u>	<u>\$ 29,718</u>	<u>\$ 731</u>

On September 30, 2004, CBS Personnel entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage its exposure to interest rate movements in its variable rate debt. CBS Personnel pays interest at a fixed rate of 3.07% and receives interest from the counter-party at one month LIBOR (4.38% at December 31, 2005). The notional principal amount was \$10.4 million at December 31, 2005. The agreement terminates on September 30, 2007. With the repayment of the third party loans upon the close of this transaction, CBS Personnel intends to terminate the interest rate swap agreement with no expected adverse effect.

CBS Personnel currently has a management services agreement in place with an affiliate of CGI pursuant to which it makes quarterly payments of approximately \$250 thousand. CBS Personnel's quarterly management fee is derived from its total gross revenues for that quarter. Upon the closing of this offering, the management services agreement will be assigned to our manager. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information.

CBS Personnel believes that, for the foreseeable future, it will have sufficient cash resources to meet the commitments described above and for current anticipated working capital and capital expenditure requirements. CBS Personnel's future liquidity and capital requirements will depend upon numerous factors, including retention of customers at current volume and revenue levels, ability to repay long-term debt at acceptable terms and competing technological and market developments.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

CBS Personnel is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its senior credit facilities since these instruments all bear interest at variable interest rates. At December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel had outstanding borrowings under these debt instruments that totaled approximately \$12.6 million. This exposure is minimal as most of this debt is hedged to minimize exposure to interest rate movements on CBS Personnel's variable rate debt.

CBS Personnel also selectively uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate movements on its variable rate debt. See the section entitled "— Commitments and Contingencies" for a description of the interest rate swap agreement.

Crosman**Overview**

Crosman is a manufacturer and distributor of recreational airgun products and related accessories. To a lesser extent, Crosman also designs, markets and distributes paintball products and related accessories through GFP. Crosman's products are sold through approximately 500 retailers in over 6,000 retail locations in the United States and 44 other countries. The United States market, however, continues to be Crosman's primary market, accounting for approximately 87% of net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.

The recreational airgun market continues to experience slow but steady growth. Crosman's net sales, however, have increased at a faster pace over the past three fiscal years, largely due to its introduction of new products to market. For example, since the introduction of its soft air airguns in May 2002, sales for this product have grown steadily and are now a significant component of Crosman's sales, representing approximately 34% of net sales for the quarter ended October 2, 2005. Net sales of new products introduced since 2001 represent 48% of net revenues for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. Crosman's management believes that its proven capability to successfully introduce new products into the market will allow Crosman to continue to experience growth in its net sales exceeding that of its industry.

The sporting goods industry is experiencing a consolidation of certain sporting goods retailers worldwide, which has made access to distribution channels very important. Due to its established and long-term relationship with its retailers, Crosman management does not anticipate such consolidation to impact its net sales significantly. Crosman will continue to take steps to cement its relationships with its retailers including engaging in marketing and sales initiatives to assist its retailers' sales. Approximately 86% of Crosman's net sales are to retailers.

Crosman's business is seasonal in nature, with sales, operating income and net income peaking in the second quarter from holiday sales as reflected by the table below.

	<u>Q1</u>	<u>Q2</u>	<u>Q3</u>	<u>Q4</u>
	(\$ in thousands)			
2005				
Net sales	\$ 15,511	\$ 22,723	\$ 12,897	\$ 18,929
Operating Income	\$ 1,533	\$ 4,527	\$ 820	\$ 1,151
Net Income	\$ 347	\$ 2,002	\$ (471)	\$ (1,389)
2004				
Net sales	\$ 13,315	\$ 20,056	\$ 13,112	\$ 17,143
Operating Income	\$ 1,766	\$ 4,803	\$ 1,059	\$ 2,438
Net Income	\$ 1,036	\$ 3,145	\$ (1,311)	\$ 1,078
2003				
Net sales	\$ 13,397	\$ 16,048	\$ 9,201	\$ 14,687
Operating Income	\$ 1,312	\$ 3,473	\$ 324	\$ 1,961
Net Income	\$ 502	\$ 1,602	\$ 58	\$ 1,232

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Crosman operates on a 4-4-5 method whereby the first eleven months of the fiscal year close on a Sunday. Eight of Crosman's fiscal months have four weeks; three of the months have five weeks. July generally has less than four weeks to ensure the month ends on a Sunday, and June generally has more than four weeks as the fiscal year always ends on June 30, regardless of the day of the week. The quarter ended October 2, 2005 contained one extra week as compared to the quarter ended September 26, 2004. However, Crosman's management does not believe the extra week to be material for comparison purposes.

On February 10, 2004, Crosman was acquired by a subsidiary of CGI. To facilitate comparisons, the results of Crosman and the predecessor company for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 were combined as applicable. During fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, Crosman considered a public offering in the Canadian Income Trust market that was ultimately not completed.

Results of Operations

Six Months Ended January 1, 2006 Compared to Six Months Ended December 26, 2004

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations data for Crosman for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and the six months ended December 26, 2004.

	(Unaudited) Six Months Ended	
	December 26, 2004	January 1, 2006
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 38,234	\$ 45,223
Cost of sales	26,471	32,916
Gross profit	11,763	12,307
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,393	4,896
Amortization expense	310	367
Operating income	6,060	7,044
Interest expense	2,236	2,695
Foregone offering costs	161	—
Equity in losses of joint venture	132	24
Other income	(225)	(217)
Income before provision for income taxes	3,756	4,542
Provision for income taxes	1,407	1,721
Net income	\$ 2,349	\$ 2,821

Net sales

Net sales for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$45.2 million as compared to approximately \$38.2 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$7.0 million or 18.3%. This increase was primarily due to the growth in revenues from Soft Air products which increased by approximately \$6.4 million over the prior period and by increased airgun sales of approximately \$0.6 million. Crosman began selling its Soft Air products in May 2002 and by leveraging its customer relationships, distribution and brand name, Crosman was able to take advantage of growth in the overall soft air market. Net sales of consumables, accessories and other products for the six months ended January 1, 2006 decreased by approximately \$0.6 million as compared to the six months ended December 26, 2004.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$32.9 million as compared to approximately \$26.5 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$6.4 million or 24.3%. This increase was primarily due to the increase in net sales. Gross profit margin

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decreased by approximately 3.5% from 30.7% to 27.2% primarily due to a shift in revenue mix. The revenue mix was impacted by Soft Air products sales, which have a lower overall margin than Crosman's manufactured products, as Soft Air products made up a larger percentage of sales in the current period than in the comparable prior period.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the six months ended January 1, 2006 were approximately \$4.9 million as compared to approximately \$5.4 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$0.5 million or 9.2%. Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased due to the settlement of a product liability case for \$0.5 million in the six months ended December 26, 2004.

As a percentage of revenue, selling, general and administrative expenses decreased to approximately 10.8% in the first half of fiscal 2006 from approximately 14.1% in the first half of fiscal 2006. The primary reasons for the decrease in the costs as a percentage of revenues are the \$0.5 million product liability settlement in the first half of fiscal year 2005 and Crosman's operating leverage allowing it to increase revenue without significantly increasing selling, general and administrative costs other than for increased commission expense.

Amortization expense

Amortization expense for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$0.4 million as compared to approximately \$0.3 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$57 thousand or 18.4%. This increase was primarily due to additional amortization related to fees paid in connection with the refinancing of Crosman's debt in August 2005.

Operating income

Operating income for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$7.0 million as compared to approximately \$6.0 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.0 million or 16.2%. This increase was primarily due to increased revenues from Soft Air products as described above.

Interest expense

Interest expense for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$2.7 million as compared to approximately \$2.2 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 20.5%. This increase was primarily due to increases in the interest rates charged to Crosman on its variable rate debt.

Equity in losses of joint venture

Equity in losses of joint venture for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was a loss of approximately \$24 thousand as compared to a loss of approximately \$132 thousand for the six months ended December 26, 2004, a decreased loss of approximately \$108 thousand or 81.8%. The lower losses were primarily due to increased sales at GFP with slightly lower operating costs.

Other income

Other income for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$0.2 million, approximately the same as the \$0.2 million for the comparable period in fiscal year 2005.

Provision for income taxes

Provision for income taxes for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$1.7 million as compared to approximately \$1.4 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.3 million or 22.3%. This increase was primarily due to the higher pre-tax income for the

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six months ended January 1, 2006. The effective tax rate increased from approximately 37.5% in the first six months of fiscal 2005 to the rate of approximately 37.9% in the first half of fiscal year 2006 due primarily to significant investment tax credits earned in the first half of fiscal 2005 associated with investments in machinery and equipment.

Net income

Net income for the six months ended January 1, 2006 was approximately \$2.8 million as compared to approximately \$2.3 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 20.1%. This increase was primarily due the increase in operating income partially offset by higher interest expense and provision for income taxes.

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations data for Crosman for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2005 and June 30, 2004.

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2005
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 63,626	\$ 70,060
Cost of sales	43,719	50,874
Gross profit	19,907	19,186
Selling, general and administrative expenses	9,513	10,526
Amortization expense	328	629
Operating income	10,066	8,031
Interest expense	1,990	4,638
Equity in (income) loss of joint venture	(56)	241
Recapitalization and foregone offering costs	2,497	3,022
Other (income)	(600)	(471)
Income before provision for income taxes	6,235	601
Provision for income taxes	2,287	112
Net income	\$ 3,948	\$ 489

(1) The results of the predecessor and successor companies were combined to facilitate this comparison for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

Net sales

Net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was approximately \$70.1 million as compared to approximately \$63.6 million for the year ended June 30, 2004, an increase of approximately \$6.4 million or 10.1%. This increase was primarily due to an increase in revenue from Soft Air products which increased by approximately \$9.8 million over the prior period. This increase was partially offset by a reduction in revenue from airgun rifle and pistol products of approximately \$3.1 million due primarily to a change in promotional strategies at some of Crosman's key accounts.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was approximately \$50.9 million as compared to approximately \$43.7 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, an increase of approximately \$7.2 million or 16.4%. This increase was primarily due to the increase in net sales and from increased raw material costs. Gross profit margin decreased by approximately 3.9% to approximately 27.4% in fiscal 2005 from approximately 31.3% in fiscal 2004 as a result of revenue mix and a liquidation of certain inventories at lower than standard margins. The revenue mix was impacted by Soft Air products sales, which have a

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lower overall margin than Crosman's manufactured products, as Soft Air products made up a larger percentage of sales in the current period than in the comparable prior year.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 were approximately \$10.5 million as compared to approximately \$9.5 million for the year ended June 30, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.0 million or 10.6%. This increase was primarily due to increased royalties paid on new product sales, additional commissions paid due to the increase in net sales and from increased sales and marketing personnel required to support Crosman's growth.

Amortization expense

Amortization expense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was approximately \$0.6 million as compared to approximately \$0.3 million for the year ended June 30, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.3 million or 91.8%. This increase was primarily due to a full year of amortization of the intangibles acquired in February 2004.

Operating income

Operating income was approximately \$8.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to approximately \$10.1 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$2.0 million or 20.2%. This decrease was primarily due to the lower gross profit and increased selling, general and administrative and amortization expenses as described above.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$4.6 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to approximately \$2.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 an increase of approximately \$2.6 million or 133.1%. This increase was primarily due to increased debt levels associated with Crosman's acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI.

Equity in (income) loss of joint venture

Equity in (income) loss of joint venture for the year ended June 30, 2005 was a loss of approximately \$0.2 million as compared to income of approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended June 30, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$0.3 million or 530.4%. The increased loss was primarily due to decreased sales at GFP as sales were negatively impacted by higher inventories at customer locations resulting from curtailed purchases.

Recapitalization and foregone offering costs

Recapitalization and foregone offering costs was approximately \$3.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to approximately \$2.5 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 21.0%. These expenses were driven in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 by Crosman's contemplated equity offering and in fiscal 2004 by the recapitalization associated with the acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI.

Other (income)

Other income was approximately \$0.5 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to approximately \$0.6 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million or 21.5%. This decrease was primarily due to lower billings to GFP associated with decreased sales at GFP as described above.

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Provision for income taxes

Provision for income taxes was approximately \$0.1 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to approximately \$2.3 million for the year ended June 30, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$2.2 million or 95.1%. This decrease was primarily due to the lower pre-tax income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. The effective tax rate in fiscal 2005 was approximately 18.6% due primarily to significant investment tax credits earned during the year.

Net income

Net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was approximately \$0.5 million as compared to approximately \$3.9 million for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$3.4 million or 87.6%. This decrease was primarily due to the decrease in operating income combined with increased interest expense and increased other expenses, partially offset by the lower provision for income taxes.

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2003

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations data for Crosman for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2003.

	Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	
	2003	2004 ⁽¹⁾
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 53,333	\$ 63,626
Cost of sales	37,382	43,719
Gross profit	15,951	19,907
Selling, general and administrative expenses	8,749	9,513
Amortization expense	132	328
Operating income	7,070	10,066
Interest expense	1,978	1,990
Equity in (income) of joint venture	(158)	(56)
Recapitalization and foregone offering costs	—	2,497
Other (income)	(266)	(600)
Income before provision for income taxes	5,516	6,235
Provision for income taxes	2,122	2,287
Net income	\$ 3,394	\$ 3,948

(1) The results of the predecessor and successor companies were combined to facilitate this comparison for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

Net sales

Net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$63.6 million as compared to approximately \$53.3 million for the year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$10.3 million or 19.3%. This increase was primarily due to the growth in net sales from Soft Air products of approximately \$4.7 million and from increased sales of Soft Air airgun rifles and pistols of approximately \$3.3 million primarily resulting from new product placement at many of Crosman's larger customer accounts. Sales of consumables increased by approximately \$2.0 million as a result of the corresponding increase in the sales of Soft Air and airgun products.

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Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$43.7 million as compared to approximately \$37.4 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$6.3 million or 17.0%. This increase was primarily due to the increase in net sales. Gross profit margins increased by approximately 1.4% to approximately 31.3% in fiscal 2004 from approximately 29.9% in fiscal 2003 as a result of product mix and by increased operating leverage partially offset by increased steel costs due to higher worldwide steel prices.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 were approximately \$9.5 million as compared to approximately \$8.7 million for the year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.8 million or 8.7%. This increase was primarily due to increased royalty payments on new product sales, additional sales commissions as a result of increased sales levels and increased executive compensation expense as a result of Crosman's improved performance. As a percentage of revenues, selling general and administrative expenses decreased to approximately 15.0% in fiscal 2004 from approximately 16.4% in fiscal 2003. Crosman's operating leverage allowed it to incur the increased costs described above without increases in its costs as a percentage of revenues.

Amortization expense

Amortization expense for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$0.3 million as compared to approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million or 148.5%. This increase was primarily due to the amortization of the intangibles acquired in February 2004.

Operating income

Operating income was approximately \$10.1 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 as compared to approximately \$7.1 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$3.0 million or 42.4%. This increase was largely due to increased net sales levels and reduced operating cost as a percentage of net sales.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$2.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 as compared to approximately \$2.0 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$12 thousand or 0.6%. Interest expense in fiscal 2004 includes a write-off of approximately \$0.6 million for the unamortized original issue discount resulting from the recapitalization in 2004. Interest expense otherwise decreased as higher rate subordinated debt comprised a greater percentage of total debt in fiscal year ended June 30, 2003 than it did in fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

Equity in (income) of joint venture

Equity in income of joint venture for the year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$0.1 million as compared to approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended June 30, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million. Despite increased sales at GFP in fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, GFP's net income decreased due to higher operating costs.

Recapitalization and foregone offering costs

Recapitalization and foregone offering costs was approximately \$2.5 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. These expenses were driven in fiscal year 2004 by the recapitalization associated with the acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI.

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Other (income)

Other income was approximately \$0.6 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 as compared to income of approximately \$0.3 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.3 million or 125.6%. This increase was primarily due to higher billings to GFP associated with increased sales at GFP as described above.

Provision for income taxes

Provision for income taxes for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$2.3 million as compared to approximately \$2.1 million for the year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million or 7.8%. This increase was primarily due to the higher pre-tax income for fiscal year ended June 30, 2004. The effective rate in 2004 decreased to approximately 36.7% from approximately 38.5% primarily as a result of more investment tax credits generated in 2004 than in 2003.

Net income

Net income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 was approximately \$3.9 million as compared to approximately \$3.4 million for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.6 million or 16.3%. This increase was primarily due to the increase in operating income as described above partially offset by increased recapitalization expense and higher income taxes.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Impact of proposed acquisition by the company

The following discussion reflects Crosman's liquidity and capital resources prior to the closing of this offering. Upon the closing of this offering, the company will loan to Crosman approximately \$43.2 million, the proceeds of which will be used to repay currently outstanding loans from third parties. We expect the terms and covenants of this loan to Crosman to be substantially similar to those currently in place. The proposed transaction and loan should not significantly impact Crosman's liquidity and capital resources.

Sources of and uses for cash

Historically, Crosman has financed its operations through cash generated by operating activities and third party debt. As highlighted in the Statements of Cash Flows, Crosman's liquidity and available capital resources are impacted by four key components: cash and equivalents, operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

The ability of Crosman to satisfy its obligations will depend on its future performance, which will be subject to prevailing economic, financial, business and other factors, most of which are beyond its control. To the extent future capital requirements exceed cash flows from operating activities, Crosman anticipates that:

- working capital will be financed by Crosman's revolving credit facility as discussed below and repaid from subsequent reductions in current assets or from future earnings;
- capital expenditures will be financed from the revolving credit facility; and
- long-term debt will be repaid with long-term debt with similar terms.

Crosman believes that its current cash balances, combined with future cash flows from operations will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash needs for operations for the next 12 months. Crosman is unaware of any known material trends or uncertainties that may require it to make cash management decisions that will impair its operating capabilities during the next year.

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Six Months Ended January 1, 2006 Compared to Six Months Ended December 26, 2004

Cash and Equivalents

Cash and equivalents totaled approximately \$0.6 million at January 1, 2006, an increase of approximately \$0.3 million from cash and equivalents of approximately \$0.5 million at December 26, 2004. As further described below, during the six months ended January 1, 2006, Crosman generated approximately \$0.6 million of cash from operating activities and used approximately \$0.7 million of cash in investing activities while financing activities provided approximately \$53 thousand in cash.

Operating Activities

For the six months ended January 1, 2006, Crosman generated approximately \$0.6 million in cash from its operating activities as compared approximately \$6.1 million used for the six months ended December 26, 2004. The most significant reasons for the change in cash generated from operations for the six months ended January 1, 2006 were:

- An increase in net income of approximately \$0.5 million principally due to increased sales of Soft Air products.
- An increase in inventory of approximately \$1.3 million for the six months ended January 1, 2006 as compared to an increase of approximately \$6.2 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004. The current year increase in inventory is consistent with the increase in sales. The prior year increase in inventory resulted from purchasing certain products to support Crosman's sales growth objectives. The inventory growth in the first half of the fiscal year 2005 was offset by a reduction of approximately \$4.9 million in the second half of the year.
- An increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses of approximately \$2.6 million for the six months ended January 1, 2006 as compared to an increase of approximately \$1.9 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004. Accounts payable and accrued expenses provided more cash in the first half of fiscal year 2006 than fiscal year 2005 due primarily to a large bonus that was paid in the first half of fiscal year 2005 that was accrued for at June 30, 2004. There was no such bonus paid for fiscal year 2005 in the first half of fiscal year 2006. Accounts payable and accrued expenses totaled \$9.2 million at the end of the six months ended January 1, 2006.

The impact of changes in operating assets and liabilities may change in further periods, depending on the timing of each period end in relation to items such as internal payroll and billing cycles, payments from customers, payments to vendors and interest payments. The seasonal nature of Crosman's sales requires significantly higher working capital investments from September through January than the average working capital requirements of Crosman. Consequently, interim results for Crosman are not necessarily indicative of the full fiscal year and quarterly results may vary substantially, both within a fiscal year and between comparable fiscal years. The effects of seasonality could have a material adverse impact on Crosman's financial condition and results of operations.

As of January 1, 2006, Crosman had a working capital of approximately \$21.9 million.

Investing Activities

Cash used in investing activities was approximately \$0.7 million in the six months ended January 1, 2006, compared to cash used in investing activities of approximately \$0.9 million in the six months ended December 26, 2004. Cash used in investing activities in the six months ended January 1, 2006, was primarily used in capital expenditures and is consistent with the six months ended December 26, 2004.

Capital spending for fiscal year 2006 is expected to total between approximately \$1.7 million and approximately \$2.0 million, including amounts spent thus far. Future capital requirements for Crosman are expected to be provided by cash flows from operating activities and cash on hand. However, a large acquisition of a business could require it to incur additional debt financing, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all. No such activities are anticipated at this time.

Financing Activities

Cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$53 thousand for the six months ended January 1, 2006 as compared to cash provided by financing activities of approximately \$7.3 million for the six months ended December 26, 2004.

In connection with refinancing its senior credit facility on August 4, 2005, Crosman paid in full the then outstanding balance of approximately \$23.7 million under the then outstanding term loan and received approximately \$26 million under the current outstanding term loan. The net proceeds from the above were used to pay transaction expenses of the failed offering and to reduce the borrowings under Crosman's revolving credit facility.

At January 1, 2006, Crosman had a \$20.0 million revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility expires in December 2008. At January 1, 2006, approximately \$11.3 million of borrowings was outstanding under the revolving credit facility.

At January 1, 2006, Crosman had approximately \$39.1 million of long-term debt outstanding of which approximately \$4.1 million was classified as current. The entire amount of this debt was incurred as part of the acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI. Approximately \$25.1 million of the long-term debt is a senior term loan and bears interest based on LIBOR and is due in various installments through December 2008. Crosman intends to fund the repayment of the current maturity of approximately \$4.1 million with proceeds generated from operations. \$14.0 million of long-term debt outstanding was also incurred as part of the acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI and is due to a 14% stockholder of Crosman. This long-term debt is a senior subordinated note that bears interest at 16.5%, of which 12% is payable currently and 4.5% is deferred until February, 2009. The principal is due on February 10, 2010.

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004

Operating Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2005, Crosman generated approximately \$3.1 million in cash from its operating activities as compared to approximately \$8.6 million used for year ended June 30, 2004. The most significant reasons for the change in cash generated from operations for the year ended June 30, 2005 were:

- A decrease in net income of approximately \$3.5 million due principally to lower gross margin on sales and higher interest expense associated with the acquisition of Crosman by a subsidiary of CGI.
- An increase in inventory of approximately \$1.4 million for the year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to an increase of approximately \$2.9 million for the year ended June 30, 2004. Inventory increased at a lower rate in fiscal year 2005 because the sales increase for the year ended June 30, 2005 was less than the increase for the year ended June 30, 2004.
- A decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses of approximately \$1.0 million for the year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to an increase of approximately \$3.9 million for the year ended June 30, 2004. The change in accounts payable and accrued expenses is primarily due to two items. First, bonuses accrued at June 30, 2004 were paid in fiscal year 2005. There was only a de minimus bonus accrual at June 30, 2005. Second, accounts payable and accrued expenses declined due to the timing of Crosman's payments to its suppliers. As described above, in 2005 Crosman purchased a significant portion of its inventory requirements for the second half of its fiscal year during the first half of its fiscal year. Therefore, a greater percentage of the inventory on hand had already been paid for on June 30, 2005 than on June 30, 2004.

Investing Activities

Cash used in investing activities was approximately \$2.0 million in the year ended June 30, 2005, compared to cash used in investing activities of approximately \$67.0 million in the year ended June 30,

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2004. The primary use of cash in investing activities in the year ended June 30, 2004 was the approximate \$64.7 million acquisition of Crosman by a subsidiary of CGI. The only use of cash for investing activities in fiscal year 2005 was for capital expenditures.

Financing Activities

Cash used in financing activities was approximately \$0.5 million for the year ended June 30, 2005 as compared to cash provided by financing activities of approximately \$58.8 million for the year ended June 30, 2004. In fiscal year 2005, Crosman incurred approximately \$1.3 million in cash expenses in connection with a foregone public offering in the Canadian Income Trust market. Debt increased approximately \$0.8 million during the year. For the year ended June 30, 2004, the cash provided by financing activities was used to fund the acquisition of Crosman by a subsidiary of CGI, including additional debt of \$41.0 million, an equity investment of approximately \$21.1 million. Approximately \$1.3 million of the above was used to pay the associated expenses.

In connection with acquisition of Crosman by a subsidiary of CGI, Crosman paid all of its outstanding debt at the time and incurred new debt of \$41 million. \$27 million of the new debt was in the form of a senior term loan due in various installments through December 2008 that bears interest based on LIBOR. \$14.0 million of the new debt is in the form of a senior subordinated note that bears interest at 16.5%, of which 12% is payable currently and 4.5% is deferred until February, 2009. The principal is due on February 10, 2010. At June 30, 2005, approximately \$23.9 million and \$14.0 million were outstanding on the senior term loan and senior subordinated loan, respectively.

At June 30, 2005, Crosman had an \$18.0 million revolving credit facility. The revolving credit facility expires in December 2008. At June 30, 2005, approximately \$10.4 million of borrowings was outstanding under the revolving credit facility.

Commitments and Contingencies

Crosman's principal commitments at January 1, 2006 consisted primarily of its commitments related to the long-term debt incurred as part of the acquisition and for obligations incurred under operating leases. Crosman is contingently liable for additional purchase price consideration for fiscal 2006 if certain milestones are achieved. These milestones were not achieved in fiscal 2005 and have not been included in the following table.

The following table summarizes Crosman's contractual obligations as of January 1, 2006.

	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years
			(\$ in thousands)		
Long-term debt	\$ 39,133	\$ 4,100	\$ 21,033	\$ 14,000	\$ —
Revolving line of credit	11,239	—	11,239	—	—
Deferred interest	1,243	—	—	1,243	—
Capital lease obligations	171	64	82	25	—
Operating lease obligations	608	221	366	21	—
Total contractual cash obligations	<u>\$ 52,394</u>	<u>\$ 4,385</u>	<u>\$ 32,720</u>	<u>\$ 15,289</u>	<u>\$ —</u>

Excluding the purchase price consideration described above, Crosman did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements at January 1, 2006. This is due to the expectation that all of Crosman's long-term debt will be repaid as part of the contemplated transaction. However, Crosman has used and would investigate using interest rate swap agreements to manage its exposure to interest rate movements on its variable rate debt if the proposed transaction did not occur.

Crosman currently has a management services agreement in place with an affiliate of CGI pursuant to which it makes quarterly payments to such affiliate of approximately \$145 thousand. This fee is fixed and not based on Crosman's results of operations. Upon the closing of this offering, the management

services agreement will be assigned to our manager. See the section entitled “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information.

Crosman believes that, for the foreseeable future, it will have sufficient cash resources to meet the commitments described above and for current anticipated working capital and capital expenditure requirements. Crosman’s future liquidity and capital requirements will depend upon numerous factors, including retention of customers at current volume and revenue levels, ability to repay long-term debt at acceptable terms and competing technological and market developments.

Quantitative and Qualitative Discussion about Market Risk

Crosman is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its revolving and term loan credit facilities since these instruments all bear interest based off of variable interest rates. At January 1, 2006, Crosman had approximately \$36.5 million outstanding under these facilities. In the event that interest rates associated with these instruments were to increase by 100 basis points, the impact on future cash flows would be a decrease of approximately \$0.4 million annually.

Advanced Circuits

Overview

Advanced Circuits is a provider of prototype, quick-turn and volume production PCBs to customers throughout the United States. Collectively, prototype and quick-turn PCBs represent 66.0% of Advanced Circuits’ gross revenues. Prototype and quick-turn PCBs typically command higher margins than volume production given that customers require high levels of responsiveness, technical support and timely delivery with respect to prototype and quick-turn PCBs and are willing to pay a premium for them. In the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, an order requiring production in one day commanded an average price of over three times that of a similar order placed with four weeks lead time. Advanced Circuits is able to meet its customers’ demands by manufacturing custom PCBs in as little as 24 hours, while maintaining an approximately 98.0% error-free production rate and real-time customer service and product tracking 24 hours per day.

While global demand for PCBs has remained strong in recent years, industry wide domestic production has declined by approximately 60% since 2000. In contrast, Advanced Circuits’ revenues have increased steadily as its customers’ prototype and quick-turn PCB requirements, such as small quantity orders and rapid turnaround, are less able to be met by low cost volume manufacturers in Asia and elsewhere. Advanced Circuits’ management anticipates that demand for its prototype and quick-turn printed circuit boards will remain strong.

Over the past three years, Advanced Circuits has continued to improve its internal production efficiencies and enhance its service capabilities, resulting in increased profit margins. Additionally, Advanced Circuits has benefited from increased production capacity as a result of a facility expansion that was completed in 2003.

Advanced Circuits does not depend or expect to depend upon any customer or group of customers, with no single customer accounting for more than 2% of its net sales. Each month, Advanced Circuits receives orders from over 4,000 customers and adds approximately 200 new customers.

In September 2005, a subsidiary of CGI acquired Advanced Circuits, Inc. along with R.J.C.S. LLC, an entity previously established solely to hold Advanced Circuits’ real estate and equipment assets. Immediately following the acquisitions, R.J.C.S. LLC was merged into Advanced Circuits, Inc. The results for the year ended December 31, 2005, the year ended December 31, 2004, and for the year ended December 31, 2003 reflect the combined results of the two businesses. The following section discusses the historical financial performance of the combined entities.

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Results of Operations

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004

The table below summarizes the combined statement of operations for Advanced Circuits for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2004	2005 ⁽¹⁾
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 36,642	\$ 41,969
Cost of sales	17,867	18,102
Gross profit	18,775	23,867
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,564	8,283
Amortization of Intangibles	—	717
Income from operations	12,211	14,867
Interest expense	(242)	(1,491)
Interest income	42	233
Other income	82	—
Income before provision for income taxes	12,093	13,609
Provision for income taxes	—	1,001
Net income	\$ 12,093	\$ 12,608

(1) The results of the predecessor and successor companies were combined to facilitate this comparison for fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

Net sales

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$42.0 million as compared to approximately \$36.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$5.3 million or 14.5%. The increase in net sales was largely due to increased sales in quick-turn production PCBs, which increased by approximately \$3.1 million, and the addition of new customers due to increased marketing efforts. Quick-turn production PCBs represented approximately 32.0% of gross sales for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately 29.6% for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$18.1 million as compared to approximately \$17.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million or 1.3%. The increase in cost of sales was largely due to the increase in production volume.

Gross profit margin increased by approximately 5.6% to approximately 56.9% for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately 51.2% for the year ended December 31, 2004. The increase is due to increased capacity utilization at Advanced Circuits' Aurora facility and a shift in its sales mix to the higher margin prototype and quickturn PCBs, which typically requires delivery within 10 days of order. These benefits were partially offset by increased costs of laminates, Advanced Circuits' primary raw material.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2005 were approximately \$8.2 million as compared to approximately \$6.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.7 million or 26.2%. Approximately \$0.6 million of the increase was due to deferred compensation payments provided to Advanced Circuits' management associated with CGI's acquisition of Advanced Circuits and improved financial performance. Additionally, approximately \$0.2 million of the increase was due to increased advertising expenditures with the remainder due to increased compensation and other professional fee increases due to the larger size of operations.

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Amortization of intangible

Amortization of intangibles for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$0.7 million and was due to the amortization of intangibles acquired as a result of the acquisition on September 20, 2005.

Income from operations

Income from operations was approximately \$14.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$12.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$2.7 million or 21.8%. The increase in income from operations was principally due to the increase in quick-turn production PCB sales which is one of the high margin products of Advanced Circuits' business.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.3 million or 516%. This increase was primarily due to interest expense incurred as a result of the financing for the acquisition of Advanced Circuits. The acquisition resulted in the issuance of approximately \$50.5 million of long-term debt which was only outstanding since September 20, 2005.

Interest income

Interest income was approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$42 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million or 454%. Interest income increased primarily due to higher interest rates.

Provision for income taxes

Provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$1.0 million as compared to no provision for the year ended December 31, 2004. The increase in provision for income taxes was due to Advanced Circuits conversion to a C-corporation on September 20, 2005 as part of the acquisition by a subsidiary of CGI.

Net income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$12.6 million as compared to approximately \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 4.3%. This was primarily a result of increased sales in prototype and quick-turn PCBs and new customers and was partially offset by increased selling, general and administrative expenses, interest expense and provision for income taxes.

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003

The table below summarizes the combined statement of operations data for Advanced Circuits for the years ending December 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2003	2004
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 27,796	\$ 36,642
Cost of sales	14,568	17,867
Gross profit	13,228	18,775
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,521	6,564
Income from operations	7,707	12,211
Interest expense	(204)	(242)
Interest income	16	42
Other income	15	82
Net income	\$ 7,534	\$ 12,093

Net sales

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$36.6 million as compared to approximately \$27.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$8.8 million or 31.8%. Advanced Circuits' sales in 2004 grew in each of its products and services as it was able to fully utilize the additional production capacity provided by its 2003 plant expansion. Revenue growth was most evident in sales of quick-turn production PCBs which accounted for approximately 29.6% of revenue in the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately 27.7% of revenue in the year ended December 31, 2003. In addition, long lead production increased to 19.0% of sales in the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to 17.0% in the year ended December 31, 2003 as Advanced Circuits added EMS customers who value this type of product. Also contributing to revenue growth in 2004 was an increase in the average layer count of PCBs produced, which resulted in higher revenue per panel.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$17.9 million as compared to approximately \$14.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$3.3 million or 22.6%. This increase was due to greater production volume due to increased capacity resulting from the 2003 plant expansion.

Gross profit margin increased by approximately 3.6% to approximately 51.2% for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately 47.6% for the year ended December 31, 2003. The increase is due to higher sales and production volume while costs did not increase proportionately due to Advanced Circuits' ability to leverage its fixed production costs. Gross profit margin also was favorably impacted by improved margins associated with volume production external partners.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approximately \$6.6 million as compared to approximately \$5.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$1.0 million or 18.9%. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased by approximately \$0.7 million due to higher management compensation, mainly in the form of bonuses, associated with performance improvements in 2004.

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Income from operations

Income from operations was approximately \$12.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$7.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$4.5 million or 58.4%. This increase was largely due to increased levels of sales and improved margins associated with volume production external partners.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$38 thousand.

Interest income

Interest income was approximately \$42 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$16 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$26 thousand or 162.5%. This increase was primarily due to an increase in average levels of cash held on Advanced Circuits' balance sheet.

Net income

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$12.1 million as compared to approximately \$7.5 million, an increase of approximately \$4.6 million or 60.5%. Net income improved primarily due to growth in sales as Advanced Circuits increased production capacity at its Aurora, Colorado-based facility.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Impact of proposed acquisition by the company

The following discussion reflects Advanced Circuits' liquidity and capital resources prior to the closing of this offering. Upon the closing of this offering, the company will loan to Advanced Circuits approximately \$47.4 million, the proceeds of which will be used to repay currently outstanding loans from third parties. We expect the terms and covenants of this loan to Advanced Circuits to be substantially similar to those currently in place. The proposed transaction and loan should not significantly impact Advanced Circuits' liquidity and capital resources.

Sources of and uses for cash

Historically, Advanced Circuits has financed its operations through cash generated by operating activities and third party debt. As highlighted in the Statements of Cash Flows, Advanced Circuits' liquidity and available capital resources are impacted by four key components: cash and equivalents, operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

The ability of Advanced Circuits to satisfy its obligations will depend on its future performance, which will be subject to prevailing economic, financial business and other factors, most of which are beyond its control. To the extent future capital requirements exceed cash flows from operating activities, Advanced Circuits anticipates that:

- working capital will be financed by Advanced Circuits' line of credit facility as discussed below and repaid from subsequent reductions in current assets or from subsequent earnings;
- capital expenditures will be financed from the line of credit facility; and
- long-term debt will be repaid with long-term debt with similar terms.

Advanced Circuits believes that its current cash balances, combined with future cash flows from operations will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash needs for operations for the next 12 months.

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Advanced Circuits is unaware of any known material trends or uncertainties that may require it to make cash management decisions that will impair its operating capabilities during the next year.

Cash and Equivalents

Cash and equivalents totaled approximately \$1.6 million at December 31, 2005, a decrease of approximately \$5.0 million from cash and equivalents of approximately \$6.6 million at December 31, 2004. As further described below, during the year ended December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits generated approximately \$14.7 million of cash from operating activities and used approximately \$75.2 million of cash in investing activities while financing activities provided approximately \$55.7 million of cash.

Operating Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits generated approximately \$14.7 million in cash from its operating activities as compared to approximately \$12.7 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The most significant reasons for the change in cash generated from operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 were:

- An increase in net income of approximately \$0.5 million principally due to increased sales in prototype and quick-turn PCBs partially offset by higher operating expenses, greater interest expense and increased tax expenses.
- An increase in non-cash charges included in net income of approximately \$1.0 million. This increase was comprised primarily of an increase of approximately \$0.7 million in amortization expense related to the amortization of intangibles acquired in connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits in September 2005, an increase of approximately \$0.1 million in deferred tax benefit and an increase of approximately \$0.1 million in compensation cost for options granted to management.
- An increase of approximately \$0.3 million in accounts receivable for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase of approximately \$0.7 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The larger increase in the year ended December 31, 2004, was primarily related to greater sales growth in the year ended December 31, 2004, as compared to the year ended December 31, 2005. Accounts receivables totaled approximately \$2.8 million at December 31, 2005.
- A decrease of approximately \$0.4 million in accounts payable for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase in accounts payable of approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. The decrease in accounts payable is primarily due to slightly stricter payment terms received from vendors in the year ended December 31, 2005. Accounts payable totaled \$0.8 million at December 31, 2005.
- An increase of approximately \$0.9 million in income taxes payable for the year ended December 31, 2005. The increase in income tax is primarily due to Advanced Circuits' conversion to a C-corporation on September 20, 2005, as part of the acquisition.

The impact of changes in operating assets and liabilities may change in further periods, depending on the timing of each period end in relation to items such as internal payroll and billing cycles, payments from customers, payments to vendors and interest payments.

As of December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits had a negative working capital of approximately \$2.3 million.

Investing Activities

Cash used in investing activities was approximately \$75.2 million in the year ended December 31, 2005, compared to cash used in investing activities of approximately \$1.3 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. Cash used in investing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, was primarily related to the acquisition of Advanced Circuits by a subsidiary of CGI in September 2005. Simultaneous

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with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits, the Aurora, Colorado facility was sold to an independent third party and leased back by Advanced Circuits as part of a sale-leaseback transaction. Advanced Circuits received approximately \$5.0 million of proceeds from the sale. The lease of the building is being accounted for as an operating lease.

Capital spending for fiscal year 2006 is expected to total between approximately \$0.8 million and approximately \$1.2 million. Future capital requirements for Advanced Circuits are expected to be provided by cash flows from operating activities and cash on hand. However, a large acquisition of a business could require it to incur additional debt financing, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all. No such activities are anticipated at this time.

Financing Activities

Cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$55.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to cash used in financing activities of approximately \$8.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2004.

In connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits, approximately \$50.5 million in term loans were issued and approximately \$25.0 million in cash was used. These sources were offset by a distribution of approximately \$17.0 million to a former shareholder.

At December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits had an approximately \$4.0 million revolving line of credit. The line of credit facility expires in September 2010. At December 31, 2005 there were no borrowings outstanding under the line of credit.

At December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits had approximately \$49.6 million of long-term debt outstanding of which approximately \$3.9 million was classified as current. This entire amount was incurred as part of the acquisition of Advanced Circuits and bears interest based on LIBOR or a base rate and is due in various installments through March 2012. Advanced Circuits intends to fund the repayment of the current maturity of approximately \$3.9 million with proceeds generated from operations.

Commitments and Contingencies

Advanced Circuits' principal commitments at December 31, 2005 consisted primarily of its commitments related to the long-term debt incurred as part of the acquisition and for obligations incurred under operating leases.

The following table summarizes Advanced Circuits' contractual obligations as of December 31, 2005.

	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years
Long-term debt	\$ 49,563	\$ 3,875	\$ 9,563	\$ 12,750	\$ 23,375
Operating lease obligations	7,101	482	965	965	4,689
Total contractual cash obligations	\$ 56,664	\$ 4,357	\$ 10,528	\$ 13,715	\$ 28,064

Advanced Circuits currently has a management services agreement in place with an affiliate of CGI pursuant to which it makes quarterly payments of \$125 thousand. This fee is fixed and not based on Advanced Circuits' results of operations. Upon the closing of this offering, the management services agreement will be assigned to our manager. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information.

Advanced Circuits did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements at December 31, 2005. This is due to the expectation that all of Advanced Circuits' debt will be repaid as part of the contemplated transaction. However, Advanced Circuits would investigate using interest rate swap agreements to manage its exposure to interest rate movements on its variable rate debt if the proposed transaction did not occur.

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Advanced Circuits believes that, for the foreseeable future, it will have sufficient cash resources to meet the commitments described above and for current anticipated working capital and capital expenditure requirements. Advanced Circuits' future liquidity and capital requirements will depend upon numerous factors, including retention of customers at current volume and revenue levels, ability to repay long-term debt at acceptable terms and competing technological and market developments.

Quantitative and Qualitative Discussion about Market Risk

Advanced Circuits is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its revolving and long-term loan facilities since these instruments all pay interest based off of variable interest rates. At December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits had approximately \$49.6 million outstanding under these facilities. In the event that interest rates associated with these instruments were to increase by 100 basis points, the impact on future cash flows would be a decrease of approximately \$0.5 million annually.

Silvue

Overview

Silvue is a developer and producer of proprietary, high performance liquid coating systems used in the high-end eyewear, aerospace, automotive and industrial markets. Silvue's coating systems, which impart properties such as abrasion resistance, improved durability, chemical resistance, ultraviolet, or UV protection, can be applied to a wide variety of materials, including plastics, such as polycarbonate and acrylic, glass, metals and other surfaces.

Silvue's management believes that the hardcoatings industry will experience significant growth as the use of existing materials requiring hardcoatings continues to grow, new materials requiring hardcoatings are developed and new uses of hardcoatings are discovered. Silvue's management expects additional growth in the industry as manufacturers continue to outsource the development and application of hardcoatings used on their products.

To respond to increasing demand for coating systems, Silvue is focused on growth through the development of new products providing either greater functionality or better value to its customers. Silvue currently owns nine patents relating to its coatings portfolio and continues to invest in the research and development of additional proprietary products. Further, driven by input from customers and the changing demands of the marketplace, Silvue actively endeavors to identify new applications for its existing products.

On August 31, 2004, Silvue was formed by CGI and management to acquire SDC Technologies, Inc. and on September 2, 2004, it acquired 100% of the outstanding stock of SDC Technologies, Inc. Following this acquisition, on April 1, 2005, SDC Technologies, Inc. purchased the remaining 50% it did not previously own of Nippon Arc Co. LTD ("Nippon ARC"), which was formerly operated as a joint venture with Nippon Sheet Glass Co., LTD., for approximately \$3.6 million.

The results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 and the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003 reflect the results of Silvue Technologies and its predecessor company, SDC Technologies. Results prior to April 1, 2005 reflect income from the Nippon ARC joint venture under the equity method of accounting. Results subsequent to April 1, 2005 fully incorporate all operations of Nippon ARC. To facilitate comparisons, the results of Silvue and the predecessor company were combined as applicable. In November 2005, Silvue's management made the strategic decision to halt operations at its application facility in Henderson, Nevada. The operations included substantially all of Silvue's application services business, which has historically applied Silvue's coating systems and other coating systems to customer's products and materials. Silvue's results have been presented to exclude these discontinued operations.

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2004

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations for Silvue for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2005
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 12,137	\$ 17,093
Cost of sales	1,707	3,816
Gross profit	10,430	13,277
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,325	7,491
Research and development costs	1,085	1,072
Amortization of intangibles	208	709
Operating income	2,812	4,005
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	6	—
Other income	41	20
Equity in net income of joint venture	269	70
Interest expense	(372)	(1,439)
Total other expense	(56)	(1,349)
Income from continuing operations before provision for income taxes	2,756	2,656
Provision for income taxes	(1,207)	(1,257)
Income from continuing operations	1,549	1,399
Income (loss) from discontinued operations	(166)	132
Net income	\$ 1,383	\$ 1,531

(1) The results of the predecessor and successor companies were combined to facilitate this comparison for fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

Net sales

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$17.1 million as compared to approximately \$12.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$5.0 million or 40.8%. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Nippon ARC of approximately \$4.4 million, growth within Silvue's core ophthalmic business and expansion in sales of Silvue's coating systems of approximately \$0.3 million to manufacturers of aluminum wheels.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$3.8 million as compared to approximately \$1.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$2.1 million or 123.5%. This increase was primarily due to cost of sales associated with the acquisition of Nippon ARC of approximately \$2.2 million. As a percentage of sales, cost of sales increased over the comparable prior period primarily due to the acquisition of Nippon ARC, whose margins have historically been lower than those realized in the United States or Europe.

Selling, general and administrative expense

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2005 were approximately \$7.5 million as compared to approximately \$6.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2005, an increase of approximately \$1.2 million or 18.4%. The increase in selling, general and

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administrative expenses was primarily due to the inclusion of Nippon ARC, which had selling and general administrative expenses of \$1.5 million.

Research and development costs

Research and development costs for the year ended December 31, 2005 were approximately \$1.1 million as compared to approximately \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$13 thousand or 1.2%. Included in research and development costs for 2004 is a write-off of in-process research and development costs of approximately \$0.5 million related to the acquisition of Silvue. Were this cost excluded, research and development costs would have increased by approximately \$0.5 million in the year ended December 31, 2005 due to increased development efforts for new coating applications.

Amortization of intangibles

Amortization of intangibles for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$0.7 million as compared to approximately \$0.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 241%. The increase in amortization of intangibles was primarily due to a full year of amortization on the intangible assets established with the acquisition in September 2004 and for the amortization of intangibles associated with the Nippon ARC acquisition in April 2005.

Operating income

Income from operations was approximately \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$2.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.2 million or 42.4%. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Nippon ARC which accounted for approximately \$0.7 million, additional operating income from the growth in revenues from existing ophthalmic customers and from customers focused on manufacturing aluminum wheels.

Equity in net income of joint venture

Equity in net income of joint venture was approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$0.2 million. This decrease was primarily due to Silvue's acquisition of the stake it did not previously own in its Japanese operations and a resulting change in accounting.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2005 as compared to approximately \$0.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$1.1 million. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Silvue and the resulting recapitalization. The recapitalization resulted in the issuance of approximately \$12.8 million of floating rate debt. Interest expense also increased by approximately \$0.3 million due to the acquisition of Nippon ARC.

Provision for income taxes

The provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$1.3 million as compared to approximately \$1.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, an increase of approximately \$50 thousand or 4.1% as pre-tax income remained relatively flat compared to the prior year.

Income from continuing operations

Income from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 2005 was approximately \$1.4 million as compared to approximately \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million. The change was primarily due to the increase in operating income offset by the increase in interest expense.

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Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004 Compared to Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003

The table below summarizes the consolidated statement of operations for Silvue Technologies for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 and December 31, 2003.

	Fiscal Year Ended December 31,	
	2003	2004(1)
	(\$ in thousands)	
Net sales	\$ 10,446	\$ 12,137
Cost of sales	1,555	1,707
Gross profit	8,891	10,430
Selling, general and administrative expenses	5,276	6,325
Research and development costs	549	1,085
Amortization of intangibles	—	208
Operating income	3,065	2,812
Other income (expense):		
Interest income	8	6
Other income	—	41
Equity in net income of joint venture	377	269
Interest expense	(31)	(372)
Total other (expense) income	354	(56)
Income before provision for income taxes	3,419	2,756
Provision for income taxes	(1,062)	(1,207)
Income from continuing operations	2,357	1,549
Loss from discontinued operations	(843)	(166)
Net income	<u>\$ 1,514</u>	<u>\$ 1,383</u>

(1) The results of the predecessor and successor companies were combined to facilitate this comparison for fiscal year ended December 31, 2004.

Net sales

Net sales for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$12.1 million as compared to approximately \$10.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$1.7 million or 16.2%. This increase was primarily due to increased coating sales to existing customers including approximately \$0.4 million in increased sales to a European manufacturer of sunglasses and approximately \$0.3 million in increased sales to manufacturers of aluminum wheels.

Cost of sales

Cost of sales for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$1.7 million as compared to approximately \$1.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.1 million or 9.8%. This increase was primarily due to the growth in net sales. As a percentage of sales, cost of sales was 14.1% for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to 14.9% for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Selling, general and administrative expenses

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approximately \$6.3 million as compared to approximately \$5.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$1.0 million or 19.9%. This increase was primarily due to increases in payroll and related personnel costs as Silvue added new personnel to keep pace with the growth in revenues and due to higher commissions on the increase in net sales.

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Research and development costs

Research and development costs for the year ended December 31, 2004 were approximately \$1.1 million as compared to approximately \$0.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million or 97.5%. This increase was primarily due to a write-off of in process research and development costs of \$0.5 million related to the acquisition of Silvue.

Operating income

Income from operations was approximately \$2.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$3.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.3 million or 8.3%. This decrease was primarily due to increases in operating expenses mentioned above partially offset by increased gross profit.

Equity in net income of joint venture

Equity in net income of joint venture was approximately \$0.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$0.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million or 28.6% primarily due to lower sales at the Japanese joint venture due to the loss of certain customers in Japan and Korea.

Interest expense

Interest expense was approximately \$0.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2004 as compared to approximately \$31 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.3 million. This increase was primarily due to the acquisition of Silvue and the resulting recapitalization. The recapitalization resulted in the issuance of approximately \$12.8 million of floating rate debt that was outstanding for about a third of fiscal 2004.

Provision for income taxes

The provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$1.2 million as compared to approximately \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of approximately \$0.1 million or 13.7%. This increase was primarily due to higher foreign taxes.

Income from continuing operations

Income from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 2004 was approximately \$1.5 million as compared to approximately \$2.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.8 million or 34.3%. This decrease was primarily due to the increase in operating expenses as mentioned above, higher interest expense and higher income tax expense partially offset by an increase in gross profit.

Loss from discontinued operations

Loss from discontinued operations for the year ended December 31, 2004, was approximately \$0.2 million as compared to a loss of approximately \$0.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of approximately \$0.7 million or 80.3%. This decreased loss was primarily due to increased revenues in discontinued operations as several large application customers were added. Despite this increased revenue growth, discontinued operations remained unprofitable due to significant fixed costs and relatively low profit margins associated with the applications business.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Impact of proposed acquisition by the company

The following discussion reflects Silvue's liquidity and capital resources prior to the closing of this offering. Upon the closing of this offering, the company will loan to Silvue approximately \$13.8 million,

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the proceeds of which will be used by Silvue to repay currently outstanding loans from third parties. We expect the terms and covenants of this loan to Silvue to be substantially similar to those currently in place. The proposed transaction and loan should not significantly impact Silvue's liquidity and capital resources.

Sources of and uses for cash

Historically, Silvue has financed its operations through cash generated by operating activities and third party debt. As highlighted in the Statements of Cash Flows, Silvue's liquidity and available capital resources are impacted by four key components: cash and equivalents, operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

The ability of Silvue to satisfy its obligations will depend on its future performance, which will be subject to prevailing economic, financial, business and other factors, most of which are beyond its control. To the extent future capital requirements exceed cash flows from operating activities, Silvue anticipates that:

- working capital will be financed by Silvue's line of credit facility as discussed below and repaid from subsequent reductions in current assets or from subsequent earnings;
- capital expenditures will be financed by the use of the equipment line of credit as described below or from the line of credit facility; and
- long-term debt will be repaid with long-term debt with similar terms.

Silvue believes that its current cash balances, combined with future cash flows from operations will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash needs for operations for the next 12 months. Silvue is unaware of any known material trends or uncertainties that may require it to make cash management decisions that will impair its operating capabilities during the next year.

Cash and Equivalents

Cash and equivalents totalled approximately \$1.5 million at December 31, 2005, an increase of approximately \$0.5 million from cash and equivalents of approximately \$1.0 million at December 31, 2004. As further described below, during the year ended December 31, 2005, Silvue generated approximately \$2.3 million of cash from operating activities and approximately \$24 thousand of cash from investing activities and used approximately \$1.7 million of cash in financing activities.

Operating Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2005, Silvue generated approximately \$2.3 million in cash from its operating activities as compared to approximately \$2.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. Although there was not a significant difference in the amount of cash generated from operating activities from years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, there were significant fluctuations within the components of operating activities including:

- An increase in net income of approximately \$0.1 million principally due to the acquisition of Nippon ARC.
- An increase in non-cash charges included in net income of approximately \$0.2 million. Depreciation and amortization increased in the year ended December 31, 2005, by approximately \$0.6 million primarily due to the amortization of intangibles acquired in connection with the Nippon ARC acquisition and due to a full year of amortization in 2005 for the acquisition of the company. This increase in depreciation and amortization expense in year ended December 31, 2005, was offset by a charge of approximately \$0.5 million in in-process research and development expenses in the year ended December 31, 2004, related to the acquisition of Silvue. This amount was expensed as of the date of acquisition since the IPR&D had no alternative use. No such charge was included for the year ended December 31, 2005.

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- A decrease in accounts receivable of approximately \$32 thousand for year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase of approximately \$1.0 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. The larger increase in year ended December 31, 2004, was primarily related to the timing of cash receipts. Accounts receivables totaled approximately \$2.2 million at December 31, 2005.
- A decrease of approximately \$0.4 million in accounts payable for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase in accounts payable of approximately \$0.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2004. The decrease in accounts payable is primarily due to the timing of cash payments. Accounts payable totaled \$0.5 million at December 31, 2005.
- A decrease of approximately \$0.1 million in income taxes payable for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to an increase of \$0.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2004, as income tax expense remained relatively flat as opposed to the significant increase in 2004 over 2003 income tax expense.

The impact of changes in operating assets and liabilities may change in further periods, depending on the timing of each period end in relation to items such as internal payroll and billing cycles, payments from customers, payments to vendors and interest payments.

As of December 31, 2005, Silvue had a working capital of approximately \$1.1 million, excluding current assets and liabilities of discontinued operations and current maturities of long-term debt.

Investing Activities

Cash provided by investing activities was approximately \$24 thousand in the year ended December 31, 2005, compared to cash used in investing activities of approximately \$8.7 million in the year ended December 31, 2004. Cash used in investing activities in the year ended December 31, 2004 consisted primarily of approximately \$8.9 million related to the acquisition of controlling interest in Silvue by a subsidiary of CGI in September 2004. Cash provided by investing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, included approximately \$0.5 million in cash acquired as part of the acquisition of Nippon ARC and approximately \$0.1 million in cash provided by discontinued operations, partially offset by the purchase of approximately \$0.2 million of equipment and closing cost of approximately \$0.4 million for Nippon ARC. In addition, no dividends were recorded from Nippon ARC in year ended December 31, 2005, due to Silvue's acquisition of the remaining 50% of that joint venture it did not previously own.

Capital spending for fiscal year 2006 is expected to total between approximately \$0.3 million and approximately \$0.4 million. Future capital requirements for Silvue are expected to be provided by cash flows from operating activities and cash on hand. However, a large acquisition of a business could require it to incur additional debt financing, which may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all. No such activities are anticipated at this time.

Financing Activities

Cash used in financing activities was approximately \$1.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2005, as compared to cash provided by financing activities of approximately \$4.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2004.

Cash used in financing activities in the year ended December 31, 2005, related exclusively to principal payments of long-term debt. In connection with the acquisition of Silvue in September 2004, approximately \$7.5 million was received as capital contribution partially offset by dividends paid to the former shareholders of approximately \$3.0 million and the principal payments of long-term debt of approximately \$0.3 million.

At December 31, 2005, Silvue had an approximately \$2.0 million revolving line of credit. The line of credit facility expires in September 2010. At December 31, 2005 Silvue had no borrowings outstanding under the line of credit. Silvue also has an approximately \$0.7 million equipment line of credit, of which

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approximately \$0.1 million was outstanding, and of which approximately \$24 thousand was classified as current.

At December 31, 2005, Silvue had approximately \$13.2 million of long-term debt outstanding of which approximately \$1.6 million was classified as current. Approximately \$11.1 million of the outstanding amount was incurred as part of the acquisition of Silvue and bears interest based on LIBOR and is due in various installments through September 2010. The remaining approximately \$2.1 million was incurred as part of the Nippon ARC acquisition. This note which is payable to the former joint venture partner for Nippon ARC is for 400 million Japanese Yen note and is non-interest bearing. Silvue recorded this note by discounting the note using a weighted average interest rate. The note is due in various installments through 2010.

Commitments and Contingencies

Silvue's principal commitments at December 31, 2005 consisted primarily of its commitments related to the long-term debt incurred as part of the acquisition of Silvue and for the acquisition of Nippon ARC and for obligations incurred under operating leases.

The following table summarizes Silvue's contractual obligations as of December 31, 2005.

	Payments Due by Period				
	Total	Less than 1 Year	1-3 Years (\$ in thousands)	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years
Long-term debt	\$ 13,338	\$ 1,621	\$ 3,499	\$ 8,218	\$ —
Operating lease obligations	1,034	210	435	249	140
Total contractual cash obligations	<u>\$ 14,372</u>	<u>\$ 1,831</u>	<u>\$ 3,934</u>	<u>\$ 8,467</u>	<u>\$ 140</u>

In December 2004, Silvue entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage its exposure to interest rate movements in its variable rate debt. Silvue pays interest at a fixed rate of 3.6% and receives interest from the counter-party at three month LIBOR (4.53% at December 31, 2005). The notional principal amount was approximately \$7.0 million at December 31, 2005 and decreases to \$4.4 million over the term of the agreement. The agreement terminates on September 30, 2007. Upon repayment of the third party loans in connection with the closing of this offering, Silvue intends to terminate interest rate swap agreement with no expected adverse effect.

Silvue currently has a management services agreement in place with an affiliate of CGI pursuant to which it makes quarterly payments to such affiliate of approximately \$88 thousand. This fee is fixed and not based on Silvue's results of operations. Upon the closing of this offering, the management services agreement will be assigned to our manager. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information.

Silvue believes that, for the foreseeable future, it will have sufficient cash resources to meet the commitments described above and for current anticipated working capital and capital expenditure requirements. Silvue's future liquidity and capital requirements will depend upon numerous factors, including retention of customers at current volume and net sales levels, ability to repay long-term debt at acceptable terms and competing technological and market developments.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Currency Risk Exposure

Silvue is exposed to currency risk on cash flows it receives from operations located outside of the United States (principally in Japan and the United Kingdom) and on the translation of earnings. Silvue's current policy is not to hedge the currency risk associated with foreign currency denominated income and cash flows, due to the size and uncertain timing of the distributions that Silvue expects to receive. Foreign currency translation losses were approximately \$153 thousand and \$19 thousand, during the year ended

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December 31, 2005 and for the year ended December 31, 2004, respectively, and are reflected in accumulated other comprehensive loss. At December 31, 2005, Silvue had approximately \$6.3 million of assets located overseas.

Interest Rate Exposure

Silvue is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its bank equipment and revolving credit facilities and on its bank note payables since these instruments all pay interest based off of variable interest rates. At December 31, 2005, Silvue had outstanding borrowings under these debt instruments that totaled approximately \$11.1 million. In the event that interest rates associated with these instruments were to increase by 100 basis points, the impact on future cash flows would be a decrease of approximately \$0.1 million annually.

Silvue also selectively uses derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate movements on its variable rate debt. See the section entitled “—Commitments and Contingencies” above for a description of the interest rate swap agreement.

BUSINESS

Overview

We have been formed to acquire and manage a group of small to middle market businesses with stable and growing cash flows that are headquartered in the United States. Through our structure, we offer investors an opportunity to participate in the ownership and growth of businesses that traditionally have been owned and managed by private equity firms, private individuals or families, financial institutions or large conglomerates. Through the acquisition of a diversified group of businesses with these characteristics, we also offer investors an opportunity to diversify their own portfolio risk while participating in the ongoing cash flows of those businesses through the receipt of distributions.

We will seek to acquire controlling interests in businesses that we believe operate in industries with long-term macroeconomic growth opportunities, and that have positive and stable cash flows, face minimal threats of technological or competitive obsolescence and have strong management teams largely in place. We believe that private company operators and corporate parents looking to sell their businesses may consider us an attractive purchaser of their businesses because of our ability to:

- provide ongoing strategic and financial support for their businesses;
- maintain a long-term outlook as to the ownership of those businesses where such an outlook is required for maximization of our shareholders' return on investment; and
- consummate transactions efficiently without being dependent on third party financing on a transaction-by-transaction basis.

In particular, we believe that our ability to be long-term owners will alleviate the concern that many private company operators and parent companies may have with regard to their businesses going through multiple sale processes in a short period of time or the potential that their businesses may be sold at unfavorable points in the overall market cycle. In addition, we believe that our ownership outlook provides us the significant opportunity for, and advantage of, developing a comprehensive strategy to grow the earnings and cash flows of our businesses, which we expect will better enable us to meet our long-term objective of growing distributions to our shareholders and increasing shareholder value.

We will use approximately \$312 million of the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowing under our third party credit facility to acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses, from certain subsidiaries of CGI, as well as certain minority owners of such businesses, and provide debt financing to such businesses.

- CBS Personnel, a human resources outsourcing firm;
- Crosman, a recreational products company;
- Advanced Circuits, an electronic components manufacturing company; and
- Silvue, a global hardcoatings company.

We believe that our initial businesses operate in strong markets and have defensible market shares and long-standing customer relationships. As a result, we also believe that our initial businesses should produce stable growth in earnings and long-term cash flows to meet our objective of growing distributions to our shareholders and increasing shareholder value.

We intend to acquire a controlling interest in each of our initial businesses in conjunction with the closing of this offering. The acquisitions will be subject to certain closing conditions that will need to be satisfied prior to this offering. See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for further information about the acquisition of our initial businesses.

Our Manager

We will engage our manager to manage the day-to-day operations and affairs of the company and to execute our strategy, as discussed below. Our manager will initially consist of at least eight experienced professionals. Our management team, while working for a subsidiary of CGI, acquired our initial businesses and has overseen their operations prior to this offering. Our management team has worked together since 1998. Collectively, our management team has approximately 74 years of experience in acquiring and managing small and middle market businesses. We believe our manager is unique in the marketplace in terms of the success and experience of its employees in acquiring and managing diverse businesses of the size and general nature of our initial businesses. We believe this experience will provide us with a significant advantage in executing our overall strategy. Our management team intends to devote a majority of its time to the affairs of our company.

Our manager will own 100% of the allocation interests of the company, for which it paid \$100,000. Separately, the company and our manager will enter into a management services agreement pursuant to which our manager will manage the day-to-day operations and affairs of the company and will oversee the management and operations of our businesses. We will pay our manager a quarterly management fee for the services performed by our manager. In addition, our manager will receive a profit allocation with respect to its allocation interests in the company. See the section entitled “Our Manager” for further descriptions of the management fees and profit allocation to be paid to our manager. In consideration of our manager’s acquisition of the allocation interests, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests upon termination of the management services agreement. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement” for more information about the supplemental put agreement.

The company’s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager and will be seconded to the company. Neither the trust nor the company will have any other employees. Although our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager, they will report directly to the company’s board of directors. The management fee paid to our manager will cover all expenses related to the services performed by our manager, including the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and other personnel providing services to us. The company will reimburse our manager for the salary and related costs and expenses of our Chief Financial Officer, who will dedicate 100% of his time to the affairs of the company and his staff whose salaries will be approved by our compensation committee. See the sections entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider” for more information about the expenses reimbursed by the company and “Management” for more information about our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

Market Opportunity

We will seek to acquire and manage small to middle market businesses. We characterize small to middle market businesses as those that generate annual cash flows of up to \$40 million. We believe that the merger and acquisition market for small to middle market businesses is highly fragmented and provides more opportunities to purchase businesses at attractive prices. For example, according to Mergerstat, during the twelve month period ended December 31, 2005, businesses that sold for less than \$100 million were sold for a median of approximately 7.5x the trailing twelve months of earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization as compared to a median of approximately 10.5x for businesses that were sold for over \$300 million. We believe that the following factors contribute to lower acquisition multiples for small to middle market businesses:

- there are fewer potential acquirers for these businesses;
- third-party financing generally is less available for these acquisitions;

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- sellers of these businesses frequently consider non-economic factors, such as continuing board membership or the effect of the sale on their employees; and
- these businesses are less frequently sold pursuant to an auction process.

We believe that our management team's strong relationship with business brokers, investment and commercial bankers, accountants, attorneys and other potential sources of acquisition opportunities offers us substantial opportunities to purchase small to middle market businesses.

We also believe that significant opportunities exist to augment the management teams and improve the performance of the businesses upon their acquisition. In the past, our management team has acquired businesses that are often formerly owned by seasoned entrepreneurs or large corporate parents. In these cases, our management team has frequently found that there have been opportunities to further build upon the management teams of acquired businesses beyond those in existence at the time of acquisition. In addition, our management team has frequently found that financial reporting and management information systems of acquired businesses may be improved, both of which can lead to substantial improvements in earnings and cash flow. Finally, because these businesses tend to be too small to have their own corporate development efforts, we believe opportunities exist to assist these businesses in meaningful ways as they pursue organic or external growth strategies that were often not pursued by their previous owners.

Our Strategy

We have two primary strategies that we will use in seeking to grow distributions to our shareholders and increase shareholder value. First, we will focus on growing the earnings and cash flow from our businesses. We believe that the scale and scope of our initial businesses give us a diverse base of cash flow from which to further build the company. Importantly, we believe that our initial businesses alone will allow us to generate distributions to our shareholders, independent of whether we acquire any additional businesses in the future. Second, we will identify, perform due diligence on, negotiate and consummate additional platform acquisitions of small to middle market businesses in attractive industry sectors in accordance with acquisition criteria that will be established by the company's board of directors from time to time.

Management Strategy

Our management strategy involves the financial and operational management of the businesses that we own in a manner that seeks to grow distributions to our shareholders and increase shareholder value. In general, our manager will oversee and support the management teams of each of our businesses by, among other things:

- recruiting and retaining talented managers to operate our businesses by using structured incentive compensation programs, including minority equity ownership, tailored to each business;
- regularly monitoring financial and operational performance, instilling consistent financial discipline, and supporting management in the development and implementation of information systems to effectively achieve these goals;
- assisting management in their analysis and pursuit of prudent organic growth strategies;
- identifying and working with management to execute on attractive external growth and acquisition opportunities; and
- forming strong subsidiary level boards of directors to supplement management in their development and implementation of strategic goals and objectives.

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Specifically, while our businesses have different growth opportunities and potential rates of growth, we expect our manager to work with the management teams of each of our businesses to increase the value of, and cash generated by, each business through various initiatives, including:

- making selective capital investments to expand geographic reach, increase capacity, or reduce manufacturing costs of our businesses;
- investing in product research and development for new products, processes or services for customers;
- improving and expanding existing sales and marketing programs;
- pursuing reductions in operating costs through improved operational efficiency or outsourcing of certain processes and products; and
- consolidating or improving management of certain overhead functions.

Our businesses may also acquire and integrate complementary businesses. We believe that complementary acquisitions will improve our overall financial and operational performance by allowing us to:

- leverage manufacturing and distribution operations;
- leverage branding and marketing programs, as well as customer relationships;
- add experienced management or management expertise;
- increase market share and penetrate new markets; and
- realize cost synergies by allocating the corporate overhead expenses of our businesses across a larger number of businesses and by implementing and coordinating improved management practices.

We will incur debt financing primarily at the company level, which we will use, in combination with our equity capital, to provide debt financing to each of our businesses or to acquire additional businesses such as our proposed third party credit facility. We believe this financing structure will be beneficial to the financial and operational activities of each of our businesses by aligning our interests as both equity holders of, and a lender to, our businesses in a fashion that we believe is more efficient than our businesses borrowing from third-party lenders.

Pursuant to this strategy, we expect to be able to, over the long-term, grow distributions to our shareholders and increase shareholder value.

Acquisition Strategy

Our acquisition strategy involves the acquisition of businesses that we expect will produce stable growth in earnings and cash flows, as well as attractive returns on our investment. In this respect, we expect to make acquisitions in industries other than those in which our initial businesses currently operate if we believe an acquisition presents an attractive opportunity. We believe that attractive opportunities will increasingly present themselves as private sector owners seek to monetize their interests in longstanding and privately-held businesses and large corporate parents seek to dispose of their “non-core” operations.

We expect to benefit from our manager’s ability to identify diverse acquisition opportunities in a variety of industries. In addition, we intend to rely upon our management team’s extensive experience and expertise in researching and valuing prospective target businesses, as well as negotiating the ultimate acquisition of such target businesses. In particular, because there may be a lack of information available about these target businesses, which may make it more difficult to understand or appropriately value such target businesses, we expect our manager will:

- engage in a substantial level of internal and third-party due diligence;
- critically evaluate the management team;
- identify and assess any financial and operational strengths and weaknesses of any target business;

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- analyze comparable businesses to assess financial and operational performances relative to industry competitors;
- actively research and evaluate information on the relevant industry; and
- thoroughly negotiate appropriate terms and conditions of any acquisition.

We expect the process of acquiring new businesses to be time-consuming and complex. Our management team historically has taken from 2 to 24 months to perform due diligence, negotiate and close acquisitions. Although we expect our management team to be at various stages of evaluating several transactions at any given time, there may be significant periods of time during which our management team does not recommend any new acquisitions to us.

Upon acquisition of a new business, we intend to rely on our management team's experience and expertise to work efficiently and effectively with the management of the new business to jointly develop and execute a business plan.

While we will primarily seek to acquire controlling interests in a business, we may also acquire non-control or minority equity positions in businesses where we believe it is consistent with our long-term strategy.

As discussed in more detail below, we intend to raise capital for additional acquisitions primarily through debt financing at the company level such as our third party credit facility, additional equity offerings by the trust, the sale of all or a part of our businesses or by undertaking a combination of any of the above.

In addition to acquiring businesses, we expect to also sell businesses that we own from time to time when attractive opportunities arise. Our decision to sell a business will be based on our belief that the return on the investment to our shareholders that would be realized by means of such a sale is more favorable than the returns that may be realized through continued ownership and will be consistent with the disposition criteria to be established by the company's board of directors from time to time. Upon the sale of a business, we may use the resulting proceeds to retire debt or retain proceeds for future acquisitions or general corporate purposes. Generally, we do not expect to make special distributions at the time of a sale of one of our businesses; instead, we expect that we will seek to gradually increase shareholder distributions over time.

Strategic Advantages

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, all of the employees of The Compass Group will resign and become employees of our manager and comprise our management team. Based on the experience of our management team and its ability to identify and negotiate acquisitions, we expect to be strongly positioned to acquire additional businesses. Our management team has strong relationships with business brokers, investment and commercial bankers, accountants, attorneys and other potential sources of acquisition opportunities. In addition, we believe our management team also has a successful track record of acquiring and managing small to middle market businesses, including our initial businesses, in various industries. In negotiating these acquisitions, we believe our management team has been able to successfully navigate complex situations surrounding acquisitions, including corporate spin-offs, transitions of family-owned businesses, management buy-outs and reorganizations.

We believe that the cash flows of our initial businesses will support quarterly distributions to our shareholders and that any future sales of our businesses will provide additional long-term shareholder returns. Accordingly, we believe that we will be able to focus our resources on producing stable growth in our earnings and long-term cash flows so that we can achieve our long-term objective of growing distributions to shareholders and increasing shareholder value.

We expect that the flexibility, creativity, experience and expertise of our management team in structuring transactions will provide us with strategic advantages by allowing us to consider non-traditional and complex transactions tailored to fit a specific acquisition target. Likewise, because we intend to fund acquisitions through the utilization of our third-party credit facility, we do not expect to be subject to delays in or conditions to closing acquisitions that would be typically associated with such acquisitions.

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Our management team also has a large network of over 2,000 deal intermediaries who we expect to expose us to potential acquisitions. Through this network, as well as our management team's proprietary transaction sourcing efforts, we expect to have a substantial pipeline of potential acquisition targets. Our management team also has a well established network of contacts, including professional managers, attorneys, accountants and other third-party consultants and advisors, who may be available to assist us in the performance of due diligence and the negotiation of acquisitions, as well as the management and operation of our businesses once acquired.

In addition, through its affiliation with Teekay Shipping Corporation, CGI has a global network of relationships with both financial and operational managers and third-party service providers.

Valuation and Due Diligence

When evaluating businesses or assets for acquisition, we will perform a rigorous due diligence and financial evaluation process. In doing so, we will seek to evaluate the operations of the target business as well as the outlook for the industry in which the target business operates. While valuation of a business is, by definition, a subjective process, we will be defining valuations under a variety of analyses, including:

- discounted cash flow analyses;
- evaluation of trading values of comparable companies;
- expected value matrices;
- assessment of competitor, supplier and customer environments; and
- examination of recent transactions.

One outcome of this process is an effort to project the expected cash flows from the target business as accurately as possible. A further outcome is an understanding of the types and levels of risk associated with those projections. While future performance and projections are always uncertain, we believe that with a detailed due diligence review, future cash flows may be better estimated and the prospects for operating the business in the future better evaluated. To assist us in identifying material risks and validating key assumptions in our financial and operational analysis, in addition to our own analysis, we intend to engage third-party experts to review key risk areas, including legal, tax, regulatory, accounting, insurance and environmental. We may also engage technical, operational or industry consultants, as necessary.

A further critical component of the evaluation of potential target businesses will be the assessment of the capability of the existing management team, including recent performance, expertise, experience, culture and incentives to perform. Where necessary, and consistent with our management strategy, we will actively seek to augment, supplement or replace existing members of management who we believe are not likely to execute the business plan for the target business. Similarly, we will analyze and evaluate the financial and operational information systems of target businesses and, where necessary, we will actively seek to enhance and improve those existing systems that are deemed to be inadequate or insufficient to support our business plan for the target business.

Financing

At the closing of this offering, we expect our capital will consist of net proceeds from this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our third party credit facility commitment of approximately \$225.0 million, \$50.0 million of which will be drawn at the closing of this offering. We will finance future acquisitions primarily through additional equity and debt financings. We believe that having the ability to finance most, if not all, acquisitions with the general capital resources raised by our company, rather than financing relating to the acquisition of individual businesses, provides us with an advantage in acquiring attractive businesses by minimizing delay and closing conditions that are often related to acquisition-specific financings. In this respect, we believe that, at some point in the future, we may need to

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pursue additional debt or equity financings, or offer equity in the trust or target businesses to the sellers of such target businesses, in order to fund acquisitions.

We intend to leverage our individual businesses primarily with debt financing provided by the company, such as our third party credit facility. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information regarding such financing and the collateralization thereof. In addition to using our third party credit facility to fund future acquisitions, we may use the third party credit facility to fund other corporate cash needs, including distributions to our shareholders.

Corporate Structure

We are selling 14,000,000 shares of the trust in connection with this public offering, and an additional 6,000,000 shares in the separate private placement transactions, each representing one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property. The purpose of the trust is to hold 100% of the trust interests of the company, which is one of two classes of equity interests in the company that will be outstanding following this offering. The trust has the authority to issue shares in one or more series. As described above, our manager will own 100% of the allocation interests. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information about the shares, trust interests and allocation interests.

CGI and Pharos have agreed to purchase, in conjunction with the closing of this offering in separate private placement transactions, the number of shares, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, having a purchase price of \$86 million and \$4 million, respectively. See the section entitled “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information regarding the terms and conditions relating to these transactions. As a result of this investment, CGI and Pharos will own an approximately 28.7% and 1.3% interest in the trust, respectively, immediately following this offering.

In connection with this offering, the company will use a portion of the net proceeds from this offering and the separate private placement transactions to acquire from the sellers:

- CBS Personnel;
- Crosman;
- Advanced Circuits; and
- Silvue.

See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about the calculation of the percentage of equity interest we are acquiring of each initial business. Following the closing of this offering, the remaining equity interests in each initial business will be held by the senior management of each of our initial businesses, as well as certain other minority shareholders.

The company will also use a portion of the net proceeds of this offering and the separate private placement transactions to make loans and financing commitments to each of our initial businesses.

The board of directors of the company will oversee the management of the company and each of our initial businesses and the performance by our manager and, initially, will be comprised of seven directors, all of whom will be appointed by our manager as holder of the allocation interests, and at least four of whom will be the company’s independent directors. Following this initial appointment, six of the directors will be elected by our shareholders.

As holder of the allocation interests, our manager will have the right to appoint one director to the company’s board of directors commencing with the first annual meeting following the closing of this offering. Our manager’s appointed director on the company’s board of directors will not be required to stand for election by the shareholders. See the section entitled “Description of Shares — Voting and Consent Rights — Board of Directors Appointee” for more information about the manager’s right to appoint directors.

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See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about the terms and conditions of each of the loans and financing commitments to be made to our initial businesses.

Corporate Information

Compass Diversified Trust is a Delaware statutory trust formed on November 18, 2005. Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC is a Delaware limited liability company formed on November 18, 2005. Our principal executive offices are located at Sixty One Wilton Road, Second Floor, Westport, Connecticut 06880, and our telephone number is 203-221-1703. Our website is at www.CompassDiversifiedTrust.com. The information on our website is not incorporated by reference and is not part of this prospectus.

Acquisition of Our Initial Businesses

We will enter into a stock purchase agreement with CGI, certain of CGI’s subsidiaries and certain other minority stockholders to our initial businesses to acquire a controlling interest in our initial businesses in conjunction with the closing of this offering. The acquisitions will be subject to certain closing conditions. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for further information about the acquisitions of our initial businesses. The management and board of directors of our initial businesses will continue to operate their respective business on a day-to-day basis following our acquisition. We discuss each of our initial businesses below.

CBS Personnel

Overview

CBS Personnel, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, is a provider of temporary staffing services in the United States. CBS Personnel also provides its clients with other complementary human resource service offerings such as employee leasing services, permanent staffing and temporary-to-permanent placement services. Currently, CBS Personnel operates 132 branch locations in various cities in 16 states. CBS Personnel and its subsidiaries have been associated with quality service in their markets for more than 30 years.

CBS Personnel serves over 3,500 corporate and small business clients and on an average week places over 21,000 temporary employees in a broad range of industries, including manufacturing, transportation, retail, distribution, warehousing, automotive supply, construction, industrial, healthcare and financial sectors. We believe the quality of CBS Personnel’s branch operations and its strong sales force provide CBS Personnel with a competitive advantage over other placement services. CBS Personnel’s senior management, collectively, has approximately 50 years of experience in the human resource outsourcing industry and other closely related industries.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 and the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, temporary staffing generated approximately 97.1% and 96.9% of CBS Personnel’s revenues, respectively, while the employee leasing and temporary-to-permanent staffing and permanent placement accounted for the remaining revenues. For the years ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004, CBS Personnel had revenues of approximately \$543.0 million and \$315.3 million, respectively, and net income of approximately \$9.0 million and \$7.4 million, respectively. Venturi Staffing Partners, Inc., or VSP, was acquired in September 2004 and therefore the year ended December 31, 2004 operating results only reflect revenues from VSP since its acquisition.

History of CBS Personnel

In August 1999, The Compass Group acquired Columbia Staffing through a newly formed holding company. Columbia Staffing is a provider of light industrial, clerical, medical, and technical personnel to clients throughout the southeast. In October 2000, The Compass Group acquired through the same holding company CBS Personnel Services, Inc., a Cincinnati-based provider of human resources outsourcing. CBS Personnel Services, Inc. began operations in 1971 and is a provider of temporary staffing services in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, with a particularly strong presence in the metropolitan markets of Cincinnati, Dayton, Columbus, Lexington, Louisville, and Indianapolis. The name of the holding company that made these acquisitions was later changed to CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.

In February 2001, The Compass Group recruited its current president and chief executive officer who brought to CBS Personnel extensive related industry experience and has substantial managerial experience. The new president and chief executive officer immediately started a number of initiatives to increase CBS Personnel's market share and improve profitability, such as streamlining the administrative cost structure, implementing budget-based bonus plans and increasing investment in sales personnel and marketing programs. In October 2003, he recruited a new chief financial officer, further strengthening its senior management team and positioning CBS Personnel for organic and external growth.

In 2004, CBS Personnel expanded geographically through the acquisition of VSP, formerly a wholly owned subsidiary of Venturi Partners. VSP is a provider of temporary staffing, temp-to-hire and permanent placement services operating through branch offices located primarily in economically diverse metropolitan markets including Boston, New York, Atlanta, Charlotte, Houston and Dallas, as well as both Southern and Northern California.

Approximately 60% of VSP's temporary staffing revenue related to the clerical staffing, 24% related to light industrial staffing and the remaining 16% related to niche/other. Based on its geographic presence, VSP was a complementary acquisition for CBS Personnel as their combined operations did not overlap and the merger created a more national presence for CBS Personnel. In addition, the acquisition helped diversify CBS Personnel's revenue base to be more balanced between the clerical and light industrial staffing, representing approximately 40% and 46%, respectively, of the business post-acquisition.

Industry

According to Staffing Industry Analysts, Inc., the staffing industry generated approximately \$107 billion in revenues in 2004. The staffing industry is comprised of four product lines: (i) temporary staffing; (ii) employee leasing; (iii) permanent placement; and (iv) outplacement, representing approximately 76%, 10%, 13% and 1% of the market, respectively, according to the American Staffing Association. According to the American Staffing Association, Annual Economic Analysis of the Staffing Industry, the temporary staffing business grew by 12.5% in 2004. Over 95% of CBS Personnel's revenues are generated in temporary staffing.

CBS Personnel competes in both the light industrial and clerical categories of the temporary staffing product line. The light industrial category is comprised of providers of unskilled and semi-skilled workers to clients in manufacturing, distribution, logistics and other similar industries. The clerical category is comprised of providers of administrative personnel, data entry professionals, call center employees, receptionists, clerks and similar employees.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, or BLS, more jobs were created in professional and business services (which includes staffing) than in any other industry between 1992 and 2002. Further, BLS has projected that the professional and business services sector is expected to be the second fastest growing sector of the economy between 2002 and 2012. Companies today are operating in a more global and competitive environment, which requires them to respond quickly to fluctuating demand for their products and services. As a result, companies seek greater workforce flexibility translating to an increasing demand for temporary staffing services. This growing demand for temporary staffing should remain

consistent in the near future as temporary staffing becomes an integral component of corporate human capital strategy.

Services

CBS Personnel provides temporary staffing services tailored to meet each client's unique staffing requirements. We believe CBS Personnel maintains a strong reputation in its markets for providing complete staffing services that includes both high quality candidates and superior client service. CBS Personnel's management believes it is one of only a few staffing services companies in each of its markets that is capable of fulfilling the staffing requirements of both small, local clients and larger, regional or national accounts. To position itself as a key provider of human resources to its clients, CBS Personnel has developed an approach to service that focuses on:

- providing excellent service to existing clients in a consistent and efficient manner;
- attempting to sell additional service offerings to existing clients to increase revenue per client;
- marketing services to prospective clients to expand the client base; and
- providing incentives to employees through well-balanced incentive and bonus plans to encourage increased sales per client and the establishment of new client relationships.

CBS Personnel offers its clients a broad range of staffing services including the following:

- temporary staffing services in categories such as light industrial, clerical, healthcare, construction, transportation, professional and technical staffing;
- employee leasing and related administrative services; and
- temporary-to-permanent and permanent placement services.

Temporary Staffing Services

CBS Personnel endeavors to understand and address the individual staffing needs of its clients and has the ability to serve a wide variety of clients, from small companies with specific personnel needs to large companies with extensive and varied requirements. CBS Personnel devotes significant resources to the development of customized programs designed to fulfill the client's need for certain services with quality personnel in a prompt and efficient manner. CBS Personnel's primary temporary staffing categories are described below.

- **Light Industrial** — A substantial portion of CBS Personnel's temporary staffing revenues are derived from the placement of low-to mid-skilled temporary workers in the light industrial category, which comprises primarily the distribution ("pick-and-pack") and light manufacturing (such as assembly-line work in factories) sectors of the economy. Approximately 46% of CBS Personnel's temporary staffing revenues were derived from light industrial for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.
- **Clerical** — CBS Personnel provides clerical workers that have been screened, reference-checked and tested for computer ability, typing speed, word processing and data entry capabilities. Clerical workers are often employed at client call centers and corporate offices. Approximately 40% of CBS Personnel's temporary staffing revenues were derived from clerical for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.
- **Technical** — CBS Personnel provides placement candidates in a variety of skilled technical capacities, including plant managers, engineering management, operations managers, designers, draftsmen, engineers, materials management, line supervisors, electronic assemblers, laboratory assistants and quality control personnel. Approximately 4% of CBS Personnel's temporary staffing revenues were derived from technical the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

- **Healthcare** — Through its expert placement agents in its Columbia Healthcare division, CBS Personnel provides trained candidates in the following healthcare categories: medical office personnel, medical technicians, rehabilitation professionals, management and administrative personnel and radiology technicians, among others. Approximately 2% of CBS Personnel’s temporary staffing revenues were derived from healthcare for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.
- **Niche/ Other** — In addition to the light industrial, clerical, healthcare and technical categories, CBS Personnel also provides certain niche staffing services, placing candidates in the skilled industrial, construction and transportation sectors, among others. CBS Personnel’s wide array of niche service offerings allows it to meet a broad range of client needs. Moreover, these niche services typically generate higher margins for CBS Personnel. Approximately 8% of CBS Personnel’s temporary staffing revenues were derived from niche/other for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

As part of its service offerings, CBS Personnel provides an on-site program to clients employing, generally, 50 or more of its temporary employees. The on-site program manager works full-time at the client’s location to help manage the client’s temporary staffing and related human resources needs and provides detailed administrative support and reporting systems, which reduce the client’s workload and costs while allowing its management to focus on increasing productivity and revenues. CBS Personnel’s management believes this on-site program offering creates strong relationships with its clients by providing consistency and quality in the management of clients’ human resources and administrative functions. In addition, through its on-site program, CBS Personnel often gains visibility into the demand for temporary staffing services in new markets, which has helped management identify possible areas for geographic expansion.

Employee Leasing Services

Through the employee leasing and administrative service offerings of its Employee Management Services, or EMS, division, CBS Personnel provides administrative services, handling the client’s payroll, risk management, unemployment services, human resources support and employee benefit programs. This results in reduced administrative requirements for employers and, most importantly, by having EMS take over the non-productive administrative burdens of an organization, affords clients the ability to focus on their core businesses.

EMS offers also a full line of benefits, including medical, dental, vision, disability, life insurance, 401(k) retirement and other premium options for employers to provide to their employees. As a result of economies of scale, clients are offered multiple plan and premium options at affordable rates. The clients have the flexibility to determine what benefits to offer and how the program will be implemented in order to attract more qualified employees.

Temporary-to-Permanent and Permanent Staffing Services

Complementary to its temporary staffing and employee leasing services, CBS Personnel offers temporary-to-permanent and permanent placement services, often as a result of requests made through its temporary staffing activities. In addition, temporary workers will sometimes be hired on a permanent basis by the clients to whom they are assigned. CBS Personnel earns fees for permanent placements, in addition to the revenues generated from providing these workers on a temporary basis before they are hired as permanent employees.

A unique component of CBS Personnel’s permanent placement services is its Japanese American Connection program (“JAC”), which provides contract and permanent placement services to Japanese-owned companies in the Ohio Valley. JAC professionals are predominantly Japanese-American, are fluent in both English and Japanese and have a keen understanding of, and appreciation for, the unique needs of Japanese companies operating in the mid-western United States. In addition, JAC serves an important marketing function for CBS Personnel, as JAC’s efforts offer CBS Personnel unique opportunities to build relationships with Japanese companies that maintain significant operations in CBS Personnel’s markets.

CBS Personnel's temporary-to-permanent and permanent placement services contribute higher margins and are scalable, thereby making them a potential opportunity for future growth.

Competitive Strengths

CBS Personnel has established itself as strong and dependable providers of staffing and other resource services by responding to its customers' staffing needs in a timely and cost effective manner. A key to CBS Personnel's success has been its long history as well as the number of offices it operates in each of its markets. This strategy has allowed CBS Personnel to build a premium reputation in each of its markets and has resulted in the following competitive strengths:

- **Large Employee Database/Customer List** — Over the course of its history, CBS Personnel's management believes CBS Personnel has built a significant presence in most of its markets in terms of both clients and employees. CBS Personnel is successful in recruiting additional employees because of its reputation as having numerous job openings with a wide variety of clients. CBS Personnel attracts clients through its reputation as having a large database of reliable employees with a wide ranging skill set. CBS Personnel's employee database and client list has been built over a number of years in each of its markets and serves as a major competitive strength in most of its markets.
- **Higher Operating Margins** — By establishing multiple offices in the majority of the markets in which it operates, CBS Personnel is able to better leverage its selling, general and administrative expenses at the regional and field level and create higher operating income margins than its less dense competitors.
- **Scalable Business Model** — By having multiple office locations in each of its markets, CBS Personnel is able to quickly scale its business model in both good and bad economic environments. For example, in 2001 and 2002 during the economic downturn, CBS Personnel was able to close offices and reduce overhead expenses while shifting business to adjacent offices. For competitors with only one office per market, closing an office requires abandoning the clients and employees in that market. During 2001 and 2002, CBS Personnel was able to reduce its overhead costs by approximately 13% while maintaining its presence in each of its markets and retaining its clients and employees.
- **Marketing Synergies** — By having a number of offices in the majority of its markets, CBS Personnel allocates additional resources to marketing and selling and amortizes those costs over a larger office network. For example, while many of its competitors use selling branch managers who split time between operations and sales, CBS Personnel uses outside sales reps that are exclusively focused on bringing in new sales.

Business Strategies

CBS Personnel's business strategy is to (i) leverage its position in its existing markets, (ii) build a presence in contiguous markets, and (iii) pursue and selectively acquire other staffing resource providers.

- **Invest in its Existing Markets** — In many of its existing markets, CBS Personnel has multiple branch locations. CBS Personnel plans on continuing to invest in these existing markets through the opening of additional branch locations and the hiring of additional sales and operations employees. In addition, CBS personnel is offering complimentary human resource services to its existing clients such as full time recruiting, consulting, and administrative outsourcing. CBS Personnel has implemented an incentive plan that highly rewards its employees for selling services beyond its traditional temporary staffing services.

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- **Build a Presence in Contiguous Markets** — CBS Personnel plans on opening new branch locations in markets contiguous to those in which it operates. CBS Personnel believes that the cost and time required to establish profitable branch locations is minimized through expansion into contiguous markets as costs associated with advertising and administrative overhead are reduced due to proximity.
- **Pursue Selective Acquisitions** — CBS Personnel views acquisitions as an attractive means to enter into a new geographical market. In some cases CBS Personnel will consider making acquisitions within its existing markets to increase its market share.

Clients

CBS Personnel serves over 3,500 clients in a broad range of industries, including manufacturing, technical, transportation, retail, distribution, warehousing, automotive supply, construction, industrial, healthcare services and financial. These clients range in size from small, local firms to large, regional or national corporations. One of CBS Personnel's largest client is Chevron Corporation, which accounted for 5% of revenues for the year ended December 31, 2005. None of CBS Personnel's other clients individually accounted for more than 2% of its revenues for the year ended December 31, 2005. CBS Personnel's client assignments can vary from a period of a few days to long-term, annual or multi-year contracts. We believe CBS Personnel has a strong relationship with its clients.

Sales, Marketing and Recruiting Efforts

CBS Personnel's marketing efforts are principally focused on branch-level development of local business relationships. Local salespeople are incentivized to recruit new clients and increase usage by existing clients through their compensation programs, as well as through numerous contests and competitions. Regional or company-based specialists are utilized to assist local salespeople in closing potentially large accounts, particularly where they may involve an on-site presence by CBS Personnel. On a regional and national level, efforts are made to expand and align its services to fulfill the needs of clients with multiple locations, which may also include using on-site CBS Personnel professionals and the opening of additional offices to better serve a client's broader geographic needs.

In terms of recruitment of qualified employees, CBS Personnel utilizes a variety of methods to recruit its work force including, among others, rewarding existing employees for qualifying referrals, newspaper and other media advertising, internet sourcing, marketing brochures distributed at colleges and vocational schools and community- or education-based job fairs. CBS Personnel actively recruits in each community in which it operates, through educational institutions, evening and weekend interviewing and open houses. At the corporate level, CBS Personnel maintains an in-house web-based job posting and resume process which allows distribution of job descriptions to over 3,000 national and local online job boards. Individuals may also submit a resume through CBS Personnel's website.

Following a prospective employee's identification, CBS Personnel systematically evaluates each candidate prior to placement. The employee application process includes an interview, skills assessment test, education verification and reference verification, and may include drug screening and background checks depending upon customer requirements.

Competition

The temporary staffing industry is highly fragmented and, according to the U.S. Census Bureau in 2002, was comprised of approximately 11,500 service providers, the vast majority of which generate less than \$10 million in annual revenues. Of the total number of service providers, over 80% are single-office firms. Staffing services firms with more than 10 establishments account for only 1.6% of the total number of service providers, or 187 companies, but generate 49.3% of revenues in the temporary staffing industry. The largest publicly owned companies specializing in temporary staffing services are Adecco, SA, Vedior NV, Randstad Holdings NV, and Kelly Services Inc. The employee leasing industry consists of approximately 4,200 service providers. Our largest national competitors in employee leasing include

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Administaff, Inc., Gevity HR, and the employee leasing divisions of large business service companies such as Automatic Data Processing, Inc., and Paychex, Inc.

CBS Personnel competes with both large, national and small, local staffing companies in its markets for clients. Competition in the temporary staffing industry revolves around quality of service, reputation and price. Notwithstanding this level of competition, CBS Personnel's management believes CBS Personnel benefits from a number of competitive advantages, including:

- multiple offices in its core markets;
- long-standing relationships with its clients;
- a large database of qualified temporary workers which enables CBS Personnel to fill orders rapidly;
- well-recognized brands and leadership positions in its core markets; and
- a reputation for treating employees well and offering competitive benefits.

Numerous competitors, both large and small, have exited or significantly reduced their presence in many of CBS Personnel's markets. CBS Personnel's management believes that this trend has resulted from the increasing importance of scale, client demands for broader services and reduced costs, and the difficulty that the strong positions of market leaders, such as CBS Personnel, present for competitors attempting to grow their client base.

CBS Personnel also competes for qualified employee candidates in each of the markets in which it operates. Management believes that CBS Personnel's scale and concentration in each of its markets provides it with significant recruiting advantages. Key among the factors affecting a candidate's choice of employers is the likelihood of reassignment following the completion of an initial engagement. CBS Personnel typically has numerous clients with significantly different hiring patterns in each of its markets, increasing the likelihood that it can reassign individual employees and limit the amount of time an employee is in transition. As employee referrals are also a key component of its recruiting efforts, management believes local market share is also key to its ability to identify qualified candidates.

Tradenames

CBS Personnel uses the following tradenames: *CBS Personnel*™, *CBS Personnel Services*™, *Columbia Staffing*™, *Columbia Healthcare Services*™ and *Venturi Staffing Partners*™. These trade names have strong brand equity in their markets and have significant value to CBS Personnel's business.

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Facilities

CBS Personnel, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, currently provides staffing services through all 132 of its branch offices located in 16 states. The following table shows the number of branch offices located in each state in which CBS Personnel operates and the employee hours billed by those branch offices for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

<u>State</u>	<u>Number of Branch Offices*</u>	<u>Employee Hours Billed (In thousands)</u>
Ohio	23	10,034
California	20	4,002
Kentucky	14	4,446
Texas	13	4,533
South Carolina	12	2,598
North Carolina	8	1,894
Illinois	8	1,087
Indiana	6	2,218
Pennsylvania	6	991
Massachusetts	5	436
Georgia	4	573
Virginia	3	1,163
New York	2	743
Alabama	2	418
New Jersey	2	160
Washington	1	130
Florida	1	109
Rhode Island	1	56

* Subsequent to December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel closed offices in Tampa, Florida, Pawtucket, Rhode Island and Boston, Massachusetts; opened an office in each of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Hebron, Ohio; and opened two offices in Dallas, Texas.

All of the above branch offices, along with CBS Personnel's principal executive offices in Cincinnati, Ohio, are leased. Lease terms are typically 3 to 5 years. CBS Personnel does not anticipate any difficulty in renewing these leases or in finding alternative sites in the ordinary course of business.

Regulatory Environment

In the United States, temporary employment services firms are considered the legal employers of their temporary workers. Therefore, state and federal laws regulating the employer/employee relationship, such as tax withholding and reporting, social security and retirement, equal employment opportunity and Title VII Civil Rights laws and workers' compensation, including those governing self-insured employers under the workers' compensation systems in various states, govern CBS Personnel's operations. By entering into a co-employer relationship with employees who are assigned to work at client locations, CBS Personnel assumes certain obligations and responsibilities of an employer under these federal and state laws. Because many of these federal and state laws were enacted prior to the development of nontraditional employment relationships, such as professional employer, temporary employment, and outsourcing arrangements, many of these laws do not specifically address the obligations and responsibilities of nontraditional employers. In addition, the definition of "employer" under these laws is not uniform.

Although compliance with these requirements imposes some additional financial risk on CBS Personnel, particularly with respect to those clients who breach their payment obligation to CBS Personnel, such compliance has not had a material adverse impact on CBS Personnel's business to date. CBS Personnel believes that its operations are in compliance in all material respects with applicable federal and state laws.

Workers' Compensation Program

As the employer of record, CBS Personnel is responsible for complying with applicable statutory requirements for workers' compensation coverage. State law (and for certain types of employees, federal law) generally mandates that an employer reimburse its employees for the costs of medical care and other specified benefits for injuries or illnesses, including catastrophic injuries and fatalities, incurred in the course and scope of employment. The benefits payable for various categories of claims are determined by state regulation and vary with the severity and nature of the injury or illness and other specified factors. In return for this guaranteed protection, workers' compensation is considered the exclusive remedy and employees are generally precluded from seeking other damages from their employer for workplace injuries. Most states require employers to maintain workers' compensation insurance or otherwise demonstrate financial responsibility to meet workers' compensation obligations to employees.

In many states, employers who meet certain financial and other requirements may be permitted to self-insure. CBS Personnel self-insures its workers' compensation exposure for a portion of its employees. Regulations governing self-insured employers in each jurisdiction typically require the employer to maintain surety deposits of government securities, letters of credit or other financial instruments to support workers' compensation claims in the event the employer is unable to pay for such claims.

As a self-insured employer, CBS Personnel's workers' compensation expense is tied directly to the incidence and severity of workplace injuries to its employees. CBS Personnel seeks to contain its workers' compensation costs through an aggressive approach to claims management, including assigning injured workers, whenever possible, to short-term assignments which accommodate the workers' physical limitations, performing a thorough and prompt on-site investigation of claims filed by employees, working with physicians to encourage efficient medical management of cases, denying questionable claims and attempting to negotiate early settlements to mitigate contingent and future costs and liabilities. Higher costs for each occurrence, either due to increased medical costs or duration of time, may result in higher workers' compensation costs to CBS Personnel with a corresponding material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Legal Proceedings

CBS Personnel is, from time to time, involved in litigation and various claims and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of CBS Personnel's management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on CBS Personnel's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Capital Structure

See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses — CBS Personnel" for information about CBS Personnel's capital structure and the shares to be acquired in this offering.

Employees

As of December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel employed approximately 88 individuals in its corporate staff and approximately 733 staff members in its branch locations. During the year ended December 31, 2005, CBS Personnel employed over 130,000 temporary personnel on engagements of varying durations.

Temporary employees placed by CBS Personnel are generally CBS Personnel's employees while they are working on assignments. As employer of its temporary employees, CBS Personnel maintains responsibility for applicable payroll taxes and the administration of the employee's share of such taxes.

CBS Personnel's staffing services employees are not under its direct control while working at a client's business. CBS Personnel has not experienced any significant liability due to claims arising out of negligent acts or misconduct by its staffing services employees. The possibility exists, however, of claims being asserted against CBS Personnel, which may exceed its liability insurance coverage, with a resulting material adverse effect on its financial condition, business and results of operations.

Crosman

Overview

Crosman, headquartered in East Bloomfield, New York, was one of the first manufacturers of airguns and is a manufacturer and distributor of recreational airgun products and related accessories. To a lesser extent, Crosman also designs, markets and distributes paintball products and related accessories through GFP. Crosman's products are sold in over 6,000 retail locations worldwide through approximately 500 retailers, which include mass retailers, such as Wal-Mart and Kmart, and sporting goods retailers, such as Dick's Sporting Goods and Big 5 Sporting Goods. While Crosman's primary market is the United States (accounting for approximately 87% of net sales for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 and approximately 89% and approximately 89% of net sales for the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, respectively), Crosman distributes its products in the United States and 44 other countries worldwide.

The *Crosman*TM brand is one of the pre-eminent names in the recreational airgun market and is widely recognized in the broader outdoor sporting goods industry. Crosman markets a full line of recreational airgun products, airgun accessories and related products under its own trademark brands as well as under other well-established brands through licensing or distribution agreements. Crosman markets paintball products, including markers (which are paintball projection devices), paintballs, paintball accessories and related products, primarily under the *Game Face*TM brand. Crosman's senior management, collectively, has approximately 83 years of experience in the recreational products industry and closely related industries.

For the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, Crosman had net sales of approximately \$45.2 million and \$38.2 million, respectively, and net income of approximately \$2.8 million and \$2.3 million, respectively. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, Crosman had net sales of approximately \$70.1 million and net income of approximately \$0.5 million.

History of Crosman

Crosman was founded in 1923 as Crosman Rifle Company and was one of the first manufacturers of recreational airguns in the United States. In 1971, Coleman Corporation, or Coleman, acquired Crosman. In 1990, Coleman sold Crosman to Worldwide Sports and Recreation, Inc., or Worldwide Sports, a marketer of outdoor recreational products and sporting goods. In 1997, certain executives of Crosman and other equity investors acquired Crosman from Worldwide Sports. In October 2001, Crosman formed GFP to market paintball products and related accessories primarily under the *Game Face*TM brand. A subsidiary of CGI acquired a majority interest in Crosman in February 2004, as part of a transaction involving a simultaneous stock purchase, stock redemption and recapitalization.

Industry

Crosman competes in the recreational airgun and paintball markets within the outdoor sporting goods industry. According to the National Sporting Goods Association, the United States sporting goods equipment industry generated approximately \$22.9 billion in retail sales in 2004. Within this industry, Crosman's management estimates that sales in the market categories in which Crosman competes were approximately \$235 million in 2004.

Recreational Airgun Market

For the year ended December 31, 2004, management estimates that the worldwide recreational airgun industry was approximately \$315 million and the United States recreational airgun market represented approximately 75% of this amount, or \$235 million. Management estimates that United States 2004 sales consisted of approximately \$125 million in air rifles and air pistols, approximately \$55 million in soft airguns and approximately \$55 million in airgun consumables. Crosman estimates that it has an approximately 40% share of the United States recreational airgun market excluding consumables based on

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its net sales of \$45.2 million and \$70.1 million for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, respectively.

The recreational airgun market is a mature industry and experiencing slow and steady growth through increasing popularity of target shooting in the United States and increased spending by baby boomers.

Crosman's management believes several factors will likely stimulate further market growth, including:

- **Broad Distribution** — Mass retailers have become the primary distribution channel for recreational airguns, airgun accessories and related products because of the high margin and high turnover attributes of such products. Continued mass retailer participation in the recreational airgun market should continue to broaden the audience of potential consumers.
- **Increasing Popularity of Recreational Airguns** — The popularity of activities involving recreational airguns, such as target shooting, increased from 2000 to 2003 according to the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association, or SGMA, and management believes it will continue to grow. This has resulted in increased participation in such activities, which has resulted in increased sales, partly due to the mini-baby boom of the early 1990s, which is expected to drive up sales in the next decade. Management of Crosman believes that sales of recreational airguns, and in particular soft air guns, should continue to grow as participation in activities involving recreational airguns increases.
- **Increased Level of Regulations on Firearms** — As laws concerning the purchase and use of firearms become more stringent, management of Crosman believes that sales of airguns, particularly in the high-end sector, should continue to increase because of the similar nature to firearms and the less restrictive regulatory environment concerning the purchase and use of airguns.

Paintball Market

For the year ended December 31, 2004, wholesale sales in the United States paintball market, consisting of paintball products and accessories, was estimated at \$417 million according to the SGMA. While there are a number of manufacturers who make only paintball guns and accessories, a few airgun manufacturers also participate in the paintball market due to the close relations between paintball products and airgun products. Most paintball manufacturers provide both paintball products and accessories.

Paintball participation levels in the United States have increased from 5.9 million in 1998 to approximately 9.6 million in 2004, with more than 1.7 million participants playing on a frequent basis (more than 15 times a year) according to the SGMA. This increase is due to the increasingly broader group of players, including corporate groups, youth leagues, church organizations and others, that have begun participating in paintball as well as the availability of paintball and related products through mass retailers.

Products

Crosman designs, manufactures and distributes recreational airgun products and paintball products. Crosman currently sells products in approximately 38 product families under the following trademarks: *Crosman*[®], *Benjamin Sheridan*[™], *Copperhead*[™], *Powerlets*[™], *AirSource*[®], *Game Face*[™] and *Crosman Soft Air*[™], as well as other well-known brands through licensing or distribution agreements.

Recreational Airgun Products

Crosman's recreational airgun products are comprised of a variety of product categories of airguns, with different propellant technologies (such as pneumatic pump-action, CO₂ gas-powered, and spring air), styles, materials, sizes and types of ammunition, consumables (such as BBs, pellets and CO₂ cartridges

and accessories) and other products (such as scopes and targets). The following is an overview of Crosman's product lines:

- **Air Rifles** — Crosman offers 14 air rifle product families with typical retail prices ranging from \$30 to \$150, with high-end models retailing for prices up to \$800. Crosman markets its air rifles under the following brands: *Crosman*[®], *Benjamin Sheridan*[™], and, through licensing agreements, *Remington*[™] and *Walther*[™]. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, air rifles accounted for approximately \$24.1 million, or 34%, of Crosman's net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, air rifles accounted for approximately \$14.0 million, or 37%, and \$14.3 million, or 32% of net sales, respectively.
- **Air Pistols** — Crosman markets 14 air pistol product families with average retail prices ranging from \$20 to \$100. Crosman markets its air pistols under the following brands: *Crosman*[®] and, through licensing agreements, *Beretta*[™], *Colt*[™], *Smith & Wesson*[™], and *Walther*[™]. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, air pistols accounted for approximately \$11.8 million, or 17%, of Crosman's net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, air pistols accounted for approximately \$6.4 million, or 17%, and \$6.7 million, or 15% of net sales, respectively.
- **Soft Air Airguns** — Soft air airguns fire plastic BBs at low velocities. Crosman began selling soft air airguns in May 2002. Crosman markets its soft air airguns under the *Crosman Soft Air*[™] brand. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, Soft Air accounted for approximately \$15.6 million, or 22%, of Crosman's net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, Soft Air accounted for approximately \$8.4 million, or 22%, and \$15.4 million, or 34% of net sales, respectively.
- **Consumables** — Crosman is a manufacturer of airgun consumables, including CO₂ cartridges and ammunition (BBs and pellets). Crosman markets its consumables under the *Crosman*[®] and *Copperhead*[™] brands and markets its CO₂ cartridges product families under the *Powerlets*[™] and *AirSource*[®] brands. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, consumables accounted for approximately \$16.9 million, or 24%, of Crosman's net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, consumables accounted for approximately \$8.6 million, or 22%, and \$8.2 million, or 18% of net sales, respectively.
- **Accessories and Other Products** — Crosman also offers a variety of miscellaneous recreational airgun accessories, such as scopes, laser sights and targets, as well as other products such as slingshots. Crosman markets its products in this category under the *Crosman*[®] brand. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, accessories and other products accounted for approximately \$1.6 million, or 2%, of Crosman's net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, accessories and other products accounted for approximately \$0.8 million, or 2%, and \$0.6 million, or 1% of net sales, respectively.

Paintball Products

Crosman designs, manufactures and distributes paintball products and related accessories through GFP, its 50%-owned joint venture. Crosman is responsible for all operational aspects of GFP, including product development, sales, warehousing, shipping, administration, finance and accounting. Crosman is paid 5% of GFP's net sales for these services. Crosman includes 50% of this payment from GFP in non-operating income and 50% as a reduction to its selling expenses. Paintball products through GFP include paintball markers, paint, disposable CO₂ tanks, facemasks, protective gear and marker components, such as ammunition Hoppers, gloves and protective vests. GFP markets its paintball products and accessories products under the *Game Face*[™] brand. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, GFP had approximately \$13.6 million in net sales. For the six months ended December 26, 2004 and January 1, 2006, GFP had approximately \$5.8 million and \$6.6 million in net sales, respectively.

Competitive Strengths

Crosman's management believes that Crosman possesses the following competitive strengths, which have enabled it to maintain its leadership position in its markets while continuing to grow by successfully introducing new products:

- **Leading Market Position** — Management believes Crosman has achieved a strong position in the design, manufacturing and distribution of recreational airgun products by investing the necessary resources to establish its strong brands, broad product offering, efficient manufacturing capabilities, excellent sourcing and distribution relationships and by assembling a strong management team. It currently has an approximately 40% share of the United States recreational airgun market which it expects will allow it to further penetrate the paintball market and introduce new products in the recreational airgun market.
- **Strong Brand Portfolio** — Crosman owns one of the pre-eminent brand portfolios in the recreational airgun market and is widely recognized in the broader outdoor sporting goods industries. Crosman's recreational airgun products are recognized for their quality features and craftsmanship. The strength of Crosman's brands portfolio has positioned it as a source for a broad variety of recreational airgun and paintball products and should enable it to capture additional market share.
- **Established, Long-Term Relationships with Significant Retailers** — Crosman has served two of its top retailers, Wal-Mart and Kmart, for over 25 years and its top ten retailers for an average of 14 years. Crosman invests in its retailer relationships by working closely with retailers in an effort to increase their sales and margins, manage inventory levels and provide superior service to the consumer. Such dedication to relations with their retailers contributes to Crosman's strong and long-term relationships with its significant retailers.
- **High Margin Product Focus** — Crosman's focus on products in the mid- to high-end of the retail price spectrum combined with its low-cost manufacturing capabilities generate higher margins for Crosman and its retailers. We believe that such a focus permits Crosman and its retailers to earn greater margins as compared to major competitors' lower-priced products.
- **Dedication to High Product Quality Standards** — Crosman closely monitors the quality of its manufacturing process, beginning by routinely verifying the quality of its raw material used in the manufacturing process. In addition, each component is inspected on the assembly line prior to assembly of the final product. After production, each product is tested and undergoes a final inspection prior to packaging. Such attentive detail to quality has resulted in Crosman experiencing an approximately 1% defect rate with respect to its recreational air guns.
- **Proven Product Development Capability** — Since 2001, under Crosman's current management team, Crosman became dedicated to bringing innovative new products to market. For example, since 2001, Crosman has introduced several new products including the 88-gram *AirSource*[®] CO₂ cartridges, the *Benjamin Sheridan*[™] and *Crosman*[®] break-barrel spring air rifles, an innovative blow-back semi-automatic air rifle, and soft air airguns marketed under the *Crosman Soft Air*[™] brand name. GFP also introduced a new 88-gram *AirSource*[®] disposable CO₂ tank in January 2003. Crosman's strength in developing new products is demonstrated by net sales of new products introduced since 2001 of approximately \$33.6 million, or 48%, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005.
- **Experienced Management Team** — Crosman's senior management, collectively, has approximately 83 years of experience in the recreational products industry and closely related industries. Since 2001, the current management team has effected significant improvements in Crosman's financial performance by focusing on developing new products, leveraging distribution channels to improve market penetration, improving operational efficiencies and expanding and refining supplier networks.

Business Strategies

Crosman's strategy is to continue to build on its manufacturing and distribution strengths by focusing on:

- **Driving Organic Growth** — Crosman's management believes that Crosman can leverage its competitive strengths to increase sales of its current products and introduce new products to capitalize on the expected growth in the recreational airgun and paintball markets. Management believes that Crosman can continue to increase its sales by maintaining and building upon its strong relationships with its retailers to more aggressively promote its products and to introduce and promote new products.
- **Maintaining Focus on Cost Control and Operating Efficiency** — In an effort to achieve further sustainable margin improvements, Crosman plans to maintain its focus on cost control by continuing to improve its manufacturing efficiency and to refine its supplier network. Crosman's budgeting process allows it to measure departmental spending against budgets each month and to compensate supervisors based partially on their ability to spend at or below budgeted levels. Crosman also has a capital expenditure approval process in which projects must meet return on investment and payback period guidelines before capital projects may be initiated.
- **Pursuing Complementary Acquisitions** — Crosman intends to pursue strategic acquisition opportunities that will allow it to leverage its competitive strengths to increase sales or improve margins. Such opportunities may include the acquisition of products or recognized brands to broaden or deepen Crosman's product portfolio as well as the acquisition of suppliers to reduce the costs of its finished goods. Crosman's management intends to make acquisitions only to the extent it believes such acquisitions will be accretive to its cash flow.

Research and Development

Crosman uses a highly systematized and formalized new product development process that involves all of its senior managers and select members of its sales force. Since 2002, Crosman has introduced several new products including the 88-gram *AirSource*[®] CO₂ cartridges, an innovative blow-back semi-automatic air rifle and the *Benjamin Sheridan*[™] and *Crosman*[®] break-barrel spring air rifles. Crosman is dedicated to bringing innovative new products to market and has spent an average of approximately \$500,000 annually during the past four years on new product development. Crosman has provided for approximately \$800,000 annually to fund new product development in the future. In addition, Crosman utilizes third party service providers to assist in new product development.

Customers

Crosman sells recreational airguns, accessories and related products at over 6,000 retail locations to approximately 500 retailers worldwide, including mass retailers, sporting goods retailers and distributors. GFP's paintball products are sold through the same base of retailers currently selling Crosman's recreational airguns. Approximately 86% of Crosman's net sales are to retailers and 14% are to distributors or original equipment manufacturers.

Crosman's top ten customers accounted for approximately 71.3% of net sales, excluding GFP, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, with Wal-Mart, Crosman's largest customer, accounting for approximately 37.2% of gross sales, excluding GFP, for fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. On average, Crosman has sold products to its top 10 customers for 14 years. Crosman has been selling recreational airguns to each of Wal-Mart and another top customer, Kmart, for over 25 years. Crosman is able to maintain its long-term relationships with these customers as a result of its quality products, brand recognition and position in the mid- to high-end market for airguns, where there are limited competitors that provide similar quality products and brand recognition. This has enabled both Crosman and its customers to maintain consistent margins on Crosman products over the long term.

Sales and Marketing

Crosman markets and sells several brands of recreational airgun products and, through GFP, paintball products to major mass retailers, sporting goods retailers and other distributors. Each brand is generally positioned to have a combination of overall product quality, features and retail price ranges that differentiate it from other brands marketed by Crosman and GFP. Crosman and GFP's marketing programs emphasize the high level of quality of their products to consumers. They also engage in marketing and sales initiatives to assist their retailers' sales to their end consumers. Crosman and GFP proactively pursue product sales promotions with their retailers by coordinating specific price discounts during holidays to increase shelf space during critical retail sales periods. GFP uses a similar retail distribution network for markers and paintball products.

Crosman also provides structured programs taught by professionals to educate people about the safe and responsible use of recreational airguns and to attract new participants to shooting sports. These programs include Education in Recreational Airgun Shooting for Youth, a program delivered by Crosman to non-profit groups, such as the Boy/ Girl Scouts of America, 4-H and Future Farmers of America.

Crosman's sales team possesses substantial experience in the sporting goods industry and encompasses both internal and manufacturer's sales representatives. Crosman has seven sales representatives and six manufacturer's representative groups.

Competition

Crosman's management estimates that it currently has approximately 40% of the United States recreational airgun market. Competitors in the recreational airgun market include numerous manufacturers of recreational airguns located in the United States as well as abroad. Crosman's most significant competitor is Daisy Manufacturing Company, Inc. ("Daisy"). Daisy is primarily established in the low- to middle-range product price range with products typically retailing between \$15 and \$40. Crosman has a number of competitors in the soft air airgun market, but Crosman considers Cybergun SA to be its primary competitor in that market. The paintball industry is highly fragmented. GFP's competitors include Brass Eagle, Inc., which is owned by K2, Inc., The Kingman Group, Tippmann Pneumatics, LLC, and Pursuit Marketing, Inc.

Suppliers

To manufacture its products, Crosman utilizes raw materials, including metals, plastics and wood as well as manufactured parts, purchased from independent suppliers. Crosman also purchases a number of products manufactured by external vendors, including soft air airguns, certain replica airguns and airgun accessories, which it then distributes under its own brand names. Crosman considers its relationship with its suppliers to be good. Crosman has not experienced interruptions in operations due to a lack of supply of materials and Crosman's management does not anticipate any such interruptions in the foreseeable future. Crosman maintains flexibility with its sourcing and is not reliant on any one supplier.

Intellectual Property

Crosman currently has 13 patents in the United States, the most material of which was issued on September 13, 2005 and covers the design of the paintball marker adapter for the 88-gram CO₂ cartridge sold under the *AirSource*[®] name.

Although Crosman believes that patents are useful in maintaining Crosman's competitive position, it considers other factors, such as Crosman's trademarked brand names, pre-eminent name recognition, ability to design innovative products and technical and marketing expertise to be its primary competitive advantages. Crosman's products are marketed under the following company-owned and trademarked brand names: *Crosman*[®], *Benjamin Sheridan*[™], *Copperhead*[™], *Game Face*[™], *Powerlets*[™], *AirSource*[®] and *Crosman Soft Air*[™] brand names.

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In 2002, Crosman began marketing and distributing recreational airgun products under several other well established brands under licensing or distribution agreements.

Facilities

Crosman conducts its manufacturing operations in a 225,000 square-foot facility on a company-owned 49-acre campus located in East Bloomfield, New York, approximately 30 miles southeast of Rochester. In addition, Crosman utilizes approximately 43,500 square feet of leased warehouse space in nearby Canandaigua, New York for paintball warehousing and shipping operations. Crosman also owns an 8,000 square-foot manufacturing operation in Stover, Missouri devoted to fabricating wood components. Crosman has the ability to expand its plant on its 49-acre East Bloomfield, New York property.

Regulatory Environment

Crosman's management believes Crosman is in compliance with all regulations governing recreational airguns and paintball products in the markets where those products are sold. United States federal firearms laws do not apply to recreational airguns or paintball products, however, various United States state and municipal laws and regulations do. These laws generally pertain to the retail sale and use of recreational airguns and paintball products.

In the United States, recreational airgun and paintball products are within the jurisdiction of the CPSC. Under CPSC regulations, a manufacturer of consumer goods is obligated to notify the CPSC if, among other things, the manufacturer becomes aware that one of its products has a defect that could create a substantial risk of injury. If the manufacturer has not already undertaken to do so, the CPSC may require a manufacturer to recall a product, which may involve product repair, replacement or refund. Crosman's products may also be subject to recall pursuant to regulations in other jurisdictions where Crosman's products are sold. Crosman initiated four product recalls during the last five years, in each case resulting in non-material financial consequences for Crosman and no personal injuries associated with the recalled products were reported to Crosman. Three of the four products were not manufactured by Crosman and Crosman is fully indemnified by its supplier for such products.

The American Society of Testing Materials ("ASTM"), a non-governmental self-regulating association, has been active in developing voluntary standards regarding recreational airguns, paintball markers, paintball fields and paintball face protection. Crosman's representatives are active on the relevant ASTM subcommittees and in developing the relevant product safety standards. Crosman's management believes that Crosman routinely follows, and is in compliance with, ASTM standards. Any failure to comply with any current or pending ASTM standard may have a material adverse effect on Crosman's financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Many jurisdictions outside of the United States also have legislation limiting the power, distribution and/or use of Crosman's products. Crosman works with its distributors in each jurisdiction to ensure that it is in compliance with applicable law.

Crosman's facilities and operations are subject to extensive and constantly evolving federal, state and local environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations, including laws and regulations governing air emissions, wastewater discharges, the storage and handling of chemicals and hazardous substances. See the section entitled "— Legal Proceedings" for more information. Although Crosman's management believes that Crosman is in compliance, in all material respects, with applicable environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations, there can be no assurance that new requirements, more stringent application of existing requirements, or discovery of previously unknown environmental conditions will not result in material environmental expenditures in the future.

Legal Proceedings

As a manufacturer of recreational airguns, Crosman is involved in various litigation matters that occur in the ordinary course of business. Crosman has experienced limited product liability and related expenses

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over the company's history. Crosman's management believes that this record is a result of Crosman's focus on producing quality products that incorporate proven and reliable safety features, the consistent use of packaging materials that contain clear consumer instructions and safety warnings and Crosman's practice of consistently defending itself from product liability claims.

Since the beginning of 1994, Crosman has been named as a defendant in 56 lawsuits and has been the subject of 92 other claims made by persons alleging to have been injured by its products. To date, 96 of these cases have been terminated without payment and 26 of these cases have been settled at an aggregate settlement cost of approximately \$1,725,000. As of the date of this prospectus, Crosman is involved in 4 product liability cases and 22 claims were brought against Crosman by persons alleging to have been injured by its products.

In addition, GFP has been the subject of three claims made by persons alleging to be injured by its products. Two of these claims have been resolved without payment and, as of the date of this prospectus, the third has not been resolved and remains active.

Crosman maintains product liability insurance to insure against potential claims. Management believes such insurance will be adequate to cover Crosman's products liability claims exposure, but no assurance can be given that such coverage will be adequate to cover product liability claims against Crosman.

Crosman has signed consent orders with the DEC to investigate and remediate soil and groundwater contamination at its facility in East Bloomfield, New York. Pursuant to a contractual indemnity and related agreements, the costs of investigation and remediation have been paid by a third-party that is the successor to the prior owner and operator of the facility, which also has signed the consent orders with the DEC. In 2002, the DEC indicated that additional remediation of ground water may be required. Crosman has engaged in discussions with the DEC regarding the need for additional remediation. To date, the DEC has not required any additional remediation. Although management believes that the third party is contractually obligated to pay any additional costs for resolving site remediation issues with the DEC and that the third party will continue to honor its commitments, there can be no assurance that the third party will have the financial ability to pay or will continue to pay for future site remediation costs, which could be material if the DEC requires additional groundwater remediation.

While the outcome of these legal proceedings and other matters cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, Crosman's management does not expect that the outcome of these matters will have a material effect upon Crosman's financial condition or results of operations.

Capital Structure

See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses — Crosman" for information about Crosman's capital structure and the shares to be acquired in this offering.

Employees

As of December 31, 2005, Crosman employed approximately 220 people, consisting of 53 salaried and 167 hourly personnel. GFP's operations are performed by Crosman's personnel. Crosman supplements its full-time work force with up to 200 temporary employees during periods of increased production demand.

Crosman has a stock incentive plan that permits it to issue stock options and other stock-related awards to its officers, non-employee directors and employees. As of April 1, 2006, a member of Crosman's senior management team held options to purchase 30,000 shares of Crosman's common stock. CGI's subsidiary and an unaffiliated investor hold contingent, unvested warrants to purchase shares of common stock of Crosman. The warrants were received as an inducement for the holders to guarantee certain obligations of Crosman in connection with the agreement pursuant to which CGI's subsidiary acquired its controlling interest in Crosman. The holders are entitled to purchase that number of shares that could be purchased with the amounts paid in satisfaction of the holders' guarantees. Such warrants would be exercisable if (1) Crosman were obligated to pay to the former owners of Crosman an earn-out based on the attainment of certain financial performance benchmarks for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006 and

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(2) Crosman failed to make such payments and the warrant holders were required to satisfy such obligation pursuant to their guaranty. A similar earn-out with respect to the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005 was not triggered. There are currently no other options or other securities convertible or exchangeable into shares of common stock issued and outstanding.

Crosman also maintains a senior management stock purchase and loan program pursuant to which Crosman made loans to certain managers of Crosman for the purpose of purchasing Crosman's common stock. With respect to a loan made to its chief executive officer, such loan is secured by a pledge of approximately 46% of his shares. In addition, approximately 23% of the shares of the chief executive officer are subject to a repurchase option held by Crosman and exercisable upon the termination of his employment for any reason. The repurchase option in respect of the shares of the chief executive officer lapses at a rate of 25% on February 10th of each year beginning February 10, 2005, with the repurchase option lapsing in total on February 10, 2008. Each loan to a senior manager other than the chief executive officer is secured by a pledge of all of the shares of common stock of Crosman acquired by such senior manager pursuant to this stock purchase and loan program. In addition, those shares of common stock acquired by such senior managers through the stock purchase and loan program are subject to a repurchase option held by Crosman and exercisable upon such senior manager's termination of employment with Crosman for any reason. The repurchase options on the shares held by these senior managers do not lapse.

Advanced Circuits

Overview

Advanced Circuits, headquartered in Aurora, Colorado, is a provider of prototype and quick-turn printed circuit boards, or PCBs, throughout the United States. Advanced Circuits also provides its customers high volume production services in order to meet its clients' complete PCB needs. The prototype and quick-turn portions of the PCB industry are characterized by customers requiring high levels of responsiveness, technical support and timely delivery. Due to the critical roles that PCBs play in the research and development process of electronics, customers often place more emphasis on the turnaround time and quality of a customized PCB than on the price. Advanced Circuits meets this market need by manufacturing and delivering custom PCBs in as little as 24 hours, providing customers with approximately 98.0% error-free production and real-time customer service and product tracking 24 hours per day. In 2005, approximately 66% of Advanced Circuits' net sales were derived from highly profitable prototype and quick-turn production PCBs. Advanced Circuits' success is demonstrated by its broad base of over 4,000 customers with which it does business each month. These customers represent numerous end markets, and for the year ended December 31, 2005, no single customer accounted for more than 2% of net sales. Advanced Circuits' senior management, collectively, has approximately 90 years of experience in the electronic components manufacturing industry and closely related industries.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004, Advanced Circuits had net sales of approximately \$42.0 million and \$36.6 million, respectively, and net income of approximately \$12.6 million and \$12.1 million, respectively.

History of Advanced Circuits

Advanced Circuits commenced operations in 1989 through the acquisition of the assets of a small Denver based PCB manufacturer, Seiko Circuits. During its first years of operations, Advanced Circuits focused exclusively on manufacturing high volume, production run PCBs with a small group of proportionately large customers. In 1992, after the loss of a significant customer, Advanced Circuits made a strategic shift to limit its dependence on any one customer. In this respect, Advanced Circuits began focusing on developing a diverse customer base, and in particular, on providing research and development professionals at equipment manufacturers and academic institutions with low volume, customized prototype and quick-turn PCBs.

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In 1997 Advanced Circuits increased its capacity and consolidated its facilities into its current headquarters in Aurora, Colorado. During 2001 through 2003, despite a recession and a reduction in United States PCB manufacturing, Advanced Circuits' sales expanded by 29% as its research and development focused customer base continued to require PCBs to perform day-to-day activities. In 2003, to support its growth, Advanced Circuits expanded its PCB manufacturing facility by approximately 37,000 square feet or approximately 150%.

A subsidiary of CGI acquired a majority interest in Advanced Circuits in September 2005. That subsidiary currently owns approximately 71% and other members of our manager own approximately 1%, respectively, of Advanced Circuits' common stock on a fully diluted basis.

Industry

The PCB industry, which consists of both large global PCB manufacturers and small regional PCB manufacturers, is a vital component to all electronic equipment supply chains as PCBs serve as the foundation for virtually all electronic products, including cellular telephones, appliances, personal computers, routers, switches and network servers. PCBs are used by manufacturers of these types of electronic products, as well as by persons and teams engaged in research and development of new types of equipment and technologies. According to Custer Consulting Group's February 2005 Business Outlook Global Electronics Industry, the global PCB market, including both captive and merchant production, was approximately \$38.2 billion in 2004 and is expected to grow by over 6% annually through 2008.

In contrast to global trends, however, production of PCBs in the United States has declined by approximately 60% since 2000, to approximately \$3.8 billion in 2004, and is expected to remain flat over the next several years according to the TMRC survey: Analysis of the North American Rigid Printed Circuit Board and Related Materials Industries for the year 2004, which we refer to as the TMRC 2004 Analysis. The rapid decline in United States production was caused by (i) reduced demand for and spending on PCBs following the technology and telecom industry decline in early 2000 and (ii) increased competition for volume production of PCBs from Asian competitors benefiting from both lower labor costs and less restrictive waste and environmental regulations. While Asian manufacturers have made large market share gains in the PCB industry overall, both prototype production and the more complex volume production have remained strong in the United States.

Both globally and domestically, the PCB market can be separated into three categories based on required lead time and order volume:

- **Prototype PCBs** — These PCBs are manufactured typically for customers in research and development departments of original equipment manufacturers, or OEMs, and academic institutions. Prototype PCBs are manufactured to the specifications of the customer, within certain manufacturing guidelines designed to increase speed and reduce production costs. Prototyping is a critical stage in the research and development of new products. These prototypes are used in the design and launch of new electronic equipment and are typically ordered in volumes of 1 to 50 PCBs. Because the prototype is used primarily in the research and development phase of a new electronic product, the life cycle is relatively short and requires accelerated delivery time frames of usually less than 5 days and very high, error-free quality are required. Order, production and delivery time, as well as responsiveness with respect to each, are key factors for customers as PCBs are indispensable to their research and development activities.
- **Quick-Turn Production PCBs** — These PCBs are used for intermediate stages of testing for new products prior to full scale production. After a new product has successfully completed the prototype phase, customers undergo test marketing and other technical testing. This stage requires production of larger quantities of PCBs in a short period of time, generally 10 days or less, while it does not yet require high production volumes. This transition stage between low-volume prototype production and volume production is known as quick-turn production. Manufacturing specifications conform strictly to end product requirements and order quantities are typically in volumes of 10 to 500. Similar to prototype PCBs, response time remains crucial as the delivery of quick-turn PCBs

can be a gating item in the development of electronic products. Orders for quick-turn production PCBs conform specifically to the customer's exact end product requirements.

- **Volume Production PCBs** — These PCBs are used in the full scale production of electronic equipment and specifications conform strictly to end product requirements. Production PCBs are ordered in large quantities, usually over 100 units, and response time is less important, ranging between 15 days to 10 weeks or more.

These categories can be further distinguished based on board complexity, with each portion facing different competitive threats. Advanced Circuits competes largely in the prototype and quick-turn production portions of the North American market, which have not been significantly impacted by the Asian based manufacturers due to the quick response time required for these products. The North American prototype and quick-turn production sectors combined represent approximately \$1.4 billion in the PCB production industry according to the TMRC 2004 Analysis.

Several significant trends are present within the PCB manufacturing industry, including:

- **Increasing Customer Demand for Quick-Turn Production Services** — Rapid advances in technology are significantly shortening product life-cycles and placing increased pressure on OEMs to develop new products in shorter periods of time. In response to these pressures, OEMs invest heavily on research and development, which results in a demand for PCB companies that can offer engineering support and quick-turn production services to minimize the product development process.
- **Increasing Complexity of Electronic Equipment** — OEMs are continually designing more complex and higher performance electronic equipment, requiring sophisticated PCBs. To satisfy the demand for more advanced electronic products PCBs are produced using exotic materials and increasingly have higher layer counts and greater component densities. Maintaining the production infrastructure necessary to manufacture PCBs of increasing complexity often requires significant capital expenditures and has acted to reduce the competitiveness of local and regional PCB manufacturers lacking the scale to make such investments.
- **Shifting of High Volume Production to Asia** — Asian based manufacturers of PCBs are capitalizing on their lower labor costs and are increasing their market share of volume production of PCBs used, for example, in high-volume consumer electronics applications, such as personal computers and cell phones. Asian based manufacturers have been generally unable to meet the lead time requirements for prototype or quick-turn PCB production or the volume production of the most complex PCBs. This "offshoring" of high-volume production orders has placed increased pricing pressure and margin compression on many small domestic manufacturers that are no longer operating at full capacity. Many of these small producers are choosing to cease operations, rather than operate at a loss, as their scale, plant design and customer relationships do not allow them to focus profitably on the prototype and quick-turn sectors of the market.

Products and Services

A PCB is comprised of layers of laminate and contains patterns of electrical circuitry to connect electronic components. Advanced Circuits manufactures 2 to 12 layer PCBs, and has the capability to manufacture up to 14 layer PCBs. The level of PCB complexity is determined by several characteristics, including size, layer count, density (line width and spacing), materials and functionality. Beyond complexity, a PCB's unit cost is determined by the quantity of identical units ordered, as engineering and production setup costs per unit decrease with order volume, and required production time, as longer times often allow increased efficiencies and better production management. Advanced Circuits primarily manufactures lower complexity PCBs.

To manufacture PCBs, Advanced Circuits generally receives circuit designs from its customers in the form of computer data files emailed to one of its sales representatives or uploaded on its interactive website. These files are then reviewed to ensure data accuracy and product manufacturability. Processing

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these computer files, Advanced Circuits generates images of the circuit patterns that are then physically developed on individual layers, using advanced photographic processes. Through a variety of plating and etching processes, conductive materials are selectively added and removed to form horizontal layers of thin circuits, called traces, which are separated by insulating material. A finished multilayer PCB laminates together a number of layers of circuitry. Vertical connections between layers are achieved by metallic plating through small holes, called vias. Vias are made by highly specialized drilling equipment capable of achieving extremely fine tolerances with high accuracy.

Advanced Circuits assists its customers throughout the life-cycle of their products, from product conception through volume production. Advanced Circuits works closely with customers throughout each phase of the PCB development process, beginning with the PCB design verification stage using its unique online FreeDFM.com tool. FreeDFM.com™, which was launched in 2002, enables customers to receive a free manufacturability assessment report within minutes, resolving design problems that would prohibit manufacturability before the order process is completed and manufacturing begins. The combination of Advanced Circuits' user-friendly website and its design verification tool reduces the amount of human labor involved in the manufacture of each order as PCBs move from Advanced Circuits' website directly to its computer numerical control, or CNC, machines for production, saving Advanced Circuits and customers cost and time. As a result of its ability to rapidly and reliably respond to the critical customer requirements, Advanced Circuits generally receives a premium for their prototype and quick-turn PCBs as compared to volume production PCBs.

Advanced Circuits manufactures all high margin prototype and quick-turn orders internally but often utilizes external partners to manufacture production orders that do not fit within its capabilities or capacity constraints at a given time. Advanced Circuits has 11 external partners, some with multiple production facilities. As a result, Advanced Circuits constantly adjusts the portion of volume production PCBs produced internally to both maximize profitability and ensure that internal capacity is fully utilized.

The following table shows Advanced Circuits' gross revenue by products and services for the periods indicated:

Gross Sales by Products and Services(1)

	<u>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004</u>	<u>Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005</u>
Prototype Production	41.8%	36.2%	34.0%
Quick-Turn Production	27.7%	29.6%	32.0%
Volume Production	17.0%	19.0%	20.1%
Third Party	13.5%	15.2%	13.9%
Total	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

(1) As a percentage of gross sales, exclusive of sale discounts.

Competitive Strengths

Advanced Circuits has established itself as a provider of prototype and quick-turn PCBs in North America and focuses on satisfying customer demand for on-time delivery of high-quality PCBs. Advanced Circuits' management believes the following factors differentiate it from many industry competitors:

- **Numerous Unique Orders Per Day** — For the year ended December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits received an average of over 270 customer orders per day. Due to the large quantity of orders received, Advanced Circuits is able to combine multiple orders in a single panel design prior to production. Through this process, Advanced Circuits is able to significantly reduce the number of costly, labor intensive equipment set-ups required to complete several manufacturing orders. As labor represents the single largest cost of production, management believes this capability gives Advanced Circuits a unique advantage over other industry participants. Advanced Circuits maintains proprietary software to maximize the number of units placed on any one panel design. A

single panel set-up typically accommodates 1 to 12 orders. Further, as a “critical mass” of like orders are required to maximize the efficiency of this process, management believes Advanced Circuits is uniquely positioned as a low cost manufacturer of prototype and quick-turn PCBs.

- **Diverse Customer Base** — Advanced Circuits possesses a customer base with little industry or customer concentration exposure. During fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits did business with over 4,000 customers and added approximately 200 new customers per month. Advanced Circuits’ website receives thousands of hits per day and, each month during 2005, it received approximately 600 requests to establish new web accounts. For the year ended December 31, 2005, no customer represented over 2% of net sales.
- **Highly Responsive Culture and Organization** — A key strength of Advanced Circuits is its ability to quickly respond to customer orders and complete the production process. In contrast to many competitors that require a day or more to offer price quotes on prototype or quick-turn production, Advanced Circuits offers its customers quotes within seconds and the ability to place or track orders any time of day. In addition, Advanced Circuits’ production facility operates three shifts per day and is able to ship a customer’s product within 24 hours of receiving its order.
- **Proprietary FreeDFM.com Software** — Advanced Circuits offers its customers unique design verification services through its online FreeDFM.com tool. This tool, which was launched in 2002, enables customers to receive a free manufacturability assessment report, within minutes, resolving design problems before customers place their orders. The service is relied upon by many of Advanced Circuits’ customers to reduce design errors and minimize production costs. Beyond improved customer service, FreeDFM.com has the added benefit of improving the efficiency of Advanced Circuits’ engineers, as many routine design problems, which typically require an engineer’s time and attention to identify, are identified and sent back to customers automatically.
- **Established Partner Network** — Advanced Circuits has established third party production relationships with PCB manufacturers in North America and Asia. Through these relationships, Advanced Circuits is able to offer its customers a full suite of products including those outside of its core production capabilities. Additionally, these relationships allow Advanced Circuits to outsource orders for volume production and focus internal capacity on higher margin, short lead time, production and quick-turn manufacturing.

Business Strategies

Advanced Circuits’ management is focused on strategies to increase market share and further improve operating efficiencies. The following is a discussion of these strategies:

- **Increase Portion of Revenue from Prototype and Quick-Turn Production** — Advanced Circuits’ management believes it can grow revenues and cash flow by continuing to leverage its core prototype and quick-turn capabilities. Over its history, Advanced Circuits has developed a suite of capabilities that management believes allow it to offer a combination of price and customer service unequalled in the market. Advanced Circuits intends to leverage this factor, as well as its core skill set, to increase net sales derived from higher margin prototype and quick-turn production PCBs. In this respect, marketing and advertising efforts focus on attracting and acquiring customers that are likely to require these premium services. And while production composition may shift, growth in these products and services is not expected to come at the cost of declining sales in volume production PCBs as Advanced Circuits intends to leverage its extensive network of third-party manufacturing partners to continue to meet customers’ demand for these services.
- **Acquire Customers from Local and Regional Competitors** — Advanced Circuits’ management believes the majority of its competition for prototype and quick-turn PCB orders comes from smaller scale local and regional PCB manufacturers. As an early mover in the prototype and quick-turn sector of the PCB market, Advanced Circuits has been able to grow faster and achieve greater production efficiencies than many industry participants. Management believes Advanced Circuits

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can continue to use these advantages to gain market share. Further, Advanced Circuits has begun to enter into prototype and quick-turn manufacturing relationships with several subscale local and regional PCB manufacturers. According to Fabfile online, in 2004 there were over 400 small PCB manufacturers with annual sales of under \$10 million. Management believes that while many of these manufacturers maintain strong, longstanding customer relationships, they are unable to produce PCBs with short turn-around times at competitive prices. As a result, Advanced Circuits is beginning to seize upon a significant opportunity for growth by providing production support to these manufacturers or direct support to the customers of these manufacturers, whereby the manufacturers act more as a broker for the relationship.

- **Remain Committed to Customers and Employees** — Over its history, Advanced Circuits has remained focused on providing the highest quality product and service to its customers. Management believes this focus has allowed Advanced Circuits to achieve its outstanding delivery and quality record. Advanced Circuits' management believes this reputation is a key competitive differentiator and is focused on maintaining and building upon it. Similarly, management believes its committed base of employees is a key differentiating factor. Advanced Circuits currently has a profit sharing program and tri-annual bonuses for all of its employees. Management also occasionally sets additional performance targets for individuals and departments and establishes rewards, such as lunch celebrations or paid vacations, if these goals are met. Management believes that Advanced Circuits' emphasis on sharing rewards and creating a positive work environment has led to increased loyalty. As a result, Advanced Circuits plans on continuing to focus on similar programs to maintain this competitive advantage.

Research and Development

Advanced Circuits engages in continual research and development activities in the ordinary course of business to update or strengthen its order processing, production and delivery systems. By engaging in these activities, Advanced Circuits expects to maintain and build upon the competitive strengths from which it benefits currently.

Customers

Advanced Circuits' focus on customer service and product quality has resulted in a broad base of customers in a variety of end markets, including industrial, consumer, telecommunications, aerospace/defense, biotechnology and electronics manufacturing. These customers range in size from large, blue-chip manufacturers to small, not-for-profit university engineering departments. For the year ended December 31, 2005, no single customer accounts for more than 2% of net sales.

The following table sets forth management's estimate of Advanced Circuits' approximate customer breakdown by industry sector for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005:

Industry Sector	2005 Customer Distribution
Electrical Equipment and Components	35%
Measuring Instruments	20%
Electronics Manufacturing Services	9%
Engineer Services	9%
Industrial and Commercial Machinery	5%
Business Services	5%
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	4%
Educational Institutions	3%
Transportation Equipment	2%
All Other Sectors Combined	8%
Total	100%

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Management estimates that over 70% of all Advanced Circuits' orders are new, first time designs from either new or existing customers. Moreover, approximately 65% of Advanced Circuits' orders are derived from orders delivered within five days.

Sales and Marketing

Advanced Circuits has established a "consumer products" marketing strategy to both acquire new customers and retain existing customers. Advanced Circuits uses initiatives such as direct mail postcards, web banners, aggressive pricing specials and proactive outbound customer call programs. Advanced Circuits spends approximately 2% of net sales each year on its marketing initiatives and has 20 people dedicated to its marketing and sales efforts. These individuals are organized geographically and each is responsible for a region of North America. The sales team takes a systematic approach to placing sales calls and receiving inquiries and, on average, will place between 200 and 300 outbound sales calls and receive between 160 and 220 inbound phone inquiries per day. Beyond proactive customer acquisition initiatives, management believes a substantial portion of new customers are acquired through referrals from existing customers. Many other customers are acquired over the internet where Advanced Circuits generates approximately 85% of its orders from its website.

Once a new client is acquired, Advanced Circuits offers an easy to use customer-oriented website and proprietary online design and review tools to ensure high levels of retention. By maintaining contact with its customers to ensure satisfaction with each order, Advanced Circuits has developed strong customer loyalty, as demonstrated by over 80% of its orders being received from existing customers. Included in each customer order is an Advanced Circuits pre-paid "bounce-back" card on which a customer can evaluate Advanced Circuits' services and send back any comments or recommendations. Each of these cards is read by senior members of management, and Advanced Circuits adjusts its services to respond to the requests of its customer base.

Competition

There are currently an estimated 500 active domestic PCB manufacturers. Advanced Circuits' competitors differ amongst its products and services.

Competitors in the prototype and quick-turn PCBs production industry include generally large companies as well as small domestic manufacturers. The three largest independent domestic prototype and quick-turn PCB manufacturers in North America are DDi Corp., TTM Technologies, Inc. and Merix Corporation. Though each of these companies produces prototype PCBs to varying degrees, in many ways they are not direct competitors with Advanced Circuits. In recent years, each of these firms has primarily focused on producing boards with higher layer counts in response to the offshoring of low and medium layer count technology to Asia. Compared to Advanced Circuits, prototype and quick-turn PCB production accounts for much smaller portions of each of these firm's revenues. Further, these competitors often have much greater customer concentrations and a greater portion of sales through large electronics manufacturing services intermediaries. Beyond large, public companies, Advanced Circuits' competitors include numerous small, local and regional manufacturers, often with revenues of under \$10 million, that have long-term customer relationships and typically produce both prototype and quick-turn PCBs and production PCBs for small OEMs and EMS companies. The competitive factors in prototype and quick-turn production PCBs are response time, quality, error-free production and customer service. Competitors in the long lead-time production PCBs generally include large companies, including Asian manufacturers, where price is the key competitive factor.

New market entrants into prototype and quick-turn production PCBs confront substantial barriers including significant investments in equipment, highly skilled workforce with extensive engineering knowledge and compliance with environmental regulations. Beyond these tangible barriers, Advanced Circuits' management believes that its network of customers, established over the last 17 years, would be very difficult for a competitor to replicate.

Suppliers

Advanced Circuits' raw materials inventory is small relative to sales and must be regularly and rapidly replenished. Advanced Circuits uses a just-in-time procurement practice to maintain raw materials inventory at low levels. Additionally, Advanced Circuits has established consignment relationships with several vendors allowing it to pay for raw materials as used. Because it provides primarily lower-volume quick-turn services, this inventory policy does not hamper its ability to complete customer orders. Raw material costs constituted approximately 13.2% of net sales for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005.

The primary raw materials that are used in production are core materials, such as copper clad layers of glass and chemical solutions, such as copper and gold for plating operations, photographic film and carbide drill bits. Multiple suppliers and sources exist for all materials. Adequate amounts of all raw materials have been available in the past, and Advanced Circuits' management believes this will continue in the foreseeable future. Advanced Circuits works closely with its suppliers to incorporate technological advances in the raw materials they purchase. Advanced Circuits does not believe that it has significant exposure to fluctuations in raw material prices. Though Advanced Circuits' primary raw material, laminates, have recently experienced a significant increase in price, the impact on its cost of sales was minimal as the increase accounted for only 0.5% increase in cost of sales as a percentage of net sales. Further, as price is not the primary factor affecting the purchase decision of many of Advanced Circuits' customers, management has historically passed along a portion of raw material price increases to its customers.

Intellectual Property

Advanced Circuits seeks to protect certain proprietary technology by entering into confidentiality and non-disclosure agreements with its employees, consultants and customers, as needed, and generally limits access to and distribution of its proprietary information and processes. Advanced Circuits' management does not believe that patents are critical to protecting Advanced Circuits' core intellectual property, but, rather, that its effective and quick execution of fabrication techniques, its website *FreeDFM.com*TM and its highly skilled workforces' expertise are the primary factors in maintaining its competitive position.

Advanced Circuits uses the following brand names: *FreeDFM.com*TM, *4pcb.com*TM, *4PCB.com*TM, *33each.com*TM, *barebonespcb.com*TM and *Advanced Circuits*TM. These trade names have strong brand equity and have significant value and are material to Advanced Circuits' business.

Facilities

Advanced Circuits operates in a state-of-the-art facility comprised of 61,058 square feet of factory and office space located in Aurora, Colorado, which is approximately 15 miles from the Denver International Airport. This facility, which is leased, houses Advanced Circuits' corporate offices as well as its manufacturing facility on approximately 4.24 acres. Advanced Circuits operates at this facility under a 15 year lease with the option to renew the lease for a period of 10 years.

Regulatory Environment

In light of Advanced Circuits manufacturing operations, its facilities and operations are subject to evolving federal, state and local environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations. These include laws and regulations governing air emissions, wastewater discharge and the storage and handling of chemicals and hazardous substances. Advanced Circuits' management believes that Advanced Circuits is in compliance, in all material respects, with applicable environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations. New requirements, more stringent application of existing requirements, or discovery of previously unknown environmental conditions may result in material environmental expenditures in the future. Advanced Circuits has been recognized twice for exemplary environmental compliance as it was awarded the Denver Metro Wastewater Reclamation District Gold Award for the years 2002, 2003 and 2005.

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Legal Proceedings

Advanced Circuits is, from time to time, involved in litigation and the subject of various claims and complaints arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of Advanced Circuits' management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on Advanced Circuits' business, results of operations and financial condition.

Capital Structure

See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses — Advanced Circuits" for information about Advanced Circuits' capital structure and the shares to be acquired in this offering. See the section entitled "— Employees" below for more information about Advanced Circuits' outstanding options.

Employees

As of December 31, 2005, Advanced Circuits employed approximately 194 persons. Of these employees, there were 20 in sales and marketing, six in information technology, eight in accounting and finance, 36 in engineering, four in shipping, 11 in maintenance, 105 in production and four in management. None of Advanced Circuits' employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements. Advanced Circuits believes its relationship with its employees is good.

In connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits by CGI's subsidiary, such subsidiary and Advanced Circuits extended loans to certain members of Advanced Circuits' senior management team to facilitate their investment in Advanced Circuits. Each such loan is secured by a pledge of all of the shares of common stock of Advanced Circuits acquired by such senior manager. In addition, with respect to certain of these senior management loans, such subsidiary of CGI and Advanced Circuits have partial recourse against the personal assets of the applicable senior manager. If specific financial growth goals are achieved by Advanced Circuits as of specific dates, these loans will be forgiven, in whole or in part, depending upon the level of financial growth achieved. Those loans that are secured only by a pledge of senior manager shares of common stock will be treated as compensatory stock options for income tax purposes. Upon repayment by a senior manager of such loan, whether in whole or in part and whether by payment in cash or by reason of forgiveness of the debt, for income tax purposes, the "option" will be treated as having been exercised. As a result, such senior manager will be treated as having received compensatory taxable income in an amount equal to the difference between the fair market value of the stock at exercise and the amount repaid on account of the loan, and Advanced Circuits will be entitled to a corresponding deduction from income. Advanced Circuits has granted the applicable senior managers the right to put to Advanced Circuits a sufficient number of shares of their Series A common stock, at the then fair market value of such shares, to cover the tax that results from any such deemed exercise of options. The loans by Advanced Circuits to the senior managers of Advanced Circuits will remain assets of Advanced Circuits in connection with our acquisition of control of Advanced Circuits. The loans by CGI's subsidiary to the senior managers will remain assets of CGI's subsidiary and will not be transferred to us upon or after the consummation of the closing of this offering.

Silvue

Overview

Silvue, headquartered in Anaheim, California, is a developer and producer of proprietary, high performance liquid coating systems used in the high-end eyewear, aerospace, automotive and industrial markets. Silvue's coating systems can be applied to a wide variety of materials, including plastics, such as polycarbonate and acrylic, glass, metals and other substrate surfaces. Silvue's coating systems impart properties, such as abrasion resistance, improved durability, chemical resistance, ultraviolet, or UV protection, anti-fog and impact resistance, to the materials to which they are applied. Due to the fragile and sensitive nature of many of today's manufacturing materials, particularly polycarbonate, acrylic and

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PET-plastics, these properties are essential for manufacturers seeking to significantly enhance product performance, durability or particular features.

Silvue owns nine patents relating to its coating systems and maintains a primary or exclusive supply relationship with many of the significant eyewear manufacturers in the world, as well as numerous manufacturers in other consumer industries. Silvue has sales and distribution operations in the United States, Europe and Asia and has manufacturing operations in the United States and Asia. Silvue's coating systems are marketed under the name *SDC Technologies*[™] and the brand names *Silvue*[®], *CrystalCoat*[®], *Statux*[™] and *Resinrelease*[™]. Silvue has also trademarked its marketing phrase "*high performance chemistry*[™]". Silvue's senior management, collectively, has approximately 80 years of experience in the global hardcoatings and closely related industries.

For the fiscal years ended December 31, 2005 and December 31, 2004, Silvue had net sales of approximately \$17.1 million and \$12.1 million, respectively, and net income of approximately \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million, respectively.

History of Silvue

Silvue was founded in 1986 as a joint venture between Swedlow, Inc. (acquired by Pilkington, plc in 1986), a manufacturer of commercial and military aircraft transparencies and aerospace components, and Dow Corning Corporation to commercialize existing hardcoating technologies that were not core technologies to the business of either company. In December 1988, Silvue entered into a 50%-owned joint venture with Nippon Sheet Glass Co., LTD., located in Chiba, Japan, to create Nippon ARC to develop and provide coatings systems for the ophthalmic, sunglass, safety eyewear and transportation industries in Asia.

In 1996, Silvue completed development work on its Ultra-Coat platform, which was a new type of hardcoating that, while leveraging core technologies developed in 1986, offered considerable performance advancements over systems that were then available in the marketplace. The first patent establishing the Ultra-Coat platform was filed in April 1997, and additional patents were filed building upon the Ultra-Coat platform in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2003.

A subsidiary of CGI acquired a majority interest in Silvue in September 2004 through an investment of preferred and common stock. CGI's subsidiary and other members of our manager currently own approximately 61% and 1% of Silvue's common stock on a fully diluted basis, respectively. On April 1, 2005, Silvue acquired the remaining 50% interest in Nippon ARC for approximately \$3.6 million. The acquisition of Nippon ARC provides Silvue with a presence in Asia and the opportunity to further penetrate growing Asian markets, particularly in China.

Industry

Silvue operates in the global hardcoatings industry in which manufacturers produce high performance liquid coatings to impart certain properties to the products of other manufacturers. Silvue's management estimates that the global market for premium and mid-range polycarbonate hardcoating vision eyewear generates approximately \$160 million in annual revenues and is highly fragmented among various manufacturers. Silvue's management believes that the hardcoatings industry will continue to experience significant growth as the use of existing materials requiring hardcoatings to enhance durability and performance continues to grow, new materials requiring hardcoatings are developed and new uses of hardcoatings are discovered. Silvue's management also expects additional growth in the industry as manufacturers continue to outsource the development and application of hardcoatings used on their products. The end-product markets served by hardcoatings primarily include the vision, fashion, safety and sports eyewear, medical products, automotive and transportation window glazing, plastic films, electronic devices, fiberboard manufacturing and metal markets.

While possessing key properties that make them useful in a range of applications, the surfaces of many substrates, including, in particular, uncoated polycarbonate plastic, are relatively susceptible to

certain types of damage, such as scratches and abrasions. In addition, these materials cannot be manufactured in the first instance to satisfy specified performance requirements, such as tintability and refractive index matching properties. As a result, polysiloxan-based hardcoating systems, including Silvue's, were developed specifically to overcome these problems. Once applied, the hardcoat gives the underlying substrate a tough, damage-resistant surface and other durable properties, such as improved resistance to the effects of scratches, chemicals, such as solvents, gasoline and oils, and indoor and outdoor elements, such as UV radiation and humidity. Other hardcoats can provide certain performance enhancing characteristics, such as anti-fogging, anti-static and "non-stick" (or surface release) properties.

Today, coating systems are used principally in applications relating to soft, easily damaged polycarbonate plastics. Polycarbonate plastic is a lightweight, high-performance plastic found in commonly used items such as eyeglasses and sunglasses, automobiles, interior and exterior lighting, cell phones, computers and other business equipment, sporting goods, consumer electronics, household appliances, CDs, DVDs, food storage containers and bottles. This tough, durable, shatter- and heat-resistant material is commonly used for a myriad of applications and is found in thousands of every day products, as well as specialized and custom-made products. More than 2.5 million tons of polycarbonate was produced for the global market in 2004 and demand is expected to increase by approximately 10% per year through 2009 as new products requiring versatile polycarbonate plastics are developed.

Beyond polycarbonate plastic applications, hardcoatings can be used with respect to numerous other materials. For example, recent growth has been seen in sales to manufacturers of aluminum wheels, as these coatings have been shown to reduce the effects of normal wear and tear and significantly improve durability and overall appearance. In addition, manufacturers have begun to increase the use of hardcoatings in their manufacturing processes where "non-stick" surfaces are crucial to production efficiencies and improved product quality.

Products

A "hardcoating" is a liquid coating that upon settling during application and curing, imparts the desired performance properties on certain materials. The exact composition of the hardcoating is dependent on the material to which it will be applied and the properties that are sought. Silvue's coating systems typically require either a thermal or an ultraviolet cure process, depending on the substrate being coated. Generally, both curing processes impart the desired performance properties. However, thermal cure systems typically result in better scratch and abrasion resistance and long-term environmental durability.

Silvue produces and develops high-performance coating systems designed to enhance a product's damage-resistance or performance properties. Silvue has developed the following standard product systems that are available to its customers:

- **Silvue and CrystalCoat** — these products are either non-tintable or tintable and impart index matching and anti-fogging properties;
- **Statux** — this product imparts anti-static properties; and
- **Resinrelease** — this product imparts "non-stick" or surface release properties.

In addition, Silvue also develops custom formulations of the products described above for customer specific applications. Specific formulations of Silvue's product systems are often required where customers seek to have specific damage-resistance or performance properties for their products, where particular substrates, such as aluminum, require a custom formation to achieve the desired result or where the particular application process or environment requires a custom formulation.

Silvue's coating systems can be applied to various materials including polycarbonate, acrylic, glass, metals and other surfaces. Currently, Silvue's coating systems are used in the manufacture of the following industry products:

- **Automotive** — CrystalCoat coatings are used on a variety of automotive and transit applications, including instrument panel windows, bus shelters, rail car windows, and bus windows. These

coatings are used primarily to impart long-term durability, chemical resistance and scratch and abrasion resistance properties.

- **Electronics** — CrystalCoat coatings are used for electronic application surfaces, from liquid crystal displays to cell phone windows. These coatings are used primarily to impart scratch and abrasion resistance properties.
- **Optical** — CrystalCoat coatings are used for vision corrective lenses and other optical applications. These coatings are used primarily to impart high scratch and abrasion resistance properties and UV protection while matching the optical properties of the underlying material to reduce interference. Silvue produces both tintable and non-tintable coatings.
- **Safety** — CrystalCoat coatings are used for safety applications. These coatings are used primarily to impart anti-fog characteristics. Silvue offers a high performance “water sheeting” anti-fog coating that is specifically designed to meet a customer’s specific standards and testing requirements.
- **Sunglasses and Sports Eyewear** — CrystalCoat coatings are used for sunglasses and sports eyewear. These coatings are used primarily to impart scratch and abrasion resistance properties, UV protection and anti-fog characteristics. CrystalCoat coatings can be used on tinted or clear materials.

Research and Development and Technical Services

Silvue’s on-site laboratories provide special testing, research and development and other technical services to meet the technology requirements of its customers. There are currently approximately 17 employees devoted to research, development and technical service activities. Silvue had research and development costs of approximately \$1.1 million for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. Silvue’s research and development is primarily targeted towards three objectives:

- improving existing products and processes to lower costs, improving product quality, and reducing potential environmental impact;
- developing new product platforms and processes; and
- developing new product lines and markets through applications research.

In 2002, Silvue created a new group, known as the “Discovery and Innovation Group,” with primary focus on the discovery of new technologies and sciences, and the innovation of those findings into useful applications and beneficial results.

In addition, Silvue provides the following technical services to its customers:

- application engineering and process support;
- equipment and process design;
- product and formulation development and customization;
- test protocols and coating qualifications;
- rapid response for customer technical support;
- analytical testing and competitive product assessment;
- quality assurance testing and reporting; and
- manufacturing support.

These services are primarily provided as a means of customer support; however, in certain circumstances Silvue may receive compensation for these technical services.

Competitive Strengths

Silvue has established itself as one of the principal providers of high performance coating systems by focusing on satisfying its customers' requirements, regardless of complexity or difficulty. Silvue's management believes it benefits from the following competitive strengths:

- **Extensive Patent Portfolio** — Silvue owns nine patents relating to its coating systems, including six patents relating to its core Ultra-Coat platform systems. Beyond its existing patents, Silvue has three patents pending and two provisional patents. Products related to patents represent approximately 66% of Silvue's net sales and are relied upon by eyewear manufacturers worldwide. Silvue aggressively defends these patents and management believes they represent a significant barrier to entry for new products and that they reduce the threat of similar coating products gaining significant market share.
- **Superior Technical Skills and Expertise** — Silvue has invested in a team of experts who are ready to support its customers' specific application needs from new product uses to the optimization of part design for coating application.
- **Reputation for Quality and Service** — Silvue's on-going commitment to producing quality coatings and its ability to meet the rigorous requirements of its most valued customers has earned it a reputation as one of the principal providers of coatings for premium eyewear.
- **Global Presence** — Silvue works with its customers from three offices in North America, Asia and Europe. Many of Silvue's customers have numerous manufacturing operations globally and management believes its ability to offer its coating systems and related customer service on a global basis is a competitive advantage.
- **ISO 9002 Certified** — Silvue's Anaheim, California, and Chiba, Japan manufacturing facilities are ISO 9002 certified, which is a universally accepted quality assurance designation indicating the highest quality manufacturing standards.
- **Experienced Management Team** — Silvue's senior management has extensive experience in all aspects of the coating industry. The senior management team, collectively, has approximately 80 years of experience in the global hardcoatings and closely related industries.

Business Strategies

Silvue's management is focused on strategies to expand opportunities for product application, diversify its business and operations and improve operating efficiency to improve gross margins. The following is a discussion of these strategies:

- **Develop New Products and Expand into New Markets** — Silvue's management believes that Silvue is one of the principal developers of proprietary high performance coating systems for polycarbonate plastic, glass, acrylic, metals and other materials, and is focused on growth through continued product innovation to provide greater functionality or better value to its customers. Driven by input from customers and the demands of the marketplace, Silvue's technology development programs are designed to provide an expanding choice of coating systems to protect and enhance existing materials and materials developed in the future. As an example of Silvue's commitment to product innovation, in 2002, Silvue created a new group with primary focus on the discovery of new technologies and sciences, and the innovation of those findings into useful applications and beneficial results. This group, which is known as the "Discovery and Innovation Group," is charged with exploring new coatings and coating applications while advancing the state-of-the-art in functional surface coating technologies, nanotechnologies and materials science.
- **Pursue Opportunities for Business Development and Global Diversification** — Silvue recently had in place and continues to pursue opportunities for joint ventures, equity investments and other alliances. These strategic initiatives are expected to diversify and strengthen Silvue's business by providing access to new markets and high-growth areas as well as providing an efficient means of

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ensuring that Silvue is involved in technological innovation in or related to the coating systems industry. Silvue is committed to pursuing these initiatives in order to capitalize on new business development and global diversification opportunities.

- **Improve Gross Margins** — Silvue continues to work to maximize the value of its business by improving gross margins by (i) enhancing pricing processes and pricing strategies, and implementing pricing systems to improve responsiveness to increases in operating costs and other factors impacting gross margins; (ii) focusing on more profitable products and business lines to maximize earnings potential of product mix; and (iii) completing cost reduction programs while improving customer satisfaction, and improving efficiency through reduction of variations and defects.

Customers

As a result of the variety of end uses for its products, Silvue's client base is broad and diverse. Silvue has more than 125 customers around the world and approximately 73% of its net sales in 2005 were attributable to approximately 15 customers. Though Silvue does not typically operate under long-term contracts, it focuses on establishing long-term, customer service oriented relationships with its strategic customers in order to become their preferred supplier. As its customers continue to focus on quality and service, Silvue's past performance and long-term improvement programs should further strengthen customer relationships.

Customer relationships are typically long-term as substantial resources are required to integrate a coating system and technology into a manufacturing process and the costs associated with switching coating systems and technology are generally high. Following the merger of two large customers, which are both manufacturers of optical lenses, Silvue's single largest customer represents approximately 13.0% of its 2005 net sales. This customer has had a close relationship with Silvue for many years in both North America and Europe.

The following table sets forth Silvue's approximate customer breakdown by industry for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005:

Industry	2005 Customer Distribution
Performance eyewear and sunglasses	75%
Plastic Sheet	5%
Metal Applications	5%
Automotive	1%
Other	14%
Total	100%

Sales and Marketing

Silvue targets the highly desirable, but technically demanding, premium sector of the coating market. The desirability of this sector is based on three factors. First, customers in this sector desire proprietary formulations that impart a specific list of properties to an end product and supplier confidentiality. Silvue's highly skilled technical sales force, and research and development group work together to use Silvue's proprietary high performance coating systems to develop these unique formulations. Although in most cases Silvue will sell each such formulation only to the customer for which it was originally designed, Silvue retains all ownership rights to the product.

Second, each coating system has its own processing peculiarities. As a result, creating the coating itself only represents a portion of the product development process. Once the coating is ready for use, it then has to be made compatible with each customer's coating equipment and application process. In this

respect, once a coating system has been implemented, switching coating systems may require significant costs.

Third, Silvue's products are both one of the key quality drivers and one of the smallest cost components of any end product. These three factors work together to provide substantial protection for Silvue's prices, margins and customer relationships. Once integrated into a customer's production process, Silvue becomes an embedded partner and an integral part of such customer's business and operations.

To service the needs of its customers, Silvue maintains a technical sales force, a technical support group and a research and development staff. Through the efforts of, and collaboration between, these individuals, Silvue becomes a partner to its existing customers, devises customized application solutions for new customer prospects and develops new products and product applications.

Competition

The global hardcoatings industry is highly fragmented. In addition, the markets for the products currently manufactured and sold by Silvue are characterized by extensive competition. Many existing and potential competitors have greater financial, marketing and research resources than Silvue.

Specific competitors of Silvue's in the North American ophthalmic market include Lens Technology Inc., Ultra Optics, Inc., Essilor International S.A., Hoya Corporation, Groupe Couget Optical and Chemat Technology, Inc. Silvue differentiates itself from these primary competitors by its focus on coatings. Management believes that Silvue's premium ophthalmic coating net sales are greater than those of any one competitor. Essilor and Hoya, two large competitors, are lens manufacturers who have added hardcoating capabilities in an effort to sell both coated and uncoated lenses. Others provide coatings as an extension of coating equipment sales.

Customers choose a hardcoating supplier based on a number of factors, including performance of the hardcoating relative to the particular substrate being used or the use of the substrate once coated. Performance may be determined by scratch resistance, chemical resistance, impact resistance, weatherability or numerous other factors. Other factors affecting customer choice include the compatibility of the hardcoating to their process (including ease of application, throughput and method of application) and the level and quality of customer service. While price is a factor in all purchasing decisions, hardcoating costs generally represent a small portion of a total product cost such that Silvue's management believes price is often not the determining factor in a purchase decision.

Suppliers

Raw material costs constituted approximately 10% of net sales for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. The principal raw materials purchased are alcohol based solvent systems, silica derived materials and proprietary additives. Although Silvue makes substantial purchases of raw materials from certain suppliers, the raw materials purchased are basic chemical inputs and are relatively easy to obtain from numerous alternative sources on a global basis. As a result, Silvue is not dependent on any one of its suppliers for its operations.

The terms of the supply contracts vary. In general, these contracts contain provisions that set forth the quantities of product to be supplied and purchased and formula-based pricing. Some of the supply contracts contain "take or pay" provisions under which Silvue is required to pay for a minimum amount of material whether or not it is actually purchased.

Intellectual Property

Currently, most of Silvue's coatings are patent-protected in the United States and internationally. Silvue owns nine patents in the United States related to coating systems and has three patents pending. Additionally, Silvue has multiple foreign filings for the majority of its U.S. patents issued and pending. The cornerstone of Silvue's intellectual property portfolio are the initial patents that established the Ultra-Coat platform, which were filed in 1997 and 1998. Patents in the United States have a lifetime of up to

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21 years depending on the date filed. Approximately 66% of Silvue's net sales are driven by products that are under patent protection and 25% by products under expired patents; the remaining 9% of net sales are driven by products covered by trade secrets. To protect its products, Silvue patents not only the chemical formula but also the associated application process. There can be no assurance that current or future patent protection will prevent competitors from offering competing products, that any issued patents will be upheld, or that patent protection will be granted in any or all of the countries in which applications may be made.

Although Silvue's management believes that patents are useful in maintaining competitive position, management considers other factors, such as its brand names, ability to design innovative products and technical expertise to be Silvue's primary competitive advantages.

Silvue's coating systems are marketed under the name *SDC Technologies*[™] and the brand names *Silvue*[®], *CrystalCoat*[®], *Statux*[™] and *Resinrelease*[™]. Silvue has also trademarked its marketing phrase "*high performance chemistry*[™]". These trade names have strong brand equity and have significant value and are materially important to Silvue.

Facilities

Silvue leases its three facilities, which include a 13,000 square foot facility in Anaheim, California, an 8,000 square foot facility in Cardiff, Wales and a 12,000 square foot facility in Chiba, Japan. The Anaheim, California facility includes Silvue's executive offices, manufacturing operations, research and development laboratories and raw material and finished product storage. The Cardiff, Wales, United Kingdom facility, which consists solely of office and warehouse space, is used to repackage Silvue's products for distribution in Europe. The Chiba, Japan facility includes administrative offices, manufacturing operations, research and development labs, raw materials and finished goods product storage.

Regulatory Environment

Silvue's facilities and operations are subject to extensive and constantly evolving federal, state and local environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations, including laws and regulations governing air emissions, wastewater discharges and the storage and handling of chemicals and hazardous substances. Although Silvue's management believes that Silvue is in compliance, in all material respects, with applicable environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations, there can be no assurance that new requirements, more stringent application of existing requirements or discovery of previously unknown environmental conditions will not result in material environmental expenditures in the future.

Legal Proceedings

Silvue is, from time to time, involved in legal proceedings, the majority of which involve defending its patents or prosecuting infringement of its patents. In the opinion of Silvue's management, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on Silvue's financial condition, business and results of operations.

Earlier this year, Asahi Lite Optical issued a notification to all lens manufacturers that the use of a certain type of coating on certain types of lenses would infringe on a U.S. patent recently issued to Asahi Lite Optical. Silvue's legal counsel has reviewed Asahi Lite Optical's patent and has determined that neither Silvue nor Silvue's customers that are using Silvue's products are infringing on any of the valid claims of the Asahi Lite Optical patent. Silvue does not expect to suffer any damages to its existing or future business as a result of the Asahi Lite Optical patent.

Capital Structure

See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses — Silvue” for information about Silvue’s capital structure and the shares to be acquired in this offering. See the section entitled “— Employees” below for more information about Silvue’s outstanding options.

Employees

As of December 31, 2005, Silvue employed approximately 45 persons excluding the employees associated with the discontinuing operations. Of these employees, approximately 6 were in production or shipping and approximately 17 were in research and development and technical support with the remainder serving in executive, administrative office and sales capacities. None of Silvue’s employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements. Silvue’s management believes that Silvue’s relationship with its employees is good.

In connection with the acquisition of Silvue by CGI’s subsidiary, such subsidiary extended loans to certain officers of Silvue to facilitate their co-investment in Silvue. Each such loan is secured by a pledge of all of the shares of common stock of Silvue acquired by such officer. In addition, with respect to these officer loans, CGI has partial recourse against the personal assets of the applicable officer. If specific financial growth goals are achieved by Silvue as of specific dates, these loans will be forgiven, in whole or in part, depending upon the level of financial growth achieved. The loans by CGI’s subsidiary to the senior managers will remain assets of CGI’s subsidiary and will not be transferred to us upon or after the consummation of the closing of this offering.

Discontinued Operations

In November 2005, Silvue’s management made the strategic decision to halt operations at its application facility in Henderson, Nevada. The operations included substantially all of Silvue’s application services business, which has historically applied Silvue’s coating systems and other coating systems to customer’s products and materials. Services provided included dip coating services, which were used primarily to coat small components such as gauges and lenses, flow coating services, which were used primarily to coat large polycarbonate or acrylic sheets and larger shapes, and spin coating services, which were used primarily to apply coating to a single side of a product. Management made this decisions because the applications business historically contributed little operating income and, as a result, adversely affected Silvue’s overall profits margins. Management does not believe that the closure will have a material impact on Silvue’s profitability. Silvue’s approximately 40,000 square foot facility in Henderson, Nevada operates under a lease that expires in October 2006; Silvue does not plan to renew the lease.

MANAGEMENT

Board of Directors and Executive Officers

The directors and officers of the company, and their ages and positions as of April 1, 2006, are set forth below:

<u>Directors and Named Executive Officers</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Position</u>
C. Sean Day ⁽³⁾	56	Chairman of the Board
I. Joseph Massoud ⁽⁴⁾	38	Chief Executive Officer and Director
James J. Bottiglieri ⁽²⁾	50	Chief Financial Officer and Director
Harold S. Edwards ⁽¹⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽⁹⁾	40	Director
D. Eugene Ewing ⁽³⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾	57	Director
Mark H. Lazarus ⁽¹⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽⁹⁾	42	Director
Ted Waitman ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽⁹⁾	56	Director

(1) Class I director.

(2) Class II director.

(3) Class III director.

(4) Manager's appointed director.

(5) Member of the company's audit committee.

(6) Member of the company's compensation committee.

(7) Member of the company's nominating and corporate governance committee.

(8) Audit committee financial expert.

(9) Independent director.

The following biographies describe the business experience of the company's current directors and executive officers.

C. Sean Day. Since 1999, Mr. Day has been the president of Seagin International and is currently chairman of the board of directors of The Compass Group. From 1989 to 1999, he was president and chief executive officer of Navios Corporation, a large bulk shipping company based in Stamford, Connecticut. Prior to this, Mr. Day held a number of senior management positions in the shipping and finance industries. Mr. Day is a graduate of the University of Capetown and Oxford University. Mr. Day is currently the chairman of the boards of directors of Teekay Shipping Corporation and Teekay LNG Partners LP, both NYSE listed companies, and a member of the board of directors of Kirby Corporation, a NYSE company; CBS Personnel; Crosman; Advanced Circuits; and Silvue.

I. Joseph Massoud. In addition to being the managing partner of our manager, Mr. Massoud has been the Chief Executive Officer of the company since its inception on November 18, 2005. Since 1998, Mr. Massoud also has been the president and managing partner of The Compass Group. Before being recruited to manage The Compass Group, Mr. Massoud was an executive officer with Petroleum Heat and Power, Inc. ("Petro"). Prior to joining Petro, Mr. Massoud was with Colony Capital, Inc., a Los Angeles based private equity firm. Mr. Massoud has also worked as a management consultant with McKinsey & Co. Mr. Massoud is a summa cum laude graduate of Claremont McKenna College and the Harvard Business School. Mr. Massoud currently serves as a director for a number of companies, including CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits, Silvue, Patriot Capital Funding, Inc., a Nasdaq listed company, and Teekay LNG Partners LP, a NYSE listed company, as well as for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwestern Connecticut.

James J. Bottiglieri. Mr. Bottiglieri has been the Chief Financial Officer of the company since its inception on November 18, 2005. Mr. Bottiglieri also has been an executive vice president of The Compass Group since October 2005. From 2004 to 2005, Mr. Bottiglieri was the senior vice president/controller of WebMD Corporation, a leading provider of business, technology and information

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solutions to the health care industry. From 1985 to 2004, Mr. Bottiglieri was vice president/controller of Star Gas Corporation, a diversified home energy distributor and service provider. From 1978 to 1984, Mr. Bottiglieri was employed by a predecessor firm of KPMG, a public accounting firm. Mr. Bottiglieri became a certified public accountant in 1980. Mr. Bottiglieri is a graduate of Pace University.

Harold S. Edwards. Mr. Edwards has been the president and chief executive officer of Limoneira Company, an agricultural, real estate and community development company, since November 2004. Prior to joining Limoneira Company, Mr. Edwards was the president of Puritan Medical Products, a division of Airgas Inc. from January 2003 to November 2004; vice president and general manager of Latin America and Global Expert of Fischer Scientific International, Inc. from September 2001 to December 2002; general manager of Cargill Animal Nutrition Philippines operations, a division of Cargill, Inc., from May 2001 to September 2001; and managing director of Agribrands Philippines, Inc., a division of Agribrands International (Purina) from 1999 to May 2001. Mr. Edwards is a graduate of American Graduate School of International Management and Lewis and Clark College.

D. Eugene Ewing. Mr. Ewing is the managing member of Deeper Water Consulting, LLC (“Deeper Water”) which provides long term strategic financial and business operating advice to its clients. His areas of specialty include business management, financial structuring, and strategic tax planning and corporate transactions. Deeper Water’s clients include companies in a variety of industries including real estate, manufacturing and professional services. He was formerly a partner Arthur Andersen LLP for 18 years and a vice president of the Fifth Third Bank. Mr. Ewing is on the advisory boards for the business schools at Northern Kentucky University and the University of Kentucky. Mr. Ewing is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. Mr. Ewing is also a member of the board of directors of CBS Personnel.

Mark H. Lazarus. Mr. Lazarus has been the president of Turner Entertainment Group since 2003. In this capacity, he oversees TBS, Turner Network Television, Turner Classic Movies and Turner South, the Turner animation unit, which includes Cartoon Network, Boomerang and cartoonnetwork.com, Turner Sports, and Turner Entertainment Sales and Marketing. Prior to being named Turner Entertainment Group’s president, Mr. Lazarus served as president of Turner Entertainment Sales and Marketing and president of Turner Sports from 1999 to 2003. Prior to joining Turner Broadcasting in 1990, Mr. Lazarus was a network buyer and planner for Backer, Spielvogel, Bates, Inc., and an account executive for NBC Cable. Mr. Lazarus is a graduate of Vanderbilt University.

Ted Waitman. Mr. Waitman is presently the president and chief executive officer of CPM-Roskamp Champion (“CPM”), a leading designer and manufacturer of process equipment for the oilseed and animal feed industries based in Waterloo, Iowa. Mr. Waitman has served in a variety of roles with CPM since 1978, including manufacturing manager of worldwide operations and general manager for the Roskamp Champion division. Mr. Waitman is a graduate of the University of Evansville.

Board of Directors Structure

Initially, the company’s board of directors will be comprised of seven directors, all of whom will be appointed by our manager, as holder of the allocation interests, and at least four of whom will be the company’s independent directors. Following this initial appointment, six of the directors will be elected by our shareholders.

The LLC agreement provides that the company’s board of directors must consist at all times of at least a majority of independent directors, and permits the board of directors to decrease or increase the size of the board of directors to no less than five or up to thirteen directors, respectively. Further, the board of directors will be divided into three classes serving staggered three-year terms. The terms of office of Classes I, II and III expire at different times in annual succession, with one class being elected at each year’s annual meeting of shareholders. Messrs. Edwards and Lazarus will be a members of Class I and will serve until the 2006 annual meeting, Messrs. Bottiglieri and Waitman will be a members of Class II and will serve until the 2007 annual meeting and Messrs. Day and Ewing will be members of Class III and

will serve until the 2008 annual meeting. Messrs. Edwards, Ewing, Lazarus and Waitman will be the company's independent directors.

Pursuant to the LLC agreement, as holder of the allocation interests, our manager has the right to appoint one director to the company's board of directors, subject to adjustment. Any appointed director will not be required to stand for election by the shareholders. Mr. Massoud will initially serve as the manager's appointed director. See the section entitled "Description of Shares — Voting and Consent Rights — Board of Directors Appointee" for more information about our manager's rights to appoint directors.

The LLC agreement requires the company's board of directors to take action at a meeting by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of directors, or without a meeting if a consent to that action is signed or transmitted electronically by the chairman of the board and at least 85% of the remaining directors. No director elected by our shareholders, including any independent director, may be removed from office by our shareholders without the affirmative vote of the holders of 85% of the outstanding shares. An appointed director may be removed only by our manager. All directors will hold office until the earlier of the election and qualification of their successors or until their death, resignation or removal. Until the 2007 annual meeting, upon the occurrence of a vacancy due to the death, resignation, increase in the authorized number of directors or removal of a director elected by our shareholders, the chairman of the board will appoint a new director to fulfill such director's term on the company's board of directors. Thereafter, vacancies will be filled by a majority vote of the directors then in office. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy due to the death, resignation or removal of the director appointed by our manager, our manager will appoint a new director to fulfill such director's term on the company's board of directors.

Committees of the Board of Directors

The company's board of directors will, upon the consummation of this offering, designate the following standing committees: an audit committee, a compensation committee and a nominating and corporate governance committee. Each committee will operate pursuant to a charter that will be approved by the company's board of directors. In addition, the board of directors may, from time to time, designate one or more additional committees, which shall have the duties and powers granted to it by the board of directors.

Audit Committee

The audit committee will be comprised of not fewer than three nor more than seven independent directors who will meet all applicable independence requirements of the Nasdaq National Market and will include at least one "audit committee financial expert," as defined by applicable SEC rules and regulations.

The audit committee will be responsible for, among other things:

- appointing, retaining and overseeing our independent accountants;
- assisting the company's board of directors in its oversight of the integrity of our financial statements, the qualifications, independence and performance of our independent auditors and our compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- reviewing and approving the calculation of profit allocation when it becomes due and payable;
- reviewing and approving the plan and scope of the internal and external audit of our financial statements;
- pre-approving any audit and non-audit services provided by our independent auditors;
- approving the fees to be paid to our independent auditors;
- reviewing with our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer and independent auditors the adequacy and effectiveness of our internal controls;
- preparing the audit committee report included in our public filings with the SEC; and

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- reviewing and assessing annually the audit committee's performance and the adequacy of its charter.

Messrs. Edwards, Ewing and Waitman will serve on the company's audit committee. Mr. Ewing will serve as the audit committee financial expert.

Compensation Committee

The compensation committee will be comprised entirely of independent directors who meet all applicable independence requirements of the Nasdaq National Market. In accordance with the compensation committee charter, the members will be outside directors as defined in Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and non-employee directors within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the SEC rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The responsibilities of the compensation committee will include responsibility for annually reviewing the calculation of the management fee (as well as the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer), determining and approving the compensation of our Chief Financial Officer and any members of his staff that serve in executive officer capacities for the company, granting rights to indemnification and reimbursement of costs and expenses to our manager and any seconded individuals and making recommendations to the company's board of directors regarding equity-based and incentive compensation plans, policies and programs. Messrs. Edwards, Ewing and Lazarus will serve on the company's compensation committee.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The nominating and corporate governance committee will be comprised entirely of independent directors who will meet all applicable independence requirements of the Nasdaq National Market. The nominating and corporate governance committee will be responsible for, among other things:

- recommending the number of directors to comprise the company's board of directors;
- identifying and evaluating individuals qualified to become members of the company's board of directors, other than our manager's appointed director;
- reviewing director nominees that are nominated by shareholders;
- reviewing conflicts of interest that may arise between the company and our manager;
- recommending to the company's board of directors the director nominees for each annual shareholders' meeting, other than our manager's appointed director;
- recommending to the company's board of directors the candidates for filling vacancies that may occur between annual shareholders' meetings, other than our manager's appointed director;
- reviewing director compensation and processes, self-evaluations and policies;
- overseeing compliance with our code of ethics and conduct by our officers and directors and our manager;
- monitoring developments in the law and practice of corporate governance; and
- approving any related party transactions.

Messrs. Edwards, Lazarus and Waitman will serve on the company's nominating and corporate governance committee.

Compensation of Directors

Prior to the completion of this offering, except as described below, directors of the company are not entitled to compensation. Directors (including any director appointed by our manager) will be reimbursed

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for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in attending meetings of the board of directors or committees and for any expenses reasonably incurred in their capacity as directors.

Following the completion of this offering, each director, other than our manager's appointed directors, who does not serve in an executive officer capacity for the company, who we refer to as a non-management director, will receive an annual cash retainer of \$40,000. Non-management directors will also receive on January 1st of each year \$20,000 of shares in the trust. The non-management directors will receive the number of restricted shares equal to the *result of* (i) \$20,000 *divided by* (ii) the closing bid price of the shares on the Nasdaq National Market on the date of the award. If a closing bid price is not available on the date of grant, the closing bid price for the first preceding trading date will be used. We will not issue fractional interests in shares. Amounts attributed to fractional interests on grant date, will be paid in cash.

The company will also reimburse directors for all reasonable and authorized business expenses in accordance with the policies of the company as in effect from time to time.

Following the completion of this offering, each member of the company's various standing committees will receive \$2,000 for attending a committee meeting in person (if any) and \$1,000 for attending a telephonic committee meeting (if any). The chairperson of the audit committee, nominating and corporate governance committee and compensation committee will also each receive an annual cash retainer payable in equal quarterly installments (prorated for the initial term) of \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$5,000 per year, respectively.

Executive Officers of the Company

Neither the trust nor the company will have any employees. In accordance with the terms of the management services agreement, our manager will second to us, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer. The company's board of directors elected the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as officers of the company. Although the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager or an affiliate of our manager, they will report directly, and be subject, to the company's board of directors. Our manager and the company's board of directors may agree from time to time that our manager will second to the company one or more additional individuals to serve as officers or otherwise of the company, upon such terms as our manager and the company's board of directors may mutually agree.

The services performed for the company will be provided at our manager's cost, including the compensation of our Chief Executive Officer and other personnel providing services pursuant to the management services agreement. We will reimburse our manager for the compensation and costs and expenses of our Chief Financial Officer and his staff, subject to the determination and approval of the company's compensation committee.

See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement — Secondment of Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer" for more information about the executive officers of the company.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

Since November 18, 2005, no executive officer of the company has served as (i) a member of the compensation committee (or other board committees performing equivalent functions or, in the absence of any such committee, the entire board of directors) of another entity, one of whose executive officers serves on the board of directors of the company, or (ii) a director of another entity, one of whose executive officers serves on the board of directors of the company.

Compensation of Named Executive Officers

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer are employed by our manager and are seconded to the company. We do not pay any compensation to our executive officers seconded to us by our manager. Our manager is responsible for the payment of compensation to the executive officers

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seconded to us. We do not reimburse our manager for the compensation paid to our Chief Executive Officer. We pay our manager a quarterly management fee, and our manager uses the proceeds from the management fee, in part, to pay compensation to Mr. Massoud. Notwithstanding, pursuant to the management services agreement, we will reimburse our manager for the compensation of our Chief Financial Officer, Mr. James J. Bottiglieri, whose compensation will be determined and approved by the company's compensation committee. Accordingly, only compensation information for Mr. Bottiglieri is provided.

The following table sets forth the compensation paid or accrued with respect to our Chief Financial Officer from November 18, 2005 through December 31, 2005 and reimbursed by us. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information about Mr. Massoud's compensation arrangements.

Summary Compensation Table

<u>Name and Principal Position</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Annual Compensation</u>			<u>Long-Term Compensation</u>	<u>All Other Compensation</u>
		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Bonus</u>	<u>Other Annual Compensation</u>	<u>Number of Securities Underlying Options</u>	
I. Joseph Massoud <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>	12/31/2005	\$ —(1)	—(1)	—(1)	—(1)	—(1)
James J. Bottiglieri <i>Chief Financial Officer</i>	12/31/2005	\$ —(2)	—(2)	—(2)	—(2)	—(2)

(1) Mr. I. Joseph Massoud, our Chief Executive Officer, is seconded to us by our manager and does not receive compensation directly from us. We pay our manager a quarterly management fee, and our manager uses the proceeds from the management fee, in part, to pay compensation to Mr. Massoud. Therefore, no compensation information for Mr. Massoud is provided in the above compensation table.

(2) As of December 31, 2005, Mr. Bottiglieri, our Chief Financial Officer was not an employee of our manager. Accordingly, no compensation was paid or accrued by our manager from November 18, 2005 to December 31, 2005. See section entitled "— Employment Agreement" below.

Employment Agreement

In September 2005, The Compass Group entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Bottiglieri, our Chief Financial Officer, that provides for a two-year term. A summary of the terms of Mr. Bottiglieri's current employment agreement is set forth below.

Pursuant to the employment agreement, Mr. Bottiglieri's initial base salary is \$325,000. The Compass Group has the right to increase, but not decrease, the base salary during the term of the employment agreement.

The employment agreement provides that Mr. Bottiglieri is entitled to receive an annual bonus, which bonus must not be less than \$100,000, as determined in the sole judgment of our board of directors. In addition, Mr. Bottiglieri received a \$100,000 bonus upon his entry into the employment agreement and he will receive a \$200,000 bonus upon the consummation of this offering.

Pursuant to the employment agreement, if Mr. Bottiglieri's employment is terminated by him without good reason (as defined in the employment agreement) before the completion of two years of employment with The Compass Group or terminated by The Compass Group for cause (as defined in the employment agreement), he will be entitled to receive his accrued but unpaid base salary. In addition, if his employment is terminated due a disability, he will be entitled to receive an amount equal to six months of his base salary and one-half times his average bonus for any fiscal year during his employment with The Compass Group.

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If Mr. Bottiglieri terminates his employment for good reason or without good reason after the completion of two years of employment with The Compass Group but prior to the completion of four years of employment with The Compass Group, or if The Compass Group terminates his employment other than for cause, he will be entitled to receive his accrued but unpaid base salary plus \$300,000.

The employment agreement prohibits Mr. Bottiglieri from soliciting any of The Compass Group's employees for a period of two years after the termination of his employment with The Compass Group. The employment agreement also requires that he protect our confidential information.

In connection with the closing of this offering, The Compass Group intends to assign Mr. Bottiglieri's employment agreement to our manager. As Chief Financial Officer, after the closing of this offering, Mr. Bottiglieri's remuneration will be subject to the determination and approval of the company's compensation committee.

Our Management

The management teams of each of our businesses will report to the company's board of directors through our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer and operate each business and be responsible for its profitability and internal growth. The company's board of directors and our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will have responsibility for overall corporate strategy, acquisitions, financing and investor relations. Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will call upon the resources of our manager to operate the company. See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement — Secondment of Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer" for further information about our executive officers.

Option Plan

Purpose. Prior to the completion of this offering, our board of directors and shareholders will have adopted an Option Plan which provides for the granting of options that do not constitute incentive stock options within the meaning of Section 422(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") ("nonqualified stock options"). The purpose of the Option Plan is to reward individuals within each of our businesses, who are responsible for or contribute to the management, growth and profitability of each business and its subsidiaries.

Eligibility. Only executive officers, senior officers and other key executive and management employees of our businesses will be eligible to receive stock options awarded under the Option Plan. No determination has been made as to which of those eligible individuals (currently, approximately 30) will receive grants under the Option Plan, and, therefore, the benefits to be allocated to any individual are not presently determinable.

Authorization. The Option Plan covers an aggregate of 400,000 shares subject to certain adjustments in the event of distributions, splits and certain other events. If shares subject to an option are not issued or cease to be issuable because an option is terminated, forfeited, or cancelled, those shares will become available for additional awards. No more than 400,000 shares may be issued pursuant to grants made under the Option Plan to any one individual in any one year.

Administration. The Option Plan will be administered by the compensation committee, which consists of members of the company's board of directors who are outside directors for purposes of the Code and non-employee directors within the meaning of Section 16 of the Exchange Act and rules and regulations thereunder. The compensation committee may delegate its authority under the Option Plan to officers of the company, subject to guidelines prescribed by this committee, but only with respect to individuals who are not subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

Terms of Options. The compensation committee will designate the individuals to receive the options, the number of shares subject to the options, and the terms and conditions of each option granted under the Option Plan, including any vesting schedule. The term of any option granted under the Option Plan shall be determined by the compensation committee.

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Exercise of Options. The exercise price per share of options granted under the Option Plan is determined by the compensation committee; provided, however, that such exercise price cannot be less than the fair market value of a share on the date the option is granted (subject to adjustments).

Change in Control. The Option Plan provides that the compensation committee has the authority to provide in any option agreement for the vesting and/or cash-out of options upon or following a “Change in Control” transaction, as such term is defined in the Option Plan.

Amendment and Termination. The Option Plan will expire on the tenth anniversary of the date on which the Option Plan is approved by the trust’s shareholders. The compensation committee may amend or terminate the Option Plan at any time, subject to shareholder approval in certain circumstances. However, the compensation committee may not amend the Option Plan without the consent of eligible individuals under the Option Plan if it would adversely affect the eligible individuals’ rights to previously granted awards.

Federal Tax Consequences. The following is a summary of certain federal income tax consequences of transactions under the Option Plan based on current federal income tax laws. This summary is not intended to be exhaustive and does not describe state, local, or other tax consequences. It is intended for the information of shareholders considering how to vote with respect to this proposal and not as tax advice to participants in the Option Plan.

The grant of a non-qualified stock option under the Option Plan will not result in the recognition of taxable income to the participant or in a deduction to the company. In general, upon exercise, a participant will recognize ordinary income in an amount equal to the excess of the fair market value of our shares purchased over the exercise price. The company is required to withhold tax on the amount of income so recognized, and is entitled to a tax deduction equal to the amount of such income. Gain or loss upon a subsequent sale of any shares of common stock received upon the exercise of a non-qualified stock option is taxed as capital gain or loss (long-term or short-term, depending upon the holding period of the stock sold) to the participant.

No awards are currently contemplated to be granted in connection with this offering.

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

Management Services

The management services agreement sets forth the services to be performed by our manager. Our manager will perform its services subject to the oversight and supervision of the company's board of directors.

In general, our manager will perform those services for the company that would be typically performed by the executive officers of a company. Specifically, our manager will perform the following services, which we refer to as the management services, pursuant to the management services agreement:

- manage our day-to-day business and operations of the company, including our liquidity and capital resources and compliance with applicable law;
- identify, evaluate, manage, perform due diligence on, negotiate and oversee acquisitions of target businesses and any other investments;
- evaluate and oversee the financial and operational performance of any of our businesses, including monitoring the business and operations of such businesses, and the financial performance any other investments that we make;
- provide, on our behalf, managerial assistance to our businesses;
- evaluate, manage, negotiate and oversee dispositions of all or any part of any of our property, assets or investments, including disposition of all or any part of our businesses;
- provide or second, as necessary, employees of our manager to serve as executive officers or other employees of the company or as members of the company's board of directors; and
- perform any other services that would be customarily performed by executive officers and employees of a publicly listed or qualified company.

The company and our manager have the right at any time during the term of the management services agreement to change the services provided by our manager. In performing management services, our manager will have all necessary power and authority to perform, or cause to be performed, such services on behalf of the company, and, in this respect, our manager will be the exclusive provider of management services to the company. Nonetheless, our manager will be required to obtain authorization and approval of the company's board of directors in all circumstances where executive officers of a corporation typically would be required to obtain authorization and approval of a corporation's board of directors, including, for example, with respect to the consummation of an acquisition of a target business, the issuance of securities or the entry into credit arrangements.

While our management team intends to devote a substantial majority of its time to the affairs of the company, and while our manager and its affiliates currently do not manage any other businesses that are in similar lines of business as our initial businesses, neither our management team, nor our manager, is expressly prohibited from investing in or managing other entities, including those that are in the same or similar line of business as our initial businesses or those related to or affiliated with CGI, which will continue to own several businesses that were managed by our management team prior to this offering. In this regard, the management services agreement will not require our manager and its affiliates to provide management services to the company exclusively. Our Chief Executive Officer and the officers and employees of our manager and its affiliates who provide services to the company currently anticipate devoting a substantial amount of their time to the affairs of the company. Mr. James Bottiglieri, our Chief Financial Officer, will devote 100% of his time to our affairs.

Secondment of Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Neither the trust nor the company will have any employees. In accordance with the terms of the management services agreement, our manager will second to the company our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, which means that these individuals will be assigned by the manager to work for us during the term of the management services agreement. The company's board of directors has elected the

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Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer as officers of the company. Although the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer will be employees of our manager or an affiliate of our manager, they will report directly, and be subject, to the company's board of directors. In this respect, the company's board of directors may, after due consultation with the manager, at any time request that the manager replace any individual seconded to the company and the manager will, as promptly as practicable, replace any such individual; however, our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud, is the managing member of our manager, which may make it difficult for the company's board of directors to completely sever ties with Mr. Massoud. Our manager and the company's board of directors may agree from time to time that our manager will second to the company one or more additional individuals to serve as officers or otherwise of the company, upon such terms as our manager and the company's board of directors may mutually agree.

The company's compensation committee will determine and approve the Chief Financial Officer's compensation and any member of his staff that serves in an executive officer capacity for the company.

Acquisition and Disposition Opportunities

Our manager has exclusive responsibility for reviewing and making recommendations to the company's board of directors with respect to acquisition and disposition opportunities. In the event that an opportunity is not originated by our manager, the company's board of directors will seek a recommendation from our manager prior to making a decision concerning such opportunity. In the case of any acquisition or disposition opportunity that involves an affiliate of our manager or us, our nominating and corporate governance committee will be required to authorize and approve such transaction.

Our manager will review each acquisition or disposition opportunity presented to our manager to determine if such opportunity satisfies the company's acquisition or disposition criteria, as established by the company's board of directors from time to time, and if it is determined that such opportunity satisfies such criteria in the manager's sole discretion, our manager will refer such opportunity to the company's board of directors for its authorization and approval prior to the consummation of such opportunity.

In the event that an acquisition opportunity is referred to the company's board of directors by our manager and the company's board of directors determines not to promptly pursue such opportunity in whole or in part, any part of such opportunity that the company does not promptly pursue may be pursued by our manager or may be referred by our manager to any person, including affiliates of our manager. In this case, our manager is likely to devote a portion of its time to the oversight of this opportunity, including the management of a business that we do not own.

Indemnification by the Company

The company has agreed to indemnify and hold harmless our manager and its employees and representatives, including any individuals seconded to the company, from and against all losses, claims and liabilities incurred by our manager in connection with, relating to or arising out of the performance of any management services. However, the company will not be obligated to indemnify or hold harmless our manager for any losses, claims and liabilities incurred by our manager in connection with, relating to or arising out of (i) a breach by our manager or its employees or its representatives of the management services agreement, (ii) the gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith or reckless disregard of our manager or its employees or representatives in the performance of any of its obligations under the management services agreement or (iii) fraudulent or dishonest acts of our manager or its employees or representatives with respect to the company or any of its businesses.

The company will maintain insurance in support of such indemnities.

Termination of Management Services Agreement

The company's board of directors may terminate the management services agreement and our manager's appointment if, at any time:

- (i) a majority of the company's board of directors vote to terminate the management services agreement and (ii) the holders of at least a majority of the then outstanding shares (other than shares beneficially owned by our manager) vote to terminate the management services agreement;
- neither Mr. Massoud nor his designated successor is the managing member of our manager, which change occurs without the prior written consent of the company's board of directors;
- there is a finding by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final, non-appealable order that (i) our manager materially breached the terms of the management services agreement and such breach continued unremedied for 60 days after our manager receives written notice from the company setting forth the terms of such breach, or (ii) our manager (x) acted with gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith or reckless disregard in performing its duties and obligations under the management services agreement or (y) engaged in fraudulent or dishonest acts in connection with the business or operations of the company;
- (i) the manager has been convicted of a felony under Federal or State law, (ii) the company's board of directors finds that our manager is demonstrably and materially incapable of performing its duties and obligations under the management services agreement, and (iii) the holders of at least 66²/₃ % of the then outstanding shares, other than shares beneficially owned by our manager, vote to terminate the management services agreement; and
- (i) there is a finding by a court of competent jurisdiction that our manager has (x) engaged in fraudulent or dishonest acts in connection with the business or operations of the company or (y) acted with gross negligence, willful misconduct, bad faith or reckless disregard in performing its duties and obligations under the management services agreement, and (ii) the holders of at least 66²/₃ % of the then outstanding shares, other than shares beneficially owned by our manager, vote to terminate the management services agreement.

In addition, our manager may resign and terminate the management services agreement at any time with 90 days' prior written notice to the company, and this right is not contingent upon the finding of a replacement manager. However, if our manager resigns, until the date on which the resignation becomes effective, it will, upon request of the company's board of directors, use reasonable efforts to assist the company's board of directors to find a replacement manager at no cost and expense to the company.

Upon the termination of the management services agreement, seconded officers, employees, representatives and delegates of our manager and its affiliates who are performing the services that are the subject of the management services agreement, will resign their respective position with the company and cease to work at the date of such termination or at any other time as determined by our manager. Any appointed director may continue serving on the company's board of directors subject to the terms of the LLC agreement.

If we terminate the management services agreement, the company and the trust will agree, and the company will agree to cause its businesses, to cease using the term "Compass", including any trademarks based on the name of the company and trust owned by our manager, entirely in their businesses and operations within 180 days of such termination. This agreement would require the trust, the company and its businesses to change their names to remove any reference to the term "Compass" or any reference to trademarks owned by our manager.

Except with respect to the termination fee payable to our manager due to a termination of the management services agreement based solely on a vote of the company's board of directors and our shareholders, no other termination fee is payable upon termination of the management services agreement for any other reason. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship with Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Termination Fee" for more information about the termination fee payable upon termination of the management services agreement.

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While termination of the management services agreement will not affect any terms and conditions, including those relating to any payment obligations, that exist under any offsetting management services agreements or transaction services agreements, such agreements will be terminable by the initial businesses upon 30 days prior written notice and there will be no termination or other similar fees due upon such termination. Notwithstanding termination of the management services agreement, our manager will maintain its rights with respect to the allocation interests it then owns, including its rights under the supplemental put agreement. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement” for more information on the manager’s put right with respect to the allocation interests.

Management Fee and Expenses

See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Management Fee” for a description of the management fee to be paid to our manager and an example of a calculation of the management fee. In addition to the management fee to be paid to our manager, the company will be responsible for paying costs and expenses relating to its business and operations. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Reimbursement of Expenses” for more information about the reimbursement of expenses by the company to our manager. Our manager may enter into offsetting management services agreements with our businesses pursuant to which our manager may perform services for our businesses. Any fees paid to our manager by our businesses pursuant to such agreements will offset the fees payable by the company to our manager. See “Our Manager — Offsetting Management Services Agreements” for more information about offsetting management services agreements and the treatment of offsetting management fees.

**PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS/ SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF DIRECTORS
AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

The following table sets forth certain information, both before the closing of this offering and after giving pro forma effect to the closing of this offering and the separate private placement transactions, regarding the beneficial ownership of shares of the trust sold in this offering. The number of shares beneficially owned by each entity, director or executive officer is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC, and the information is not necessarily indicative of beneficial ownership for any other purpose. Under such rules, beneficial ownership includes any shares as to which the individual or entity has sole or shared voting power or investment power and also any shares which the individual or entity has the right to acquire within sixty days of April 1, 2006 through the exercise of an option, conversion feature or similar right. The address for all individuals and entities listed in the beneficial ownership tables provided in this section is Sixty One Wilton Road, Second Floor, Westport, Connecticut 06880. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information about the shares of the trust.

	Compass Diversified Trust(1)			
	Before the Offering(2)		After the Offering	
	Number of Shares	Percent of Class	Number of Shares	Percent of Class
Directors and Executive Officers				
C. Sean Day	—	—	6,667	*
I. Joseph Massoud(3)	—	—	266,667	1.33%
James J. Bottiglieri	—	—	6,667	*
Harold S. Edwards	—	—	1,333	*
D. Eugene Ewing	—	—	3,333	*
Mark H. Lazarus	—	—	—	—%
Ted Waitman	—	—	13,333	*
All directors and executive officers, as a group	—	—	298,000	1.49%
Shareholders				
CGI(4)	—	—	5,733,333	28.67%
Pharos(5)	—	—	266,667	1.33%

* Less than 0.1%

(1) The trust will issue shares of trust stock. Each share of the trust represents one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property. Each beneficial interest in the trust corresponds to one trust interest of the company. No other equity interest in the trust will be outstanding after the closing of this offering.

(2) Before the closing of this offering, the trust will not have any equity interests authorized or issued and outstanding; the trust will be authorized to issue the shares pursuant to the amended and restated trust agreement to be entered into in conjunction with the closing of this offering. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information. As a result, the company, as sponsor of the trust, will beneficially own the trust before the closing of this offering. In turn, our manager, as sole holder of the allocation interests of the company, and our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud, as sole and managing member of the manager, will each beneficially own the company before the closing of this offering.

(3) Amounts with respect to Mr. Massoud also reflect his beneficial ownership of shares through his interest in and control of Pharos, as discussed in more detail in footnote 5, below.

(4) CGI, through its wholly owned subsidiary, CGI Diversified Holdings, LP, has agreed to purchase the number of shares in the trust having an aggregate purchase price of \$86 million, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, in a separate private placement transaction that will close in conjunction with the closing of this offering. CGI is the sole limited partner of CGI Diversified Holdings, LP. Navco Management, Inc., an affiliate of CGI, is the general partner of CGI Diversified Holdings, LP, and, as a result, Navco Management, Inc. may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by CGI Diversified Holdings, LP. Navco Management, Inc. is also the general partner of each of the entities selling its controlling interests in the initial businesses to the company. Arthur Coady is a director of Navco Management, Inc. and, as a result, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by CGI Diversified Holdings, LP. See the section entitled “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information about this transaction and the relationship of CGI and its affiliated entities.

(5) Pharos has agreed to purchase the number of shares in the trust having an aggregate purchase price of \$4 million, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, in a separate private placement transaction that will close in conjunction with the closing of this offering. Our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud, as managing member of Pharos exercising sole voting and investment power with respect to Pharos, will beneficially own Pharos before and after the closing of this offering and will be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by Pharos.

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The following table sets forth certain information, both before and after giving effect to the closing of this offering and the separate private placement transactions, regarding the beneficial ownership of the company's two classes of equity interests. See the section entitled "Description of Shares" for more information about the equity interests of the company.

	Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC ⁽¹⁾			
	Before the Offering		After the Offering	
	Number of Interests	Percent of Class	Number of Interests	Percent of Class
Compass Group Management LLC⁽²⁾				
Allocation interests ⁽³⁾	100	100%	1,000	100%
Trust interests	—	—	—	—
Compass Diversified Trust⁽⁴⁾				
Allocation interests	—	—	—	—
Trust interests	—	—	20,000,000	100%

(1) Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC has two classes of interests: allocation interests and trust interests.

(2) Compass Group Management LLC, our manager, as sole holder of the allocation interests of the company and as our manager under the management services agreement, will beneficially own the company before this offering. Our Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Massoud, as sole and managing member of our manager, will beneficially own the company before the closing of this offering. Our manager is also an affiliate of CGI and Pharos.

(3) Allocation interests are being reclassified in conjunction with the closing of this offering.

(4) Each beneficial interest in the trust corresponds to one underlying trust interest of the company. Unless the trust is dissolved, it must remain the sole holder of 100% of the trust interests and at all times the company will have outstanding the identical number of trust interests as the number of outstanding shares of the trust. As a result of corresponding interest between shares and trust interests, each holder of shares identified in the table above relating to the trust may be deemed to beneficially own a correspondingly proportionate interest in the company.

The following table sets forth certain information as of April 1, 2006 and after giving effect to the closing of this offering, regarding the beneficial ownership by certain executive officers and directors of the company and entities with which they are affiliated of equity interests in certain of our initial businesses. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information about ownership interests in our initial businesses.

	Before the Offering		After the Offering	
	Number of Shares	Percent of Class	Number of Shares	Percent of Class
C. Sean Day				
Crosman, Common Stock	5,193	0.9%	5,193	0.9%
Advanced Circuits, Series B Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	10,000	0.8%	10,000	0.8%
I. Joseph Massoud				
Crosman, Common Stock	2,077	0.4%	—	—
Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC⁽²⁾				
Silvue, Series B Common Stock	98.6	0.2%	—	—
Silvue, Series A Preferred Stock	433.1	1.0%	—	—
ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC⁽³⁾				
Advanced Circuits, Series B Common Stock	11,880	1.0%	—	—

(1) Mr. Day is the direct owner of 6,480 shares of Series B Common Stock and Mr. Day's children are the owners in the aggregate of 3,520 shares of Series B Common Stock.

(2) Mr. Massoud is the managing member of and owns a 26.1% interest in Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC and, in such capacity, exercises sole voting and investment power with respect to Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC. As a result, Mr. Massoud beneficially owns Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC. Mr. Day beneficially owns a 36.2% interest in Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC.

(3) Mr. Massoud is the managing member of and owns a 42.1% interest in ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC and, in such capacity, exercises sole voting and investment power with respect to ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC. As a result, Mr. Massoud beneficially owns ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC.

CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Relationships with Related Parties

CGI

CGI, through its wholly owned subsidiaries, is the sole limited partner in each of the entities from which the company will acquire a controlling interest in the initial businesses, as well as the sole limited partner in CGI Diversified Holdings, LP, an entity that will purchase approximately \$86 million of shares pursuant to a separate private placement transaction to close in conjunction with this offering. CGI is also an affiliate of Navco Management, Inc., the general partner of CGI Diversified Holdings, LP and the entities from which the company will acquire controlling interests in the initial businesses.

We will use a portion of the net proceeds of this offering, the separate private placement transactions and our initial borrowing from our third party credit facility to acquire controlling interests in our initial businesses from CGI and its subsidiaries. Such controlling interests were acquired or otherwise obtained by CGI and its subsidiaries pursuant to equity investments totaling approximately \$71.9 million, which controlling interests we will acquire from CGI and its subsidiaries for approximately \$147.7 million in cash.

CGI is the sole owner of The Compass Group. The members of our management team, while working for The Compass Group, advised CGI on the acquisition and management of the initial businesses. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information about our acquisition of our initial businesses. In addition to advising on the acquisition and management of our initial businesses, the relationship between our management team and CGI has also related to the acquisition of controlling interests in six other businesses including a recent acquisition for approximately \$32.0 million. Excluding the most recent acquisition, CGI and its subsidiaries acquired or otherwise obtained the controlling equity interest in five of those businesses for approximately \$94.9 million in cash and have, as a result of those companies’ cash flows, sales or mergers of those companies, received cash proceeds relating to those businesses of approximately \$158.0 million to date, while continuing to maintain significant, though not necessarily controlling, equity interests in four of those businesses. On average, all of the capital invested in the equity of those five businesses was received by CGI and its subsidiaries in approximately 2.5 years. The company will not have any interest in, nor be affiliated with, any of those six businesses upon the closing of this offering.

CGI Diversified Holdings, LP has also agreed to purchase, in conjunction with the closing of this offering in a separate private placement transaction, that number of shares, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, having an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$86 million. As indicated above, this amount will be used in part to pay the purchase price to CGI and its subsidiaries for the acquisition of our initial businesses by the company. See the section entitled “The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses” for more information on our acquisition of our initial businesses. CGI Diversified Holdings, LP will have certain registration rights in connection with the shares it acquires in the separate private placement transaction. See the section entitled “Shares Eligible for Future Sale — Registration Rights” for more information about these registration rights. CGI Diversified Holdings, LP will also become a non-managing member of our manager following this offering, and as a result will be entitled to receive 10% of any profit allocation paid by the company to our manager. CGI Diversified Holdings, LP did not pay any consideration for its non-management member interests in our manager.

Neither our Chief Executive Officer nor any of the employees of the manager have been or are officers, directors, employees or owners of CGI, CGI Diversified Holdings, LP or Navco Management, Inc. Except as disclosed in this prospectus, none of CGI, CGI Diversified Holdings, Inc. or Navco Management, Inc. has engaged in any transaction with the company or our manager.

Our Manager

Our manager is a newly created entity that will be owned by our management team and CGI and controlled by its sole and managing member, Mr. Massoud. Following this offering, CGI Diversified

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Holdings, LP, and Sostratus LLC, an entity wholly owned by our management team, will become non-managing members of our manager. Prior to this offering, the company and the trust were controlled by our manager.

Our relationship with our manager will be governed principally by the following three agreements:

- the management services agreement relating to the management services our manager will perform for us and the businesses we own and the management fee to be paid to our manager in respect thereof;
- the company's LLC agreement setting forth our manager's rights with respect to the allocation interests it owns, including the right to receive profit allocations from the company; and
- the supplemental put agreement relating to our manager's right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests it owns.

See the sections entitled "Our Manager", "Management Services Agreement" and "Description of Shares" for more information about these agreements.

We also expect that our manager will enter into offsetting management services agreements, transaction services agreements and other agreements, in each case, with some or all of our businesses. In this respect, we expect that The Compass Group will cause its affiliates to assign any outstanding agreements with our initial businesses to our manager in connection with the closing of this offering. See the sections entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Offsetting Management Services Agreements" for information about these agreements.

In conjunction with the closing of this offering, all the employees of The Compass Group will become employees of our manager. While our manager will provide management services to the company, our manager will also be permitted to provide services, including services similar to management services, to other entities. In this respect, the management services agreement and the obligation to provide management services will not create a mutually exclusive relationship between our manager and the company or our businesses. As such, our manager, and our management team, will be permitted to engage in other business endeavors, which may be related to or affiliated with CGI, which will continue to own several businesses that were managed by our management team prior to this offering, or its affiliates as well as other parties. Our Chief Executive Officer and the officers and employees of our manager and its affiliates who provide services to us currently anticipate devoting a substantial majority of their time to the affairs of the company. Mr. James Bottiglieri, our Chief Financial Officer, will devote 100% of his time to our affairs.

The company has agreed to reimburse our manager and its affiliates, within five business days after the closing of this offering, for certain costs and expenses incurred or to be incurred prior to and in connection with the closing of this offering in the aggregate amount of approximately \$6.0 million.

Mr. Massoud, as managing member of the manager, will beneficially receive the management fees, offsetting management fees, fees under any transaction services agreements and expense reimbursements related to the foregoing, and he will use such proceeds to pay the compensation, overhead, out-of-pocket and other expenses of the manager, satisfy its contractual obligations and otherwise distribute such proceeds to the members of the manager in accordance with the manager's organizational documents.

Mr. C. Sean Day

Mr. Day, the chairman of the company's board of directors, is chairman of The Compass Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of CGI. Mr. Day is not an employee, director, officer or owner of our manager.

Pharos

Pharos has agreed to purchase, in conjunction with the closing of this offering in a separate private placement transaction, that number of shares, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, having an aggregate purchase price of \$4 million. As indicated above, this amount will be used in part to pay the purchase price to CGI and its subsidiaries for the acquisition of our initial businesses by the company. See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for more

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information on our acquisition of our initial business. Pharos will have certain registration rights in connection with the shares it acquires in the separate private placement transaction. See the section entitled “Shares Eligible for Future Sale — Registration Rights” for more information about these registration rights. In addition, Pharos is owned by certain employees of our manager, including Mr. Massoud, our Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Massoud, as managing member, controls Pharos.

Directed Share Program

Members of our management team have indicated their intention to purchase shares, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, pursuant to our directed share program. See the section entitled “Underwriting — Directed Share Program” for more information about our directed share program.

Ownership Interest In the Initial Businesses

Prior to this offering, certain employees of our manager held equity interests in certain of our initial businesses. In connection with this offering, all employees of our manager who own shares in any of our initial businesses have agreed to sell such shares to the company at the same price per share as CGI will receive pursuant to the stock purchase agreement. In addition, certain employees of our manager will receive profit payments, which will be paid through a partnership in which they are partners. Such employees intend to reinvest approximately \$4.0 million, which constitutes a substantial majority of their anticipated proceeds on an after-tax basis, from such sales and profit payments in the purchase of shares, by means of the private placement transaction with Pharos. In addition, following this offering, Mr. Day, Chairman of the company’s board of directors, will continue to hold interests in certain of our initial businesses. See the section entitled “Principal Shareholders/ Security Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers” for more information about Mr. Day’s ownership interest in our initial businesses. As reflected below, the current holdings of these individuals did not and will not exceed 5% of any of such initial businesses’ outstanding shares.

Crosman

Mr. Massoud, our Chief Executive Officer, holds 2,077 shares of Crosman, representing approximately 0.4% of Crosman’s outstanding shares. In addition, certain employees of the manager, a former director of Crosman and a former employee of The Compass Group hold 4,748 shares of Crosman in the aggregate representing 0.8% of Crosman’s outstanding shares. In connection with our acquisition of the Crosman shares from CGI’s subsidiary, we will acquire from Mr. Massoud and such employees and former director all of their shares in Crosman at the same price per share as CGI will receive pursuant to the stock purchase agreement. Mr. Massoud and all employees of the manager and the former director of Crosman who hold Crosman shares intend to reinvest approximately 100% of the after-tax proceeds of such sales in the purchase of shares either by means of the private placement transaction with Pharos, discussed above, or pursuant to the directed share program.

Prior to this offering, Mr. Day, our Chairman of the board of directors, held 5,193 shares of Crosman, representing approximately 0.9% of Crosman’s outstanding shares. Mr. Day will continue to hold these shares following this offering and our acquisition of Crosman. See the section entitled “Principal Shareholders/ Security Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers” for more information about Mr. Day’s ownership interest in our initial businesses.

Advanced Circuits

ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC, of which Mr. Massoud holds a 42.1% interest, holds 11,880 shares of Advanced Circuits, representing approximately 1.0% of Advanced Circuits’ outstanding shares. Certain employees of the manager hold the remaining 57.9% interest in ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC. In connection with our acquisition of the Advanced Circuits’ shares from CGI’s subsidiary, we will acquire from ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC all of its shares in Advanced Circuits at the same price per share as CGI will receive pursuant to the stock purchase agreement. Mr. Massoud and all employees of the manager who hold interests in ACI Coinvestment Partners, LLC intend to reinvest approximately 100% of

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the after-tax proceeds of such sales in the purchase of shares either by means of the private placement transactions to Pharos, discussed above, or pursuant to the directed share program.

Prior to this offering, Mr. Day, our Chairman of the board of directors, held 10,000 shares of Advanced Circuits, representing approximately 0.8% of Advanced Circuits' outstanding shares. Mr. Day will continue to hold these shares following this offering and our acquisition of Advanced Circuits. See the section entitled "Principal Shareholders/ Security Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers" for more information about Mr. Day's ownership interest in our initial businesses.

Silvue

Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC, of which Mr. Massoud and Mr. Day hold 26.1% and 36.2% interests, respectively, currently holds 532 shares of Silvue (on an as converted basis), representing approximately 1.3% of Silvue's outstanding shares. Certain employees of the manager and The Compass Group hold the remaining 37.7% interest in Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC. In connection with our acquisition of the Silvue shares from CGI's subsidiary, we will acquire from Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC, all of its shares in Silvue at the same price per share as CGI will receive pursuant to the stock purchase agreement. Mr. Massoud and all employees of the manager who hold interests in Silvue Coinvestment Partners, LLC intend to reinvest approximately 100% of the after-tax proceeds of such sales in the purchase of shares either by means of the private placement transaction with Pharos, or pursuant to the directed share program.

Contractual Arrangements with Related Parties

The following discussion sets forth the agreements that we intend to enter into with related parties in connection with this offering. The statements relating to each agreement set forth in this section and elsewhere in this prospectus are subject to and are qualified in their entirety by reference to all of the provisions of such agreements, forms of which have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

The terms and conditions, including those relating to pricing, of these agreements to which the company, CGI, our manager and certain other related parties are a party were negotiated in the overall context of this offering and not on an arm's-length basis.

Although we received an opinion from Duff & Phelps, LLC, an independent financial advisory and investment banking firm, regarding the fairness, from a financial point of view only, of the acquisition prices of the four initial businesses (on an individual basis only), and notwithstanding that the acquisitions of the initial businesses and all of the agreements identified above were approved by a majority of our independent directors, the agreements were not negotiated on an arm's-length basis with unrelated third parties. As a result, the terms and conditions of these agreements may be less favorable to us than they might have been had they been negotiated on an arm's-length basis.

Stock Purchase Agreement with Sellers, including CGI and its Subsidiaries

CGI and its subsidiaries, together with the other sellers, intend to enter into a stock purchase agreement with the company pursuant to which the company will acquire controlling interests in our initial businesses. In addition, upon consummation of the transactions contemplated by the stock purchase agreement, the company will succeed to the rights and interests of the applicable selling CGI subsidiaries under certain stockholders' agreements and registration rights agreements currently in place at our businesses. See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for more information about the stock purchase agreement.

Loan Agreements with each Initial Business

The company intends to enter into loan agreements with each of our initial businesses pursuant to which the company will make loans and financing commitments to each initial business. See the section entitled "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses" for more information about the loan agreements.

Management Services Agreement

The company intends to enter into a management services agreement pursuant to which our manager will provide management services. See the section entitled “Management Services Agreement” for more information about the management services agreement.

Offsetting Management Services Agreements

Our manager may, at any time, enter into offsetting management services agreements directly with the businesses that we own relating to the performance by our manager of offsetting management services for such businesses. All fees, if any, paid by the businesses that we own to our manager pursuant to an offsetting management services during any fiscal quarter will offset, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, the management fee otherwise due and payable by the company to our manager under the management services agreement for such fiscal quarter.

In addition, in conjunction with the closing of this offering, The Compass Group will cause its affiliates to assign to our manager each existing agreement pursuant to which its affiliates provide management services to our initial businesses. Each such agreement shall be deemed an offsetting management services agreement. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as a Service Provider — Offsetting Management Services Agreements” for more information about offsetting management services agreements and offsetting management fees.

LLC Agreement

The trust and our manager will each be parties to the LLC agreement relating to their respective interests in the company. See the section entitled “Description of Shares” for more information about the LLC agreement.

Supplemental Put Agreement

In consideration of our manager’s acquisition of the allocation interests, we intend to enter into a supplemental put agreement with our manager pursuant to which our manager shall have the right to cause the company to purchase the allocation interests then owned by our manager upon termination of the management services agreement. See the section entitled “Our Manager — Supplemental Put Agreement” for more information about the supplemental put agreement.

Private Placement Agreements

CGI and Pharos have each agreed to purchase, in conjunction with the closing of this offering in separate private placement transactions, that number of shares, at a per share price equal to the initial public offering price, having an aggregate purchase price of \$86 and \$4 million, respectively.

Registration Rights Agreements

In connection with CGI’s and Pharos’ purchase of shares pursuant to the separate private placement transactions described above, we intend to enter into registration rights agreements with CGI Diversified Holdings, LP and Pharos for the registration of such shares under the Securities Act. See the section entitled “Shares Eligible for Future Sale — Registration Rights” for more information about the registration rights agreement.

Code of Ethics

Prior to the completion of this offering, the company’s board of directors will adopt a code of ethics and conduct establishing the standards of ethical conduct applicable to all directors, officers and employees, as applicable, of the company, our manager, members of our management team and other employees of our manager and any other person who is performing services for or on behalf of the company. We anticipate that our initial businesses will adopt codes of ethics and conduct substantially similar to that of the company.

The code of ethics and conduct will address, among other things, conflicts of interest and related party transactions generally and will require the approval of all related party transactions by the company’s

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nominating and corporate governance committee. The code of ethics and conduct specifically will require nominating and corporate governance committee approval for transactions between us and any affiliate of CGI or our manager relating to the provision of any services to us or our businesses. We will disclose promptly any waivers of the code of ethics and conduct by our nominating and corporate governance committee with respect to directors and executive officers of the company. In addition, our nominating and corporate governance committee will review any conflicts of interest that may arise between the company and our manager.

DESCRIPTION OF SHARES

General

The following is a summary of the material terms of:

- the shares representing beneficial interests in the trust property, to be issued in this offering;
- the trust interests of the company, which we refer to as trust interests, to be issued to the trust; and
- the allocation interests of the company, which we refer to as allocation interests, to be issued to our manager.

We refer to both the trust interests and allocation interests, collectively, as the interests. We will enter into the amended and restated trust agreement, which we refer to as the trust agreement, and the amended and restated LLC agreement, which we refer to as the LLC agreement, in connection with the closing of this offering. The trust agreement provides for the issuance of the shares, and the LLC agreement provides for the issuance of the trust interests and allocation interests, as well as the distributions on and voting rights of each of the trust interests and the allocation interests.

The following description is subject to the provisions of the Delaware Statutory Trust Act and the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act. Certain provisions of the trust agreement and the LLC agreement are intended to be consistent with the DGCL, and the powers of the company, the governance processes and the rights of the trust as the holder of the trust interests and the shareholders of the trust are generally intended to be similar in many respects to those of a typical Delaware corporation under the DGCL, with certain exceptions.

The statements that follow are subject to and are qualified in their entirety by reference to all of the provisions of each of the trust agreement and the LLC agreement, which will govern your rights as a holder of the shares and the trust's rights as a holder of trust interests, forms of each of which have been filed with the SEC as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Shares in the Trust

Each share of the trust represents one undivided beneficial interest in the trust property and each share of the trust corresponds to one underlying trust interest held by the trust. Unless the trust is dissolved, it must remain the holder of 100% of the trust interests and at all times the company will have outstanding the identical number of trust interests as the number of outstanding shares of the trust. Pursuant to the amended and restated trust agreement to be entered into in conjunction with the closing of this offering, the trust will be authorized to issue 500,000,000 shares and the company will be authorized to issue a corresponding number of trust interests. Immediately following the completion of this offering, the trust will have 20,000,000 shares outstanding, or 22,100,000 shares outstanding if the underwriters exercise their overallotment option in full, and the company will have an equal number of corresponding trust interests outstanding. All shares and trust interests will be fully paid and nonassessable upon payment thereof.

Equity Interests in the Company

The company is authorized, pursuant to action by the company's board of directors, to issue up to 500,000,000 trust interests in one or more series. In addition to the trust interests, the company will be authorized, pursuant to action by the company's board of directors, to issue up to 1,000 allocation interests. In connection with the formation of the company, our manager acquired 100% of the allocation interests so authorized and issued for a capital investment of \$100,000 by our manager. All allocation interests are fully paid and nonassessable. Other than the allocation interests held by our manager, the company will not be authorized to issue any other allocation interests.

Distributions

General

The company, acting through its board of directors, may declare and pay quarterly distributions on the interests of the company. Any distributions so declared will be paid on the interests in proportion to the number of interests held by such holder of interests. Assuming we sell all of the shares offered in this offering and the separate private placement transactions, our manager will have less than a 0.1% interest in the company, which would be subject to dilution if additional shares were offered in the future. The company's board of directors may, in its sole discretion and at any time, declare and pay distributions from the cash flow available for distributions to the holders of its interests.

Upon receipt of any distributions declared and paid by the company, the trust will, pursuant to the terms of the trust agreement, distribute within five (5) business days the whole amount of such distributions in cash to its shareholders, in proportion to their percentage ownership of the trust on the related record date. The record date for distributions by the company will be the same as the record date for corresponding distributions by the trust.

In addition, under the terms of the LLC agreement, the company will pay a profit allocation to the manager, as holder of the allocation interests. See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" for more information about the profit allocation to the manager.

Manager's Profit Allocation

See the section entitled "Our Manager — Our Relationship With Our Manager — Our Manager as an Equity Holder — Manager's Profit Allocation" for a description of the manager's profit allocation to be paid to our manager and an example of the calculation of the profit allocation.

Voting and Consent Rights

General

Each outstanding share is entitled to one vote per share on any matter with respect to which the trust is entitled to vote, as provided in the LLC agreement and as detailed below. Pursuant to the terms of the LLC agreement and the trust agreement, the company will act at the direction of the trust only with respect to those matters subject to vote by the holders of trust interests of the company. The company, as sponsor of the trust, will provide to the trust, for transmittal to shareholders of the trust, the appropriate form of proxy to enable shareholders of the trust to direct, in proportion to their percentage ownership of the shares, the trust's vote with respect to the trust interests. The trust will vote its trust interests of the company in the same proportion as the vote of holders of the shares. For the purposes of this summary, the voting rights of holders of the trust interests of the company that effectively will be exercised by the shareholders of the trust by proxy will be referred to as the voting rights of the holders of the shares.

The LLC agreement provides that the holders of trust interests are entitled, at the annual meeting of members of the company, to vote for the election of all of the directors other than any director appointed by our manager. Because neither the trust agreement nor the LLC agreement provides for cumulative voting rights, the holders of a plurality of the voting power of the then outstanding shares represented at a shareholders meeting will effectively be able to elect all the directors of the company standing for election.

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The LLC agreement further provides that holders of allocation interests will not be entitled to any voting rights, except that holders of allocation interests will have, in accordance with the terms of the LLC agreement:

- voting or consent rights in connection with certain anti-takeover provisions, as discussed below;
- a consent right with respect to the amendment or modification of the provisions providing for distributions to the holders of allocation interests;
- a consent right to any amendment to the provision entitling the holders of allocation interests to appoint directors who will serve on the board of directors of the company;
- a consent right with respect to any amendment of the provision of the LLC agreement governing amendments thereof; and
- a consent right with respect to any amendment that would adversely affect the holder of allocation interests.

Board of Directors Appointee

As holder of the allocation interests, our manager has the right to appoint one director (or two directors if the board size is increased to nine or more directors) to the company's board of directors commencing with the closing of this offering. Any appointed director on the company's board of directors will not be required to stand for election by the shareholders. Any appointed director who is also a member of the company's management will not receive any compensation (other than reimbursements that are permitted for directors) and will not have any special voting rights.

Right to Bring a Derivative Action and Enforcement of the Provisions of the LLC Agreement by Holders of the Shares and Our Manager

The trust agreement and the LLC agreement both provide that holders of shares representing at least ten percent of the outstanding shares shall have the right to directly institute a legal proceeding against the company to enforce the provisions of the LLC agreement. In addition, the trust agreement and the LLC agreement provide that holders of shares representing at least ten percent of the outstanding shares have the right to cause the trust to institute any legal proceeding for any remedy available to the trust, including the bringing of a derivative action in the place of the company under Section 18-1001 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act relating to the right to bring derivative actions. Holders of shares will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting such legal proceedings brought by the trust. Our Manager, as holder of the allocation interests, has the right to directly institute proceedings against the company to enforce the provisions of the LLC agreement.

Acquisition Exchange and Optional Purchase

The trust agreement and the LLC agreement provide that, if at any time more than 90% of the then outstanding shares are beneficially owned by one person, who we refer to as the acquirer and which we refer to as the control date, such acquirer has the right to cause the trust, acting at the direction of the company's board of directors, to mandatorily exchange all shares then outstanding for an equal number of trust interests, which we refer to as an acquisition exchange, and dissolve the trust. The company, as sponsor of the trust, will cause the transfer agent of the shares to mail a copy of notice of such exchange to the shareholders of the trust at least 30 days prior to the exchange of shares for trust interests. Upon the completion of such acquisition exchange, each holder of shares immediately prior to the completion of the acquisition exchange will be admitted to the company as a member in respect of an equal number of trust interests and the trust will cease to be a member of the company.

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Following the exchange, the LLC agreement provides that the acquirer has the right to purchase from the other holders of trust interests for cash all, but not less than all, of the outstanding trust interests that the acquirer does not own at the offer price, as defined in the LLC agreement, as of the control date. While this provision of the LLC agreement provides for a fair price requirement, the LLC agreement does not provide members with appraisal rights to which shareholders of a Delaware corporation would be entitled under Section 262 of the DGCL. The acquirer can exercise its right to effect such purchase by delivering notice to the company and the transfer agent of its election to make the purchase not less than 60 days prior to the date which it selects for the purchase. The company will cause the transfer agent to mail the notice of the purchase to the record holders of the trust interests at least 30 days prior to purchase. We refer to the date of purchase as the purchase date.

Voluntary Exchange

The trust agreement and the LLC agreement provide that in the event the company's board of directors determines that either:

- the trust or the company, or both, is, or is reasonably likely to be, treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes;
- the trust is, or is reasonably likely to be, required to issue Schedules K-1 to holders of shares; or
- the existence of the trust otherwise results, or is reasonably likely to result, in a material tax detriment to the trust, the holders of shares, the company or any of the members; and

the company's board of directors obtains an opinion of counsel to such effect, the company, as sponsor of the trust, may cause the trust to exchange all shares then outstanding for an equal number of trust interests and dissolve the trust. We refer to such an exchange as a voluntary exchange. The company, as sponsor of the trust, will cause the transfer agent for the shares to mail a copy of notice of such exchange to the shareholders of the trust at least 30 days prior to the exchange of shares for trust interests. Upon the completion of a voluntary exchange, each holder of shares immediately prior to the completion of the voluntary exchange will be admitted to the company as a member in respect of an equal number of trust interests and the trust will cease to be a member of the company.

Election by the Company

In circumstances where the trust has been dissolved, the LLC agreement provides that the company's board of directors may, without the consent of vote of holders of trust interests, cause the company to elect to be treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes only if the board receives an opinion from a nationally recognized financial adviser to the effect that the market valuation of the company is expected to be significantly lower as a result of the company continuing to be treated as a

partnership for United States federal income tax purposes than if the company instead elected to be treated as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

Dissolution of the Trust and the Company

The LLC agreement provides for the dissolution and winding up of the company upon the occurrence of:

- the adoption of a resolution by a majority vote of the company's board of directors approving the dissolution, winding up and liquidation of the company and such action has been approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding trust interests entitled to vote thereon;
- the unanimous vote of the outstanding trust interests to dissolve, wind up and liquidate the company; or
- a judicial determination that an event has occurred that makes it unlawful, impossible or impractical to carry on the business of the company as then currently operated as determined in accordance with Section 18-802 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act; or
- the termination of the legal existence of the last remaining member or the occurrence of any other event that terminates the continued membership of the last remaining member, unless the company is continued without dissolution in a manner provided under the LLC agreement or the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act.

The trust agreement provides for the dissolution and winding up of the trust upon the occurrence of:

- an acquisition exchange or a voluntary exchange;
- the filing of a certificate of cancellation of the company or its failure to revive its charter within 10 days following revocation of the company's charter;
- the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution by a court of competent jurisdiction over the company or the trust; or
- the written election of the company.

We refer to these events as dissolution events. Following the occurrence of a dissolution event with respect to the trust, each share will be mandatorily exchanged for a trust interest of the company. Upon dissolution of the company in accordance with the terms of the LLC agreement, the then holders of interests will be entitled to share in the assets of the company legally available for distribution following payment to creditors in accordance with the positive balance in such holders' tax-based capital accounts required by the LLC agreement, after giving effect to all contributions, distributions and allocations for all periods.

Anti-Takeover Provisions

Certain provisions of the management services agreement, the trust agreement and the LLC agreement, which will become effective upon the closing of this offering, may make it more difficult for third parties to acquire control of the trust and the company by various means. These provisions could deprive the shareholders of the trust of opportunities to realize a premium on the shares owned by them. In addition, these provisions may adversely affect the prevailing market price of the shares. These provisions are intended to:

- protect our manager and its economic interests in the company;
- protect the position of our manager and its rights to manage the business and affairs of the company under the management services agreement;
- enhance the likelihood of continuity and stability in the composition of the company's board of directors and in the policies formulated by the board of directors;
- discourage certain types of transactions which may involve an actual or threatened change in control of the trust and the company;

- discourage certain tactics that may be used in proxy fights;
- encourage persons seeking to acquire control of the trust and the company to consult first with the company's board of directors to negotiate the terms of any proposed business combination or offer; and
- reduce the vulnerability of the trust and the company to an unsolicited proposal for a takeover that does not contemplate the acquisition of all of the outstanding shares or that is otherwise unfair to shareholders of the trust.

Anti-Takeover Effects of the Management Services Agreement

The limited circumstances in which our manager may be terminated means that it will be very difficult for a potential acquirer of the company to take over the management and operation of our business. Under the terms of the management services agreement, our manager may only be terminated by the company in certain limited circumstances. See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement — Termination of Management Services Agreement" for further discussion.

Furthermore, our manager has the right to resign and terminate the management services agreement upon 90 days notice. Upon the termination of the management service agreement, seconded officers, employees, representatives and delegates of the manager and its affiliates who are performing the services that are the subject of the management services agreement, will resign their respective position with the company and cease to work at the date of our manager's termination or at any other time as determined by our manager. Any appointed director may continue serving on the company's board of directors subject to our manager's continued ownership of the allocation interests.

If we terminate the management services agreement, the company and the trust will agree, and the company will agree to cause its businesses, to cease using the term "Compass", including any trademarks based on the name of the company and trust owned by our manager, entirely in their businesses and operations within 180 days of such termination. This agreement would require the trust, the company and its businesses to change their names to remove any reference to the term "Compass" or any trademarks owned by our manager.

See the section entitled "Management Services Agreement — Termination of Management Services Agreement" for more information about the termination provisions set forth in the management services agreement.

Anti-Takeover Provisions in the Trust Agreement and the LLC Agreement

A number of provisions of the trust agreement and the LLC agreement also could have the effect of making it more difficult for a third party to acquire, or of discouraging a third party from acquiring, control of the trust and the company. The trust agreement and the LLC agreement prohibit the merger or consolidation of the trust and the company with or into any limited liability company, corporation, statutory trust, business trust or association, real estate investment trust, common-law trust or any other unincorporated business, including a partnership, or the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the trust's or the company's property or assets unless, in each case, the company's board of directors adopts a resolution by a majority vote approving such action and unless (i) in the case of the company, such action is approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of each of the outstanding trust interests and allocation interests entitled to vote thereon or (ii) in the case of the trust, such action is approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote thereon.

In addition, the trust agreement and the LLC agreement each contain provisions based on Section 203 of the DGCL which prohibit the company and the trust from engaging in a business combination with an interested shareholder unless (i) in the case of the company, such business combination is approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of 66²/₃% of each of the outstanding trust interests and allocation interests or (ii) in the case of the trust, such business combination is approved by the affirmative vote of the holders of 66²/₃% of the outstanding shares, in each case, excluding shares or interests, as the case may be, held by the interested stockholder or any affiliate or associate of the interested stockholder.

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Subject to the right of our manager to appoint directors and any successor in the event of a vacancy, the LLC agreement authorizes only the chairman of the company's board of directors to fill vacancies until the second annual meeting of members (and thereafter allowing the company's board of directors to fill such vacancies) following the closing of this offering. This provision could prevent a shareholder of the trust from effectively obtaining an indirect majority representation on the company's board of directors by permitting the existing board of directors to increase the number of directors and to fill the vacancies with its own nominees. The LLC agreement also provides that directors may be removed, with or without cause, only by the affirmative vote of holders of 85% of the outstanding shares. An appointed director may only be removed by our manager, as holder of the allocation interests.

The trust agreement and the LLC agreement do not permit holders of the shares to act by written consent. Instead, shareholders may only take action via proxy, which, when the action relates to the trust's exercise of its rights as a member of the company, may be presented at a duly called annual or special meeting of members of the company and will constitute the vote of the trust. For so long as the trust remains a member of the company, the trust will act by written consent, including to vote its trust interests in a manner that reflects the vote by proxy of the holders of the shares. Furthermore, the trust agreement and the LLC agreement provide that special meetings may only be called by the chairman of the company's board of directors or by resolution adopted by the company's board of directors.

The trust agreement and the LLC agreement also provide that members, or holders of shares, seeking to bring business before an annual meeting of members or to nominate candidates for election as directors at an annual meeting of members of the company, must provide notice thereof in writing to the company not less than 120 days and not more than 150 days prior to the anniversary date of the preceding year's annual meeting of members or as otherwise required by requirements of the Exchange Act. In addition, the member or holder of shares furnishing such notice must be a member or shareholder, as the case may be, of record on both (i) the date of delivering such notice and (ii) the record date for the determination of members or shareholders, as the case may be, entitled to vote at such meeting. The trust agreement and the LLC agreement specify certain requirements as to the form and content of a member's or shareholder's notice, as the case may be. These provisions may preclude members or holders of shares from bringing matters before holders of shares at an annual meeting or from making nominations for directors at an annual or special meeting.

The company's board of directors will be divided into three classes serving staggered three-year terms, which will effectively require at least two election cycles for a majority of the company's board of directors to be replaced. See the section entitled "Management" for more information about the company's staggered board. In addition, our manager will have certain rights with respect to appointing one or more directors, as discussed above.

Authorized but unissued shares are available for future issuance, without approval of the shareholders of the trust. These additional shares may be utilized for a variety of purposes, including future public offerings to raise additional capital or to fund acquisitions, as well as option plans for employees of the company or its businesses. The existence of authorized but unissued shares could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of the trust by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.

In addition, the company's board of directors has broad authority to amend the trust agreement and the LLC agreement, as discussed below. The company's board of directors could, in the future, choose to amend the trust agreement or the LLC agreement to include other provisions which have the intention or effect of discouraging takeover attempts.

Amendment of the LLC Agreement

The LLC agreement (including the distribution provisions thereof) may be amended only by a majority vote of the board of directors of the company, except that amending the following provisions requires an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the outstanding shares:

- the purpose or powers of the company;
- the authorization of an increase in trust interests;
- the distribution rights of the trust interests;
- the voting rights of the trust interests;
- the provisions regarding the right to acquire trust interests after an acquisition exchange described above;
- the right of holders of shares to enforce the LLC agreement or to institute any legal proceeding for any remedy available to the trust;
- the hiring of a replacement manager following the termination of the management services agreement;
- the merger or consolidation of the company, the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the company's assets and certain other business combinations or transactions;
- the right of holders to vote on the dissolution, winding up and liquidation of the company; and
- the provision of the LLC agreement governing amendments thereof.

In addition, the manager, as holder of the allocation interests, will have the rights specified above under “— Voting and Consent Rights”.

Amendment of the Trust Agreement

The trust agreement may be amended by the company, as sponsor of the trust, and the regular trustees acting at the company's direction. However, the company may not, without the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares, enter into or consent to any amendment of the trust agreement that would:

- cause the trust to fail or cease to qualify for the exemption from the status of an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act or be classified as anything other than a grantor trust for United States federal income tax purposes;
- cause the trust to fail to qualify as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- cause the trust to issue a class of equity securities other than the shares (as described above under “— Shares in the Trust”), or issue any debt securities or any derivative securities or amend the provision of the trust agreement prohibiting any such issuances;
- affect the exclusive and absolute right of our shareholders to direct the voting of the trust, as a member of the company, with respect to all matters reserved for the vote of members of the company pursuant to the LLC agreement;
- effect the merger or consolidation of the trust, effect the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the trust's property or assets and certain other business combinations or transactions;

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- amend the distribution rights of the shares;
- increase the number of authorized shares; or
- amend the provision of the trust agreement governing the amendment thereof.

Trustees

Messrs. Massoud and Bottiglieri currently serve as the regular trustees of the trust, and The Bank of New York (Delaware) currently serves as the Delaware trustee of the trust. In conjunction with the closing of this offering, Mr. Massoud will resign and Mr. Alan B. Offenbergs will replace Mr. Massoud as a regular trustee.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The transfer agent and registrar for the shares and the trust interests is The Bank of New York.

Listing

We have applied to have the shares quoted on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "CODI".

SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

Prior to this offering, no public market existed for our shares. The prevailing market price of our shares could decline because of sales of a large number of shares in the open market following this offering or the perception that those sales may occur. These factors also could impair our ability to raise capital through future offerings of shares.

Upon completion of this offering and the separate private placement transactions, we will have outstanding an aggregate of 20,000,000 shares, or 22,100,000 shares if the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full. All of the shares sold in this offering will be freely tradable without restriction or further registration under the Securities Act, except for shares, if any, which may be acquired by our "affiliates" as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act. Persons who may be deemed to be affiliates generally include individuals or entities that control, are controlled by, or are under common control with, us and may include our directors and officers as well as our significant shareholders, if any.

We expect that certain directors, officers and employees of our manager will purchase an aggregate of 31,333 shares, representing approximately 0.2% of the then outstanding shares, in connection with this offering pursuant to our directed share program. If purchased, such shares will be deemed "control securities", as that concept is embodied in Rule 144 under the Securities Act, notwithstanding the purchase of such shares pursuant to an effective registration statement. As a result, such shares may not be resold except in accordance with the requirements of Rule 144 under the Securities Act. See the section entitled "Underwriting — Directed Share Program" for more information about the directed share program.

An aggregate of approximately 5,733,333 shares, representing approximately 28.7% of the outstanding shares after this offering, held by CGI upon completion of this offering, which were purchased pursuant to a separate private placement transaction, will be deemed "restricted securities," as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act, and may not be resold in the absence of registration under the Securities Act or pursuant to exemptions from such registration, including, among others, the exemptions provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act. An aggregate of approximately 266,667 shares, representing approximately 1.3% of the outstanding shares after this offering, held by Pharos upon completion of this offering, which were purchased pursuant to a separate private placement transaction, will be deemed "restricted securities," as that term is defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act, and may not be resold in the absence of registration under the Securities Act or pursuant to exemptions from such registration, including, among others, the exemptions provided by Rule 144 under the Securities Act. See the section entitled "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" for more information about the private placement transactions with CGI and Pharos and the section entitled "— Registration Rights" for more information about the registration rights with respect to their restricted securities.

Lock-Up Agreements

We, each of our directors and officers, CGI, Pharos and the employees of our manager have agreed, subject to certain exceptions, to enter into lock-up agreements in favor of the underwriters that prohibit us and them, directly or indirectly, from selling or otherwise disposing of any shares of the trust or securities convertible into shares of the trust, other than shares purchased in open market transactions after pricing of this offering, for a period of 180 days from the date of this prospectus, without the prior written consent of Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated, subject to certain exceptions. See the section entitled "Underwriting — Lock-Up Agreements" for more information about the lock-up agreements.

Immediately following this offering, we expect our directors and officers and the employees of our manager will own 299,800 shares, representing approximately 1.5% of the then outstanding shares, or approximately 1.4% if the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full. Immediately following this offering, CGI will own approximately 5,733,333 shares, representing approximately 28.7% of the outstanding shares after this offering, or approximately 25.9% if the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full. Immediately following this offering, Pharos will own approximately 266,667 shares, representing approximately 1.3% of the outstanding shares after this offering, or approximately 1.2% if the underwriters' over-allotment option is exercised in full. Other than with respect to restrictions on trading

pursuant to Rule 144, these shares will not be restricted pursuant to the lock-up agreements upon the expiration of the 180 days lock-up period.

Rule 144

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, beginning 90 days after the date of this prospectus, a person who has beneficially owned restricted securities for at least one year is entitled to sell within any three-month period the number of those restricted securities that does not exceed the greater of:

- 1% of the total number of shares then outstanding (or approximately 200,000 shares upon closing of this offering); and
- the average weekly trading volume of the shares on the Nasdaq National Market during the four calendar weeks preceding the filing of a notice on Form 144 with respect to such sale.

Sales under Rule 144 are also subject to satisfaction of manner-of-sale provisions and notice requirements and to the availability of current public information about us. Under Rule 144(k), a person that has not been one of our affiliates at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and that has beneficially owned the shares proposed to be sold for at least two years, is entitled to sell those shares without regard to the volume, manner of sale or other limitations contained in Rule 144.

Rule 144 also imposes certain limitations on securities held by a person in a control relationship with the issuer of such securities, including securities that were acquired by such person pursuant to an effective registration statement.

Registration Rights

In connection with our private placement transactions with CGI and Pharos, we intend to enter into registration rights agreements for the registration and sale of shares purchased in such private placement transactions. See the section entitled “Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions” for more information about the private placement transactions with CGI and Pharos. After these shares are registered pursuant to their respective registration rights agreements and sold, such shares will be freely tradable without restriction.

We expect that the registration rights agreements will require us to file a shelf registration statement under the Securities Act relating to the resale of all the shares owned by Pharos and CGI as soon as reasonably possible following the first anniversary of the closing of this offering, or earlier if so requested by the holders of registration rights, to permit the public resale of (i) 30% of CGI’s and Pharos’ shares, as the case may be, after the date that is six months after the closing of this offering, (ii) an additional 35% of CGI’s and Pharos’ shares, as the case may be, after the date that is eighteen months after the closing of this offering, and (iii) all of CGI’s and Pharos’ shares, as the case may be, after the date that is three years after the closing of this offering. We will agree to use our best efforts to have the registration statement declared effective as soon as possible thereafter and to maintain effectiveness of the registration statement (subject to limited exceptions). We will be obligated to take certain actions as are required to permit resales of the registrable shares. In addition, the holders of registration rights may require us to include their shares in future registration statements that we file, subject to cutback at the option of the underwriters of any such offering. Each registration statement will provide that we will bear the expenses incurred in connection with the filing of any registration statements pursuant to the exercise of registration rights.

Option Plan

We intend to file a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act to register a certain number of shares for issuance under our Option Plan. See the section entitled “Management — Option Plan” for more information about our Option Plan.

MATERIAL U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of material U.S. federal income tax considerations associated with the purchase, ownership and disposition of shares by U.S. holders (as defined below) and non-U.S. holders (as defined below). The following summary is based upon current provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), currently applicable United States Treasury Regulations ("Regulations") and judicial and administrative rulings as of the date hereof. This summary is not binding upon the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"), and no rulings have been or will be sought from the IRS regarding any matters discussed in this summary. In that regard, there can be no assurance that positions taken with respect to, for example, the status of the trust as a grantor trust, or the status of the company as a partnership, will not be challenged by the IRS. In addition, legislative, judicial or administrative changes may be forthcoming that could alter or modify the tax consequences, possibly on a retroactive basis.

This summary deals only with shares of the trust that are held as capital assets by holders who acquire the shares upon original issuance and does not address (except to the limited extent described below) special situations, such as those of:

- brokers and dealers in securities or currencies;
- financial institutions;
- regulated investment companies;
- real estate investment trusts;
- tax-exempt organizations;
- insurance companies;
- persons holding shares as a part of a hedging, integrated or conversion transaction or a straddle, or as part of any other risk reduction transaction;
- traders in securities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities holdings; or
- persons liable for alternative minimum tax.

A "U.S. holder" of shares means a beneficial owner of shares that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

- an individual citizen or resident of the United States;
- a corporation (or other entity taxable as a corporation) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia;
- a partnership (or other entity treated as a partnership for tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States or any state thereof or the District of Columbia, the interests in which are owned only by U.S. persons;
- an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or
- a trust if it (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a federal, state or local court within the United States and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) has a valid election in effect under applicable Regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

A "non-U.S. holder" of shares means a beneficial owner of shares that is not a U.S. holder.

If a partnership (or other entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds shares of the trust, the tax treatment of any non-U.S. partner in such partnership (or other entity) will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a non-U.S. partner of a partnership (or similarly treated entity) that acquires and holds shares of the trust, we urge you to consult your own tax adviser.

No statutory, administrative or judicial authority directly addresses many of the U.S. federal income tax issues pertaining to the treatment of shares or instruments similar to the shares. As a result, we cannot

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assure you that the IRS or the courts will agree with the positions described in this summary. A different treatment of the shares, the trust or the company from that described below could adversely affect the amount, timing, character, and manner for reporting of income, gain or loss in respect of an investment in the shares. **If you are considering the purchase of shares, we urge you to consult your own tax adviser concerning the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences to you of the purchase, ownership and disposition of shares, as well as any consequences to you arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.**

Status of the Trust

Under current law and assuming full compliance with the terms of the trust agreement (and other relevant documents), although the matter is not free from doubt, in the opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, the trust will be classified as a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes and not as an association taxable as a corporation. The trust intends to qualify as a fixed-investment trust (which is a type of grantor trust) that is authorized to own only trust interests in the company. The administrative powers of the trustee include the requirement that the trustee pay to the holders of shares all cash distributions received by the trust from the company. The trustee, however, is not authorized to sell, exchange, convey, pledge, encumber, or otherwise transfer, assign or dispose of the trust interests held by the trust, nor to invest or reinvest assets of the trust. There is, accordingly, no intended power under the trust agreement of the trustee to vary the investments of the holders of shares of the trust. At all times, each share of the trust will correspond to one trust interest in the company. As a result, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, a holder of shares generally will be treated as the beneficial owner of a pro rata share of the trust interests in the company held by the trust. You should be aware that an opinion of counsel is not binding on the IRS or the courts. Therefore, there can be no assurance that the IRS will not contend, or that a court will not ultimately hold, that the trust does not constitute a fixed-investment trust, and, thus, a grantor trust, for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the trust were to be determined not to constitute a grantor trust for U.S. federal income tax purposes, it likely would be regarded as a partnership. While such recharacterization would affect the manner in which the trust reports tax information to holders of shares it should not materially affect the timing of income or loss recognition or the character of income realized by and reportable by holders of shares. In that event, or if the board of directors determines that the existence of the trust results or is reasonably likely to result in a material tax detriment to holders, among other things, the board of directors may dissolve the trust and transfer the trust interests held by the trust to holders in exchange for their shares of the trust. Were the board of directors to do so, the shareholders would then hold trust interests directly in the company as opposed to beneficially owning the trust interests through the trust.

Status of the Company

Pursuant to current Regulations, and subject to the discussion of “publicly traded partnerships” herein, the company intends to be classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and, accordingly, no federal income tax will be payable by it as an entity. Instead, each holder of shares in the trust who, in turn, will be treated as a beneficial owner of trust interests in the company, will be required to take into account its distributive share of the items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit of the company.

If the company were not treated as a partnership and, instead, were to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation, the company would be subject to federal income tax on any taxable income at regular corporate tax rates, thereby reducing the amount of cash available for distribution to the trust. In that event, the holders of shares would not be entitled to take into account their distributive shares of the company’s deductions in computing their taxable income, nor would they be subject to tax on their respective shares of the company’s income. Distributions to a holder would be treated as (i) dividends to the extent of the company’s current or accumulated earnings and profits, (ii) a return of basis to the extent of each holder’s basis in its shares, and (iii) gain from the sale or exchange of property to the extent that any remaining distribution exceeds the holder’s basis in its shares. Overall, treatment of the company as an association taxable as a corporation may substantially reduce the anticipated benefits of an investment in the company.

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A “publicly traded partnership” (as defined in Section 7704 of the Code) is any partnership the interests in which are traded on an established securities market or which are readily tradable on a secondary market (or the substantial equivalent thereof). A publicly traded partnership is treated as a corporation unless a certain percentage of its gross income during certain prescribed periods is “qualifying income” (generally, passive-type income).

Under the qualifying income exception, 90% or more of the gross income of a partnership during each taxable year must consist of “qualifying income” within the meaning of Section 7704(d) of the Code. Qualifying income includes dividends, interest and capital gains from the sale or other disposition of stocks and bonds. We estimate that more than 90% of our gross income for each taxable year will constitute qualifying income within the meaning of Section 7704(d) of the Code.

Under current law and assuming full compliance with the terms of the LLC agreement (and other relevant documents) and based upon factual representations made by us, in the opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, the company will be classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The factual representations made by us upon which Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP has relied include: (a) the company has not elected and will not elect to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes; and (b) for each taxable year, more than 90% of the company’s gross income will be income that Sutherland Asbill and Brennan LLP has opined or will opine is qualifying income within the meaning of Section 7704(d) of the Code.

There can be no assurance that the IRS will not successfully assert that the company should be treated as a publicly traded partnership taxable as a corporation. No ruling has been or will be sought from the IRS, and the IRS has made no determination, as to the status of the company for U.S. federal income tax purposes or whether the company will have sufficient qualifying income under Section 7704(d) of the Code. Whether the company will continue to meet the qualifying income exception is dependent on the company’s continuing activities and the nature of the income generated by those activities. In this regard, while the company does not anticipate realizing any management fee income (which would not constitute qualifying income), the treatment of income earned by our manager from offsetting management services agreements between our manager and the operating businesses is not clear. In any event, the company’s board of directors will use its best efforts to cause the company to conduct its activities in such manner as is necessary for the company to continue to meet the qualifying income exception.

If the company fails to satisfy the qualifying income exception described above (other than a failure which is determined by the IRS to be inadvertent and which is cured within a reasonable period of time after the discovery of such failure), the company will be treated as if it had (i) transferred all of its assets, subject to its liabilities, to a newly-formed corporation on the first day of the year in which it fails to satisfy the exception, in return for stock in that corporation, and (ii) then distributed that stock to the trust and, in turn, to the holders of shares in liquidation of their beneficial interests in the company. This contribution and liquidation should be tax-free to holders and the company so long as the company, at that time, does not have liabilities in excess of its tax basis in its assets. Thereafter, the company would be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

The discussion below is based on the opinion of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP that the company will be classified as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders

Tax Treatment of the Company

As a partnership, the company itself will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax, although it will file an annual partnership information return with the IRS, which information return will report the results of its activities. That information return also will contain schedules reflecting allocations of profits or losses (and items thereof) to members of the company, that is, to the manager and to the trust.

Tax Treatment of Company Income to Holders

Each partner of a partnership is required to take into account its share of items of income, gain, loss, deduction and other items of the partnership. Assuming the trust is regarded as a grantor trust and,

accordingly, that each holder of shares is treated as beneficially owning a pro rata share of trust interests in the company held by the trust, each holder will be required to include on its tax return its allocable share of company income, gain, loss, deduction and other items without regard to whether the holder receives corresponding cash distributions. Thus, holders of shares may be required to report taxable income without a corresponding current receipt of cash if the company were to recognize taxable income and not make cash distributions to the trust.

The company's taxable income is expected to consist mostly of interest income, capital gains and dividends. Interest income will be earned upon the funds loaned by the company to the operating subsidiaries and from temporary investments of the company, and will be taxable to the holders at ordinary income rates. Capital gains will be reported upon the sale of stock or assets by the company, and will be taxed to the holders at capital gains rates. Any dividends received by the company from its domestic corporate holdings generally will constitute qualified dividend income, which will, under current law (which, without additional Congressional action, will expire with respect to dividends received after December 31, 2008), qualify for a reduced rate of tax. Any dividends received by the company that do not constitute qualified dividend income will be taxed to holders at the tax rates generally applicable to ordinary income. Dividend income of the company from its domestic operating subsidiaries that is allocated to corporate holders of shares will qualify for the dividends received deduction.

Allocation of Company Profits and Losses

Under Section 704 of the Code, the determination of a partner's distributive share of any item of income, gain, loss, deduction, or credit of a partnership shall be governed by the partnership agreement unless the allocation so provided lacks "substantial economic effect." Accordingly, a holder's share of the company's items of income, gain, loss, deduction, and credit will be determined by the LLC agreement, unless the allocations under the LLC agreement are determined not to have "substantial economic effect." Subject to the discussion below in this section and under "— Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders — Allocations Among Holders" and "Section 754 Election," it is the opinion of tax counsel that the allocations under the LLC agreement should be considered to have substantial economic effect. If the allocations were found to lack substantial economic effect, the allocations nonetheless should be deemed to be made in accordance with the "partners' interests in the partnership," a facts and circumstances analysis of the underlying economic arrangement of the company's members.

In general, under the LLC agreement, items of ordinary income and loss will be allocated ratably between the trust and the manager based upon their relative right to receive distributions from the company; and further, items allocated to the trust would be allocable ratably among the holders based on the number of trust interests beneficially held. Allocations of capital gains realized by the company will be made first to the extent of any profit allocation to the manager. Thereafter gains and losses from capital transactions will be allocated among the holders, based on the number of trust interests beneficially held. If the allocations provided by the LLC agreement were successfully challenged by the IRS, the amount of income or loss allocated to holders for U.S. federal income tax purposes could be increased or reduced or the character of the income or loss could be modified.

The federal income tax laws require specified items of taxable income, gain, loss and deduction to be allocated in a manner that accounts for the difference between the tax basis and the fair market value of property contributed to a partnership. Because all capital contributions to the company are contemplated to be in the form of cash and the company does not anticipate acquiring by contribution any property other than cash, these special allocation rules that account for a book-tax disparity would not generally apply to the company. These special allocation rules, however, also may apply to a partnership in the event of the issuance of new shares in a subsequent equity offering. The intended effect of these rules would be to allocate built-in tax gain or tax loss in a partnership's assets to investors who economically earned such gain or loss. However, our ability to monitor shareholder activities to make such allocations in a precise and accurate way is limited, and any convention that may be applied in an effort to do so may be challenged by the IRS. Accordingly, the company does not anticipate making special tax allocations to account for a book-tax disparity in the company's assets as of any subsequent offering of shares. Instead, the terms of the LLC agreement provide in substance that all holders share equally in any capital gains

(after any profit allocation to the manager). As a result, if one of the businesses owned by the company had appreciated (or declined) in value before, and was sold after, a subsequent offering of shares, the resulting taxable gain (or tax loss) from the sale of the business (after any profit allocation to the manager) would be allocable to all holders, including holders that purchase their shares in the trust in the later offering. This is similar to the concept of purchasing a dividend in a mutual fund.

The U.S. federal income tax rules that apply to partnership allocations are complex, and their application, particularly to exchange-traded partnerships, is not always clear. We will apply certain conventions and assumptions intended to achieve general compliance with the intent of these rules, and to report items of income and loss in a manner that generally reflects a holder's economic gains and losses; however, these conventions and assumptions may not be considered to comply with all aspects of the Regulations. It is, therefore, possible the IRS will successfully assert that certain of the conventions or assumptions are not acceptable, and may require items of company income, gain, loss or deduction to be reallocated in a manner that could be adverse to a holder of shares.

Treatment of Distributions

Distributions of cash by a partnership generally are not taxable to the distributee-partner to the extent the amount of cash distributed does not exceed the distributee's tax basis in its partnership interest. Cash distributions made by the company to the trust, which cash distributions the trustee in turn will distribute to the holders of shares, would create taxable gain to a holder only to the extent the distribution were to exceed the holder's tax basis in the trust interests the holder is treated as beneficially owning (see the section entitled "— Tax Basis in Trust Interests"). Any cash distribution in excess of a holder's tax basis generally will be considered to be gain from the sale or exchange of the shares (see the section entitled "— Disposition of Shares" below).

Cash distributions to the holders of shares generally will be funded by payments to the company from the operating subsidiaries, which payments will consist of interest and principal payments on indebtedness owed to the company, and, subject to availability and board of director's discretion, dividends. After payment of expenses, the company, again subject to the board of director's discretion, intends to distribute the net cash to the trust, which in turn will distribute the net cash to the holders of shares. Distributions that are attributable to payments in amortization of the debt may exceed the company's taxable income, thus, resulting in distributions to the holders of shares that should constitute a return of their investment. As indicated, if cash distributions to a holder exceed the holder's adjusted tax basis in the trust interests such holder is treated as beneficially owning, a taxable gain would result.

Disposition of Shares

If a U.S. holder transfers shares, it will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as having transferred its pro rata share of the trust interests held by the trust. If such transfer is a sale or other taxable disposition, the holder will generally be required to recognize gain or loss measured by the difference between the amount realized on the sale and the holder's adjusted tax basis in the trust interests deemed sold. The amount realized will include the holder's share of the company's liabilities, as well as any proceeds from the sale. The gain or loss recognized will generally be taxable as capital gain or loss, except that the gain or loss will be ordinary (and not capital gain or loss) to the extent attributable to the holder's allocable share of unrealized gain or loss in assets of the company described in Section 751 of the Code (including unrealized receivables, inventory or unremitted earnings of any controlled foreign corporations held, directly or indirectly, by the company). Capital gain of non-corporate U.S. holders is eligible to be taxed at reduced rates where the trust interests deemed sold are considered held for more than one year. Capital gain of corporate U.S. holders is taxed at the same rate as ordinary income. Any capital loss recognized by a U.S. holder on a sale of shares will generally be deductible only against capital gains, except that a non-corporate U.S. holder may also offset up to \$3,000 per year of ordinary income.

Pursuant to certain IRS rulings, a partner is treated as having a single, "unified" basis in all partnership interests that it owns. As a result, if a holder acquires shares at different prices and sells less than all of its shares, such holder will not be entitled to specify particular shares (which correspond to trust interests) as having been sold (as it could do if the company were a corporation). Rather, the holder

should determine its gain or loss on the sale by using an “equitable apportionment” method to allocate a portion of its unified basis to its shares sold. For example, if a holder purchased 200 shares for \$10 per share and 200 shares for \$20 per share (and assuming no other adjustments to basis), the holder would have “unified” basis of \$6,000 in its 400 shares (each of which corresponds to one trust interest in the company). If the holder sold 100 of its shares, the adjusted basis in the shares sold would be \$1,500.

Gain or loss recognized by a holder on the sale or exchange of shares held for more than one year will generally be taxable as long-term capital gain or loss; otherwise, such gain or loss will generally be taxable as short-term capital gain or loss. A special election is available under the Regulations that will allow a holder to identify and use the actual holding periods for the shares sold for purposes of determining long-term capital gain or loss. If a holder fails to make the election or is not able to identify the holding periods for shares sold, the holder likely will have a fragmented holding period in the shares sold.

A holder that sells some or all of its shares is urged to consult its tax advisor to determine the proper application of these rules in light of the holder’s particular circumstances.

Tax Basis in Trust Interests

A U.S. holder’s initial tax basis in its shares, and, in turn, in its ratable share of trust interests it is treated as beneficially owning, will equal the sum of (a) the amount of cash paid by such holder for its shares and (b) such holder’s share of the company’s liabilities. A U.S. holder’s tax basis in the trust interests it is treated as beneficially owning will be increased by (a) the holder’s share of the company’s taxable income, including capital gain, (b) the holder’s share of the company’s income, if any, that is exempt from tax and (c) any increase in the holder’s share of the company’s liabilities. A U.S. holder’s tax basis in the trust interests it is treated as beneficially owning will be decreased (but not below zero) by (a) the amount of any cash distributed (or deemed distributed) to the holder, (b) the holder’s share of the company’s losses and deductions, (c) the holder’s share of the company’s expenditures that are neither deductible nor properly chargeable to a capital account and (d) any decrease in the holder’s share of the company’s liabilities.

Treatment of Securities Loans

A U.S. holder whose shares are loaned to a “short seller” to cover a short sale of shares may be considered to have disposed of those shares. If so, such holder would no longer be regarded as a beneficial owner of a pro rata portion of the trust interests with respect to those shares during the period of the loan and may recognize gain or loss from the disposition. As a result, during the period of the loan (i) company income, gain, loss, deduction or other items with respect to those shares would not be includible or reportable by the holder, and (ii) cash distributions received by the holder with respect to those shares could be fully taxable, likely as ordinary income. A holder who participates in any such transaction is urged to consult with its tax adviser.

Limitations on Interest Deductions

The deductibility of a non-corporate U.S. holder’s “investment interest expense” is generally limited to the amount of such holder’s “net investment income.” Investment interest expense would generally include interest expense incurred by the company, if any, and interest expense incurred by the U.S. holder on any margin account borrowing or other loan incurred to purchase or carry shares of the trust. Net investment income includes gross income from property held for investment and amounts treated as portfolio income, such as dividends and interest, under the passive loss rules, less deductible expenses, other than interest, directly connected with the production of investment income. For this purpose, any long-term capital gain or qualifying dividend income that is taxable at long-term capital gains rates is excluded from net investment income unless the holder elects to pay tax on such gain or dividend income at ordinary income rates.

Management Fees and Other Expenses

The company will pay an annual management fee to our manager. The company will also pay certain costs and expenses incurred in connection with activities of our manager. The company intends to deduct such fees and expenses to the extent that they are reasonable in amount and are not capital in nature or otherwise nondeductible. In the opinion of tax counsel, the management fees and other expenses will generally constitute miscellaneous itemized deductions for individual U.S. holders of shares. Accordingly, as described immediately below, certain limitations on deductibility of such fees and expenses by the shareholder could reduce or eliminate any associated tax benefits. Corporate U.S. holders of shares generally will not be subject to these limitations.

In general, a U.S. holder's share of the expenses incurred by the company that are considered miscellaneous itemized deductions may be deducted by a U.S. holder that is an individual, estate or trust only to the extent that the holder's share of the expenses exceeds 2% of the adjusted gross income of such holder. The Code imposes additional limitations (which are scheduled to be phased out between 2006 and 2010) on the amount of certain itemized deductions allowable to individuals, by reducing the otherwise allowable portion of such deductions by an amount equal to the lesser of:

- 3% of the individual's adjusted gross income in excess of certain threshold amounts; or
- 80% of the amount of certain itemized deductions otherwise allowable for the taxable year.

Organizational and syndication expenses, in general, may not be deducted currently by either the company or any U.S. holder of shares. An election may be made by the company to amortize organizational expenses over a 180-month period. Syndication expenses cannot be amortized or deducted.

The company will report such expenses on a pro rata basis, and each U.S. holder will be required to determine separately to what extent these items are deductible on such holder's tax return. A U.S. holder's inability to deduct all or a portion of such expenses could result in such holder's reporting as its share of company taxable income an amount that exceeds any cash actually distributed to such U.S. holder for the year.

Section 754 Election

The company will make the election permitted by Section 754 of the Code. Such an election, once made, is irrevocable without the consent of the IRS. The election will generally require, in connection with a purchase of shares in the open market, that the company adjust its proportionate share of the tax basis in the company's assets, or the "inside" basis, pursuant to Section 743(b) of the Code to fair market value (as reflected in the purchase price for the purchaser's shares), as if the purchaser of shares had acquired a direct interest in the company's assets. The Section 743(b) basis adjustment is attributed solely to a purchaser of shares and does not affect the tax basis of the company's assets associated with other holders. The Section 754 election, however, could result in adjustments to the "common basis" of the company's assets, under Section 734, in connection with certain distributions.

Generally, the Section 754 election is intended to eliminate the disparity between a purchaser's "outside" tax basis in its shares and its share of "inside" tax basis of the company's assets such that the amount of gain or loss allocable to the purchaser on the disposition by the company of its assets will correspond to the purchaser's share in the appreciation or depreciation in the value of such assets since the purchaser acquired its shares. The consequences of this basis adjustment may be favorable or unfavorable as to the purchaser-holder.

The calculations under Section 754 of the Code are complex, and there is little legal authority concerning the mechanics of the calculations, particularly in the context of publicly traded partnerships. To help reduce the complexity of those calculations and the resulting administrative costs to the company, the company will apply certain simplifying conventions in determining and allocating these inside basis adjustments. It is possible that the IRS will successfully assert that the conventions utilized by the company do not satisfy the technical requirements of the Code or the Regulations and, thus, will require different basis adjustments to be made. If different adjustments were to be required by the IRS, some holders could be adversely affected.

Limitations on Deductibility of Losses

The deduction by a U.S. holder of its share of the company's losses, if any, will be limited to the lesser of (i) the tax basis in such holder's shares (and, in turn, in the trust interests the holder is deemed to own), or (ii) in the case of a holder that is an individual or a closely-held corporation (a corporation where more than fifty percent (50%) of the value of its stock is owned directly or indirectly by five or fewer individuals or certain tax-exempt organizations), the amount which the holder is considered to be "at risk" with respect to certain activities of the company. In general, the amount "at risk" includes the holder's actual amount paid for the shares and any share of company debt that constitutes "qualified nonrecourse financing." The amount "at risk" excludes any amount the holder borrows to acquire or hold its shares if the lender of such borrowed funds owns shares or can look only to shares for repayment. Losses in excess of the amount at risk must be deferred until years in which the company generates taxable income against which to offset such carryover losses.

Passive Activity Income and Loss

The "passive activity loss" limitations generally provide that individuals, estates, trusts and certain closely-held corporations and personal service corporations can deduct losses from passive activities (generally, activities in which the taxpayer does not materially participate) only to the extent of the taxpayer's income from passive activities. It is expected that holders will not recognize any passive activity income or passive activity loss as a result of an investment in shares.

Allocations Among Holders

In general, the company's profits and losses will be determined monthly and will be apportioned among the holders in proportion to the number of shares of the trust treated as beneficially owned by each holder as of the close of the last trading day of the preceding month. As a result, a seller of shares prior to the close of the last trading day of a month may be allocated income, gain, loss or deduction realized by the company following the date of sale. With respect to any trust interest that was not treated as outstanding as of the close of the last trading day of the preceding month, the first person that is treated as beneficially holding such trust interest (other than an underwriter or other person holding in a similar capacity) for U.S. federal income tax purposes will be treated as holding such interest for this purpose as of the close of the last trading date of the preceding month. Furthermore, all dividends and distributions by the company (and, correspondingly, by the trust), will be made to the transferor of shares if the record date is on or before the date of transfer; similarly, if the record date is after the date of transfer, dividends and distributions shall be made to the transferee. Thus, a holder who owns shares as of the last trading day of any month and who disposes of the shares prior to the record date set for a cash distribution for that month, would be allocated items of income or loss attributable to the next succeeding month but would not be entitled to receive the cash distribution.

The Code generally requires that items of partnership income, gain, loss and deduction be allocated between transferors and transferees of partnership interests on a daily basis to take into account changes in the make-up of the partnership. It is possible that a transfer of shares could be considered to occur for U.S. federal income tax purposes on the day when the transfer is completed without regard to the company's monthly convention for allocating profit and loss. In that event, the company's allocation method might be considered a method that does not comply with the tax laws.

If the IRS were to treat the transfer of shares as occurring throughout each month, and the use of a monthly convention were not allowed, or if the IRS otherwise does not accept the company's allocation convention, the IRS may contend that taxable income or losses of the company must be reallocated among the holders. If such a contention by the IRS were sustained, the holders' respective tax liabilities would be adjusted to the possible detriment of certain holders. The company's board of directors is authorized to revise the company's allocation methods in order to comply with the applicable tax laws or to allocate items of company income, gain, loss or deduction in a manner that may more accurately reflect the holders' respective beneficial interests in the company as may be necessary.

Constructive Termination

The company will be considered to have terminated for tax purposes if there is a sale or exchange of 50 percent or more of the total shares within a 12-month period. A constructive termination results in the closing of the company's taxable year for all holders. In the case of a holder reporting on a taxable year other than a fiscal year ending December 31, the closing of the company's taxable year may result in more than 12 months of its taxable income or loss being includable in such holder's taxable income for the year of termination. The company would be required to make new tax elections after a termination, including a new election under Section 754. A termination could also result in penalties if the company were unable to determine that the termination has occurred.

Tax Reporting by the Trust and the Company

Information returns will be filed by the company with the IRS, as required, with respect to income, gain, loss, deduction and other items derived from the company's activities. The company will file a partnership return with the IRS and intends to issue a Schedule K-1 to the trustee, on behalf of the holders as beneficial owners of the trust interests. The trustee intends to provide information to each holder of shares using a monthly convention as the calculation period. The trustee also will provide information on a full calendar year basis. The information will be provided so that the beneficial owners of the shares may determine with reasonable accuracy the items of income, gain, loss and deduction that are attributable to their shares. The trustee will do so on a Form 1099 (or substantially similar form), issued as soon as practicable after the end of each year. Additionally, a holder will be informed of necessary tax information on a tax information statement (or such other form as may be required by law) in accordance with recently issued Regulations. Because substantially all of the trust's income is from dividends and interest, and all trust interests will have identical value and rights, the trust may adopt a simplified reporting method permitted under the new Regulations. If a holder holds shares through a nominee (such as a broker), we anticipate that the nominee will provide the holder with a Form 1099 (or substantially similar form), which will be supplemented by additional tax information that we will make available. In this context, we further expect that the relevant and necessary information for tax purposes also will be readily available electronically through our website. Each holder will be deemed to have consented to provide relevant information, and if the shares are held through a broker or other nominee, to allow such broker or other nominee to provide such information as is reasonably requested by us for purposes of complying with our tax reporting obligations. We note that, given the lack of authority addressing structures similar to that of the trust and the company, it is not certain that the IRS will agree with the manner in which tax reporting by the trust and the company will be undertaken.

Audits and Adjustments to Tax Liability

A challenge by the IRS, such as in a tax audit, to the tax treatment by a partnership of any item generally must be conducted at the partnership, rather than at the partner, level. A partnership ordinarily designates a "tax matters partner" (as defined under Section 6231 of the Code) as the person to receive notices and to act on behalf of the partnership and the partners in the conduct of such a challenge or audit by the IRS. The company, as a limited liability company, has designated our manager as the "tax matters member," who shall serve as the tax matters partner.

Our tax matters member, which is required by the LLC agreement to notify all holders of any U.S. federal income tax audit of the company, will have the authority under the LLC agreement to conduct, respond to, and if appropriate, contest (including by pursuing litigation) any IRS audit of the company's tax returns or other tax-related administrative or judicial proceedings and, if considered appropriate, to settle such proceedings. A final determination of U.S. tax matters in any proceeding initiated or contested by the tax matters partner will be binding on all holders of shares who held their shares during the period for which the audit adjustment is made. As the tax matters member, our manager will have the right on behalf of all holders to extend the statute of limitations relating to the holders' U.S. federal income tax liabilities with respect to company items.

A U.S. federal income tax audit of the company's information return may result in an audit of the tax return of a holder of shares, which, in turn, could result in adjustments to a holder's items of income and

loss that are unrelated to the company as well as to company-related items. There can be no assurance that the IRS, upon an audit of an information return of the company or of an income tax return of a U.S. holder, might not take a position that differs from the treatment thereof by the company or by such holder, possibly resulting in a tax deficiency. A holder would also be liable for interest on any tax deficiency that resulted from any such adjustments. Potential U.S. holders should also recognize that they might be forced to incur legal and accounting costs in resisting any challenge by the IRS to items in their individual returns, even if the challenge by the IRS should prove unsuccessful.

Foreign Tax Credits

Subject to generally applicable limitations, a U.S. holder of shares will be able to claim foreign tax credits with respect to certain foreign income taxes (if any) paid or incurred by the company, withheld on payments made to the company or paid by the company on behalf of holders. If a holder elects to claim a foreign tax credit, it must include in its gross income, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, both its share of the company's items of income and gain and also its share of the amount which is deemed to be the holder's portion of foreign income taxes paid with respect to, or withheld from, dividends, interest or other income derived by the company. Subject to certain limitations, the U.S. holder may claim as a credit against its U.S. federal income tax the amount of such taxes incurred or withheld. Alternatively, a U.S. holder may elect to treat such foreign taxes as deductions from gross income. Even if the holder is unable to claim a credit or a deduction, he or she must include all amounts described above in income. We urge U.S. holders to consult their tax advisers regarding this election and its consequences to them.

Taxation of Certain Foreign Earnings

Under Subpart F of the Code, certain undistributed earnings and certain passive income of a foreign company constituting a controlled foreign corporation, or CFC, as defined in the Code, are taxed to certain U.S. shareholders prior to being distributed. None of the businesses in which the company currently intends to invest are CFCs; however, no assurances can be given that other businesses in which the company may invest in the future will not be CFCs. While distributions made by a foreign company could generally constitute "qualified dividend income," the Subpart F provisions of the Code may operate to prevent distributions (or deemed distributions) of such earnings from being so regarded. Additionally, if the company were to invest in a passive foreign investment company, or PFIC, a U.S. holder of shares may be subject to certain adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences, including a deferred interest charge upon the distribution of previously accumulated earnings with respect to that investment.

Tax Shelter Disclosure Rules

There are circumstances under which certain transactions must be disclosed to the IRS in a disclosure statement attached to a taxpayer's U.S. federal income tax return (a copy of such statement must also be sent to the IRS Office of Tax Shelter Analysis). In addition, the Code imposes a requirement on certain "material advisers" to maintain a list of persons participating in such transactions, which list must be furnished to the IRS upon written request. These provisions can apply to transactions not conventionally considered to involve abusive tax planning. Consequently, it is possible that such disclosure could be required by the company or the holders of shares if, for example, a holder incurs a loss (in excess of a threshold computed without regard to offsetting gains or other income or limitations) from the disposition of shares. While the tax shelter disclosure rules generally do not apply to a loss recognized on the disposition of an asset in which the taxpayer has a qualifying basis (generally a basis equal to the amount of cash paid by the taxpayer for such asset), such rules will apply to a taxpayer recognizing a loss with respect to interests (such as the shares) in a pass-through entity even if its basis in such interests is equal to the amount of cash it paid. We urge U.S. holders to consult their tax advisers regarding the tax shelter disclosure rules and the possible application of these rules to them.

Non-U.S. Holders

A non-U.S. holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such holder's distributive share of the company's income, provided that such income is not considered to be effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States. However, in the case of an individual

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non-U.S. holder, such holder will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on gains on the sale of shares in the company or such holder's distributive share of company gains if such holder is present in the United States for 183 days or more during a taxable year and certain other conditions are met.

The company should not be treated as "engaged in a trade or business within the United States" and therefore should not realize income that would be treated as effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business. If the income from the company is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business (and, if certain income tax treaties apply, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment), then a non-U.S. holder's share of any company income and of any gain realized upon the sale or exchange of shares will be subject to U.S. federal income tax at the graduated rates applicable to U.S. citizens and residents and domestic corporations, and such non-U.S. holder will be subject to tax return filing requirements in the U.S. Non-U.S. holders that are corporations may also be subject to a 30% branch profits tax (or lower treaty rate, if applicable) on their effectively connected earnings and profits that are not timely reinvested in a U.S. trade or business.

In addition, gains, if any, allocable to a non-U.S. holder and attributable to a sale by the company of a "U.S. real property interest," or USRPI (other than such gains subject to tax under the rules discussed above), are generally subject to U.S. federal income tax as if such gains were effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business. Moreover, a withholding tax is imposed with respect to such gain as a means of collecting such tax. For this purpose, a USRPI includes an interest (other than solely as a creditor) in a "U.S. real property holding corporation" (in general, a U.S. corporation, at least 50% of whose real estate and trade or business assets, measured by fair market value, consists of USRPIs), as well as an interest in a partnership that holds USRPIs. This withholding tax would be creditable against a non-U.S. holder's actual U.S. federal income tax liability and any excess withholding tax may generally be eligible for refund. Although a non-U.S. holder who is a partner in a partnership that owns USRPIs is generally subject to tax on its sale or other disposition of its partnership interest to the extent attributable to such USRPIs, no withholding tax is generally imposed on the transfer of publicly traded partnership interests, and gain will not be taxable under the USRPI provisions where the non-U.S. holder owns no more than 5% of a publicly traded entity such as the company. A non-U.S. holder that owns more than 5% of the company is urged to consult its tax adviser about the potential application of the USRPI provisions. We believe that none of the company's initial investments will constitute a USRPI, however, our conclusion may be incorrect and as such no assurances can be given that one or more of the company's assets does not or will not constitute a USRPI either now or in the future.

While generally not subject to U.S. federal income tax as discussed above, a non-U.S. holder generally will be subject to U.S. federal withholding tax at the rate of 30% (or, under certain circumstances, at a reduced rate provided by an income tax treaty, if applicable) in respect of such holder's distributive share of dividends from U.S. corporations and certain other types of U.S.-source income realized by the company. To the extent any interest income allocated to a non-U.S. holder that otherwise would be subject to U.S. withholding tax is considered "portfolio interest," neither the allocation of such interest income to the non-U.S. holder nor a subsequent distribution of such interest income to the non-U.S. holder will be subject to withholding, provided (among other things) that the non-U.S. holder is not otherwise engaged in a trade or business in the U.S. and provides us with a timely and properly completed and executed form W-8BEN or other applicable form and said holder does not directly or indirectly own 10 percent or more of the shares or capital of the interest payor. The withholding tax as described herein will apply upon the earlier of the distribution of income to a non-U.S. holder or, if not previously distributed to a non-U.S. holder, at the time such income is allocated to a non-U.S. holder. Amounts withheld on behalf of a non-U.S. holder will be treated as being distributed to such non-U.S. holder; however, to the extent we are unable to associate amounts withheld with particular trust interests, the economic burden of any withholding tax paid by us to the appropriate tax authorities will be borne by all holders, including U.S. holders.

A non-U.S. holder will be subject to U.S. federal estate tax on the value of U.S.-situs property owned at the time of his or her death. It is unclear whether partnership interests (such as the trust interests) will be considered U.S.-situs property. Accordingly, a non-U.S. holder is urged to consult its tax advisors to

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determine whether such holder's estate would be subject to U.S. federal estate tax on all or part of the value of the trust interests beneficially owned at the time of his or her death.

Non-U.S. holders will be required to timely and accurately complete a form W-8BEN (or other applicable form) and provide such form to us, for withholding tax purposes. Non-U.S. holders are advised to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the particular tax consequences to them of an investment in the company.

Regulated Investment Companies

Under recently enacted legislation, interests in and income from "qualified publicly traded partnerships" satisfying certain gross income tests are treated as qualifying assets and income, respectively, for purposes of determining eligibility for regulated investment company ("RIC") status. A RIC may invest up to 25% of its assets in interests of a qualified publicly traded partnership. The determination of whether a publicly traded partnership such as the company is a qualified publicly traded partnership is made on an annual basis. The company likely will not qualify to be treated as a qualified publicly traded partnership. However, because the company expects to satisfy the gross income requirements of Section 7704(c)(2) (determined as provided in Section 851(h)), the company anticipates the flow-thru of at least 90% of its gross income to constitute qualifying income for regulated investment company testing purposes.

Tax-Exempt Organizations

With respect to any holder that is an organization that is otherwise exempt from U.S. federal income tax, such holder nonetheless would be subject to taxation with respect to its "unrelated business taxable income," or UBTI, to the extent that its UBTI from all sources exceeds \$1,000 in any taxable year. Except as noted below with respect to certain categories of exempt income, UBTI generally includes income or gain derived (either directly or through a partnership) from a trade or business, the conduct of which is substantially unrelated to the exercise or performance of the organization's exempt purpose or function.

UBTI generally does not include passive investment income, such as dividends, interest and capital gains, whether realized by the organization directly or indirectly through a partnership (such as the company) in which it is a partner. This type of income is exempt, subject to the discussion of "unrelated debt-financed income" below, even if it is realized from securities trading activity that constitutes a trade or business.

UBTI includes not only trade or business income or gain as described above, but also "unrelated debt-financed income." This latter type of income generally consists of (1) income derived by an exempt organization (directly or through a partnership) from income-producing property with respect to which there is "acquisition indebtedness" at any time during the taxable year and (2) gains derived by an exempt organization (directly or through a partnership) from the disposition of property with respect to which there is acquisition indebtedness at any time during the twelve-month period ending with the date of the disposition.

The company expects to incur debt that would be treated as "acquisition indebtedness" with respect to certain of its investments. To the extent the company recognizes income in the form of dividends or interest from any investment with respect to which there is "acquisition indebtedness" during a taxable year, the percentage of the income that will be treated as UBTI generally will be equal to the amount of the income from such investment times a fraction, the numerator of which is the "average acquisition indebtedness" incurred with respect to the investment, and the denominator of which is the "average amount of the adjusted basis" of the company's investment during the period such investment is held by the company during the taxable year.

To the extent the company recognizes gain from the disposition of any company investment with respect to which there is "acquisition indebtedness," the portion of the gain that will be treated as UBTI will be equal to the amount of the gain times a fraction, the numerator of which is the highest amount of the "acquisition indebtedness" with respect to the investment during the twelve-month period ending with

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the date of disposition, and the denominator of which is the “average amount of the adjusted basis” of the investment during the period such investment is held by the company during the taxable year.

Certain State and Local Taxation Matters

State and local tax laws often differ from U.S. federal income tax laws with respect to the treatment of specific items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit. A holder’s distributive share of the taxable income or loss of the company generally will be required to be included in determining its reportable income for state and local tax purposes in the jurisdiction in which the holder is a resident. Prospective holders should consider, in addition to the U.S. federal income tax consequences described above, potential state and local tax considerations in investing in the shares.

Backup Withholding

The trust is required in certain circumstances to withhold tax (called “backup withholding”) on certain payments paid to noncorporate holders of shares who do not furnish their correct taxpayer identification number (in the case of individuals, their social security number) and certain certifications, or who are otherwise subject to backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld from payments made to you may be refunded or credited against your U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, provided that the required information is furnished to the IRS.

Each holder of shares should be aware that certain aspects of the U.S. federal, state and local income tax treatment regarding the purchase, ownership and disposition of shares are not clear under existing law. Thus, we urge each holder to consult its own tax advisers to determine the tax consequences of ownership of the shares in such holder’s particular circumstances.

UNDERWRITING

We and the underwriters named below have entered into an underwriting agreement with respect to the shares offered by this prospectus. Subject to the terms and conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, each underwriter has severally agreed to purchase from us the number of offered shares set forth opposite its name in the following table.

Name of Underwriter	Number of Offered Shares
Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated	
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott & Stringfellow, Inc.	
J.J.B. Hilliard, W.L. Lyons, Inc.	
Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.	
Sanders Morris Harris Inc.	
Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc.	
Maxim Group LLC	
Total	<u>14,000,000</u>

The underwriters' obligations are several, which means that each underwriter is required to purchase a specific number of shares of offered shares, but it is not responsible for the commitment of any other underwriter. The underwriting agreement provides that each of the underwriters' several obligations to purchase shares of our offered shares depend on the satisfaction of the conditions contained in the underwriting agreement, including:

- the representations and warranties made by us to the underwriters are true and our agreements have been performed;
- there is no material adverse change in the financial markets; and
- we deliver customary closing documents to the underwriters.

The underwriters are committed to purchase and pay for all of our shares offered by this prospectus, if any such shares are taken. However, the underwriters are not obligated to take or pay for the shares covered by the underwriters' overallotment option described below, unless and until this option is exercised.

There has been no public market for our shares prior to this offering. The public offering price will be determined by negotiation by us and the representatives of the underwriters. The principal factors to be considered in determining the public offering price include:

- the information set forth in this prospectus and otherwise available to the representatives of the underwriters;
- the history and the prospects for the industry in which we compete;
- the ability of our manager;
- our prospects for future earnings, the present state of our development, and our current financial position;
- the general condition of the securities markets at the time of this offering; and
- the recent market prices of, and the demand for, publicly traded common stock of generally comparable companies.

Overallotment Option

We have granted the underwriters an option, exercisable no later than 30 days after the date of the underwriting agreement, to purchase up to an additional 15% of offered shares, or 2,100,000 shares, at the initial public offering price, less the underwriting discount and commissions and financial advisory fee set forth on the cover page of this prospectus. We will be obligated to sell these offered shares to the underwriters to the extent the overallotment option is exercised.

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If any shares are purchased with this option, the underwriters will purchase shares in approximately the same proportion as shown in the table above. If any additional shares are purchased, the underwriters will offer the additional shares on the same terms as those on which the shares are being offered. The underwriters may exercise this option only to cover overallocments made in connection with the sale of the shares offered by this prospectus.

Commissions and Expenses

The underwriters propose to offer the offered shares directly to the public at the offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus and to dealers at the public offering price less a concession not in excess of \$0.63 per share. The underwriters may allow, and the dealers may reallow, a concession not in excess of \$0.10 per share on sales to other brokers and dealers. After the public offering of the offered shares, the underwriters may change the offering price and other selling terms.

The following table shows the per share and total underwriting discounts, financial advisory fees and commissions that we will pay to the underwriters and the proceeds we will receive before expenses. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares of offered shares.

	<u>Per Share</u>	<u>Total Without Over-Allotment Exercise</u>	<u>Total With Over-Allotment Exercise</u>
Public offering price	\$	\$	\$
Underwriting discount and commissions payable by us			
Financial advisory fee payable by us			
Proceeds before public offering costs			

As indicated in the table above, we have agreed to pay a financial advisory fee of 0.25% of the gross proceeds of the offering to Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated for strategic and other advice in connection with the offering. We estimate that the total public offering costs, exclusive of underwriting discounts and commissions, will be approximately \$6.0 million and are payable by us.

Directed Share Program

At our request, the underwriters have reserved for sale to our directors, employees of our manager and others, at the initial public offering price, up to 100,000 shares or approximately 0.5% of the shares being offered by this prospectus and the separate private placement transactions. The sales will be made by Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated through a directed share program. We do not know if our directors or employees of our manager or others will choose to purchase all or any portion of the reserved shares, but any purchases they do make will reduce the number of shares available to the general public through this offering. If all of these reserved shares are not purchased, the underwriters will offer the remainder to the general public on the same terms as the other shares offered by this prospectus.

Lock-Up Agreements

We have agreed not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of, or enter into any transaction that is designed to, or could reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition of any of the shares or other securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of the trust for a period of 180 days after the date of this prospectus, without the prior written consent of Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated. CGI, Pharos, the employees of our manager and each of our officers and directors have agreed not to offer, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of or enter into any transaction that is designed to, or could reasonably be expected to result in the disposition of shares other than such shares purchased in open market transactions after the pricing of this offering, for a period of 180 days after the date of this prospectus without the prior written consent of Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated. The consent of Ferris, Baker Watts, Incorporated may be given at any time without public notice. However, in all cases, shares that are subject to these lock-up agreements may be transferred as a bona fide gift or to a trust for the benefit of any of our officers and directors or any employee of our manager, provided that the donee or trust agrees in writing to the terms of the lock-up agreement to which such person is bound.

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With the exception of the underwriters' over-allotment option, there are no present agreements between the underwriters and us, CGI, Pharos, any employees of our manager or our officers and directors releasing us or them from these lock-up agreements prior to the expiration of the 180 day period.

Indemnity

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters and persons who control the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to contribute to payments that the underwriters may be required to make for these liabilities.

Stabilization

In connection with this offering, the underwriters may engage in stabilizing transactions, over-allotment transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids.

- Stabilizing transactions permit bids to purchase offered shares so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum, and are engaged in for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the offered shares while the offering is in progress.
- Over-allotment transactions involve sales by the underwriters of offered shares in excess of the number of shares the underwriters are obligated to purchase. This creates a syndicate short position that may be either a covered short position or a naked short position. In a covered short position, the number of shares of offered shares over-allotted by the underwriters is not greater than the number of shares that they may purchase in the over-allotment option. In a naked short position, the number of shares involved is greater than the number of shares in the over-allotment option. The underwriters may close out any short position by exercising their over-allotment option and/or purchasing shares of offered shares in the open market.
- Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of offered shares in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. In determining the source of shares to close out the short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market as compared with the price at which they may purchase offered shares through exercise of the over-allotment option. If the underwriters sell more offered shares than could be covered by exercise of the over-allotment option and, therefore, have a naked short position, the position can be closed out only by buying offered shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that after pricing there could be downward pressure on the price of the offered shares in the open market that could adversely affect investors who purchase in the offering.
- Penalty bids permit the underwriters to reclaim a selling concession from a syndicate member when the offered shares originally sold by that syndicate member is purchased in stabilizing or syndicate covering transactions to cover syndicate short positions.

These stabilizing transactions, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of our offered shares or preventing or retarding a decline in the

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market price of our offered shares. As a result, the price of our offered shares in the open market may be higher than it would otherwise be in the absence of these transactions. Neither we nor the underwriters makes any representation or prediction as to the effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our offered shares. These transactions may be effected on the Nasdaq National Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Passive Market Making

In connection with this offering, the underwriters may engage in passive market making transactions in our offered shares on the Nasdaq National Market in accordance with Rule 103 of Regulation M under the Securities Act. Rule 103 permits passive market making activity by the participants in this offering. Passive market making may occur before the pricing of our offering, and before the commencement of offers or sales of the offered shares. Each passive market maker must comply with applicable volume and price limitations and must be identified as a passive market maker. In general, a passive market maker must display its bid at a price not in excess of the highest independent bid for the security. If all independent bids are lowered below the bid of the passive market maker, however, the bid must then be lowered when purchase limits are exceeded. Net purchases by a passive market maker on each day are limited to a specified percentage of the passive market maker's average daily trading volume in the offered shares during a specified period and must be discontinued when that limit is reached. The underwriters and other dealers are not required to engage in passive market making and may end passive market making activities at any time.

U.K. Selling Restrictions

Each underwriter has agreed that: (i) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any shares of the trust to persons in the United Kingdom except to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted and will not result in an offer of transferable securities to the public in the United Kingdom within the meaning of section 102B of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA"); (ii) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any shares of the trust in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the issuer or in which the communication is exempt under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotions) Order 2005; and (iii) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the shares of the trust in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

No Public Offering Outside the United States

No action has been or will be taken in any jurisdiction (except in the United States) that would permit a public offering of the shares of the trust or the possession, circulation or distribution of this prospectus or any other material relating to us or the shares of the trust in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Accordingly, the shares of the trust may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, and neither this prospectus nor any other offering material or advertisements in connection with the shares of the trust may be distributed or published, in or from any country or jurisdiction except in compliance with any applicable rules and regulations of any such country or jurisdiction.

Purchasers of the shares offered by this prospectus may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the offering price on the cover page of this prospectus.

Our Relationship with the Underwriters

The offered shares are being offered by the underwriters, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel for the underwriters and other conditions. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel or modify this offer and to reject orders in whole or in part.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered in this prospectus is being passed upon for us by Richards, Layton & Finger, P.A., Wilmington, Delaware; Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, Washington, D.C. will pass upon certain other matters, including with respect to federal income tax matters addressed herein. Certain legal matters will be passed upon on behalf of the underwriters by Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Compass Diversified Trust at December 31, 2005, and for the period from November 18, 2005 (inception) to December 31, 2005 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement have been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent registered public accountants, as set forth in their reports thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included herein in reliance upon such reports given the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. at December 31, 2005 and 2004, and for each of the three years in the period ending December 31, 2005, appearing in this prospectus and registration statement have been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent registered public accountants, as set forth in their reports thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included herein in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Crosman Acquisition Corporation at June 30, 2005 and 2004 and for the year ended June 30, 2005 and for the period from February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004 included in this prospectus have been so included in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of Crosman Acquisition Corporation for the period from July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004 and for the year ended June 30, 2003 included in this prospectus have been so included in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of Compass AC Holdings, Inc. at December 31, 2005 and for the period ended December 31, 2005 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement had been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent registered public accountants, as set forth in their report thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The combined financial statements of Compass AC Holdings, Inc. at December 31, 2004 and for the period ended September 19, 2005 and for the years ending December 31, 2004 and 2003 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement have been audited by Bauerle and Company P.C., independent accountants, as set forth in their reports thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included herein in reliance upon such reports given the authority of such firms as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. at December 31, 2005 and for the year ended December 31, 2005 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement had been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, independent registered public accountants, as set forth in their report thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

The consolidated financial statements of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. at December 31, 2004 (restated) and for the years ended December 31, 2004 (restated) and 2003 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement have been audited by White Nelson and Co. LLP, independent accountants, as set forth in their reports thereon appearing elsewhere herein and are included herein in reliance upon such reports given the authority of such firms as experts in accounting and auditing.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1, which includes exhibits, schedules and amendments, under the Securities Act with respect to this offering of our securities. Although this prospectus, which forms a part of the registration statement, contains all material information included in the registration statement, parts of the registration statement have been omitted as permitted by rules and regulations of the SEC. We refer you to the registration statement and its exhibits for further information about us, our securities and this offering. The registration statement and its exhibits can be inspected and copied at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549-1004. The public may obtain information about the operation of the public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0300. In addition, the SEC maintains a web site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains the Form S-1 and other reports, proxy and information statements and information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC.

Following this offering, we will be required to file current reports, quarterly reports, annual reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy these reports, proxy statements and other information at the SEC's public reference room or through its Internet web site.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and
Shareholders of Compass Diversified Trust

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Compass Diversified Trust (a Delaware corporation) as of December 31, 2005, and the related consolidated statement of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the period from inception (November 18, 2005) to December 31, 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Compass Diversified Trust as of December 31, 2005, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the period from inception (November 18, 2005) to December 31, 2005 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

New York, New York
February 9, 2006

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Consolidated Balance Sheet
December 31, 2005

Assets	
Current assets:	
Cash	\$ 100,000
Deferred public offering costs	3,307,535
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,407,535</u>
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	
Current liabilities:	
Accrued expenses	\$ 1,000
Due to related party	3,307,535
Total current liabilities	<u>3,308,535</u>
Stockholders' Equity	
Member interest	100,000
Accumulated deficit	<u>(1,000)</u>
Total stockholders' equity	99,000
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u>\$ 3,407,535</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Compass Diversified Trust
Consolidated Statement of Operations

	November 18, 2005 (Date of Inception) Through December 31, 2005
Formation and operating costs	\$ 1,000
Net loss for the period	\$ (1,000)

See notes to financial statements.

Compass Diversified Trust
Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity

	<u>Member Interest</u>	<u>Accumulated Deficit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance — November 18, 2005 (date of inception)			
Initial capitalization of LLC	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000
Net loss		\$ (1,000)	(1,000)
Balance — December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 100,000</u>	<u>\$ (1,000)</u>	<u>\$ 99,000</u>

See notes to financial statements.

Compass Diversified Trust
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

	November 18, 2005 (Date of Inception) Through December 31, 2005
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Net loss	\$ (1,000)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Changes in:	
Accrued expenses	1,000
Net cash provided by operating activities	0
Cash flows from financing activities:	
Issuance of trust shares	100,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	100,000
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	100,000
Cash and cash equivalents — beginning of period	0
Cash and cash equivalents — end of period	\$ 100,000
Supplemental Disclosure of Non-Cash Activities:	
Deferred public offering costs payable to a related party	\$ 3,307,535

See notes to financial statements.

Compass Diversified Trust
Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
December 31, 2005

Note A — Organization and Business Operations

Compass Diversified Trust (the “Trust”) was incorporated in Delaware on November 18, 2005. Compass Group Diversified Holdings, LLC (the “Company”), a Delaware limited liability company was also formed on November 18, 2005. Compass Group Management (the “Manager”) is the sole member of 100% of the LLC interests of the Company as of December 31, 2005. Upon the completion of the proposed offering of trust shares (“IPO”), the Manager’s interest will be reflected as a minority interest in the financials of the Company.

The Trust and the Company were formed to acquire and manage a group of small to middle market businesses that are headquartered in the United States. The Trust has neither engaged in any operations nor generated any revenue to date. In accordance with the Trust Agreement, the Trust will be the sole member of 100% of the LLC interests of the Company and, pursuant to the LLC Agreement, the Company will have outstanding, the identical number of LLC interests as the number of outstanding shares of Trust stock. The Company will be the operating entity with a board of directors and other corporate governance responsibilities, consistent with that of a Delaware corporation.

The Company will use the net proceeds of the proposed offering of trust shares (as defined in Note C below) (the “Proposed Offering”) to retire the third-party debt of and acquire controlling interest in the following businesses from certain subsidiaries of Compass Group Investments, Inc. (“CGI”):

- CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, a human resources outsourcing firm;
- Crosman Acquisition Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries, a recreational products company;
- Compass AC Holdings, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiary, an electronic components manufacturing company; and
- Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries, a global hardcoatings company.

The aggregate amount utilized to retire the third-party debt of and acquire the controlling interests in the businesses from certain subsidiaries of CGI will be approximately \$312 million. The Company will engage Compass Group Management LLC to manage its and the Trust’s day-to-day operations and affairs.

To date the activities of the Trust and the Company have been incidental to its organization and the proposed acquisition and IPO. Until the consummation of the IPO, the Company is dependent on financial support from CGI, who have agreed to provide such required financial support.

Note B — Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

[1] Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Compass Diversified Trust and Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The acquisition of businesses that the Company will own or control more than 50% of the voting shares will be accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The amount assigned to the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed will be based on estimated fair values as of the date of acquisition, with the remainder, if any, recorded as goodwill. The operations of such businesses will be consolidated from the date of acquisition.

Compass Diversified Trust
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[2] Cash and cash equivalents:

The Trust considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

[3] Due to related party:

Pursuant to a Management Services Agreement, the Company has agreed to reimburse the Manager or affiliates of the Manager for the cost and expenses incurred or to be incurred prior to and in connection with the closing of the offering. The offering costs incurred as of December 31, 2005 are reflected on the Balance Sheet as deferred offering costs with a corresponding liability for the obligation to the Manager recorded as due to related party. Should the equity offering not be consummated in future periods, the Company will write off the related deferred cost and recognize a charge; such charge could be material.

[4] Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

[5] Income taxes:

Deferred income taxes are provided for the differences between the basis of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and income tax purposes. A valuation allowance is established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount expected to be realized.

The Trust recorded a deferred income tax asset for the tax effect of net operating loss carryforwards and temporary differences, aggregating approximately \$340. In recognition of the uncertainty regarding the ultimate amount of income tax benefits to be derived, the Trust has recorded a full valuation allowance at December 31, 2005.

The effective tax rate differs from the statutory rate of 34% due to the increase in the valuation allowance.

[6] Deferred offering costs:

Deferred offering costs consist principally of legal and underwriting fees incurred through the balance sheet date that are related to the Proposed Offering and that will be charged to capital upon the receipt of the capital or charged to expense if not completed.

Note C — Proposed Offering — unaudited

The Proposed Offering calls for the Trust to offer for public sale shares of the Trust that would raise approximately \$210 million of gross proceeds (excluding shares pursuant to the underwriters over-allotment option and \$86 million and \$4 million of proceeds from the private placements to CGI and Pharos I LLC (an affiliate of the Manager), respectively). Each share of the Trust will represent an undivided beneficial interest in the Trust, and each share of the Trust corresponds to one underlying non-management interest in the Company. Unless the Trust is dissolved, it must remain the sole holder of 100% of the Company's trust interests, and at all times the Company will have outstanding the identical number of trust interests as the number of outstanding shares of the Trust. Each outstanding share of the Trust is entitled to one vote on any matter with respect to which the Trust is entitled to vote.

CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.
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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Shareholders
CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 and the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2005 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Cincinnati, Ohio
February 14, 2006

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Consolidated Balance Sheets
December 31, 2005 and 2004

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 992,132	\$ 532,540
Accounts receivable:		
Trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts and reserves of \$3,128,763 and \$3,415,595 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	56,193,627	54,126,110
Unbilled revenue	6,646,556	6,966,431
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	3,471,665	2,971,406
Deferred tax assets	1,525,486	1,774,536
Total current assets	<u>68,829,466</u>	<u>66,371,023</u>
Property and equipment — net	2,876,353	3,080,613
Other assets:		
Goodwill	59,294,763	59,307,301
Other intangibles — net	8,658,587	10,559,217
Deferred tax assets — long-term	1,227,195	—
Other	865,679	669,127
Total assets	<u>\$ 141,752,043</u>	<u>\$ 139,987,281</u>
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 2,037,300	\$ 2,037,300
Accounts payable	8,776,785	4,947,227
Accrued expenses:		
Accrued payroll, bonuses and commissions	11,277,083	11,335,902
Payroll taxes and other withholdings	7,398,293	7,862,404
Current portion of workers' compensation obligation	7,867,094	6,965,050
Other	7,157,341	8,351,255
Total current liabilities	<u>44,513,896</u>	<u>41,499,138</u>
Long-term debt	31,154,121	43,893,282
Workers' compensation obligation	12,948,822	10,586,981
Deferred tax liabilities	—	96,951
Total liabilities	<u>88,616,839</u>	<u>96,076,352</u>
Commitments and contingencies		
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock:		
Class A, \$0.001 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding 2,830,909 at December 31, 2005 and 2004	2,831	2,831
Class B, \$0.001 par value, 5,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding 3,548,384 at December 31, 2005 and 2004	3,548	3,548
Class C, \$0.001 par value, 2,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding 185,299 and 94,799 shares at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	186	95
Additional paid-in capital	47,292,454	47,111,544
Accumulated other comprehensive income	132,015	60,932
Accumulated earnings (deficit)	5,704,170	(3,268,021)
Total shareholders' equity	<u>53,135,204</u>	<u>43,910,929</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 141,752,043</u>	<u>\$ 139,987,281</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income
For the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003

	2005	2004	2003
Revenues	\$ 543,012,261	\$ 315,258,481	\$ 194,716,531
Direct costs of revenues	441,685,300	254,987,042	155,367,752
Gross profit	101,326,961	60,271,439	39,348,779
Operating expenses:			
Staffing expense	54,249,140	31,974,144	23,081,487
Selling, general and administrative expense	26,723,233	17,796,997	12,131,533
Amortization	1,901,821	1,050,762	491,087
Income from operations	18,452,767	9,449,536	3,644,672
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense	(4,452,739)	(2,099,989)	(2,928,727)
Other income	138,382	148,650	223,589
Income before provision for income taxes	14,138,410	7,498,197	939,534
Provision for income taxes	5,150,426	84,730	116,816
Net income	8,987,984	7,413,467	822,718
Other comprehensive income:			
Unrealized gain and change in unrealized loss on interest rate swap	71,083	60,932	763,689
Comprehensive income	\$ 9,059,067	\$ 7,474,399	\$ 1,586,407

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.
Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity
For the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003

	Common Stock						Additional Paid in Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Accumulated Earnings (Deficit)	Total
	Class A		Class B		Class C					
	Shares	Value	Shares	Value	Shares	Value				
Balance — December 31, 2002	644,320	\$ 644	487,160	\$ 488	—	\$ —	\$ 39,749,345	\$ (763,689)	\$ (7,746,927)	\$ 31,239,861
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	822,718	822,718
Change in unrealized loss on interest rate swap	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	763,689	—	763,689
Balance — December 31, 2003	644,320	644	487,160	488	—	—	39,749,345	—	(6,924,209)	32,826,268
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7,413,467	7,413,467
Conversion of debt to Common Stock	2,186,589	2,187	3,061,224	3,060	—	—	7,194,753	—	—	7,200,000
Stock Options Exercised	—	—	—	—	94,799	95	167,446	—	—	167,541
Change in unrealized gain on interest rate swap	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	60,932	—	60,932
Deemed distribution to shareholder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(3,757,279)	(3,757,279)
Balance — December 31, 2004	2,830,909	2,831	3,548,384	3,548	94,799	95	47,111,544	60,932	(3,268,021)	43,910,929
Net income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,987,984	8,987,984
Stock Options Exercised	—	—	—	—	90,500	91	180,910	—	—	181,001
Change in unrealized gain on interest rate swap	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	71,083	—	71,083
Deemed distribution to shareholder	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(15,793)	(15,793)
Balance — December 31, 2005	<u>2,830,909</u>	<u>\$ 2,831</u>	<u>3,548,384</u>	<u>\$ 3,548</u>	<u>185,299</u>	<u>\$ 186</u>	<u>\$ 47,292,454</u>	<u>\$ 132,015</u>	<u>\$ 5,704,170</u>	<u>\$ 53,135,204</u>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

For the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003

	2005	2004	2003
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 8,987,984	\$ 7,413,467	\$ 822,718
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	3,327,959	2,394,436	1,922,058
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	—	117,539	—
Debt issuance cost	—	225,442	—
Deferred taxes	(1,075,096)	(1,677,585)	—
Deferred interest	616,947	—	—
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisition:			
Increase in accounts receivable and unbilled receivables	(1,637,560)	(6,883,598)	(3,107,530)
(Increase) in prepaid expenses and other assets	(625,727)	(1,062,571)	(376,926)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	3,716,221	(1,594,484)	1,995,644
Increase in accrued expenses and other long-term liabilities	1,343,664	7,647,860	2,687,696
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>14,654,392</u>	<u>6,580,506</u>	<u>3,943,660</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment	—	1,080,718	—
Cash paid for acquisition	—	(30,256,149)	—
Purchases of equipment and improvements	(1,018,502)	(883,578)	(302,198)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(1,018,502)</u>	<u>(30,059,009)</u>	<u>(302,198)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	181,001	167,541	—
Cash payments for debt issuance costs	(1,191)	(2,605,043)	—
Increase (decrease) in swing-line/revolver	(9,530,000)	11,949,000	(679,000)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	—	20,000,000	—
Repayment of long-term debt	(3,826,108)	(5,541,085)	(3,056,666)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>(13,176,298)</u>	<u>23,970,413</u>	<u>(3,735,666)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	459,592	491,910	(94,204)
Cash — Beginning of year	532,540	40,630	134,834
Cash — End of year	<u>\$ 992,132</u>	<u>\$ 532,540</u>	<u>\$ 40,630</u>
Supplemental disclosures of cash flows information:			
Cash paid for interest	\$ 4,538,515	\$ 2,458,085	\$ 1,061,633
Cash paid for taxes	\$ 6,477,076	\$ 134,832	\$ 118,260
Cash paid (received) for interest rate swap	\$ (11,522)	\$ 102,907	\$ 803,576
Non-cash investing and financing activity —			
Shareholders' notes payable converted to Common Stock	\$ —	\$ 7,200,000	\$ —
Landlord-provided tenant improvements	\$ (191,947)	\$ —	\$ —
Purchase accounting adjustments	\$ (3,255)	\$ —	\$ —

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.
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For Years Ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of Operations

CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") provides various staffing services including temporary help, employee leasing, and permanent placement, which constitutes one segment for financial reporting purposes. The Company has staffing offices located throughout the United States. The Company's headquarters are in Cincinnati, Ohio. Compass CS, Inc. and subsidiaries was incorporated on July 27, 1999 under the laws of the state of Delaware. In conjunction with the acquisition described in Note 11, Compass CS, Inc. changed its name to CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

Cash

Cash consists of cash on deposit at banks and cash on hand. Cash overdrafts are included with accounts payable.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue from temporary staffing services is recognized at the time services are provided by Company employees and is reported based on gross billings to customers. Revenue from employee leasing services is recorded at the time services are provided by the Company. Such revenue is reported on a net basis (gross billings to clients less worksite employee salaries, wages and payroll-related taxes). The Company believes that net revenue accounting for leasing services more closely depicts the transactions with its leasing customers and is consistent with guidelines outlined in Emerging Issue Task Force ("EITF") No. 99-19 *Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal Versus Net as an Agent*. Net revenues for employee leasing services were \$7,587,407, \$6,872,098, and \$6,245,314 for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively. The Company recognizes revenue for permanent placement services at the employee start date, which management believes is the culmination of the earnings process. Permanent placement services are fully guaranteed to the satisfaction of the customer for a specified period, usually 30 to 90 days. Provisions for sales allowances based on historical experience are recognized at the time the related sale is recognized.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Company records an allowance for doubtful accounts based on historical loss experience, customer payment patterns and current economic trends. The Company reviews the adequacy of the allowance for doubtful accounts on a periodic basis and adjusts the balance, if necessary.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Company to a concentration of credit risk, consist principally of uncollateralized accounts receivable. The Company provides services to customers in numerous states. The Company believes its credit risk due to concentrations is minimal.

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Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of net assets. Purchased intangible assets, with definite lives, other than goodwill, are valued at acquisition cost and are amortized over their respective useful lives on a straight-line basis.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Intangible Assets

The Company evaluates long-lived assets and intangible assets with definite lives for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. When it is probable that undiscounted future cash flows will not be sufficient to recover an asset's carrying amount, the asset is written down to its fair value. Assets to be disposed of by sale, if any, are reported at the lower of the carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell.

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually at December 31, or if an event occurs or circumstances change that may reduce the fair value of the reporting unit below its book value. If the fair value of the reporting unit tested has fallen below its book value, the estimated fair value of goodwill is compared to its book value. If the book value exceeds the estimated fair value, an impairment loss would be recognized in an amount equal to that excess. The Company uses a discounted cash flow methodology to determine fair value. No impairments were recognized in 2005, 2004, or 2003.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the related assets using the straight-line method. Leasehold improvements are amortized over the term of the related lease or 5 years, whichever is shorter. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and building improvements	31.5
Equipment	5
Furniture and fixtures	7
Computer software costs	3-5

Advertising

The Company expenses the cost of advertising as incurred. Advertising expense was approximately \$2,339,000, \$1,137,000, and \$629,000 for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Workers' Compensation Liability

The Company self-insures its workers' compensation exposure for certain employees. Company management engages an actuarial consulting firm to help determine the estimated liability, which is calculated using a fully developed method. The determination of the self-insurance liability involves the use of certain actuarial assumptions and estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Certain subsidiaries have purchased stop-loss insurance coverage with exposure limits of \$1,000,000 per claim as of December 31, 2005 and 2004.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the asset and liability method. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates applied to tax/book differences. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in the period that includes the enactment date. A valuation allowance is provided for deferred tax assets when it is more likely than not that the asset will not be realized. Work opportunity tax credits are recognized as a reduction of income tax expense in the year tax credits are generated.

Stock Options

The Company applies Accounting Principles Board Opinion 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, in accounting for stock-based employee compensation arrangements whereby no compensation cost related to stock options is deducted in determining net income. Had compensation cost for stock option grants under the Company's stock option plan been determined pursuant to SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, the Company's net income would have been impacted as shown below:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Net income — as reported	\$ 8,987,984	\$ 7,413,467	\$ 822,718
Stock compensation expense required under fair value method — net of tax	(102,059)	(104,837)	(66,368)
Net income — pro forma	<u>\$ 8,885,925</u>	<u>\$ 7,308,630</u>	<u>\$ 756,350</u>

For the purposes of pro forma disclosure, the fair value was estimated at the date of grant using a minimum value option pricing model with the following assumptions:

Weighted average fair value of stock options granted	\$11.53	\$7.02	\$1.95
Risk free interest rates	4.0-4.2%	3.83-4.73%	3.33-4.454%
Expected lives	10 years	10 years	6-10 years

Interest Rate Swap

The Company may at times enter into interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of reducing cash flow volatility related to variable interest rate debt. It is the Company's policy to structure such transactions as effective cash flow hedges as outlined in SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*.

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the prior year financial statements to conform with the current year presentation.

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2. Long-term Debt

The following are the components of the Company's debt as of December 31:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Senior Credit Agreement:		
Swing-line and revolving line-of-credit, maturing, June 30, 2009	\$ 6,780,000	\$ 16,310,000
Term note due in quarterly installments through June 30, 2008	5,794,474	9,620,582
Term note maturing on December 31, 2009	<u>20,616,947</u>	<u>20,000,000</u>
	33,191,421	45,930,582
Less: current maturities	<u>(2,037,300)</u>	<u>(2,037,300)</u>
Long-term debt	<u>\$ 31,154,121</u>	<u>\$ 43,893,282</u>

In July 2004, the Company entered into a credit agreement with a group of financial institutions (Senior Credit Agreement) that provides for a revolving credit facility and letters of credit up to \$50,000,000 (including a swing-line sub-facility up to \$5,000,000), and a term loan of up to \$12,000,000. The proceeds from these borrowings were utilized to repay amounts outstanding under the Company's former credit agreements and to partially fund the purchase of Venturi Staffing Partners, as discussed in Note 11.

Borrowings under the Senior Credit Agreement bear interest equal to LIBOR plus a margin ranging from 2.50% to 3.50%, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA; or the greater of prime or the U.S. Fed Funds Rate plus a margin ranging from 1.00% to 2.00%, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA. The rates on the various borrowings under the Senior Credit Agreement at December 31, 2005 ranged from 7.39% to 8.75%. Borrowings under the Senior Credit Agreement are secured by the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The Company is required under the Senior Credit Agreement to pay a commitment fee on the unused portion of the revolving credit commitment and on standby letters of credit. The revolving credit commitment fee ranges from 0.25% to 0.50%, and the standby letter of credit commitment fee ranges from 2.50% to 3.50%, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA ratio.

Borrowings under the revolving line-of-credit (including swing-line borrowing and letters of credit) are limited to a defined borrowing base equal to 85% of eligible accounts receivable plus 75% of eligible unbilled receivables. Letters of credit outstanding at December 31, 2005 and 2004 were approximately \$18,557,000 and \$15,172,000, respectively. As of December 31, 2005 and 2004, approximately \$24,663,000 and \$18,518,000 was available to borrow, respectively.

The Company's Senior Credit agreements contain affirmative and negative covenants including financial covenants requiring the Company to maintain a minimum EBITDA, debt to EBITDA ratios and fixed charge coverage ratio. Additionally, these covenants limit the Company's ability to incur additional debt, distribute dividends and limit capital expenditures, among other restrictions.

The Senior Credit Agreement contains a provision that requires additional payments of principal, depending on the Company's debt to EBITDA ratio as of each fiscal year end. Payment requirements range from 0% to 75% of defined excess cash flow.

On September 30, 2004, certain promissory notes due to shareholders in the amount of \$7,200,000 were converted to 2,186,589 Class A and 3,061,224 Class B shares of the Company. Accrued interest of \$1,340,000 was paid to shareholders upon conversion.

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In September 2004, the Company entered into a credit agreement with a lender for a term note of \$20 million. The proceeds from this borrowing were utilized to partially fund the purchase of Venturi Staffing Partners, Inc., as discussed in Note 11. The principal is payable upon maturity. Borrowings under the agreement bear interest at a rate of 12.0% plus a margin of up to 3.5% based on defined debt to EBITDA ratios. Interest payments of 12.0% are made quarterly. The margin is payable either quarterly or at maturity at the discretion of the senior lender. As of December 31, 2005, the debt balance includes deferred interest of approximately \$616,000. These borrowings are subordinate to the Senior Credit Agreement. Borrowings are secured by the assets of the Company and its subsidiaries.

The fair value of the Company's outstanding debt does not differ materially from its recorded amount.

The maturities of long-term debt for each of the years subsequent to December 31, 2005 are as follows:

2006	\$	2,037,300
2007		2,716,400
2008		1,040,774
2009		27,396,947
	\$	<u>33,191,421</u>

On September 30, 2004, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage its exposure to interest rate movements in its variable rate debt. The swap converts a portion of the variable rate debt included in the Senior Credit Agreement to a fixed rate of 3.07%. The termination date of the swap agreement is September 30, 2007. The notional amount of the swap was \$10,400,000 and \$14,900,000 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The fair value of the swap at December 31, 2005 and 2004 was approximately \$177,000 and \$61,000, respectively. Management assessed the terms of the interest rate swap at the time it was executed and at each month thereafter and determined it to be an effective hedge under the rules of SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. As such, changes in the market value of the instrument are recorded to other comprehensive income, net of tax.

3. Capital Structure

The Company's authorized capital stock consists of 5,000,000 shares of Class A common, 5,000,000 shares of Class B common and 2,000,000 shares of Class C common. Holders of Class A shares are entitled to 10 votes per share, whereas holders of Class B and C shares are entitled to 1 vote per share. Class B and Class C common shares are convertible into an equal number of Class A common shares in the event that any class of the Company's common shares are offered for sale to the public.

In 2002 warrants were issued to shareholders in connection with certain debt refinancings. The following table summarizes warrants outstanding at December 31, 2005 for the purchase of the Company's Class B Common Stock:

<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Class B Shares</u>	<u>Exercise Price</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>	<u>Issued To</u>
5/15/01	9,529	\$0.20	7/12/06	Majority Shareholder
2/7/02	13,929	\$0.20	7/12/06	Majority Shareholder
2/7/02	4,821	\$0.20	7/12/06	Minority Shareholder
11/20/02	918,172	\$4.85	11/15/22	Minority Shareholder

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The warrants expire at the earlier of stated date or in the event that a transaction is consummated that results in the sale or lease of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to another entity. In the event of a consolidation or merger of the Company with another entity, the warrants shall be converted into shares of Class B Common Stock. The warrants provide for adjustments to the exercise price and the number of warrant securities issuable upon the occurrence of certain events that would dilute the value of the warrants.

4. Stock Option Plan

The Company has a stock option plan which provides for the issuance of incentive stock options to employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. Under the terms of this plan, options are granted at not less than fair market value, become exercisable as established by the Board of Directors (generally ratably over 5 years) and generally expire within 6 to 10 years from the date of grant. Fair value is determined by the Company through the use of the minimum value method as provided in SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock Based Compensation*. During December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued a revision of its Statement No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*. The revised standard requires, among other things, that compensation cost for employee stock options be measured at fair value on the grant date and charged to expense over the employee's requisite service period for the option. The Company will adopt SFAS No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment* on January 1, 2006. The adoption is not expected to have a material impact on the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

The following table summarizes stock option activity:

	Number of Options	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Balance — December 31, 2002	24,531	\$ 5.00
Granted	656,500	1.95
Forfeited	(56,000)	2.00
Balance — December 31, 2003	625,031	\$ 2.14
Granted	265,000	7.02
Exercised	(94,799)	1.77
Forfeited	(67,250)	2.88
Balance — December 31, 2004	727,982	\$ 3.90
Granted	25,000	11.53
Exercised	(90,500)	2.00
Forfeited	(103,031)	6.40
Balance — December 31, 2005	559,451	\$ 4.00

The following table summarizes stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2005:

Range of Exercise Price	Outstanding		
	Shares	Weighted Avg. Exercise Price	Weighted Avg. Contractual Remaining Life
\$0.00 — \$5.00 per share	369,451	\$ 2.03	4.55
\$5.01 — \$7.25 per share	165,000	\$ 7.25	8.76
\$7.26 — \$11.53 per share	25,000	\$11.53	9.60

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Range of Exercise Price	Exercisable		
	Shares	Weighted Avg. Exercise Price	Weighted Avg. Contractual Remaining Life
\$0.00 — \$5.00 per share	192,518	\$1.97	4.81
\$5.01 — \$7.25 per share	36,333	\$7.25	8.76
\$7.26 — \$11.53 per share	—	—	—

The number of stock options exercisable at December 31, 2004 and 2003 was 173,949 and 137,336, respectively.

5. Income Taxes

The Company's income tax provision consisted of the following components for the year ended December 31:

	2005	2004	2003
Current:			
Federal	\$ 5,567,291	\$ 1,407,262	—
State and local	673,959	363,908	—
Deferred	(1,120,542)	844,982	186,322
	5,120,708	2,616,152	186,322
Change in valuation allowance	—	(2,522,567)	(186,322)
Other	29,718	(8,855)	116,816
	<u>\$ 5,150,426</u>	<u>\$ 84,730</u>	<u>\$ 116,816</u>

The income tax provision reconciled to the tax computed at the statutory federal income tax rate was:

	2005	2004	2003
Provision at federal statutory rate	\$ 4,948,444	\$ 2,549,387	\$ 319,441
State and local taxes — net of federal benefit	499,107	374,910	46,977
Change in valuation allowance	—	(2,522,567)	(186,322)
Work opportunity tax credits ("WOTC")	(622,273)	(561,963)	(314,511)
AMT credits	—	—	(56,097)
Permanent items	312,812	242,218	190,511
Other	12,336	2,745	116,817
Income tax provision	<u>\$ 5,150,426</u>	<u>\$ 84,730</u>	<u>\$ 116,816</u>

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The components of the deferred income tax amounts at December 31, 2005 and 2004 were as follows:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Deferred Income Tax Assets		
Allowance for Bad Debt	\$ 1,005,829	\$ 825,997
Workers' Compensation	5,777,435	3,628,303
Other Accrued Expenses	629,640	654,746
Work Opportunity Tax Credits (WOTC)	—	218,320
AMT Credits	—	105,562
State NOL's	92,007	78,000
Total Deferred Income Tax Assets	<u>7,504,911</u>	<u>5,510,928</u>
Deferred Income Tax Liabilities		
Tax Effect of Other Comprehensive Income	\$ (45,447)	\$ —
Depreciation and Amortization	<u>(4,706,783)</u>	<u>(3,833,343)</u>
Total Deferred Income Tax Liabilities	<u>(4,752,230)</u>	<u>(3,833,343)</u>
Total Deferred Income Tax Assets, net	<u>\$ 2,752,681</u>	<u>\$ 1,677,585</u>
Current Deferred Income Tax Assets	\$ 1,525,486	\$ 1,774,536
Long-Term Deferred Income Tax Assets (Liabilities)	<u>1,227,195</u>	<u>(96,951)</u>
	<u>\$ 2,752,681</u>	<u>\$ 1,677,585</u>

The Company believes that based on its current and expected future operating results, the deferred tax assets will be realized and that no valuation allowance was needed at December 31, 2005 and 2004.

The Company has state tax based net operating loss carryforwards approximating \$1,769,000 and \$1,500,000 as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively. These carryforwards expire at various times over the next 13 years.

6. Intangible Assets and Deferred Financing Costs

Amounts recorded to goodwill are as follows:

Balance at January 1, 2004	\$ 49,200,419
Acquisition (Note 11)	<u>10,106,882</u>
Balance at December 31, 2004	59,307,301
Purchase Accounting Adjustments	<u>(12,538)</u>
Balance at December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 59,294,763</u>

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Other intangible assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	2005	2004	Useful Lives
Loan Origination Costs	\$ 3,920,191	\$ 3,919,001	Life of related loan
Non-compete agreement	1,000,000	1,000,000	5 Years
Trademarks and names	1,205,656	1,205,656	4 Years
Customer Lists	7,016,690	7,016,690	9 Years
	<u>13,142,537</u>	<u>13,141,347</u>	
Accumulated amortization:			
Loan origination costs	(2,132,643)	(1,476,858)	
Non-compete agreement	(1,000,000)	(843,011)	
Trademarks and tradenames	(376,767)	(67,354)	
Customer Lists	(974,540)	(194,907)	
	<u>\$ 8,658,587</u>	<u>\$ 10,559,217</u>	

Amortization is recorded on a straight-line basis for intangible assets except for certain loan origination costs. Amortization for certain loan origination cost is recorded using the effective interest method.

Expected future amortization of intangible assets is as follows:

Years Ended December 31:	
2006	\$ 1,577,747
2007	1,577,747
2008	1,463,178
2009	1,116,295
2010	779,632
Thereafter	2,143,988
	<u>\$ 8,658,587</u>

7. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	2005	2004
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$ 8,663,074	\$ 7,876,173
Leasehold improvements	1,638,899	1,261,887
	<u>10,301,973</u>	<u>9,138,060</u>
Less — accumulated depreciation	(7,425,620)	(6,057,447)
	<u>\$ 2,876,353</u>	<u>\$ 3,080,613</u>

Depreciation expense for the years ending December 31, 2005, 2004 and 2003 was \$1,426,141 \$1,343,674, and \$1,430,971, respectively. In 2004, the Company sold the land and building it owned in Columbia, South Carolina. The net book value of the land and building was \$1,197,000 and the net proceeds from the sale were \$1,075,000.

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8. Related Party Transactions

Consulting Agreement

The Company maintained consulting agreements, which expired in August 2004, with the former owners of a subsidiary. Under these agreements, the consultants provided executive, financial and managerial oversight. The accompanying financial statements include consulting fees of \$78,125 and \$125,000 for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, related to these agreements.

These consulting agreements also provided for a bonus to be paid in the event that the subsidiaries' EBITDA exceeded \$2,500,000. No bonus was earned in 2004 or 2003 prior to the expiration of the agreements.

Management Services Agreement

The Company has a management services agreement with an affiliated entity. Effective October 13, 2000, the fee is 0.15% of annual gross revenue, payable in quarterly installments in arrears. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, management fees totaling approximately \$247,000 and \$256,000, respectively, were accrued in the accompanying balance sheet. Total management fees to related parties were \$1,010,990, \$651,509, and \$459,430, for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively. Other than for the cost of providing services under the management services agreement, which are included in the management fee, the affiliated entity has not paid any obligations nor incurred any expenses on behalf of the Company.

Services Agreement

The Company has entered into a service agreement with Robert Lee Brown, the prior owner of the Company. The Services Agreement provides for Brown's services as Assistant Secretary, his ongoing involvement as a member of the Company's Board of Directors and its Compensation Committee (so long as he maintains a minimum level of common stock ownership of the Company), an annual salary and other benefits. Brown is also eligible to draw \$150,000 annually in addition to his salary subject to repayment in a lump sum amount on or before June 30, 2009. The promissory notes are secured by a pledge of Brown's shares of capital stock of the Company. As of December 31, 2005 and 2004, the Company has recorded a long-term note receivable of \$300,000 and \$150,000, respectively, due from Brown.

Borrowings

The Company has incurred interest expense of \$540,000 and \$717,000 for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, respectively, related to notes due to shareholders (see Note 2).

9. Commitments and Contingencies

Leases

The Company leases office facilities, computer equipment and software under operating arrangements. Rent expense for 2005, 2004, and 2003 was approximately \$5,375,000, \$2,803,000, and \$1,805,000, respectively.

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The minimum future rental payments under noncancelable operating leases are as follows:

Years Ended December 31,	Gross Payments	Sublease Receipts	Net Operating Lease Commitments
2006	\$ 4,837,185	\$ (128,255)	\$ 4,708,930
2007	3,817,942	(95,587)	3,722,355
2008	2,589,592	(95,587)	2,494,005
2009	1,751,896	(95,587)	1,656,309
2010	672,482	(7,966)	664,516
Thereafter	731,227	—	731,227
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$ 14,400,324</u>	<u>\$ (422,982)</u>	<u>\$ 13,977,342</u>

Litigation

The Company is a defendant in various lawsuits and claims arising in the normal course of business. Management believes it has valid defenses in these cases and is defending them vigorously. While the results of litigation cannot be predicted with certainty, management believes the final outcome of such litigation will not have a material effect on the financial position or results of operations of the Company.

Employment Agreements

Certain of the Company's executives are covered by employment agreements which include, among other terms, base compensation, incentive-bonus determinations and payments in the event of termination or change in control of the Company.

10. Retirement Savings Plans

In 2003, the Company had two 401(k) retirement savings plans (Columbia Staffing plan and the CBS Personnel plan) which covered substantially all regular staff employees who worked at least 500 hours for CBS and 1000 hours for Columbia Staffing, have completed six months of service for CBS and one year of service for Columbia, and had reached age 21. Employees could contribute up to the maximum allowed by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. The Company, on a quarterly basis for CBS and on a monthly basis for Columbia, matched employee contributions to the plans up to 50% of the participant's voluntary contribution. The maximum Company contribution was 3% of a participant's eligible compensation.

Effective January 1, 2004, the Columbia Staffing plan was merged into the CBS plan. The plan covers substantially all regular staff employees who have worked at least 500 hours, have completed six months of service and have reached age 21. Employees may contribute up to 100% of the maximum allowed by the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. The Company, on a quarterly basis, matches employee contributions based on the Company achieving certain EBITDA targets.

The maximum Company contribution is 4% of a participant's eligible compensation. Company contributions to these plans were \$443,000, \$174,000, and \$245,000 for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively.

Effective January 1, 2002, the Company adopted a non-qualified Executive Bonus Plan as a welfare benefit plan for the Company's employees who have completed six or more months of service and who are designated by the Administrator as eligible for the plan because they are not eligible to participate in the Company's 401(k) retirement plan. Employees contribute to the plan at their will and the Company

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matches employee contributions based on the Company achieving certain EBITDA targets. The maximum Company contribution is 4% of a participant's eligible compensation. Company contributions to the plan were \$188,000, \$57,000, and \$61,000 for the years ended December 31, 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively.

11. Acquisition

On September 29, 2004, the Company acquired Venturi Staffing Partners, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiaries (VSP), a division of Venturi Partners, Inc. for \$30.3 million. VSP is a national provider of staffing services consisting of temporary and permanent placement personnel. As discussed in Note 2, the acquisition was financed mainly through the debt issued under the revised Senior Credit Agreement and subordinated credit agreement.

The acquisition was made because it was believed it would be immediately accretive to earnings and increase the Company's ability to service clients in additional geographical areas.

The purchase price was based on valuing VSP's estimated earnings stream and when compared to the net assets acquired, resulted in goodwill of approximately \$10.1 million.

The majority owner of the Company previously owned a 17.08% portion of Venturi Partners, Inc. In accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the accompanying financial statements do not include fair value adjustments for the portion of VSP owned prior to the acquisition. The difference between the amount recorded on the financial statements and the total fair value of the acquired entity has been recorded as a deemed distribution to a shareholder in the accompanying financial statements.

The Company finalized the allocation of the purchase price as of September 30, 2005. The purchase price was allocated as follows (amounts in thousands):

Accounts receivable	\$ 29,067
Property and equipment	750
Other assets	1,158
Trademarks and trade names	1,206
Customer list	7,017
Goodwill	10,094
Accounts payable	(3,175)
Workers' compensation	(8,120)
Accrued expenses, mainly payroll and related costs	(11,514)
Deemed distribution	3,773
	<u>\$ 30,256</u>

Included in the purchase price is \$2.5 million being held in escrow to be released to Venturi Partners, Inc. upon settlement of certain obligations, as defined in the purchase agreement.

The results of operations of VSP are included with results of operations of the Company beginning September 30, 2004.

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The unaudited pro-forma financial information, as if VSP had been acquired at the beginning of fiscal 2004 is as follows (amounts in thousands):

	<u>2004</u>
Net revenues	\$ 519,692
Net income	\$ 8,641

The unaudited pro-forma financial information includes amortization of intangibles and additional interest expense related to debt incurred to finance the acquisition. The information is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of what actually would have occurred if the acquisition had been completed as of the beginning of the fiscal period presented, nor is it necessarily indicative of future consolidated results.

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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Directors
Crosmán Acquisition Corporation
and Subsidiaries

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated balance sheets and the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity and cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Crosmán Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries at June 30, 2005 and 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year ended June 30, 2005 and the period from February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Syracuse, New York
December 12, 2005

Report of Independent Auditors

To the Board of Directors
Crosmán Acquisition Corporation
and Subsidiaries

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated statements of income, shareholder's equity and cash flows present fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations and cash flow of Crosmán Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries for the period from July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004 and the year ended June 30, 2003 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits of these statements in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Syracuse, New York
August 31, 2004

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Dollars are in thousands except share related amounts)

	<u>Successor</u>	
	<u>June 30,</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 773	\$ 204
Accounts receivable, net	13,747	12,689
Inventories, net	11,060	9,694
Refundable income taxes	132	210
Other current assets	1,806	1,757
Deferred taxes	1,104	943
Total current assets	<u>28,622</u>	<u>25,497</u>
Property, plant and equipment, net	10,513	10,583
Investment in equity investee	545	786
Goodwill	30,951	30,951
Intangible and other assets, net	13,552	14,114
Total assets	<u>\$ 84,183</u>	<u>\$ 81,931</u>
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Current liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 2,583	\$ 2,333
Current portion of capitalized lease obligations	69	61
Accounts payable	3,991	4,257
Accrued payroll costs	214	1,436
Accrued foregone offering costs	1,716	—
Accrued expenses	2,428	1,985
Total current liabilities	<u>11,001</u>	<u>10,072</u>
Notes payable under revolving line of credit	10,385	7,138
Long-term debt, net of current portion	35,334	37,917
Capitalized lease obligations, net of current portion	135	132
Accrued interest on Senior Subordinated Notes	901	247
Deferred taxes	3,509	3,951
Other liabilities	572	548
Total liabilities	<u>61,837</u>	<u>60,005</u>
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)		
Shareholders' equity		
Common stock — \$.01 par value, authorized 1,500,000 shares; issued and outstanding 573,536 and 573,408 shares	6	6
Additional paid-in capital	22,076	22,083
Shareholders' notes receivable	(1,035)	(973)
Retained earnings	1,299	810
Total shareholders' equity	<u>22,346</u>	<u>21,926</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>\$ 84,183</u>	<u>\$ 81,931</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Dollars are in thousands)

	Successor		Predecessor	
	Year Ended June 30, 2005	February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004	July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2003
Net sales	\$ 70,060	\$ 24,856	\$ 38,770	\$ 53,333
Cost of sales	50,874	17,337	26,382	37,382
Gross profit	19,186	7,519	12,388	15,951
Selling, general and administrative expenses	10,526	4,119	5,394	8,749
Amortization of intangible assets	629	258	70	132
Operating income	8,031	3,142	6,924	7,070
Interest expense	4,638	1,588	402	1,978
Recapitalization and foregone offering expenses	3,022	644	1,853	—
Equity in (earnings) losses of investee	241	14	(70)	(158)
Other expense (income), net	(471)	(377)	(223)	(266)
Income before income taxes	601	1,273	4,962	5,516
Income tax expense	112	463	1,824	2,122
Net income	\$ 489	\$ 810	\$ 3,138	\$ 3,394

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Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity
(Dollars are in thousands)

	<u>Preferred Stock</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>Capital in Excess of Par Value</u>	<u>Shareholders' Notes Receivable</u>	<u>Retained Earnings</u>	<u>Total Shareholders' Equity</u>
Predecessor Balance at June 30, 2003	\$ 8,778	\$ 12	\$ 3,635	\$ (722)	\$ 1,731	\$ 13,434
Interest accretion on Series B Preferred stock	321	—	—	—	(321)	—
Exercise of options	—	—	342	—	—	342
Issuance of common stock, net of notes receivable thereon	—	—	43	—	—	43
Payment of notes due on common stock	—	—	—	76	—	76
Net income	—	—	—	—	3,138	3,138
Predecessor Balance at February 9, 2004	<u>\$ 9,099</u>	<u>\$ 12</u>	<u>\$ 4,020</u>	<u>\$ (646)</u>	<u>\$ 4,548</u>	<u>\$ 17,033</u>
Successor Balance at February 10, 2004	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Issuance of common stock, net of notes receivable thereon	—	6	22,083	(954)	—	21,135
Interest on notes	—	—	—	(19)	—	(19)
Net income	—	—	—	—	810	810
Successor Balance at June 30, 2004	<u>—</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>22,083</u>	<u>(973)</u>	<u>810</u>	<u>21,926</u>
Redemption of stock	—	—	(7)	—	—	(7)
Interest on notes	—	—	—	(62)	—	(62)
Net income	—	—	—	—	489	489
Successor Balance at June 30, 2005	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 22,076</u>	<u>\$ (1,035)</u>	<u>\$ 1,299</u>	<u>\$ 22,346</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Dollars are in thousands)

	Successor		Predecessor	
	Year Ended June 30, 2005	February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004	July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2003
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income	\$ 489	\$ 810	\$ 3,138	\$ 3,394
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities				
Depreciation and amortization	2,776	1,106	1,277	2,427
Deferred income taxes	(603)	(51)	390	831
Foregone offering costs	3,022	—	—	—
Recapitalization expenses	—	644	1,853	—
Repayment of note discount	—	—	—	(853)
Accretion of note discount	—	—	—	35
Loss on unamortized discount of senior subordinated notes	—	—	—	595
Loss (income) from equity investment	241	14	(70)	(158)
Tax Benefit of stock option exercise	—	—	130	—
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	9	95	38	645
Interest deferred on senior subordinated notes	654	247	—	(744)
Other non-cash expenses	—	—	342	—
(Increase) decrease in operating assets and increase (decrease) in operating liabilities				
Accounts receivable	(1,058)	(4,240)	2,924	(1,135)
Inventories	(1,366)	(1,308)	(1,607)	(155)
Other current assets	(49)	226	(555)	(379)
Refundable income taxes/income taxes payable	78	(255)	(394)	(27)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(1,045)	2,817	1,090	(108)
Other liabilities	(38)	(16)	(5)	(8)
Net cash provided by operating activities	3,110	89	8,551	4,360
Cash flows from investing activities				
Capital expenditures	(2,014)	(1,107)	(1,156)	(572)
Investment	—	—	(25)	—
Acquisition costs	—	(64,702)	—	—
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,014)	(65,809)	(1,181)	(572)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from revolving credit facility	81,473	31,233	43,355	61,611
Repayments under revolving credit facility	(78,226)	(24,095)	(45,621)	(62,442)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	—	41,000	—	4,000
Principal payments and retirement of long-term obligations	(2,394)	(788)	(3,146)	(8,994)
Financing costs associated with issuance of debt	(67)	(1,272)	—	(93)
Foregone offering costs	(1,306)	—	—	—
Recapitalization expenses	—	(1,308)	(1,853)	—
Redemption of common stock	(7)	—	—	(3,408)
Redemption of warrants	—	—	—	(855)
Receipt of payment on notes used to fund common stock purchase	—	—	76	—
Issuance of common stock	—	21,135	43	6,316
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(527)	65,905	(7,146)	(3,865)
Net increase (decrease) cash and cash equivalents	569	185	224	(77)
Cash at beginning of year	204	19	205	282
Cash at end of year	\$ 773	\$ 204	\$ 429	\$ 205
Supplemental disclosure of non-cash activities				
Equipment financed under capital lease	\$ 72	\$ —	\$ 127	\$ 1,000
Foregone offering costs incurred not yet paid	1,716	—	—	—
Equipment financed with issuance of note payable	—	—	—	77

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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1. Organization and Nature of Operations

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries (the "Company") manufactures airguns, paintball markers, ammunition, accessories and slingshots. They sell primarily to retailers, mass merchandisers, and distributors. The Company has a 50% ownership interest in Diablo Marketing, LLC, d/b/a as Gameface Paintball.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue when it is realized or realizable and earned. The Company considers revenue realized or realizable and earned when it has persuasive evidence of an arrangement and the product has been shipped to the customer, the sales price is fixed or determinable, and collectibility is reasonably assured. The Company reduces revenue for estimated customer returns and other allowances.

The Company records accruals for cooperative charges and sales rebates to distributors at the time of shipment based upon historical experience. Changes in such allowances may be required if future rebates differ from historical experience. Cooperative charges are recorded as a reduction of net sales and were \$1,104, \$976 and \$848 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

In accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 00-10, Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs, shipping and handling costs billed to customers are included in sales and the related costs are included in cost of sales in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions are eliminated in consolidation. Investments in which the Company has a 20 to 50 percent ownership interest are accounted for on the equity method.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts, returns, allowances and discounts, which approximated \$998 and \$1,480 as of June 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively. Receivables are charged against reserves when claims are paid or when they are deemed uncollectible, as appropriate for the circumstance. The Company generally extends credit to its customers for a period of zero to sixty days without any charge for interest.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The Company writes down its inventories for estimated obsolescence or unmarketable inventory equal to the difference between the cost of inventory and the estimated market value based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions.

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Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment, tooling costs, company-owned molds capitalized, and software are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Building	25 years
Building improvements	5-10 years
Machinery and equipment	8-10 years
Furniture and fixtures	5-10 years
Computers and software	3-6 years
Tooling	3-6 years
Assets under capital lease	Term of lease

When assets are retired or sold, the cost and related accumulated depreciation is removed from the accounts with any resulting gain or loss reflected in other operating income and expense.

Long-Lived Assets

Impairment of long-lived assets is reviewed whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amounts of long-lived assets may not be fully recoverable. Impairment would be measured by comparing the carrying value of the long-lived asset to its estimated fair value.

Goodwill

The Company reviews goodwill annually for impairment, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of this asset may not be recoverable. Goodwill is tested using a two-step process. The first step is to identify any potential impairment by comparing the carrying value of the Company to its fair value. If a potential impairment is identified, the second step is to compare the implied fair value of goodwill with its carrying amount to measure the impairment loss. A severe decline in fair value could result in an impairment charge to goodwill, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. The Company tested its goodwill in its fourth fiscal quarter and deemed the goodwill not impaired. In addition to not having any impairment losses, the Company did not acquire or write off any goodwill during the year. Goodwill is not subject to amortization.

Advertising Costs

All advertising costs are expensed in operations as incurred. Advertising costs are \$1, \$15, and \$8 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Self-Insurance

The Company is generally self-insured for product liability. The Company maintains stop loss coverage for both individual and aggregate claim amounts. Losses are accrued based upon the Company's estimates of the aggregate liability for claims based on a specific claim review and Company experience.

Through September 2003, the Company was self-insured for workers compensation. Losses are accrued based upon estimates of aggregate liability of claims based on specific claim reviews and actuarial methods used to measure estimates. Beginning in October 2003, the Company's insurance covers losses in excess of a specified amount. Management believes insurance coverage is adequate to cover these losses.

Guarantees

In November 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others — an interpretation of FASB Statements No. 5, 57, and 107 and rescission of FASB Interpretation No. 34. FIN 45 requires additional disclosures to be made by the

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Company and requires the Company to record a liability for any obligations guaranteed by the Company that have been issued or modified after December 31, 2002 by the Company (Notes 4 and 7).

New Accounting Pronouncement

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued FASB Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities — an interpretation of ARB No. 51. FIN 46 addresses the consolidation of variable interest entities that have either of the following characteristics: (a) equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties, which is provided through other interests that will absorb some or all of the expected losses of the entity and/or (b) the equity investors lack one or more of the following essential characteristics of a controlling financial interest: (1) direct or indirect ability to make decisions about the entity's activities through voting rights or similar rights, (2) obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity if they occur, which makes it possible for the entity to finance its activities and (3) right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity if they occur, which is the compensation for the risk of absorbing the expected losses. FIN 46 is applicable for all variable interest entities created after January 31, 2003 and for entities in existence prior to this date. In December of 2003 FIN 46R was issued deferring the implementation date of this pronouncement until the end of the first interim or annual reporting period ending after March 15, 2004. The Company has adopted FIN 46R for the fiscal period ending June 30, 2004, but it does not have any impact on the Company.

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R (SFAS 123R), "Share-Based Payment." SFAS 123R establishes standards for the accounting for transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services. This Statement focuses primarily on accounting for transactions in which an entity obtains employee services in share-based payment transactions. SFAS 123R requires that the fair value of such equity instruments be recognized as an expense in the historical financial statements as services are performed. Prior to SFAS 123R, only certain proforma disclosures of fair value were required. The Company has adopted the provisions of SFAS 123R, on a modified prospective basis effective for the first quarter ended October 2, 2005.

Financial Instruments

The Company has one outstanding interest rate swap for the purpose of fixing interest rates on its variable interest rate term loan facility (Note 9). The Company's objective is to minimize the interest expense over the life of the loan facility. The Company maintains policies to ensure that the average notional amount of the hedge does not exceed the average underlying debt balances. The Company views this interest rate swap as an economic cash flow hedge. The net settlement on this transaction is included as a component of interest expense.

Income Taxes

Income taxes have been computed utilizing the asset and liability approach. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities arise from differences between the tax basis of an asset or liability and its reported amount in the financial statements. Deferred tax balances are determined by using tax rates expected to be in effect when the taxes will actually be paid or refunds received. A valuation allowance is recorded when the expected recognition of a deferred tax asset is not considered to be more likely than not. The recorded deferred income tax liability results from a difference between the book and tax basis of certain assets and liabilities.

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Reclassification

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform with current year presentation.

3. Inventories

The major components of inventories, net of reserves of \$279 and \$229 as of June 30, 2005 and 2004, respectively, are as follows:

	<u>Successor</u>	
	<u>June 30,</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Raw materials	\$ 3,224	\$ 3,127
Work-in-process	1,672	1,933
Finished goods	6,164	4,634
	<u>\$ 11,060</u>	<u>\$ 9,694</u>

4. Warranty Reserve

The Company generally warrants its airgun product for one year and its soft air products for 90 days. The warranty accrual is based on the prior nine months historical warranty activity and is included in accrued expenses. The activity in the product warranty reserve from July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005 is as follows:

	<u>Successor</u>	
	<u>June 30,</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Balance at July 1	\$ 392	\$ 335
Accruals for warranties issued during period	1,651	1,438
Settlements made during the period	(1,582)	(1,381)
	<u>\$ 461</u>	<u>\$ 392</u>

5. Property, Plant and Equipment

The major components of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

	<u>Successor</u>	
	<u>June 30,</u>	
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Land	\$ 256	\$ 256
Building and improvements	2,340	2,328
Machinery and equipment	6,705	5,072
Furniture and fixtures	141	108
Computers and software	620	483
Tooling	2,721	2,249
Assets under capital lease	254	182
Construction-in-progress	459	749
	<u>13,496</u>	<u>11,427</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(2,983)	(844)
	<u>\$ 10,513</u>	<u>\$ 10,583</u>

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Depreciation expense amounted to \$2,146, \$2,052 and \$2,295 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

6. Intangibles and Other Assets

Intangible and other assets consist of the following:

	Successor	
	June 30,	
	2005	2004
Intangible assets subject to amortization:		
Financing costs	\$ 1,339	\$ 1,272
Developed Technology	900	900
License and distribution agreements	2,400	2,400
	4,639	4,572
Less: Accumulated amortization	(887)	(258)
	3,752	4,314
Intangible assets not subject to amortization, excluding goodwill:		
Trademarks	9,800	9,800
Total intangibles and other assets, excluding goodwill, net	\$ 13,552	\$ 14,114

Developed technologies are amortized over 10 years. License and distribution agreements are amortized over the term of the related agreement. Financing costs, incurred in connection with obtaining long-term debt, are amortized over the term of the related debt. The Company utilizes the straight-line method for all amortization. Aggregate amortization expense for years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003 is \$629, \$328 and \$132, respectively. All current amortization is deductible for income tax purposes.

Estimated amortization expense for the following years ended is as follows:

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	There- after	Total
Financing costs	\$ 280	\$ 280	\$ 280	\$ 117	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 957
Developed Technology	90	90	90	90	90	322	772
License and distribution agreement	266	266	266	266	182	777	2,023
Totals	\$ 636	\$ 636	\$ 636	\$ 473	\$ 272	\$ 1,099	\$ 3,752

7. Investment

The Company has a 50% membership interest in Diablo Marketing, LLC, d/b/a Gameface Paintball (Gameface). Below is condensed financial information of Gameface as of and for the years ended:

	Successor		Predecessor
	June 30,		June 30,
	2005	2004	2003
Summary of operations:			
Revenues	\$ 13,547	\$ 18,316	\$ 11,708
Costs and expenses	14,029	18,204	11,392
Net (loss) income	\$ (482)	\$ 112	\$ 316
Company equity in net (loss) income	\$ (241)	\$ 56	\$ 158

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	<u>Successor</u>		<u>Predecessor</u>
	<u>June 30,</u>		<u>June 30,</u>
	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Balance sheet data:			
Assets:			
Current assets	\$ 5,410	\$ 6,616	\$ 5,651
Non-current assets	475	468	517
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,885</u>	<u>\$ 7,084</u>	<u>\$ 6,168</u>
Liabilities and membership interests:			
Current liabilities	\$ 5,078	\$ 5,794	\$ 4,990
Membership interests	807	1,290	1,178
Total liabilities and membership interests	<u>\$ 5,885</u>	<u>\$ 7,084</u>	<u>\$ 6,168</u>

The Company guarantees the long-term debt of Gameface up to \$1.5 million. The Company has not recorded the fair value of the liability, if any, in accordance with FIN 45 (Note 2) because the guarantee was issued prior to December 31, 2002.

The Company performs all selling, administrative, warehousing and shipping functions for Gameface. Gameface pays the Company 5% of its net sales for these services. 50% of the payment is a reduction to the Company's selling expense and 50% is a component of non-operating income. The Company billed Gameface \$677, \$916 and \$585 for these services in fiscal 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Additionally, Gameface purchased \$3,338, \$3,742 and \$1,609 of goods from Crosman in fiscal 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. As of June 30, 2005 and 2004, Gameface owes the Company \$1,174 and \$608, respectively, for product and services, which is included in current assets.

8. Recapitalization

On February 10, 2004, the Company entered into a series of financing transactions (the "Recapitalization") resulting in the redemption and cancellation of 684,917 of the then outstanding 1,243,390 shares of common stock and all of the outstanding shares of the Series B convertible preferred stock (see Note 10). In addition the shareholders redeeming the shares (the "Sellers") sold 518,219 shares of common stock to third party shareholders (the "Purchasers"). The Recapitalization was funded as follows:

Uses of Cash

Redemption of 684,917 of common stock, net of option exercise price and receipt of payment on note receivable to fund purchase of stock	\$ 26,281
Redemption of 100% of the redeemable Series B preferred stock at full redemption value as of February 10, 2004 (see Note 10)	9,099
Prepayment Senior Term Debt (see Note 9)	6,508
Payment of Outstanding Revolving Line of Credit	121
Seller fees	1,693
Purchaser fees	2,418
	<u>\$ 46,120</u>

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Sources of Cash

Senior Term Loan (see Note 9)	\$ 27,000
Senior Subordinated Notes (see Note 9)	14,000
New borrowings under revolving line of credit (see Note 9)	5,120
	<u>\$ 46,120</u>

Under the terms of a Stock Purchase and Redemption Agreement among the Sellers, Purchaser and the Company, the Company will pay to the Sellers a certain amount of the 2005 and 2006 earnings before interest, depreciation, taxes, amortization, transaction related expenses and management fees ("Adjusted EBITDA" as defined) that exceeds \$14,000. The Adjusted EBITDA is limited to the business as it existed on February 10, 2004. No payment is due to the Sellers for 2005 because the 2005 Adjusted EBITDA did not exceed the baseline amount.

The Company incurred \$4,111 of expenses that were paid upon the closing of the recapitalization and an additional \$323 that were paid subsequent to the closing. Of the total \$4,434 expenses incurred, \$2,497 for expenses and fees are classified separately as a non-operating expenses, \$1,272 of fees incurred in connection with debt financing are capitalized and amortized over the life of the related debt instruments (see Note 6) and \$665 of expenses are a component of goodwill.

9. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following at June 30:

	Successor	
	June 30,	
	2005	2004
Collateralized:		
Term Loan Facility	\$ 23,917	\$ 26,250
Senior Subordinated Notes	14,000	14,000
	37,917	40,250
Less: Current portion	(2,583)	(2,333)
	<u>\$ 35,334</u>	<u>\$ 37,917</u>
Notes payable under revolving line of credit	<u>\$ 10,385</u>	<u>\$ 7,138</u>

Senior Credit Facility

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8), on February 10, 2004, the Company repaid all outstanding amounts on the then existing revolving credit facility and senior term notes and amended and restated its senior credit facility with M&T Bank. The amended facility provides for total borrowings of \$40,000 and consists of a term loan for \$27,000 (the "Term Loan") and a \$18,000 revolving credit facility (the "Revolver").

The Term Loan in the original amount of \$27,000, is payable in monthly installments of (i) \$188 through and including February 1, 2005, (ii) \$208 commencing on March 1, 2005 and continuing through and including February 1, 2006, (iii) \$250 commencing on March 1, 2006 and continuing through and including February 1, 2007, (iv) \$271 commencing on March 1, 2007 and continuing through and including February 1, 2008, and (v) \$333 commencing on March 1, 2008 and continuing thereafter. All

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remaining outstanding principal and interest under the Term Loan will be due and payable in full on December 31, 2008. The interest on the Term Loan floats based upon the ratio of total debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and recapitalization expenses (EBITDA as defined). The Term Loan currently bears interest at the Company's option of the bank's prime rate + 1.25% or LIBOR + 3.75% subject to certain restrictions within the loan agreement. Additional principal payments are contingently payable based on the Company's future excess cash flows and certain asset sales as defined in the agreement.

The notes payable under the Revolver are used primarily to fund the Company's working capital requirements. Maximum available credit is the lesser of \$18,000 or a borrowing base computed on a percentage of eligible account receivables and inventories. The interest on the notes payable floats based upon the ratio of total debt to EBITDA. The notes payable currently bear interest at the Company's option of the bank's prime rate + 1.0% or LIBOR + 3.50% subject to certain restrictions within the loan agreement. The outstanding principal balance is due and payable on December 31, 2008. As of June 30, 2005 the Company has available borrowings of \$3,224.

The senior credit facility is collateralized by substantially all of the assets of the Company. The senior credit facility contains a subjective acceleration (i.e. material adverse effect) clause, but does not require the remittance of receipts into an M&T lockbox. Management has no reason to believe the subjective acceleration clause will be exercised in 2006 and therefore, only the minimum principal payments are classified as current liabilities.

Senior Subordinated Notes

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8), on February 10, 2004, the Company issued \$14 million of senior subordinated notes to a firm that owns 14% of the Company's outstanding common stock. The senior subordinated notes are due on February 10, 2010 and bear interest at 16.5%. Interest is payable monthly at 12%. The remaining 4.5% is payable on February 10, 2009 (the "Deferred Interest"). The Deferred Interest accrues interest at 16.5% and is compounded monthly. The Company is subject to certain prepayment penalties if any portion of the \$14 million principal is prepaid prior to February 10, 2006. The Company may prepay the Deferred Interest at anytime without penalty.

The senior credit facility and senior subordinated notes contain restrictive covenants, the more significant of which relate to fixed charge ratio, debt ratios, current ratio and capital expenditures, and restriction of dividends. The Company is in compliance with its covenants.

Subsequent Event Refinancing

On August 4, 2005, the Company refinanced its Senior Credit Facility. Under the terms of the new facility, the then outstanding balance of \$23,708 under the Term Loan was paid in full and a new term loan was issued (the "New Term Loan"). The New Term Loan is in the original amount of \$26 million and is due on December 31, 2008. The New Term Loan is payable in monthly installments of \$217 for each of the first twenty-four monthly installments and \$271 for each of the next succeeding monthly payments through the due date. The interest on the Term Loan floats based upon the ratio of total debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and recapitalization expenses (EBITDA as defined). The Term Loan currently bears interest at the Company's option of the bank's prime rate + 1.25% or LIBOR + 3.75% subject to certain restrictions within the loan agreement. Additional principal payments are contingently payable based on the Company's future excess cash flows and certain asset sales as defined in the agreement.

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The net proceeds from the above were used to pay, transaction expenses of the failed offering, and to reduce the borrowings under the Revolver.

Long-Term Debt — Five Year Repayment Schedule (excluding the Revolver)

The aggregate minimum annual principal payments reflective of the amended and restated credit facility and the senior subordinated notes as of June 30, 2005, excluding the revolving line are as follows:

2006	\$ 2,583
2007	2,600
2008	3,142
2009	15,592
2010	14,000
	<u>\$ 37,917</u>

	Successor		Predecessor	
	Year Ended June 30, 2005	February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004	July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2003
Interest expense components are				
Interest expense	\$ 3,984	\$ 1,341	\$ 402	\$ 1,257
Amortization of discount	—	—	—	35
Write-off of unamortized discount costs	—	—	—	595
Interest deferred on senior subordinated notes	654	247	—	91
	<u>\$ 4,638</u>	<u>\$ 1,588</u>	<u>\$ 402</u>	<u>\$ 1,978</u>
Cash paid for interest	\$ 4,016	\$ 524	\$ 1,148	\$ 2,666
Effective interest rate on all debt	9.0%	7.6%	7.6%	12.6%

10. Shareholders' Equity

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8), all 60,000 shares the Series B redeemable preferred stock that was then authorized issued and outstanding was redeemed for redemption value and subsequently cancelled. The Series B redeemable preferred stock was 6%, mandatorily redeemable cumulative preferred stock and was stated at redemption value. These shares had no voting rights. Dividends were calculated based on the redemption price of the stock. The redemption price was equal to \$100 per share plus any unpaid dividends (whether or not declared).

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11. Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	Successor	
	June 30,	
	2005	2004
Current deferred tax assets/(liabilities)		
Accounts receivable	\$ 185	\$ 252
Inventory	268	222
Workers' compensation	—	113
Warranty and product liability	413	159
Tax credits	180	250
Other	58	(53)
Total net current deferred tax assets	<u>1,104</u>	<u>943</u>
Long-term deferred tax assets/(liabilities)		
Supplemental retirement	217	203
Property, plant and equipment	(1,894)	(2,042)
Intangible assets	(995)	(1,113)
Tax credits	293	126
Goodwill	(1,130)	(1,130)
Other	—	5
Total net long-term deferred tax liabilities	<u>(3,509)</u>	<u>(3,951)</u>
Net deferred tax liability	<u>\$ (2,405)</u>	<u>\$ (3,008)</u>

Income tax expense (benefit) consists of the following:

	Successor		Predecessor	
	Year Ended June 30, 2005	February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004	July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	Year Ended June 30, 2003
Current:				
Federal	\$ 602	\$ 508	\$ 1,290	\$ 1,200
State	96	6	120	91
Deferred income tax	(586)	(51)	414	831
	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>\$ 463</u>	<u>\$ 1,824</u>	<u>\$ 2,122</u>

The Company paid income taxes of \$636, \$2,468 and \$1,683 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

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Rate Reconciliation

A reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate to the effective rates for the periods ended:

	Successor				Predecessor			
	Year Ended June 30, 2005		February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004		July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004		Year Ended June 30, 2003	
Statutory federal income tax rate	\$204	34.0%	\$ 433	34.0%	\$ 1,687	34.0%	\$1,875	34.0%
State taxes, net of federal benefit	23	3.8%	48	3.80%	189	3.8%	221	4.0%
Investment tax credits	(84)	(14.0)%	(28)	(2.2)%	(103)	(2.0)%	(17)	(0.3)%
Non taxable (income) expenses, net	(4)	(0.7)%	7	0.6%	(11)	(0.2)%	(10)	0.2%
Adjustment to prior year taxes	(34)	(5.6)%	4	0.3%	9	0.2%	(5)	(0.1)%
Miscellaneous	7	1.1%	(1)	(0.1)%	53	1.0%	58	1.1%
	<u>\$ 112</u>	<u>18.7%</u>	<u>\$ 463</u>	<u>36.4%</u>	<u>\$ 1,824</u>	<u>36.8%</u>	<u>\$2,122</u>	<u>38.5%</u>

The Company's 2005 effective tax rate of 18.7% is less than the combined federal and state combined rate primarily because the Company earned certain investment tax credits that the Company expects will offset future income tax payments.

The Company has certain tax credits that expire in various increments from 2014 to 2020. Realization of the deferred income tax assets relating to these tax credits is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income prior to the expiration of the credits. Based upon results of operations, management believes it is more likely than not the Company will generate sufficient future taxable income to realize the benefit of the tax credits and existing temporary differences, although there can be no assurance of this.

12. Leases

The Company leases certain of its equipment utilized in its regular operations. Some of the leases contain renewal clauses to extend the term of the lease. None of the lease agreements contain acceleration clauses. Minimum rent commitments under capital and non-cancelable operating leases at June 30, 2005 are as follows:

Years Ending	Capital	Operating
2006	\$ 84	\$ 74
2007	58	55
2008	49	55
2009	29	36
2010	18	—
Total minimum lease payments	238	220
Less: Amount representing interest	(34)	
Total obligations under capital lease	204	
Less: Current portion	(69)	
Long-term obligations under capital lease	<u>\$ 135</u>	

Rent expense for operating leases total \$252, \$292 and \$353 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

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13. Stock Based Plans

A) Director Stock Option Plan

The Company adopted a Director Stock Option Plan on January 1, 1998 for non-employee directors (the "Director Plan"). The Director Plan allowed for the granting of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights and incentive stock options. The Company was authorized to grant options for up to 30,000 shares for non-employee directors. Options vest after one year and are exercisable over 10 years. The exercise price of the options was the estimated fair market value of the stock on the date of grant. In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8), all options became exercisable and were exercised. The plan was terminated by the Board of Directors on September 29, 2005; there were no options granted through the period of termination.

A summary of all option activity in the Director Plan for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003 is as follows:

	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at June 30, 2003	15,667	\$ 6.76
Granted in period July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	3,000	21.31
Exercised in period July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	(18,667)	9.10
Outstanding at February 9, 2004	—	\$ —
Outstanding at June 30, 2004	—	\$ —
Outstanding at June 30, 2005	—	\$ —

B) Stock Incentive Plan

In 2002, the Company adopted the Stock Incentive Plan for officers and certain other Company employees and subsequently amended it in 2003. The Stock Incentive Plan allowed for the purchases of common stock, granting of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights and other stock-based awards as described by the Stock Incentive Plan. The Company reserved 73,748 shares of common stock for issuance under the Stock Incentive Plan. Stock ownership costs were amortized, based upon the estimated life of ownership, subject to certain provision within the individual stock purchase agreements. There were 11,576 shares available for future grants and no outstanding awards at June 30, 2005.

Stock Purchases

In 2002 the Company accepted a note receivable for \$505 that was amended and restated in 2004 to represent payment for the issuance of 17,494 of its common stock. The note bears interest at 7% and interest is payable on the maturity date. The note is due April 23, 2012 and is subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met.

In 2003, the Company accepted notes totaling \$267 in connection with the issuance of 24,897 of its common stock. The notes were paid in full in connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8). The interest rate on the notes was 5%.

In 2004, the Company accepted notes totaling \$450 in connection with the issuance of 11,592 shares of its common stock. The notes bear interest at 6% and interest is payable on the maturity date. The notes are due April 23, 2011 and are subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met.

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The Company has classified all of the notes as a reduction of additional paid-in capital on the balance sheet.

Stock Options

On February 10, 2004 the Company granted options to purchase 30,000 shares of its common stock that vest over the time period and exercise prices as described below:

Date of Vesting	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Minimum Exercise Price
February 10, 2005	6,000	\$ 73.00
February 10, 2006	6,000	99.67
February 10, 2007	6,000	140.33
February 10, 2008	6,000	194.67
February 10, 2009	6,000	270.37
	<u>30,000</u>	<u>\$ 155.61</u>

If the options are not exercised within a year of the date of vesting, the exercise price will increase to the next year's weighted average minimum exercise price. The exercise price of the stock options exceeded the Company's estimate of fair value market on the date of grant.

Previously, the Company elected to follow Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 ("APB No. 25") and related interpretations in accounting for the stock options granted under the Plan. Under APB No. 25, because the exercise price of the Company's stock options approximates or exceeds the fair value of the underlying stock on the date of the grant, no compensation expense has been recognized. Under Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 123, rights to acquire company stock are to be valued under the fair value method and the proforma effect of such value on reported earnings per share are to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. As the fair value of these rights is not material, proforma and related disclosures are not presented. There were no options exercised in 2005. The Company recognized \$342 of compensation expense in connection with the exercise of options in 2004.

14. Commitment and Contingencies

From time to time the Company defends product liability lawsuits involving accidents and other claims related to its business operations. The Company views these actions, and related expenses of administration, litigation and insurance, as part of the ordinary course of its business. The Company has a policy of aggressively defending product liability lawsuits, which generally take several years to ultimately resolve. A combination of self-insured retention and insurance is used to manage these risks and management believes that the insurance coverage and reserves established for self-insured risks are adequate. Management has determined that there is a probable likelihood that one case will be resolved at a cost of approximately \$600 and has a reserve of \$600 as of June 30, 2005. The Company is currently defending an additional 5 lawsuits and is the subject of 23 claims. The effect of these lawsuits and claims on future results of operations, if any, cannot be predicted. The Company incurred \$1,584, \$471 and \$488 of expenses related to product liability cases for years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

The Company has signed consent orders with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("DEC") to investigate and remediate soil and groundwater contamination at its primary facility. Pursuant to a contractual indemnity and related agreements, the costs of investigation and

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remediation have been paid by a successor to the prior owner and operator of the facility, which also has signed the consent orders with the DEC. In 2002, upon an increase noted in certain contamination levels, the DEC indicated that additional remediation of groundwater may be required. Both the Company and the prior owner and operator have disputed the need for additional remediation and are pursuing alternate avenues for resolving site issues with the DEC, including monitored natural attenuation of the contaminants. The Company believes the prior owner and operator is contractually obligated to pay any additional costs for resolving site remediation issues with the DEC and the prior owner and operator will continue to honor its commitments resulting in no losses to the Company and accordingly no accrual has been made for this matter. However, there can be no assurance the prior owner and operator will continue to pay future site remediation costs, which could be up to \$750 in total over the next 10 years if the DEC requires additional groundwater remediation. Subsequent to 2002, contamination levels returned to normalized levels and the DEC has not pursued any further action.

The Company is also subject to potential liability for investigation and remediation of environmental contamination (including contamination caused by other parties) at properties that it owns and operates and at other properties where the Company or its predecessors have operated or arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances. In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Accounting Standards No. 5 and AICPA Statement of Position 96-1 the Company has not accrued for any losses in these cases. There exists, however a reasonable possibility that the Company will incur up to \$1.2 million of clean-up costs associated with these sites over the next 10 years.

15. Employee Retirement Plan

The Company has a contributory profit sharing retirement 401(k) plan for substantially all of its hourly and salaried employees. Participants can contribute up to a maximum of 15% of eligible wages and the Company will make matching contributions based upon a percentage of participant contributions. Profit sharing contribution expense was \$257, \$254, and \$203 for the years ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively. A participant is immediately vested in his or her own contribution and vests at the rate of 25% per year in the matching contribution.

The Company has a supplemental retirement agreement covering a former key employee, which provides for stipulated annual payments. The present value of these retirement payments at June 30, 2005 and 2004 are \$523 and \$534, respectively. The amount has been accrued pursuant to the agreement's vesting provisions and is included in other long-term liabilities.

16. Concentration of Sales and Credit Risk

For the years ended June 30, 2005 and 2004, one major customer accounted for 36% and 41%, respectively, of the Company's sales. At June 30, 2005 and 2004, this major customer accounted for 43% and 32% of the Company's accounts receivable.

For the year ended June 30, 2003, two major customers accounted for 43% and 8% of the Company's sales. At June 30, 2003, these two major customers accounted for 37% and 5% of the Company's accounts receivable.

17. Related Party Transactions

In addition to the transactions described in Notes 7 and 8, in 2004 the Company paid \$580 in management consulting costs, incurred concurrent with the Recapitalization (Note 8), to a company affiliated with the majority shareholder. In addition, the Company incurred expenses of \$580 and \$242 for management consulting services to the same company in 2005 and 2004, respectively.

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The Company will continue to pay \$580 per year, subject to certain limitations imposed under its lending agreements and continued ownership by the majority shareholder. Other than for the cost of providing services under the management services agreement, which are included in the management fee, the affiliated entity has not paid any obligations nor incurred any expenses on behalf of the Company.

18. Warrants for Common Stock

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 8) the Company issued warrants for shares of its common stock for \$38.50 per share. The warrants are only exercisable if a contingent payment is due to the Sellers and the Company is not or will not be in compliance with its financial covenants under its lending arrangements (Note 9). In that case, the warrant holders will be required to make the contingent payment directly to the sellers. The number of shares issuable under the warrants will be equal to the contingent payment made by the warrant holder divided by the warrant price. Management believes that the likelihood of the warrants being exercised is remote because the contingent payments are based on EBITDA growth by the Company which management believes would result in the Company meeting its financial covenants. In this case, the warrants would not be exercisable. Accordingly, the value of the warrants is estimated to be de minimus.

19. Segment Reporting

As discussed in Note 1, the Company manufactures air guns, paintball markers, ammunition, accessories and slingshots, and distributes paintballs, under one operating segment, selling to retailers, mass merchandisers, and distributors. Its products primarily include air rifles, air pistols, soft air, and related consumables. The Company can serve as a single source of supply for its customers' related requirements. Net sales by product line are as follows:

	Successor		Predecessor	
	Year ended June 30, 2005	February 10, 2004 through June 30, 2004	July 1, 2003 through February 9, 2004	Year ended June 30, 2003
Air rifles	\$ 24,072	\$ 8,829	\$ 16,785	\$ 24,720
Air pistols	11,817	5,004	8,288	10,890
Soft air	15,626	3,221	2,578	1,099
Related consumables	16,947	7,180	9,971	15,148
Other	1,598	622	1,148	1,476
	\$ 70,060	\$ 24,856	\$ 38,770	\$ 53,333

The Company's sales are primarily in the United States, which represent approximately 87%, 88% and 87% of its net sales for the year ended June 30, 2005, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

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20. Acquisition Adjustment

The recapitalization was accounted for under the purchase method of accounting. The purchase price was allocated to assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair value as follows:

	<u>Successor</u> <u>February 10,</u> <u>2004</u>
Allocated to assets and liabilities:	
Cash	\$ 19
Accounts receivable	8,449
Inventory	8,386
Other current assets	2,223
Investment in equity investee	800
Property, plant and equipment, net	10,419
Liabilities assumed	(8,980)
Intangible assets acquired:	
Trademarks	9,800
Developed Technology	900
License and distribution agreements	2,400
Goodwill	30,286
Total purchase price	<u>\$ 64,702</u>

The fair value of intangible assets, property, plant and equipment and the investment in equity investee was determined by the Company based in part on a recommendation by an independent appraiser. The definite lived intangibles are being amortized over their estimated useful lives. Detail of the amortization of the Company's intangible assets is included in Note 6.

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	January 1, 2006 (Unaudited)
Assets	
Current assets	
Cash	\$ 796
Accounts receivable, net	19,794
Inventories, net	12,316
Other current assets	2,302
Deferred taxes	1,262
Total current assets	36,470
Property, plant and equipment, net	10,069
Investment in equity investee	520
Goodwill	30,951
Intangible and other assets, net	13,585
Total assets	\$ 91,595
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	
Current liabilities	
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 4,100
Current portion of capitalized lease obligations	64
Accounts payable	5,863
Accrued expenses	3,355
Income taxes payable	1,216
Total current liabilities	14,598
Long-term debt, net of current portion	35,033
Revolving line of credit	11,329
Capitalized lease obligations, net of current portion	107
Deferred interest	1,243
Deferred taxes	3,522
Other liabilities	585
Total liabilities	66,417
Commitments and contingencies (Note 11)	
Shareholders' equity	
Common stock — \$.01 par value, authorized 1,500,000 shares; Issued and outstanding 577,232 and 573,408 shares	6
Additional paid-in capital	22,270
Shareholders' notes receivable	(1,218)
Retained earnings	4,120
Total shareholders' equity	25,178
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 91,595

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Income
(Dollars are in thousands)

	Six Months Ended	
	January 1, 2006 (Unaudited)	December 26, 2004 (Unaudited)
Net sales	\$ 45,223	\$ 38,234
Cost of sales	32,916	26,471
Gross profit	12,307	11,763
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,896	5,393
Amortization of intangible assets	367	310
Operating income	7,044	6,060
Interest expense	2,695	2,236
Foregone offering costs	—	161
Equity in losses of investee	24	132
Other (income)/expense, net	(217)	(225)
Income before income taxes	4,542	3,756
Income tax expense	1,721	1,407
Net income	\$ 2,821	\$ 2,349

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity
(Dollars are in thousands) (Unaudited)

	<u>Preferred Stock</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>Capital in Excess of Par Value</u>	<u>Shareholders' Notes Receivable</u>	<u>Retained Earnings</u>	<u>Total Shareholders' Equity</u>
Balance at June 30, 2004	\$ —	\$ 6	\$ 22,083	\$ (973)	\$ 810	\$ 21,926
Redemption of stock	—	—	(7)	—	—	(7)
Interest on notes	—	—	—	(32)	—	(32)
Net income	—	—	—	—	2,349	2,349
Balance at December 26, 2004	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 22,076</u>	<u>\$ (1,005)</u>	<u>\$ 3,159</u>	<u>\$ 24,236</u>
Balance at June 30, 2005	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 22,076</u>	<u>\$ (1,035)</u>	<u>\$ 1,299</u>	<u>\$ 22,346</u>
Redemption of stock	—	—	(6)	—	—	(6)
Issuance of stock	—	—	200	(150)	—	50
Interest on notes	—	—	—	(33)	—	(33)
Net income	—	—	—	—	2,821	2,821
Balance at January 1, 2006	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 22,270</u>	<u>\$ (1,218)</u>	<u>\$ 4,120</u>	<u>\$ 25,178</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
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	Six Months Ended	
	January 1, 2006 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	December 26, 2004 <u>(Unaudited)</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income	\$ 2,821	\$ 2,349
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	1,485	1,379
Deferred income taxes	(143)	(83)
Loss from equity investment	24	132
Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	2	13
Interest deferred on senior subordinated notes	342	326
Changes in operating assets and liabilities		
Increase in accounts receivable	(6,047)	(5,639)
Increase in inventories	(1,256)	(6,225)
Increase in other current assets	(496)	(1,094)
Decrease in refundable income taxes/income taxes payable	1,348	873
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,585	1,855
Decrease in accrued interest and other liabilities	(18)	(19)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>647</u>	<u>(6,133)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Capital expenditures	(677)	(944)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(677)</u>	<u>(944)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from revolving credit facility	54,193	47,809
Repayments under revolving credit facility	(53,249)	(39,257)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	26,000	—
Principal payments and retirement of long-term obligations	(24,817)	(1,160)
Financing costs associated with issuance of debt	(402)	(40)
Failed offering costs	(1,716)	—
Redemption of common stock	(6)	(6)
Issuance of common stock	50	—
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>53</u>	<u>7,346</u>
Net increase cash and cash equivalents	23	269
Cash at beginning of year	773	204
Cash at end of year	<u>\$ 796</u>	<u>\$ 473</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

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1. Organization and Nature of Operations

Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries (the "Company") manufactures airguns, paintball markers, ammunition, accessories and slingshots. They sell primarily to retailers, mass merchandisers, and distributors. The Company has a 50% ownership interest in Diablo Marketing, LLC, d/b/a as Gameface Paintball.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue when it is realized or realizable and earned. The Company considers revenue realized or realizable and earned when it has persuasive evidence of an arrangement and the product has been shipped to the customer, the sales price is fixed or determinable, and collectibility is reasonable assured. The Company reduces revenue for estimated customer returns and other allowances.

The Company records accruals for cooperative charges and sales rebates to distributors at the time of shipment based upon historical experience. Changes in such allowances may be required if future rebates differ from historical experience.

In accordance with Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 00-10, Accounting for Shipping and Handling Fees and Costs, shipping and handling costs billed to customers are included in sales and the related costs are included in cost of sales in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiaries. All significant intercompany transactions are eliminated in consolidation. Investments in which the Company has a 20 to 50 percent ownership interest are accounted for on the equity method.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts, returns, allowances and discounts, which approximated \$1,843 (unaudited), as of January 1, 2006. Receivables are charged against reserves when claims are paid or when they are deemed uncollectible, as appropriate for the circumstance. The Company generally extends credit to its customers for a period of zero to sixty days without any charge for interest.

Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method. The Company writes down its inventories for estimated obsolescence or unmarketable inventory equal to the difference between the cost of inventory and the estimated market value based upon assumptions about future demand and market conditions.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment, tooling costs, company-owned molds capitalized, and software are recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from 3 to 25 years. When assets are retired or sold the cost and related accumulated

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depreciation is removed from the accounts with any resulting gain or loss reflected in other operating income and expense.

Long-Lived Assets

Impairment of long-lived assets is reviewed whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amounts of long-lived assets may not be fully recoverable. Impairment would be measured by comparing the carrying value of the long-lived asset to its estimated fair value.

Goodwill

The Company reviews goodwill annually for impairment, and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of this asset may not be recoverable. Goodwill is tested using a two-step process. The first step is to identify any potential impairment by comparing the carrying value of the Company to its fair value. If a potential impairment is identified, the second step is to compare the implied fair value of goodwill with its carrying amount to measure the impairment loss. A severe decline in fair value could result in an impairment charge to goodwill, which could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. The Company tested its goodwill in its fourth fiscal quarter and deemed the goodwill not impaired. In addition to not having any impairment losses, the Company did not acquire or write off any goodwill during the year. Goodwill is not subject to amortization.

Advertising Costs

All advertising costs are expensed in operations as incurred, or recorded as a reduction of net sales in the case of cooperative charges. Cooperative charges and advertising costs are \$765 (unaudited) and \$3 (unaudited); and \$646 (unaudited) and zero (unaudited), for the six-month periods ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively.

Self-Insurance

The Company is generally self-insured for product liability. The Company maintains stop loss coverage for both individual and aggregate claim amounts. Losses are accrued based upon the Company's estimates of the aggregate liability for claims based on a specific claim review and Company experience.

Through September 2003, the Company was self-insured for workers compensation. Losses are accrued based upon estimates of aggregate liability of claims based on specific claim reviews and actuarial methods used to measure estimates. Beginning in October 2003, the Company's insurance covers losses in excess of a specified amount. Management believes insurance coverage is adequate to cover these losses.

Guarantees

In November 2002, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others an interpretation of FASB Statements No. 5, 57, and 107 and rescission of FASB Interpretation No. 34. FIN 45 requires additional disclosures to be made by the Company and requires the Company to record a liability for any obligations guaranteed by the Company that have been issued or modified after December 31, 2002 by the Company (Notes 4 and 7).

New Accounting Pronouncement

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued FASB Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities — an interpretation of ARB No. 51. FIN 46 addresses the consolidation of variable interest entities that have either of the following characteristics: (a) equity investment at risk is not sufficient to permit the entity to finance its activities without

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additional subordinated financial support from other parties, which is provided through other interests that will absorb some or all of the expected losses of the entity and/or (b) the equity investors lack one or more of the following essential characteristics of a controlling financial interest: (1) direct or indirect ability to make decisions about the entity's activities through voting rights or similar rights, (2) obligation to absorb the expected losses of the entity if they occur, which makes it possible for the entity to finance its activities and (3) right to receive the expected residual returns of the entity if they occur, which is the compensation for the risk of absorbing the expected losses. FIN 46 is applicable for all variable interest entities created after January 31, 2003 and for entities in existence prior to this date. In December of 2003 FIN 46R was issued deferring the implementation date of this pronouncement until the end of the first interim or annual reporting period ending after March 15, 2004. The Company has adopted FIN 46R for the fiscal period ending June 30, 2004, but it does not have any impact on the Company.

Stock Based Compensation

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R (SFAS 123R), "Share-Based Payment." SFAS 123R establishes standards for the accounting for transactions in which an entity exchanges its equity instruments for goods or services. This Statement focuses primarily on accounting for transactions in which an entity obtains employee services in share-based payment transactions. SFAS 123R requires that the fair value of such equity instruments be recognized as an expense in the historical financial statements as services are performed. Prior to SFAS 123R, only certain proforma disclosures of fair value were required. The Company has adopted the provisions of SFAS 123R on a modified prospective basis, effective for the first quarter of fiscal 2006.

Income Taxes

Income taxes have been computed utilizing the asset and liability approach. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities arise from differences between the tax basis of an asset or liability and its reported amount in the financial statements. Deferred tax balances are determined by using tax rates expected to be in effect when the taxes will actually be paid or refunds received. A valuation allowance is recorded when the expected recognition of a deferred tax asset is not considered to be more likely than not. The recorded deferred income tax liability results from a difference between the book and tax basis of certain assets and liabilities.

Recapitalization

On February 10, 2004, the Company entered into a series of financing transactions (the "Recapitalization") resulting in the redemption and cancellation of 684,917 of the then outstanding 1,243,390 shares of common stock and all of the outstanding shares of the Series B convertible preferred stock. In addition the shareholders redeeming the shares (the "Sellers") sold 518,219 shares of common stock to third party shareholders (the "Purchasers").

Under the terms of a Stock Purchase and Redemption Agreement among the Sellers, Purchaser and the Company, the Company will pay to the Sellers a certain amount of the 2005 and 2006 earnings before interest, depreciation, taxes, amortization, transaction related expenses and management fees ("Adjusted EBITDA" as defined) that exceeds \$14,000. The Adjusted EBITDA is limited to the business as it existed on February 10, 2004. No payment was due to the Sellers for 2005 because the 2005 Adjusted EBITDA did not exceed the baseline amount.

Interim Financial Statements

The financial information presented as of January 1, 2006 and for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004 has been prepared without audit and does not include all the information

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and the footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete statements. In the opinion of management, all normal and recurring adjustments for a fair statement of such financial information have been made.

3. Inventories

The major components of inventories, net of reserves of \$511 as of January 1, 2006, are as follows:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Raw materials	\$ 3,160
Work-in-process	1,358
Finished goods	7,798
	<u>\$ 12,316</u>

4. Warranty Reserve

The Company generally warrants its airgun product for one year and its soft air products for 90 days. The warranty accrual is based on the prior nine months historical warranty activity and is included in accrued expenses. The activity in the product warranty reserve from July 1, 2005 through January 1, 2006 is as follows:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Balance at July 1	\$ 461
Accruals for warranties issued during period	1,483
Settlements made during the period	(1,097)
	<u>\$ 847</u>

5. Property, Plant and Equipment

The major components of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Land	\$ 256
Building and improvements	2,349
Machinery and equipment	7,076
Furniture and fixtures	144
Computers and software	692
Tooling	3,220
Assets under capital lease	254
Construction-in-progress	181
	<u>14,172</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(4,103)</u>
	<u>\$ 10,069</u>

Depreciation expense amounted to \$1,121 (unaudited), \$1,069 (unaudited), for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively.

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6. Intangibles and Other Assets

Intangible and other assets consist of the following:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u> (Unaudited)
Intangible assets subject to amortization:	
Financing costs	\$ 1,739
Developed Technology	900
License and distribution agreements	2,400
	<u>5,039</u>
Less: Accumulated amortization	<u>(1,254)</u>
	3,785
Intangible assets not subject to amortization, excluding goodwill:	
Trademarks	9,800
Total intangibles and other assets, excluding goodwill, net	<u>\$ 13,585</u>

Developed technologies are amortized over 10 years. License and distribution agreements are amortized over the term of the related agreement. Financing costs, incurred in connection with obtaining long-term debt, are amortized over the term of the related debt. The Company utilizes the straight-line method for all amortization. Aggregate amortization expense for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004 is \$367 (unaudited) and \$310 (unaudited), respectively. All current amortization is deductible for income tax purposes.

7. Investment

The Company has a 50% membership interest in Diablo Marketing, LLC, d/b/a Gameface Paintball (Gameface). Below is condensed financial information of Gameface as of and for:

	<u>Six-Months Ended</u>	
	<u>January 1, 2006</u> (Unaudited)	<u>December 26, 2004</u> (Unaudited)
Summary of operations:		
Revenues	\$ 6,644	\$ 5,841
Costs and expenses	6,693	6,105
Net loss	<u>\$ (49)</u>	<u>\$ (264)</u>
Company equity in net loss	<u>\$ (24)</u>	<u>\$ (132)</u>

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	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Balance sheet data:	
Assets:	
Current assets	\$ 4,711
Non-current assets	430
Total assets	<u>\$ 5,141</u>
Liabilities and membership interests:	
Current liabilities	\$ 4,382
Membership interests	759
Total liabilities and membership interests	<u>\$ 5,141</u>

The Company guarantees the long-term debt of Gameface up to \$1.5 million. The Company has not recorded the fair value of the liability, if any, in accordance with FIN 45 (Note 2) because the guarantee was issued prior to December 31, 2002.

The Company performs all selling, administrative, warehousing and shipping functions for Gameface. Gameface pays the Company 5% of its net sales for these services. 50% of the payment is a reduction to the Company's selling expense and 50% is a component of non-operating income. The Company billed Gameface \$332 and \$292 for these services for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively.

Additionally, Gameface purchased \$1,659 and \$1,681 of goods from Crosman for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively. As of January 1, 2006, Gameface owes the Company \$563, for product and services, which is included in current assets.

8. Long-Term Debt

At January 1, 2006 long-term debt consists of the following:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Collateralized:	
Term Loan Facility	\$ 25,133
Senior Subordinated Notes	14,000
	<u>39,133</u>
Less: Current portion	(4,100)
	<u>\$ 35,033</u>
Notes payable under revolving line of credit	<u>\$ 11,329</u>

Senior Credit Facility

The Term Loan in the original amount of \$26,000, is due on December 31, 2008. The New Term Loan is payable in monthly installments of \$217 for each of the first twenty-four monthly installments and \$271 for each of the next succeeding monthly payments through the due date. All remaining outstanding principal and interest under the Term Loan will be due and payable in full on the due date. The interest on the Term Loan floats based upon the ratio of total debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization and recapitalization expenses (EBITDA as defined). The Term Loan currently bears interest at the Company's option of the bank's prime rate + 1.25% or LIBOR + 3.75% subject to certain

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restrictions within the loan agreement. Additional principal payments are contingently payable based on the Company's future excess cash flows and certain asset sales as defined in the agreement.

The notes payable under the Revolver are used primarily to fund the Company's working capital requirements. Maximum available credit is the lesser of \$20,000 or a borrowing base computed on a percentage of eligible account receivables and inventories. The interest on the notes payable floats based upon the ratio of total debt to EBITDA. The notes payable currently bear interest at the Company's option of the bank's prime rate + 1.0% or LIBOR + 3.50% subject to certain restrictions within the loan agreement. The outstanding principal balance is due and payable on December 31, 2008. As of January 1, 2006 the Company has available borrowings of \$9,074 (unaudited).

The senior credit facility is collateralized by substantially all of the assets of the Company. The senior credit facility contains a subjective acceleration (i.e. material adverse effect) clause, but does not require the remittance of receipts into an M&T lockbox. Management has no reason to believe the subjective acceleration clause will be exercised within the next twelve months and therefore, only the minimum principal payments are classified as current liabilities.

Senior Subordinated Notes

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 2), on February 10, 2004, the Company issued \$14 million of senior subordinated notes to a firm that owns 14% of the Company's outstanding common stock. The senior subordinated notes are due on February 10, 2010 and bear interest at 16.5%. Interest is payable monthly at 12%. The remaining 4.5% is payable on February 10, 2009 (the "Deferred Interest"). The Deferred Interest accrues interest at 16.5% and is compounded monthly. The Company is subject to certain prepayment penalties if any portion of the \$14 million principal is prepaid prior to February 10, 2006. The Company may prepay the Deferred Interest at anytime without penalty.

The senior credit facility and senior subordinated notes contain restrictive covenants, the more significant of which relate to fixed charge ratio, debt ratios, current ratio and capital expenditures, and restriction of dividends. The Company is in compliance with its covenants.

Refinancing

On August 4, 2005, the Company refinanced its Senior Credit Facility. Under the terms of the new facility, the then outstanding balance of \$23,708 under the then outstanding Term Loan was paid in full and the current outstanding term loan was issued in the original amount of \$26 million. The net proceeds from the above were used to pay, transaction expenses of the failed offering, and to reduce the borrowings under the Revolver.

	Six-Months Ended	
	January 1, 2006 (Unaudited)	December 26, 2004 (Unaudited)
Interest expense components are		
Interest expense	\$ 2,354	\$ 1,910
Interest deferred on senior subordinated notes	341	326
	<u>\$ 2,695</u>	<u>\$ 2,236</u>
Cash paid for interest	\$ 2,341	\$ 1,942
Effective interest rate on all debt	10.6%	8.6%

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9. Income Taxes

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. Significant components of the Company's deferred tax assets and liabilities are as follows:

	<u>January 1, 2006</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Current deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	
Accounts receivable	\$ 328
Inventory	326
Warranty and product liability	341
Tax credits	275
Other	(8)
Total net current deferred tax as sets	<u>1,262</u>
Long-term deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	
Supplemental retirement	222
Property, plant and equipment	(1,698)
Intangible assets	(934)
Tax credits	18
Goodwill	(1,130)
Total net long-term deferred tax liabilities	<u>(3,522)</u>
Net deferred tax liability	<u>\$ (2,260)</u>

Income tax expense (benefit) consists of the following:

	<u>Six Months Ended</u>	
	<u>January 1, 2006</u>	<u>December 26, 2004</u>
	<u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>(Unaudited)</u>
Current:		
Federal	\$ 1,811	\$ 1,445
State	53	44
Deferred income tax	(143)	(82)
	<u>\$ 1,721</u>	<u>\$ 1,407</u>

The Company paid taxes net of refunds of \$518, and \$622 for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively.

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Rate Reconciliation

A reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate to the effective rates for the periods ended:

	Six-Months Ended			
	January 1, 2006 (Unaudited)		December 26, 2004 (Unaudited)	
Statutory federal income tax rate	\$ 1,544	34.0%	\$ 1,277	34.0%
State taxes, net of federal benefit	156	4.1%	156	4.1%
Investment tax credits	(19)	(0.4)%	(45)	(1.1)%
Non taxable (income) expenses, net	(11)	(0.2)%	7	0.2%
Miscellaneous	22	0.4%	12	0.3%
	<u>\$ 1,721</u>	<u>37.9%</u>	<u>\$ 1,407</u>	<u>37.5%</u>

The Company has certain tax credits that expire in various increments from 2014 to 2021. Realization of the deferred income tax assets relating to these tax credits is dependent on generating sufficient taxable income prior to the expiration of the credits. Based upon results of operations, management believes it is more likely than not the Company will generate sufficient future taxable income to realize the benefit of the tax credits and existing temporary differences, although there can be no assurance of this.

10. Stock Based Plans**A) Director Stock Option Plan**

The Company adopted a Director Stock Option Plan on January 1, 1998 for non-employee directors (the "Director Plan"). The Director Plan allowed for the granting of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights and incentive stock options. The Company was authorized to grant options for up to 30,000 shares for non-employee directors. Options vested after one year and are exercisable over 10 years. The exercise price of the options was the estimated fair market value of the stock on the date of grant. In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 2), all options became exercisable and were exercised. The plan was terminated by the Board of Directors on September 29, 2005; there were no options granted through the period of termination.

B) Stock Incentive Plan

In 2002, the Company adopted the Stock Incentive Plan for officers and certain other Company employees and subsequently amended it in 2003. The Stock Incentive Plan allowed for the purchases of common stock, granting of non-qualified stock options, stock appreciation rights and other stock-based awards as described by the Stock Incentive Plan. The Company reserved 73,748 shares of common stock for issuance under the Stock Incentive Plan. Stock ownership costs were amortized, based upon the estimated life of ownership, subject to certain provision within the individual stock purchase agreements. There were 7,624 shares available for future grants and no outstanding awards at January 1, 2006.

Stock Purchases

In 2002 the Company accepted a note receivable for \$505 that was amended and restated in 2004 to represent payment for the issuance of 17,494 of its common stock. The note bears interest at 7% and interest is payable on the maturity date. The note is due April 23, 2012 and is subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met.

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The Company has classified all of the notes as a reduction of additional paid-in capital on the balance sheet. In 2005, the Company accepted a note for \$150 in connection with the issuance of 2,964 shares of its common stock. The notes bear interest at 6% and interest is payable on the maturity date. The notes are due April 23, 2011 and are subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met.

In 2003, the Company accepted notes totaling \$267 in connection with the issuance of 24,897 of its common stock. The notes were paid in full in connection with the Recapitalization (Note 2). The interest rate on the notes was 5%.

In 2004, the Company accepted notes totaling \$450 in connection with the issuance of 11,592 shares of its common stock. The notes bear interest at 6% and interest is payable on the maturity date. The notes are due April 23, 2011 and are subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met.

Stock Options

On February 10, 2004 the Company granted options to purchase 30,000 shares of its common stock that vest over the time period and exercise prices as described below:

Date of Vesting	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Minimum Exercise Price
February 10, 2005	6,000	\$ 73.00
February 10, 2006	6,000	99.67
February 10, 2007	6,000	140.33
February 10, 2008	6,000	194.67
February 10, 2009	6,000	270.37
	<u>30,000</u>	<u>\$ 155.61</u>

If the options are not exercised within a year of the date of vesting, the exercise price will increase to the next year's weighted average minimum exercise price. The exercise price of the stock options exceeded the Company's estimate of fair market value on the date of grant.

Previously, the Company elected to follow Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25 ("APB No. 25") and related interpretations in accounting for the stock options granted under the Plan. Under APB No. 25, because the exercise price of the Company's stock options approximates or exceeds the fair value of the underlying stock on the date of the grant, no compensation expense has been recognized. Under Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 123, rights to acquire company stock are to be valued under the fair value method and the proforma effect of such value on reported earnings per share are to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. As the fair value of these rights is not material, proforma and related disclosures are not presented. There were no options exercised in 2005 or the first six months of fiscal year 2006.

11. Commitment and Contingencies

From time to time the Company defends product liability lawsuits involving accidents and other claims related to its business operations. The Company views these actions, and related expenses of administration, litigation and insurance, as part of the ordinary course of its business. The Company has a policy of aggressively defending product liability lawsuits, which generally take several years to ultimately

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resolve. A combination of self-insured retention and insurance is used to manage these risks and management believes that the insurance coverage and reserves established for self-insured risks are adequate. The Company is currently defending an additional 4 lawsuits and is the subject of 22 claims. The effect of these lawsuits and claims on future results of operations, if any, cannot be predicted. The Company incurred \$176 and \$769, of expenses related to product liability cases for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively.

The Company has signed consent orders with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("DEC") to investigate and remediate soil and groundwater contamination at its primary facility. Pursuant to a contractual indemnity and related agreements, the costs of investigation and remediation have been paid by a successor to the prior owner and operator of the facility, which also has signed the consent orders with the DEC. In 2002, upon an increase noted in certain contamination levels, the DEC indicated that additional remediation of groundwater may be required. Both the Company and the prior owner and operator have disputed the need for additional remediation and are pursuing alternate avenues for resolving site issues with the DEC, including monitored natural attenuation of the contaminants. Although the Company believes the prior owner and operator are contractually obligated to pay any additional costs for resolving site remediation issues with the DEC and the prior owner and operator will continue to honor its commitments resulting in no losses to the Company and accordingly no accrual has been made for this matter. However, there can be no assurance the prior owner and operator will continue to pay future site remediation costs, which could be up to \$750 in total over the next 10 years if the DEC requires additional groundwater remediation. Subsequent to 2002, contamination levels returned to normalized levels and the DEC has not pursued any further action.

The Company is also subject to potential liability for investigation and remediation of environmental contamination (including contamination caused by other parties) at properties that it owns and operates and at other properties where the Company or its predecessors have operated or arranged for the disposal of hazardous substances. In accordance with the provisions of Statement of Accounting Standards No. 5 and AICPA Statement of Position 96-1 the Company has not accrued for any losses in these cases. There exists, however a reasonable possibility that the Company will incur up to \$1.2 million of clean-up costs associated with these sites over the next 10 years.

12. Employee Retirement Plan

The Company has a contributory profit sharing retirement 401(k) plan for substantially all of its hourly and salaried employees. Participants can contribute up to a maximum of 15% of eligible wages and the Company will make matching contributions based upon a percentage of participant contributions. Profit sharing contribution expense was \$125 and \$148, for the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, respectively. A participant is immediately vested in his or her own contribution and vests at the rate of 25% per year in the matching contribution.

The Company has a supplemental retirement agreement covering a former key employee, which provides for stipulated annual payments. The present value of these retirement payments at January 1, 2006 is \$518. The amount has been accrued pursuant to the agreement's vesting provisions and is included in other long-term liabilities.

13. Concentration of Sales and Credit Risk

For the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004 one major customer accounted for 37% and 36%, respectively, of the Company's sales. At January 1, 2006 and this major customer accounted for 46% of the Company's accounts receivable.

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14. Related Party Transactions

In addition to the transactions described in Notes 7 and 8, in 2004 the Company paid \$580 in management consulting costs, incurred concurrent with the Recapitalization (Note 2), to a company affiliated with the majority shareholder.

In the six months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004, the Company paid \$290 to a company affiliated with the majority shareholder for management services.

The Company will continue to pay \$580 per year, subject to certain limitations imposed under its lending agreements and continued ownership by the majority shareholder. Other than for the cost of providing services under the management services agreement, which are included in the management fee, the affiliated entity has not paid any obligations nor incurred any expenses on behalf of the Company.

15. Warrants for Common Stock

In connection with the Recapitalization (Note 2) the Company issued warrants for shares of its common stock for \$38.50 per share. The warrants are only exercisable if a contingent payment is due to the Sellers and the Company is not or will not be in compliance with its financial covenants under its lending arrangements (Note 8). In that case, the warrant holders will be required to make the contingent payment directly to the sellers. The number of shares issuable under the warrants will be equal to the contingent payment made by the warrant holder divided by the warrant price. Management believes that the likelihood of the warrants being exercised is remote because the contingent payments are based on EBITDA growth by the Company which management believes would result in the Company meeting its financial covenants. In this case, the warrants would not be exercisable. Accordingly, the value of the warrants is estimated to be de minimus.

16. Segment Reporting

As discussed in Note 1, the Company manufactures air guns, paintball markers, ammunition, accessories and slingshots, and distributes paintballs, under one operating segment, selling to retailers, mass merchandisers, and distributors. Its products primarily include air rifles, air pistols, soft air, and related consumables. The Company can serve as a single source of supply for its customers' related requirements. Net sales by product line are as follows:

	Six Months Ended	
	January 1, 2006 (Unaudited)	December 26, 2004 (Unaudited)
Air rifles	\$ 14,271	\$ 13,990
Air pistols	6,691	6,384
Soft air	15,412	8,446
Related consumables	8,210	8,566
Other	639	848
	<u>\$ 45,223</u>	<u>\$ 38,234</u>

The Company's sales are primarily in the United States which represent approximately 88% of its net sales for both the six-months ended January 1, 2006 and December 26, 2004.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Stockholders
Compass AC Holdings, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Compass AC Holdings, Inc. (The Company and Subsidiaries), as of December 31, 2005, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the period from inception (September 20, 2005) to December 31, 2005. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Compass AC Holdings, Inc., as of December 31, 2005, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the period from inception (September 20, 2005) to December 31, 2005, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Denver, Colorado
February 10, 2006

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC

We have audited the accompanying combined balance sheet of Advanced Circuits, Inc., and R.J.C.S., LLC, as of December 31, 2004 and the related combined statements of operations, stockholders' equity and members' capital, and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 and for the period from January 1, 2005 through September 19, 2005. These combined financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the combined financial statement based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the combined financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the combined financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall combined financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the combined financial statements referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Advanced Circuits, Inc., and R.J.C.S., LLC, as of December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the two years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 and for the period from January 1, 2005 through September 19, 2005, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Bauerle and Company, P.C.

Denver, Colorado
January 27, 2006

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Compass AC Holdings, Inc.
Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC
(Predecessor to Compass AC Holdings, Inc.)

Consolidated and Combined Balance Sheets
December 31, 2005 and 2004

	Consolidated Compass AC Holdings, Inc. 2005	Predecessor Combined 2004
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,602,329	\$ 6,619,956
Accounts Receivable — Net of Allowance of \$105,000 and \$80,000 for 2005 and 2004, Respectively	2,847,087	2,582,185
Deferred Income Tax Asset	111,000	—
Inventory	328,316	309,402
Other Current Assets	131,174	52,500
Total Current Assets	5,019,906	9,564,043
Property and Equipment — Net	3,185,027	6,668,509
Other Assets		
Other Assets	—	258,555
Note Receivable	—	297,500
Other Intangibles — Net	20,034,722	—
Debt Issuance Cost — Net of Accumulated	—	—
Amortization of \$51,803	1,071,774	—
Goodwill	50,658,604	—
Total Other Assets	71,765,100	556,055
Total Assets	\$ 79,970,033	\$ 16,788,607
Liabilities, Stockholders' Equity and Members' Capital		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 848,410	\$ 1,237,578
Accrued Wages and Payroll Taxes	290,236	375,709
Current Portion of Notes Payable	3,875,000	380,000
Income Taxes Payable	863,000	—
Other Accrued Liabilities	711,157	385,734
Accrued Vacation	390,542	313,769
Accrued Bonuses	295,868	375,000
Due to Members	—	354,108
Total Current Liabilities	7,274,213	3,421,898
Long-Term Liabilities		
Deferred Income Tax Liability	249,000	—
Other Long Term Liabilities	130,801	131,000
Notes Payable	45,687,500	2,786,667
Total Long-Term Liabilities	46,067,301	2,917,667
Total Liabilities	53,341,514	6,339,565
Stockholders' Equity and Members' Capital		
Members' Capital	—	2,601,676
Common Stock, \$0.01 Par Value; 2,000,000	11,364	—
Shares Authorized; 1,136,364 Shares Issued and		
Outstanding for December 31, 2005 and		
No Par Value; 100,000 Shares Authorized; 27,000 Shares Issued and Outstanding for December 31, 2004		
Additional Paid in Capital	28,397,736	25,200
Notes Receivable from Stockholders	(3,466,100)	—
Retained Earnings	1,685,519	7,822,166
Total Stockholders' Equity and Members' Capital	26,628,519	10,449,042
Total Liabilities, Stockholders' Equity and Members' Capital	\$ 79,970,033	\$ 16,788,607

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated and combined financial statements.

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Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC

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Consolidated and Combined**Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income**

Periods Ended December 31, 2005 and September 19, 2005,

and Years Ended December 31, 2004 and 2003

	Compass AC Holdings, Inc. Consolidated Sept. 20, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2005	Predecessor Combined Jan. 1, 2005 through Sept. 19, 2005	Predecessor Combined 2004	Predecessor Combined 2003
Net Sales	\$ 12,243,134	\$ 29,725,862	\$ 36,642,080	\$ 27,796,468
Cost of Sales	5,142,763	12,959,524	17,866,698	14,568,676
Gross Profit	7,100,371	16,766,338	18,775,382	13,227,792
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	2,447,858	5,835,356	6,564,616	5,521,248
Amortization	717,081	—	—	—
Income from Operations	3,935,432	10,930,982	12,210,766	7,706,544
Other Income (Expense)				
Interest Income	69,221	163,972	42,079	15,705
Other Income	—	—	82,331	15,313
Interest Expense	(1,318,134)	(172,656)	(241,903)	(203,585)
Income before Provision for Income Taxes	2,686,519	10,922,298	12,093,273	7,533,977
Provision for Income Taxes	1,001,000	—	—	—
Net Income	\$ 1,685,519	\$ 10,922,298	\$ 12,093,273	\$ 7,533,977

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Compass AC Holdings, Inc.
Consolidated Statement of Stockholders' Equity
Period Ended December 31, 2005

	<u>Common Stock</u>		<u>Additional Paid-In Capital</u>	<u>Stockholders' Note Receivable</u>	<u>Retained Earnings</u>	<u>Total Stockholders' Equity</u>
	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Amount</u>				
Capital from Acquisition at September 20, 2005	1,000,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 24,990,000	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 25,000,000
Issuance of Shares to Management	136,364	1,364	3,407,736	(3,409,100)	—	—
Net Income	—	—	—	—	1,685,519	1,685,519
Interest on Notes Receivable from Management	—	—	—	(57,000)	—	(57,000)
Balance at December 31, 2005	<u>1,136,364</u>	<u>\$ 11,364</u>	<u>\$ 28,397,736</u>	<u>\$ (3,466,100)</u>	<u>\$ 1,685,519</u>	<u>\$ 26,628,519</u>

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Compass AC Holdings, Inc.

Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC

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Combined Statements of Stockholders' Equity and Members' Capital

Period Ended September 19, 2005 and Years Ended December 31 2004 and 2003

	R.J.C.S. Members' Capital	Common Stock		Retained Earnings	Total Stockholders' Equity
		Shares	Amount		
Predecessor Combined Balance at December 31, 2002	\$ 1,043,763	27,000	\$ 25,200	\$ 2,721,916	\$ 3,790,879
Net Income	973,204	—	—	6,560,773	7,533,977
Distributions	(284,292)	—	—	(4,541,327)	(4,825,619)
Predecessor Combined Balance at December 31, 2003	1,732,675	27,000	25,200	4,741,362	6,499,237
Net Income	869,001	—	—	11,224,272	12,093,273
Distributions	—	—	—	(8,143,468)	(8,143,468)
Predecessor Combined Balance at December 31, 2004	2,601,676	27,000	25,200	7,822,166	10,449,042
Net Income	625,243	—	—	10,297,055	10,922,298
Distributions	(1,077,610)	—	—	(15,962,692)	(17,040,302)
Predecessor Combined Balance at September 19, 2005	<u>\$ 2,149,309</u>	<u>27,000</u>	<u>\$ 25,200</u>	<u>\$ 2,156,529</u>	<u>\$ 4,331,038</u>

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Compass AC Holdings, Inc.

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**Consolidated and Combined Statements of Cash Flows
Periods Ended December 31, 2005 and September 19, 2005,
and Years Ended December, 2004 and 2003**

	Compass AC Holdings, Inc. Consolidated Sept. 20, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2005	Predecessor Combined Jan. 1, 2005 through Sept. 19, 2005	Predecessor Combined 2004	Predecessor Combined 2003
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net Income	\$ 1,685,519	\$ 10,922,298	\$ 12,093,273	\$ 7,533,977
Non-Cash Items Included in Net Income:				
Depreciation	168,578	715,347	869,203	728,756
Amortization	717,081	—	—	—
Deferred Income Taxes	138,000	—	—	—
Compensation Cost For Put Options	130,801	—	—	—
(Increase) Decrease in Assets:				
Accounts Receivable	(526,595)	261,693	(703,658)	(359,253)
Deposits	—	—	51,500	(51,500)
Prepaid Expenses	(18,310)	(112,864)	—	—
Inventory	(15,714)	(3,200)	(5,402)	(179,000)
Increase (Decrease) in Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable	186,933	(576,101)	178,398	107,384
Other Accrued Liabilities	(69,951)	294,410	(89,538)	139,356
Accrued Wages and Payroll Taxes	(69,675)	(15,798)	(54,095)	165,704
Income Taxes Payable	863,000	—	—	—
Accrued Vacation	21,083	55,690	99,719	10,858
Accrued Bonuses	(40,545)	(38,587)	250,000	(75,000)
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	<u>3,170,205</u>	<u>11,502,888</u>	<u>12,689,400</u>	<u>8,021,282</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Proceeds from Sale and Leaseback of Building	5,000,000	—	—	—
Acquisition of Company, net of cash acquired of \$167,984	(79,613,970)	—	—	—
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(109,605)	(1,075,229)	(816,339)	(2,087,420)
(Issuance) Repayment of Notes Receivable	—	350,000	(350,000)	—
(Increase) Decrease in Annuities and Cash Surrender Value — Life Insurance	—	223,555	(144,550)	(79,005)
Net Cash Used In Investing Activities	<u>(74,723,575)</u>	<u>(501,674)</u>	<u>(1,310,889)</u>	<u>(2,166,425)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Repayment of Notes Payable	(937,500)	(285,000)	(756,191)	(1,272,445)
Capital from Acquisition	25,000,000	—	—	—
Issuance of Note Payable in Connection with Acquisition	50,500,000	—	—	—
Proceeds from Notes Payable	—	—	—	1,355,362
Note Payable Issuance Costs	(1,123,577)	—	—	—
Due to Members — Net	(226,224)	(127,884)	69,816	284,292
Interest on Notes Receivable from Stockholders	(57,000)	—	—	—
Distributions	—	(17,040,302)	(8,143,468)	(4,825,619)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities	<u>73,155,699</u>	<u>(17,453,186)</u>	<u>(8,829,843)</u>	<u>(4,458,410)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	<u>1,602,329</u>	<u>(6,451,972)</u>	<u>2,548,668</u>	<u>1,396,447</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD/ YEAR	<u>—</u>	<u>6,619,956</u>	<u>4,071,288</u>	<u>2,674,841</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD/ YEAR	<u>\$ 1,602,329</u>	<u>\$ 167,984</u>	<u>\$ 6,619,956</u>	<u>\$ 4,071,288</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES:				
Interest Paid	<u>\$ 1,312,394</u>	<u>\$ 163,997</u>	<u>\$ 241,903</u>	<u>\$ 203,585</u>

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1. Basis of Presentation

On September 20, 2005, a group of unaffiliated investors and certain members of senior management formed Compass AC Holdings, Inc. ("Compass"), (a Delaware Corporation) who then purchased 100% of the outstanding stock of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and 100% of the membership interest of R.J.C.S. LLC, an entity previously established solely to hold Advanced Circuits' real estate and equipment assets. Immediately following the acquisitions, R.J.C.S. LLC was merged into Advanced Circuits, Inc. The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Compass and its wholly owned subsidiary, Advanced Circuits, Inc.

Prior to the formation of Compass, the accompanying combined balance sheet and the related statements of operations, stockholders' equity and members' capital, and cash flows included the accounts of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC ("Predecessor"), both of which were under common ownership and management. The periods prior to the date of acquisition have been labeled as "Predecessor."

Advanced Circuits, Inc. was incorporated under the laws of the State of Colorado on March 8, 1989, with 100,000 shares of authorized common stock at no par value. The Company's principal business activity is the marketing, sales and manufacturing of circuit boards within the United States and operates as a single business segment.

R.J.C.S., LLC was organized under the laws of the State of Colorado on May 13, 1997. The Company's principal business activity was the rental of a building and equipment to an affiliated company.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary. All significant intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. The Predecessor financial statements include the accounts of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC on a combined basis. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in the combination of these two entities.

Accounts Receivable and Concentration of Credit Risk. The Company is subject to credit risk from accounts receivable with its customers. The Company's accounts receivable are due from various business entities from the sale of circuit boards. Credit is extended based on evaluation of the customers' financial condition and generally, collateral is not required.

Trade receivables are recorded when invoices are issued. Receivables are written off when they are determined to be uncollectible. The allowance for doubtful accounts receivable reflects the Company's best estimate of probable losses inherent in the Company's receivable portfolio determined on the basis of historical experience, specific allowances for known troubled accounts and on other currently available evidence. Accounts for which no payments have been received for 90 days are considered delinquent and customary collection efforts will be initiated. Upon completion of collection efforts, any remaining accounts receivable balance will be written off and charged against the allowance for doubtful accounts.

Accounting Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company is subject to uncertainties such as the impact of future events, economic, environmental and political factors and

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changes in the Company's business environment; therefore, actual results could differ from these estimates. Accordingly, the accounting estimates used in the preparation of the Company's financial statements will change as new events occur, as more experience is acquired, as additional information is obtained and as the Company's operating environment changes. Changes in estimates are made when circumstances warrant. Such changes in estimates and refinements in estimation methodologies are reflected in reported results of operations; if material, the effects of changes in estimates are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. Significant estimates and assumptions by management effect: the allowance of doubtful accounts, the carrying value of inventory, the carrying value of long-lived assets, (including goodwill and intangible assets), the amortization period of long-lived assets (excluding goodwill), certain accrued expenses and other loss contingencies. Accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. The Company considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Inventory. Inventory is stated at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out method. Cost includes raw materials, direct labor and manufacturing overhead. Inventory consisted of the following as of December 31:

	2005	2004
Raw Materials and Supplies	\$ 142,526	\$ 115,402
Work-in-Process	185,790	194,000
	<u>\$ 328,316</u>	<u>\$ 309,402</u>

Advertising Costs. Advertising costs are expensed as they are incurred. Advertising expense charged to operations for the year ended December 31, 2005, was \$639,573, of which \$178,574 was for the period from September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005 and \$460,999 was for the preacquisition period ended September 19, 2005. Advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, was \$475,951 and \$439,703, respectively.

Property and Equipment. Property and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is calculated principally on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The useful lives are as follows:

Machinery and Equipment	5 to 7 years
Office Furniture and Equipment	5 to 7 years
Buildings and Building Improvements	7 to 39 years
Vehicles	5 years
Leasehold Improvements	Shorter of useful life or lease term

Expenditures for maintenance, repair and renewals of minor items are charged to expense as incurred and improvements are capitalized.

Long-Lived Assets. In accordance with SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment of Disposal of Long-Lived Assets", long-lived assets used in operations, including identifiable intangible assets, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that carrying amounts may not be recoverable. If that analysis indicates that an impairment has occurred, Compass and Predecessor

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measure the impairment loss based on the difference between the carrying amount and the undiscounted cash flows or fair value, whichever is more readily determinable.

Revenue Recognition. Revenue is recognized upon shipment of circuit boards, net of sales returns and allowances. The Company records revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred and all significant obligations have been satisfied, the fee is fixed or determinable and collection is considered probable. Appropriate reserves are established for anticipated returns and allowances based on past experience. Revenue is typically recorded at F.O.B. shipping point but for sales of certain custom products, revenue is recognized upon completion and customer acceptance.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of identifiable tangible and intangible net assets relating to business acquisitions. The Company accounts for goodwill and intangible assets in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," ("SFAS 142"), which it adopted January 1, 2002. SFAS 142 requires that goodwill no longer be amortized but instead that it be tested for impairment at least annually. For purposes of testing for goodwill impairment, the Company has determined that it has one reporting unit. Goodwill was subjected to fair value impairment tests in 2005.

The company reviews the carrying value of goodwill annually, or more often in certain circumstances. The performance of the test involves a two-step process. The first step of the impairment test involves comparing the fair value of the Company's reporting unit with the reporting unit's carrying amount, including goodwill. If the carrying amount of the reporting unit exceeds its fair value, we perform the second step to determine the amount of the impairment loss. The impairment loss is determined by comparing the implied fair value of our goodwill with the carrying amount of that goodwill. We believe that our estimates of fair value are reasonable. Changes in estimates of such fair value, however, could effect the calculation. It is at least reasonably possible that the estimates we use to evaluate the realizability of goodwill will be materially different from actual amounts or results.

Other intangible assets include customer relationships and technology, which were valued by independent appraisers and recorded as part of the acquisition on September 20, 2005.

Income Taxes. Prior to its acquisition on September 20, 2005, Advanced Circuits, Inc. was taxed as a Subchapter "S" Corporation and R.J.C.S. LLC was taxed as a partnership. As a result, no tax liability was recorded in the financial statements since the tax was a liability of the stockholders or members. Subsequent to the acquisition, the Company's income tax liability has been determined under the provisions of Statement on Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," requiring an asset and liability approach for financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. The liability is based on the current and deferred tax consequences of all events recognized in the consolidated financial statements as of the date of the balance sheet. Deferred taxes are provided for temporary differences which will result in taxable or deductible amounts in future years, primarily attributable to a different basis in certain assets for financial and tax reporting purposes, including recognition of deferred tax assets, net of a related valuation allowance.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments. The Company's financial instruments consist principally of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and borrowing under notes payable. The Company believes that all of the financial instrument's recoverable values approximate fair value because of their short-term nature, or in the case of notes payable because of its floating market rate interest.

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3. Acquisition of Company

The acquisition of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S. LLC on September 20, 2005 as described in Note 1 resulted in total purchase consideration of \$79,781,954. This amount is comprised of \$78,421,180 paid in cash to the former owner and \$1,360,774 of acquisition costs. In accordance with SFAS No. 141, the Company has accounted for this transaction using the purchase method of accounting, in which the purchase price was allocated across all classes of tangible and intangible assets in accordance with their fair values, and in connection with the preliminary allocation of the purchase price and intangible asset valuation, goodwill of \$50,658,604 was recorded.

The following is a condensed balance sheet showing the preliminary purchase price allocation as of the date of acquisition:

Tangible Assets		
Cash		\$ 167,984
Other Current Assets		2,740,959
Property, Plant and Equipment		8,176,327
Identifiable Intangible Assets		20,700,000
		<u>31,785,270</u>
Less: Current Liabilities Assumed		<u>(2,661,920)</u>
		29,123,350
Goodwill Recorded		<u>50,658,604</u>
Net Assets Acquired		<u>\$ 79,781,954</u>

The funding for the purchase price and for the \$1,123,577 of debt issuance cost as described in Note 10 was accomplished by the issuance of a \$50.5 million term loan, \$25.0 million in cash, \$5.0 million from the proceeds from the sale of the building as described in Note 5, and the remainder of approximately \$0.4 million from the revolving credit facility.

4. Property and Equipment

The following is a summary of the investment in property and equipment for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 2,846,910	\$ 5,005,409
Office Furniture and Fixtures	298,734	479,427
Buildings	—	4,161,155
Land	—	115,615
Vehicles	—	23,154
Leasehold Improvements	207,961	861,313
	<u>3,353,605</u>	<u>10,646,073</u>
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	168,578	3,977,564
	<u>\$ 3,185,027</u>	<u>\$ 6,668,509</u>

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Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$883,925, of which \$168,578 was for the period of September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005 and \$715,347 was for the preacquisition period ended September 19, 2005. For the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, depreciation expense was \$869,203 and 728,756, respectively.

5. Sale and Leaseback of Building

In connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S. LLC as described in Note 3, the Company completed a simultaneous transaction whereby it sold its Aurora, Colorado facility to an independent third party and leased the facility back from this third party. The Company received approximately \$4.9 million of proceeds from the sale, which was the fair market value of the building and the value assigned as part of the purchase price allocation. Accordingly, no gain or loss was recognized on this transaction. The proceeds were used to partially fund the acquisition.

The lease, which is being accounted for as an operating lease, calls for the Company to be responsible for all costs related to maintenance, insurance, taxes and other property related expenses. The initial term is for 15 years with two ten-year renewal options available at the end of the initial lease. The initial rent will be \$482,500 per year and is subject to CPI increases beginning in year 4 of the lease. Rent expense for the period September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005 was \$135,938.

Minimum future rental payments under non-cancelable operating leases having remaining terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2005, for each of the next five years and in the aggregate are as follows:

December 31:	
2006	\$ 482,500
2007	482,500
2008	482,500
2009	482,500
2010	482,500
Thereafter	4,689,062
Total Minimum Future Rental Payments	\$ 7,101,562

6. Goodwill and Intangible Assets — Net.

The Company acquired goodwill and other intangible assets as the result of its acquisition on September 20, 2005. Goodwill and intangible assets are as follows at December 31, 2005:

	<u>Gross Carrying Value</u>	<u>Impairment</u>	<u>Goodwill</u>
Goodwill	<u>\$50,658,604</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$50,658,604</u>

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Intangible assets with definite lives at December 31, 2005, are as follows:

	Estimated Useful Lives	Gross Carrying Value	Accumulated Amortization	Net Intangibles
Customer Relationships	9	\$ 18,100,000	\$ 502,778	\$ 17,597,222
Technology	4	2,600,000	162,500	2,437,500
		<u>\$ 20,700,000</u>	<u>\$ 665,278</u>	<u>\$ 20,034,722</u>

Total amortization expense relating to the above intangibles for the period of September 20, 2005 to December 31, 2005, amounted to \$665,278. Annual estimated amortization expense, based on the Company's intangible assets at December 31, 2005, is as follows:

2006	\$ 2,661,111
2007	2,661,111
2008	2,661,111
2009	2,498,611
2010	2,011,111
Thereafter	7,541,667
	<u>\$ 20,034,722</u>

7. Note Receivable

The Company loaned \$350,000 on October 1, 2004, to W.S.O.P. Investments, LLC, an unrelated third party. The loan is evidenced by a note that calls for interest on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of 15% per annum with quarterly principal payments due of \$13,125 beginning on January 1, 2005. The remaining principal is due on April 1, 2006. The loan is secured by a subordinated deed of trust on approximately 3 acres of property in Douglas County, Colorado. The former owner retained this asset as part of the agreement in connection with the acquisition of the Company on September 20, 2005.

8. Shareholders' Note Receivable

In connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S. LLC, as described in Note 3, the Company loaned certain officers and members of management of the Company \$3,466,100 for the purchase of 136,364 shares of common stock. The note bears interest at 6% and interest is added to the note. For the period ended December 31, 2005, \$57,000 of accrued interest has been included in the note balance. The note is due in December 31, 2010 and is subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met. The Company has classified the note as a reduction of equity as of December 31, 2005, in accordance with current accounting standards.

The Company has granted the purchasers of the shares the right to put to the Company a sufficient number of shares at the then fair market value of such shares, to cover the tax liability that each purchaser may have. The Company recorded, pursuant to SFAS No. 123, \$130,801 of compensation expense calculated using the Black-Scholes model related to this put for the period ended December 31, 2005.

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9. Related Party Transactions

During the year ended December 31, 2004, the Members' loaned \$354,108 to the Company for working capital purposes. This amount was repaid by the Company in 2005.

For the period ended December 31, 2005, the Company paid approximately \$139,000 to a company affiliated with the majority shareholder for management services. The Company will pay \$500,000 per year under this management service agreement. The Company also paid this affiliated party a \$500,000 transaction fee in connection with the acquisition of the Company in September 2005. Other than for the cost of providing services under the management services and transactional agreements, which are included in the management and transactional fee, the affiliated entity has not paid any obligations nor incurred any expenses on behalf of the Company.

10. Long Term Debt

In connection with the acquisition of Advanced Circuits, Inc. in September 2005, as described in Note 3, the Company entered into a credit agreement with Madison Capital Funding LLC and other institutions that provided for \$54.5 million of revolving and term loan credit. The proceeds from these borrowings were used to fund the purchase of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and to provide for working capital. The \$54.5 million of facilities are comprised of a \$4 million revolving credit facility, a \$35 million term A loan facility and a \$15.5 million term B loan facility and are described as follows:

Revolving Loans

Facility:	\$4 million of which \$-0- was outstanding at December 31, 2005.
Term:	5 years.
Availability:	Revolving loans availability is equal to the sum of 85% of eligible accounts receivable and 50% of eligible inventory as defined in the credit agreement. The Company had borrowing capability of approximately \$2.5 million at December 31, 2005, under this facility.
Interest Rate:	2.75% over the Base Rate or 3.75% over the LIBOR Rate.
Interest Payable:	Monthly on Base Rate loans or at the end of the LIBOR period on LIBOR Rate loans. The rate of interest on these borrowings would have been 7.91% at December 31, 2005.

Term A Loan

Facility:	\$35 million of which \$34,062,500 was outstanding at December 31, 2005.
Term:	6 years.
Amortization:	Payments are due quarterly on the last day of each calendar quarter commencing December 31, 2005.
Interest Rate:	2.75% over the Base Rate or 3.75% over the LIBOR Rate and is paid in the same manner as is done for revolving credit loans. The rate of interest at December 31, 2005 was 7.91%.

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Term B Loan

Facility: \$15.5 million, all of which was outstanding at December 31, 2005.
 Term: 6.5 years.
 Amortization: Due in full on March 31, 2012.
 Interest Rate: 6.50% over the Base Rate or 7.50% over the LIBOR Rate and is paid in the same manner as is done for revolving credit loans. The rate of interest at December 31, 2005 was 11.66%.

The revolving credit facility and term loan agreement contain various covenant requirements. The Company was in compliance with all covenants at December 31, 2005. The credit agreement is secured by substantially all of the Company's assets.

The Company paid a closing fee of \$1,123,577 in connection with this agreement. This amount is being amortized using the effective interest method over the term of the agreement and is recorded as a component of amortization expense. Amortization expense related to this closing fee was \$51,803 for the period of September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005.

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Term A Loan	\$ 34,062,500	\$ —
Term B Loan	15,500,000	—
Key Bank (payable in monthly installments of \$31,667, plus interest at 6.5%, adjusted by the LIBOR index, through April, 2013; secured by real estate)	—	3,166,667
	<u>49,562,500</u>	<u>3,166,667</u>
Less: Current Maturities included in Current Liabilities	3,875,000	380,000
Notes Payable	<u>\$ 45,687,500</u>	<u>\$ 2,786,667</u>

Following are the future maturities of long-term debt outstanding at December 31, 2005, for the years ending December 31:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Repayment</u>
December 31, 2006	\$ 3,875,000
December 31, 2007	4,437,500
December 31, 2008	5,125,000
December 31, 2009	5,625,000
December 31, 2010	7,125,000
Thereafter	23,375,000
	<u>\$ 49,562,500</u>

11. Defined Contribution Plan

The Company has adopted a 401(k) Employee Benefit Plan. The Board of Directors, at its discretion, may make contributions to the Plan. For the year ended December 31, 2005, the company elected to

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contribute \$186,031, of which \$34,318 was contributed for the period September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005 and \$151,712 was contributed for the preacquisition period ended September 19, 2005. The Company elected to contribute \$154,048 and \$123,522 for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, to the Plan, respectively.

12. Key Employee — Deferred Compensation Plan

During the year ended December 31, 2003, the Company implemented a deferred compensation plan for its key employees. The plan calls for discretionary awards of deferred compensation for five years beginning in 2003. The key employees vest in their share of the deferral based on the number of years of service with the Company. The Company has invested in annuities and life insurance policies to fund the future deferred compensation liability. For the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, the Company elected to contribute \$140,000 for each year into the plan, of which \$-0- was for the period of September 20, 2005 through December 31, 2005 and \$140,000 was for the preacquisition period ended September 19, 2005. Key employee vesting at December 31, 2005 and 2004, was \$96,000 and \$-0-, respectively, which is included in Long-Term Liabilities.

Effective September 19, 2005, the plan was terminated and pre-acquisition management elected to fully vest the key employees for the five-year term of the plan. Deferred compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$624,000, of which all was for the period from January 1, 2005 to September 19, 2005. For the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, deferred compensation expense was \$71,500 and \$24,500, respectively.

13. Income Taxes

Prior to its acquisition on September 20, 2005, Advanced Circuits, Inc. was taxed as a Subchapter "S" Corporation and R.J.C.S. LLC was taxed as a partnership. As a result, no tax liability was recorded in the financial statements since the tax was a liability of the stockholders or members. Subsequent to the acquisition, the Company's income tax liability has been determined under the provisions of Statement on Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 109, "Accounting for Income Taxes," requiring an asset and liability approach for financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. The provision for income taxes at December 31, 2005 is as follows:

	<u>9/20/2005-</u> <u>12/31/2005</u>
Current Income Taxes:	
Federal	\$ 755,000
State	108,000
Deferred Income Taxes	138,000
	<u>\$ 1,001,000</u>

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The components of the net deferred tax asset and liability at December 31, 2005, are as follows:

Deferred Tax Asset:	
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	\$ 40,000
Deferred Vacation	71,000
Total Deferred Tax Asset	<u>\$ 111,000</u>
Deferred Tax Liability:	
Depreciation and Amortization	<u>\$ 249,000</u>

14. Subsequent Event

On January 1, 2006, the Company loaned certain officers and members of management of the Company \$4,834,150 for the purchase of 193,366 shares of common stock. The notes bear interest at 6% and interest is added to the notes. The notes are due in December 2010 and are subject to mandatory prepayment provisions if certain conditions are met. The company will classify all of these notes as a reduction of equity on its future financial statements.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Stockholders
Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and subsidiaries (the Company) as of December 31, 2005, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2005, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Irvine, California
March 1, 2006

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Anaheim, California

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2004, and the related consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the periods January 1, 2004 through September 2, 2004, and September 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004, and for the year ended December 31, 2003. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall consolidated financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2004, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the periods January 1, 2004 through September 2, 2004, and September 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004, and for the year-ended December 31, 2003, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note T of the financial statements, the Company has restated the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2004 and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003.

/s/ White, Nelson & Co. LLP

Anaheim, CA
September 9, 2005
Except for Footnotes R and T which are as of March 1, 2006.

Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries
Consolidated Balance Sheets

	As of	
	December 31, 2005	December 31, 2004 (Restated)(1)
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,515,731	\$ 1,006,720
Trade Accounts and Other Receivables, Net of Allowance of \$5,213 and \$3,019, Respectively	2,240,173	1,738,005
Inventories, Net	626,696	430,778
Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets	342,909	138,697
Deferred Income Tax Asset	397,799	396,519
Current Assets of Discontinued Operations	901,271	1,032,131
Total Current Assets	<u>6,024,579</u>	<u>4,742,850</u>
Property, Plant and Equipment	1,769,344	857,530
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(511,941)	(107,889)
Total Property, Plant and Equipment at Net Book Value	<u>1,257,403</u>	<u>749,641</u>
Other Assets:		
Investment in Joint Venture	—	2,474,793
Goodwill	11,265,603	9,108,727
Other Intangible Assets, Net	11,907,830	10,485,143
Other Assets	508,719	430,965
Other Assets of Discontinued Operations	280,539	509,189
Total Other Assets	<u>23,962,691</u>	<u>23,008,817</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 31,244,673</u>	<u>\$ 28,501,308</u>
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	\$ 464,765	\$ 621,332
Accrued Bonuses	404,640	371,423
Other Accrued Expenses	1,275,312	355,710
Income Taxes Payable	1,917,010	1,724,789
Current Liabilities of Discontinued Operations	290,563	552,076
Current Maturities of Long-Term Debt	1,620,843	1,053,213
Total Current Liabilities	<u>5,973,133</u>	<u>4,678,543</u>
Long-Term Liabilities:		
Long-Term Liabilities of Discontinued Operations	114,787	413,243
Other Liabilities	137,360	48,917
Long-Term Debt	11,591,467	11,787,886
Net Deferred Income Tax Liability	4,488,508	3,996,443
Total Long-Term Liabilities	<u>16,332,122</u>	<u>16,246,489</u>
Cumulative Mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Stock \$1.00 par value; authorized 1,500,000 shares in 2005 and 30,000,000 shares in 2004; issued and outstanding 4,500 shares and 90,000 shares at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	90,000	90,000
Stockholders' Equity:		
Convertible Preferred Stock — \$.01 par value; authorized 150,000 shares; issued and outstanding 22,432 shares at December 31, 2005 and 3,000,000 shares authorized and 448,645 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2004, respectively	224	4,486
Common Stock, Series A — \$.01 par value; authorized 100,000 shares in 2005 and 2,000,000 shares in 2004, issued and outstanding 14,037 shares and 280,734 shares at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	140	2,807
Common Stock, Series B — \$.01 par value; authorized 50,000 shares in 2005 and 1,000,000 shares in 2004, issued and outstanding 5,000 shares and 100,000 shares at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	50	1,000
Additional Paid in Capital	9,140,667	8,176,583
Accumulated Deficit	(82,036)	(641,675)
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	(209,627)	(56,925)
Total Stockholders' Equity	<u>8,849,418</u>	<u>7,486,276</u>
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$ 31,244,673</u>	<u>\$ 28,501,308</u>

(1) -See Note T

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income
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	Silvue Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Silvue Consolidated Sept. 3, 2004 Through Dec. 31, 2004 (Restated)(1)	Predecessor Consolidated Jan. 1, 2004 Through Sept. 2, 2004 (Restated)(1)	Predecessor Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003 (Restated)(1)
Net Sales	\$ 17,092,933	\$ 4,532,475	\$ 7,604,112	\$ 10,446,074
Cost Of Sales	3,815,509	611,588	1,094,565	1,555,465
Gross Profit	13,277,424	3,920,887	6,509,547	8,890,609
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	7,491,317	2,319,566	4,005,513	5,275,891
Research and Development Costs	1,072,063	636,931	447,929	549,400
Amortization of Intangibles	708,657	208,857	—	—
Operating Income	4,005,387	755,533	2,056,105	3,065,318
Other Income (Expense):				
Interest Income	336	618	5,436	7,814
Other Income	19,395	40,609	—	—
Equity In Net Income of Joint Venture	69,885	94,604	174,487	376,840
Interest Expense	(1,438,523)	(366,363)	(4,835)	(30,754)
Total Other Income (Expense)	(1,348,907)	(230,532)	175,088	353,900
Income from Continuing Operations before Provision for Income Taxes	2,656,480	525,001	2,231,193	3,419,218
Provision for Income Taxes	1,257,662	472,254	734,712	1,062,230
Income from Continuing Operations	1,398,818	52,747	1,496,481	2,356,988
Income (loss) from Discontinued Operations, Net of Income Taxes	132,637	59,720	(225,019)	(842,697)
Net Income	1,531,455	112,467	1,271,462	1,514,291
Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), Net of Tax Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment	(152,702)	(56,925)	37,538	68,426
Comprehensive Income	\$ 1,378,753	\$ 55,542	\$ 1,309,000	\$ 1,582,717

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	Convertible Preferred Stock		Common Stock Series A		Common Stock Series B		Additional Paid-In Capital (Restated)(1)	Retained Earnings (Deficit) (Restated)(1)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss) (Restated)(1)	Total Stockholders' Equity (Restated)(1)
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount				
Predecessor										
Consolidated Balance At December 31, 2002	—	\$ —	5,000	\$ 200,000	—	—	\$ 1,327,505	\$ 5,466,071	\$ (154,688)	\$ 6,838,888
Net Income (restated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,514,291	—	1,514,291
Other Comprehensive Income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	68,426	68,426
Predecessor Consolidated Balance At										
December 31, 2003	—	—	5,000	200,000	—	—	1,327,505	6,980,362	(86,262)	8,421,605
Net Income (restated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,271,462	—	1,271,462
Dividends Paid	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(3,000,000)	—	(3,000,000)
Other Comprehensive Income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37,538	37,538
Predecessor Consolidated Balance at September 2, 2004										
	—	\$ —	5,000	\$ 200,000	—	\$ —	\$ 1,327,505	\$ 5,251,824	\$ (48,724)	\$ 6,730,605
Capital From Acquisition										
	448,645	\$ 4,486	280,734	\$ 2,807	100,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 7,422,441	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 7,430,734
Net Income (restated)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	112,467	—	112,467
Beneficial Conversion Feature of Preferred Stock										
	—	—	—	—	—	—	448,645	(448,645)	—	—
Accretion in Value of Preferred Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	305,497	(305,497)	—	—
Other Comprehensive Loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(56,925)	(56,925)
Balance At										
December 31, 2004	448,645	4,486	280,734	2,807	100,000	1,000	8,176,583	(641,675)	(56,925)	7,486,276
Reverse Stock Split	(426,213)	(4,262)	(266,697)	(2,667)	(95,000)	(950)	7,879	—	—	—
Net Income	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,531,455	—	1,531,455
Dividends Declared	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(15,611)	—	(15,611)
Accretion in Value of Preferred Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—	956,205	(956,205)	—	—
Other Comprehensive Loss	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(152,702)	(152,702)
Balance At										
December 31, 2005	22,432	\$ 224	14,037	\$ 140	5,000	\$ 50	\$ 9,140,667	\$ (82,036)	\$ (209,627)	\$ 8,849,418

(1) See Note T

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
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	Silvue Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Silvue Consolidated Sept. 3, 2004 Through Dec. 31, 2004 (Restated)(1)	Predecessor Consolidated Jan. 1, 2004 Through Sept. 2, 2004 (Restated)(1)	Predecessor Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003 (Restated)(1)
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:				
Net Income	\$ 1,531,455	\$ 112,467	\$ 1,271,462	\$ 1,514,291
Noncash Items Included In Net Income of Continuing Operations:				
Depreciation	404,052	104,499	218,909	195,584
Amortization	708,657	208,857	—	—
Allowance For Doubtful Accounts	2,194	2,458	(3,771)	439
Reserve For Inventory Obsolescence	21,732	—	—	(20,387)
Loss on Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment	22,520	—	—	—
Deferred Income Tax Expense (Benefit)	(164,356)	(114,053)	61,158	180,100
Equity In Net Income Of Joint Venture	(69,885)	(94,604)	(174,487)	(376,839)
Write off of IPR&D	—	458,000	—	—
Changes In Assets And Liabilities:				
Trade Accounts And Other Receivables	31,517	(302,499)	(710,371)	(211,180)
Inventories	(158,572)	42,731	(146,980)	(91,275)
Prepaid Expenses	20,971	71,926	(69,558)	51,035
Accounts Payable	(387,492)	177,201	(78,921)	188,102
Other Accrued Expenses	653,992	334,742	(65,909)	(30,524)
Income Taxes Payable	(62,078)	(75,835)	961,414	215,500
Net Cash Provided By Continuing Operations:	2,554,707	925,890	1,262,946	1,614,846
(Income)Loss from Discontinued Operations	(132,637)	(59,720)	225,019	842,697
Changes In Net Assets and Liabilities of Discontinued Operations	(84,548)	1,243	(109,250)	(603,691)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Discontinued Operations	(217,185)	(58,477)	115,769	239,006
Cash Provided By Operating Activities	2,337,522	867,413	1,378,715	1,853,852
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:				
Purchases Of Property, Plant, And Equipment	(178,313)	(1,546)	(168,820)	(1,091,928)
Dividends Received From Joint Venture	—	392,941	—	232,561
Acquisition Of Company	(398,944)	(8,851,600)	—	—
Cash Acquired in Acquisition of Remaining Joint Venture Interest	511,791	—	—	—
Net Cash Used In Continuing Operations	(65,466)	(8,460,205)	(168,820)	(859,367)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Discontinued Operations	90,000	—	(41,427)	—
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Investing Activities	24,534	(8,460,205)	(210,247)	(859,367)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:				
Net Payments on Bank Line of Credit	—	—	—	(270,216)
Borrowings on Long-Term Debt	—	—	36,027	767,346
Payments On Long-Term Debt	(1,692,211)	(252,980)	(71,537)	(354,704)
Dividends Paid	—	—	(3,000,000)	(350,352)
Proceeds from Issuance of Capital Stock	—	7,520,734	—	—
Other	—	(3,500)	(9,097)	(20,096)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities	(1,692,211)	7,264,254	(3,044,607)	(228,022)
Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash And Cash Equivalents	669,845	(328,538)	(1,876,139)	766,463
Currency Adjustments	(91,862)	27,653	(23,620)	76,770
Beginning Cash And Cash Equivalents	1,009,289	1,310,174	3,209,933	2,366,700
Ending Cash And Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 1,587,272</u>	<u>\$ 1,009,289</u>	<u>\$ 1,310,174</u>	<u>\$ 3,209,933</u>
Cash of Continuing Operations	\$ 1,515,731	\$ 1,006,720	\$ 1,307,157	\$ 3,168,999
Cash of Discontinued Operations	71,541	2,569	3,017	40,934
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 1,587,272</u>	<u>\$ 1,009,289</u>	<u>\$ 1,310,174</u>	<u>\$ 3,209,933</u>

(1) See Note T

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
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	Silvue Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Silvue Consolidated Sept. 3, 2004 through Dec. 31, 2004	Predecessor Consolidated Jan. 1, 2004 through Sept. 2, 2004	Predecessor Consolidated Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003
Supplemental Cash Flow Information				
Income Taxes Paid	\$ 1,350,192	\$ 291,641	\$ —	\$ 268,933
Interest Paid	\$ 1,240,819	\$ 360,323	\$ 29,429	\$ 58,073
Noncash Investing And Financing Activities				
Purchase Of Property, Plant And Equipment Through Equipment Loan	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (36,027)	\$ —
Acquisition Of Company Through Financing	\$ 2,381,000	\$ 13,000,000	\$ —	\$ —
Increase In Equipment Line And Long-Term Debt	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 36,027	\$ —
Dividend Payable	\$ 15,611	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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NOTE A: Description of Company

On August 31, 2004, Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. (the "Company") was formed and on September 2, 2004, it acquired 100 percent of the outstanding stock of SDC Technologies, Inc. and subsidiaries (SDC). The periods prior to the date of acquisition have been labeled as "Predecessor."

On March 24, 2005, SDC Asia Tech, Ltd. was established as a wholly owned subsidiary of SDC Technologies, Inc. ("Parent Company"). On April 1, 2005, SDC Asia Tech, Ltd. acquired the remaining 50% equity interest in Nippon ARC Co., Ltd. (NAR) from Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. (NSG). NAR had been established in 1989 as a Joint Venture between NSG and the Parent Company. In June 2005 NAR changed its name to SDC Technologies-Asia Ltd. Prior to acquiring a controlling interest in NAR, the Parent Company accounted for its interest in NAR using the equity method of accounting. Since April 1, 2005, the results of operations of SDC Asia Tech, Ltd. are being consolidated with those of the Parent Company.

The Company develops and manufactures proprietary, high performance liquid coating systems used in high-end eyewear, aerospace, automotive and industrial markets. The Company has operations in California, Nevada, the United Kingdom and Japan.

NOTE B: Significant Accounting Policies:

(1) Accounting Estimates — The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company is subject to uncertainties such as the impact of future events, economic, environmental and political factors and changes in the Company's business environment. Therefore, actual results could differ from these estimates. Accordingly, the accounting estimates used in the preparation of the Company's financial statements will change as new events occur, as more experience is acquired, as additional information is obtained and as the Company's operating environment changes. Changes in estimates are made when circumstances warrant. Such changes in estimates and refinements in estimation methodologies are reflected in reported results of operations. If material, the effects of changes in estimates are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Significant estimates and assumptions by management affect: the allowance for doubtful accounts, the carrying value of inventory, the carrying value of long-lived assets (including goodwill and intangible assets), the amortization period of long-lived assets (excluding goodwill), the provision for income taxes and related deferred tax accounts, and accrued expenses.

(2) Principles Of Consolidation — The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and all of its wholly owned subsidiaries. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation. The consolidated subsidiaries are SDC Technologies, Inc., SDC Coatings, Inc. (SDC), Applied Hardcoating Technologies, Inc. (AHT), and SDC Asia Tech, Ltd.

(3) Cash And Cash Equivalents — The Company considers all short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company maintains its cash balances in two financial institutions. The balances are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$100,000. At December 31, 2005 and 2004 the amount of uninsured cash balances of the Company totaled \$1,415,731 and \$977,962, respectively. Included in these balances was cash in foreign bank accounts at December 31, 2005 and 2004 totaling \$1,057,896 and \$550,667, respectively.

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(4) Revenue Recognition

Product Revenue — The Company develops, manufactures and distributes high-end specialty chemicals. Revenue is recognized upon shipment of product, net of sales returns and allowances, in accordance with Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104, “Revenue Recognition.” For certain UK customers, revenue is recognized after receipt by the customer as the terms are f.o.b. destination. This standard established that revenue can be recorded when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, delivery has occurred and all significant obligations have been satisfied, the fee is fixed or determinable and collection is considered probable. Reserves are established for anticipated returns and allowances based on past experience. Reserves totaled \$103,911 and \$46,679 at December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively.

Shipping And Handling Costs — Shipping and handling cost are charged to operations when incurred and are classified as a component of cost of sales.

Accounts Receivable — Accounts receivable consists of trade receivables arising in the normal course of business. The Company sells its products primarily on net 30 terms. The allowance for doubtful accounts receivable reflects the Company’s best estimate of probable losses inherent in the Company’s receivable portfolio determined on the basis of historical experience, specific allowances for known troubled accounts and other currently available evidence. Accounts for which no payments have been received for 90 days are considered delinquent and customary collection efforts will be initiated. Upon completion of collection efforts, any remaining accounts receivable balance will be written off and charged against the allowance for doubtful accounts.

(5) Inventories — Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market determined on the first-in, first-out method. Cost includes raw materials, direct labor and manufacturing overhead. Market value is based on current replacement cost for raw materials and supplies and on net realizable value for finished goods. Inventory consisted of the following:

	December 31 2005	December 31, 2004
Raw Materials And Supplies	\$ 261,057	\$ 173,370
Finished Goods	387,371	257,408
Less Obsolescence Reserve	(21,732)	—
	<u>\$ 626,696</u>	<u>\$ 430,778</u>

(6) Property, Plant, And Equipment — Property, plant, and equipment are stated at cost. Major improvements and betterments are capitalized. Maintenance, repairs, and minor tooling are expensed as incurred. Property, plant, and equipment are depreciated over their estimated useful lives of 2 to 38 years. The straight-line depreciation method is used for financial reporting.

(7) Long-Lived Assets - The Company accounts for long-lived assets in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*. SFAS No. 144 requires impairment losses to be recognized for long-lived assets used in operations when events and circumstances indicate that the assets might be impaired and the undiscounted future cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than the carrying amounts of those assets.

(8) Investments Accounted For By The Equity Method — Investments in entities in which the Company has a 20 to 50 percent interest are carried at cost adjusted annually for the Company’s proportionate share of their undistributed earnings or losses. (See Note A)

(9) Research And Development — Research and development costs are charged to operations when incurred and totaled \$1,072,063 for the year ended December 31, 2005. For the year ended December 31,

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2004 research and development costs were \$1,084,860, of which \$447,929 was for the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004, and \$636,931 was for the post acquisition period September 3, 2004 to December 31, 2004. The research and development expense for the period September 3, 2004 to December 31, 2004 includes a charge of \$458,000 for the write-off of In-Process Research and Development cost recognized as part of the purchase price allocation in connection with the acquisition of the Parent Company on September 2, 2004 (See Note T). Research and Development expense was \$549,400 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

(10) *Advertising Cost* — Advertising costs are charged to operations when incurred. Advertising expense for the year ended December 31, 2005, totaled \$29,551. For the year ended December 31, 2004 advertising costs were \$18,507 of which \$1,289 was for the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004. Advertising expense was \$1,417 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

(11) *Income Taxes* — The Company's income tax liability has been determined under the provisions of SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*, requiring an asset and liability approach for financial accounting and reporting for income taxes. The liability is based on the current and deferred tax consequences of all events recognized in the consolidated financial statements as of the date of the balance sheet. Deferred taxes are provided for temporary differences which will result in taxable or deductible amounts in future years, primarily attributable to a different basis in certain assets for financial and tax reporting purposes, including recognition of deferred tax assets net of a related valuation allowance.

(12) *Comprehensive Income/(Loss)* — The Company has adopted SFAS No. 130, *Reporting Comprehensive Income*, which requires the reporting of comprehensive income in addition to net income from operations. Comprehensive income is a more inclusive financial reporting methodology that includes disclosure of certain financial information that historically has not been recognized in the determination of net income. Comprehensive income consists of foreign currency translation adjustments.

(13) *Goodwill And Other Intangible Assets, Net* — Goodwill represents the excess of cost over the fair value of net tangible assets acquired. Other intangible assets include trademarks, patented technology, customer relations and other technology. In accordance with SFAS 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets*, goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives are tested for impairment annually. Other intangible assets that are subject to amortization are reviewed for potential impairment whenever events or circumstances indicate that carrying amounts may not be recoverable.

Goodwill is tested for impairment annually at December 31 or if any triggering event occurs or circumstances change that reduce the fair value of the reporting unit below its book value. No impairments have been recognized.

(14) *Derivative Instruments And Hedging Transactions* — Effective December 31, 2004, the Company adopted SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, relative to its interest rate swap agreement (see Note S). This standard requires that all derivative instruments be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recorded each period in current results of operations or other comprehensive income (loss). For a derivative designated as part of a hedge transaction, where it is recorded is dependent on whether it is a fair value hedge or a cash flow hedge.

For a derivative designated as a fair value hedge, the gain or loss of the derivative in the period of change and the offsetting gain or loss of the hedged item attributed to the hedged risk are recognized in results of operations. For a derivative designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's gain or loss is initially reported as a component of other comprehensive income (loss) and subsequently reclassified into results of operations when the hedged exposure affects results of operations. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss of a cash flow hedge is recognized currently in results of operations. For a derivative not designated as a hedging instrument, the gain or loss is recognized currently

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in results of operations. The Company's derivative financial instrument does not qualify for hedge accounting. Thus, the changes in fair value of the derivative is recognized currently in results of operations. The fair market value of the instrument was \$125,290 at December 31, 2005 and was not material at December 31, 2004.

(15) *Foreign Currency* — The financial statements and transactions of the Company's foreign facilities are maintained in their local currency. In accordance with SFAS No. 52, *Foreign Currency Translation*, the translation of foreign currencies into United States dollars is performed for balance sheet accounts using current exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date and for revenue and expense accounts using an average exchange rate for the period. The gains or losses resulting from translation are included as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income within stockholders' equity. Foreign currency transaction gains and losses are included in net income and were not material in any of the periods presented.

(16) *Stock Options* — The Company accounts for stock-based employee compensation as prescribed by Accounting Principles Board Opinion ("APB") No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and has adopted the disclosure provisions of SFAS 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, and SFAS 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation-Transition and Disclosure-an amendment of SFAS 123*. Under SFAS 123, compensation cost for options stated is recognized over the vesting period (See Note P). The following table presents pro forma net income had compensation costs been determined on the fair value at the date of grant for awards under the Company's plan in accordance with SFAS 123.

	Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Sep. 3, 2004 thru Dec. 31, 2004	Jan. 1, 2004 thru Sep. 2, 2004	Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003
Net Income as Reported	\$ 1,531,455	\$ 112,467	\$ 1,271,462	\$ 1,514,291
Less Fair Value of Stock Options (net of tax)	(55,866)	—	—	—
Pro forma Net Income	<u>\$ 1,475,589</u>	<u>\$ 112,467</u>	<u>\$ 1,271,462</u>	<u>\$ 1,514,291</u>

(17) *Related Parties* — Effective September 2, 2004 the Company entered into an agreement with WAJ, LLC (formerly Kilgore Consulting III, LLC) a management firm controlled by the Compass Group, who is the majority shareholder of the Company, to provide executive, financial and managerial oversight services to the Company (Note L).

(18) *Recent Accounting Pronouncements* — In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 123R, (*Revised 2004: Share — Based Payment* ("SFAS 123R")), which replaces SFAS No. 123 and supersedes APB No. 25. SFAS 123R requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options, to be recognized in the financial statements based on their fair values beginning with the fiscal year that begins after June 15, 2005. The pro forma disclosures previously permitted under SFAS 123 no longer will be an alternative to financial statement recognition. The Company is required to adopt SFAS 123R in the first quarter of fiscal 2006, beginning January 1, 2006. Under SFAS 123R, the Company must determine the appropriate fair value model to be used for valuing share-based payments, the amortization method for compensation cost and the transition method to be used at the date of adoption. The transition methods include prospective and retroactive adoption options. Under the retroactive option, prior periods may be restated either as of the beginning of the year of adoption or for all periods presented. The prospective method requires that compensation expense be recorded for all unvested stock options and restricted stock at the beginning of the first quarter of adoption of SFAS 123R. The Company is evaluating the requirements of SFAS 123R and has not yet determined the method of adoption or the effect of adopting SFAS 123R.

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In December 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 151, *Inventory Costs — An Amendment of ARB No. 43, Chapter 4*. SFAS No. 151 requires abnormal amounts of inventory costs related to idle facility, freight handling and wasted material expenses to be recognized as current period charges. Additionally, SFAS No. 151 requires that allocation of fixed production overhead to the costs of conversion be based on the normal capacity of the production facilities. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company believes the adoption of SFAS No. 151 will not have a material impact on its consolidated financial position or results of operations.

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, *Accounting Changes and Corrections*. SFAS No. 154 replaces APB Opinion No. 20, *Accounting Changes* and SFAS No. 3, *Reporting Accounting Changes in Interim Financial Statements*, and changes the requirements for the accounting for and reporting of a change in accounting principle. SFAS No. 154 also provides guidance on the accounting for and reporting of error corrections. This statement is applicable for accounting changes and corrections of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. The Company does not anticipate any effects for this statement on our consolidated financial position and results of operations.

NOTE C: Risks And Uncertainties

Foreign Sales — For the year ended December 31, 2005, the Company had sales of \$4,309,142 in the United Kingdom and \$4,350,093 in Japan. For the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 the Company had sales in the United Kingdom of \$4,026,311 and \$3,038,045, respectively.

Major Customers — During 2005, the Company sold a substantial volume of its product to one customer. Sales to this customer totaled \$2,220,678 or 13.0% of sales. At December 31, 2005, the amount due from this customer, and included in accounts receivable, was \$301,508, which represents approximately 13.5% of trade accounts receivable at December 31, 2005.

During 2004, the Company sold a substantial volume of its products to one customer. During the period January 1, 2004 through September 2, 2004, sales to this customer were \$968,021 or 12.7% of sales. For the period September 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004, sales to this customer were \$837,392 or 18.5% of sales. At December 31, 2004, the amount due from this customer, and included in accounts receivable, was \$400,339, which represents approximately 23.1% of trade accounts receivable at December 31, 2004.

Credit is extended for all customers based on financial condition, and generally, collateral is not required. Credit losses are provided for in the financial statements and consistently have been within management's expectations.

NOTE D: Acquisitions

Acquisition of NAR — As discussed in Note A, in March 2005, the Company established SDC Asia Tech, Ltd., for the purpose of acquiring NAR. On April 1, 2005, SDC Asia Tech, Ltd. purchased the remaining 50% of the outstanding stock of NAR from NSG. Results of operations for the remaining 50% of NAR acquired in 2005 have been included in the financial statements of SDC from the date of acquisition through December 31, 2005. The acquisition was made for the purpose of acquiring access to certain markets in Asia, to expand manufacturing capabilities and to have global facilities to provide sales and technical support to customers.

The Company issued a non-interest bearing promissory note to NSG for 400,000,000 Japanese Yen in payment for NSG's equity and incurred acquisition related expenses of approximately \$398,944. The note has a term of 5 years. The Company has accounted for the liability at the present value of the future payments using the cost of capital of SDC Asia Tech, Ltd. At March 31, 2005, this rate was 13.2%. At the acquisition date, the present value of the debt totaled \$2,381,000.

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This acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting and, accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed on the basis of their respective fair values. In connection with the allocation of the purchase price and intangible asset valuation, additional goodwill of \$2,257,926 was recorded. Intangible assets acquired include technology and customer relationships.

The following is a condensed balance sheet showing the fair value of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as of the date of acquisition:

Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 511,791
Accounts Receivable	730,908
Inventory	74,167
Other Assets	253,208
Total Current Assets	1,570,074
Property, Plant and Equipment	844,473
Other Assets	72,821
Intangible Assets	2,340,000
Goodwill	2,257,926
Total Assets	\$ 7,085,294
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ (334,311)
Other Current Liabilities	(871,728)
Total Current Liabilities	(1,206,039)
Deferred Tax Liability	(950,776)
Long-Term Liabilities	(69,854)
Pre-Acquisition Equity in Joint Venture	(806,324)
Write-up of investment in Joint Venture as part of purchase price allocation done in September 2004	(1,671,301)
Net Assets Acquired	\$ 2,381,000

The following unaudited Pro Forma financial information for the year ended December 31, 2005, for the period September 3, 2004 through December 31, 2004, for the period January 1, 2004 through September 2, 2004 and gives effect to the acquisition of NAR including the amortization of intangible assets, as if it had occurred on January 1, 2004. The information is provided for illustrative purpose only and is not necessarily indicative of the operating results that would have occurred if the transaction had been consummated on the date indicated, nor is it necessarily indicative of future operating results of the consolidated companies and should not be construed as representative of these results for any future period.

	Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Sept. 3, 2004 through Dec. 31, 2004	Jan. 1, 2004 through Sept. 2, 2004
Revenue	\$ 18,561,135	\$ 5,912,762	\$ 11,744,972
Income from continuing operations	\$ 1,419,613	\$ 81,896	\$ 1,540,058

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Acquisition of SDC Technologies, Inc. — On September 2, 2004, the Company purchased 100% of the stock of SDC. Results of operations for SDC are included in the consolidated financial statements since that date. The acquisition was made for investment purposes. The aggregate cost of the acquisition was \$21,851,600 of which \$8,851,600 was paid in cash. The remaining cost of the acquisition was funded through the issuance of debt and equity. The following is a condensed balance sheet showing the fair values of the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as of the date of acquisition:

Current Assets	\$	4,428,735
Property, Plant and Equipment, Net		855,984
Other Assets		336,385
Investment In Joint Venture		2,404,908
Deferred Financing Cost		447,059
Intangible Assets Arising From The Acquisition		11,152,000*
Goodwill Arising From The Acquisition		9,108,727
Total Assets		<u>28,733,798</u>
Current Liabilities		3,100,087
Long-Term Liabilities		3,782,111
Total Liabilities		<u>6,882,198</u>
Net Assets Acquired	\$	<u><u>21,851,600</u></u>

* Amount includes \$458,000 of In-Process Research and Development which was subsequently written-off (see Note B(9)).

Of the total amount of goodwill, \$0 is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

In connection with the purchase of SDC, the Company entered into an agreement with the sellers requiring that in the event the Company is merged, consolidated, recapitalized, reorganized, or there is a similar change of control within two years following the date of purchase (September 2, 2004), to the extent the consideration received is greater than \$21 million plus the amount of any new equity investment or indebtedness incurred with any acquisition of a business, the sellers are entitled to receive a percentage of the excess consideration received.

At the time that SDC was acquired (see Note A), no value was assigned to the Property, Plant and Equipment used in the application business located in Nevada (See Note R).

NOTE E: Property, Plant And Equipment

Property, Plant and Equipment consisted of the following:

	<u>Estimated Useful Life</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Building	3-38	\$ 575,645	\$ —
Transportation Equipment	3-4	16,859	15,011
Machinery And Equipment	4-15	536,690	215,537
Furniture, Fixtures, And Office Equipment	2-15	561,754	548,586
Leasehold Improvements	shorter of 10 years or the lease term	45,058	45,058
Capital Projects In Progress	N/A	33,338	33,338
Total Property, Plant And Equipment		<u>\$ 1,769,344</u>	<u>\$ 857,530</u>

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Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$404,052. Depreciation expense for the year ended December 31, 2004 was \$323,408, of which \$218,909 was for the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004. Depreciation expense was \$195,584 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

NOTE F: Goodwill And Other Intangible Assets, Net

The Company acquired goodwill and other intangible assets during 2005 and 2004. The changes in the net carrying amounts of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 are as follows:

	Goodwill
Balance December 31, 2003	\$ —
Acquired	9,108,727
Balance December 31, 2004	9,108,727
Acquired	2,156,876*
Balance December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 11,265,603</u>

Intangible assets other than goodwill and trademarks, will be amortized by the Company using estimated useful lives of 6 to 17 years with no residual values. Intangible assets at December 31, 2005, are as follows:

	Trademarks	Patented Technology	Customer Relations	Other Technology	Total
Bal. Dec 31, 2003	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Acquired	709,000	4,441,000	4,610,000	934,000	10,694,000
Amortization	—	(92,521)	(90,392)	(25,944)	(208,857)
Bal. Dec 31, 2004	709,000	4,348,479	4,519,608	908,056	10,485,143
Acquired	—	—	1,915,778	215,566	2,131,344*
Amortization	—	(277,563)	(341,957)	(89,137)	(708,657)
Bal. Dec 31, 2005	<u>\$ 709,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,070,916</u>	<u>\$ 6,093,429</u>	<u>\$ 1,034,485</u>	<u>\$ 11,907,830</u>

* The difference in international goodwill and intangible assets reported at December 31, 2005, as compared to the goodwill and intangible assets presented in Note D as of April 1, 2005, was the result of fluctuations in the foreign currency exchange rates used to translate the balance in U.S. dollars.

Total amortization expense relating to the above intangibles for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 amounted to \$708,657 and \$208,857, respectively.

Annual estimated amortization expense, based on the Companies' intangible assets subject to amortization at December 31, 2005 is as follows:

2006	\$ 733,197
2007	733,197
2008	733,197
2009	733,197
2010	733,197
Thereafter	7,532,845
	<u>\$ 11,198,830</u>

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NOTE G: Investment In Joint Venture

Investments accounted for under the equity method at December 31, 2004 consisted of a joint venture (NAR) that was operated in Japan (see Note A). On April 1, 2005 the Company acquired the remaining outstanding stock of the Joint Venture and has included the operating results of NAR for the period April 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 in the consolidated results of the Company.

As of December 31, 2004 the Investment in the Joint Venture consisted of the following:

Nippon ARC Company, Ltd. (NAR) — (50%)	\$ 2,474,793
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Following is a summary of financial position and results of operations of the investee company as of December 31, 2004:

	<u>2004</u>
Current Assets	\$ 1,354,483
Other Assets (Net)	1,047,632
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,402,115</u>
Current Liabilities	\$ 629,554
Long-Term Liability	165,577
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 795,131</u>
Joint Venture Equity	<u>\$ 1,606,984</u>

The results of operations of NAR were as follows for the periods indicated:

	<u>Three Months Ended</u> <u>March 31, 2005</u> <u>(Unaudited)</u>	<u>Years Ended December 31,</u>	
		<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Sales	\$ 1,468,202	\$ 5,521,146	\$ 6,165,002
Net Income	\$ 139,770	\$ 538,182	\$ 753,680
Company's Proportionate Share of Earnings	\$ 69,885	\$ 269,091	\$ 376,840

NOTE H: DEBT

In connection with the acquisition of SDC in September 2004, the Company entered into a credit agreement with US Bank National Association and Wisconsin Capital Corporation that provided for a revolving credit facility (line of credit) and various term loans. The proceeds from these borrowings were used to fund the purchase of SDC and to provide for working capital. The revolving credit facility and term loan agreements contain various covenant requirements, the most significant of which relate to fixed charge ratio, debt ratio, current ratio, limitations on capital expenditures and restrictions on dividend payments. The Company was in compliance with its covenants as of December 31, 2005.

Line Of Credit — In 2005 and 2004, the Company had available a revolving line of credit up to \$2,000,000. Borrowings under this facility at December 2005 and 2004 were \$0. Monthly interest payments are made at a rate equal to one of the following as selected by the Company: LIBOR plus a margin ranging from 2.75% to 3.5% depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA), or Prime plus a margin ranging from 1.25% to 2%, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA. The line of credit is secured by substantially all of the Company's assets. The line of credit expires in September 2010.

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Long-Term Debt

	2005	2004
Note payable to a bank, due in twenty-three quarterly installments ranging from \$250,000 to \$400,000 plus accrued interest. Interest accrues at a rate equal to one of the following as selected by the Company: LIBOR plus a margin ranging from 2.75% to 3.5% depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA, or Prime plus a margin ranging from 1.25% to 2% depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the rate was based on LIBOR and was 7.66% and 5.66%, respectively. The final principal and interest payment is due September 2010. The note is secured by all assets of the Company	\$ 5,975,000	\$ 7,750,000
Note payable to a bank, interest only payments are due quarterly. All outstanding principal and unpaid interest is due at maturity. Interest accrues at a rate equal to one of the following as selected by the Company: LIBOR plus a margin ranging from 3.25% to 4.0% depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA, or Prime plus a margin ranging from 1.75% to 2.5%, depending on the Company's ratio of consolidated debt to EBITDA. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the rate was based on LIBOR and was 8.16% and 6.16%, respectively. The final principal and interest payment is due September 2010. The note is secured by all assets of the Company	2,000,000	2,000,000
Note payable to bank, interest only payments are due quarterly. All outstanding principal and unpaid interest is due at maturity. For the period September 2, 2004 through September 1, 2005, the rate of interest is equal to one of the following as selected by the Company: LIBOR plus a margin of 5.0%, or Prime plus a margin of 3%. Commencing on the first anniversary date and ending at the maturity date, the interest rate is equal to one of the following as selected by the Company: LIBOR plus a margin of 7%, or Prime plus a margin of 5%. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the rate was based on LIBOR and was 11.19% and 7.16%, respectively. In addition to the quarterly interest payments, a yield enhancement fee equal to 5% for the period September 2, 2004 through September 1, 2005, and 3% for the period September 2, 2005 through maturity is due on the outstanding principal balance. The final interest payment, yield enhancement fee and principal are due September 2010. The note is secured by all assets of the Company	3,000,000	3,000,000
Note payable to a bank, payable in monthly installments of \$2,121, including principal and interest at a fixed rate of 6.24%, final payment January 2009, secured by equipment	71,168	91,099
On April 1, 2005 the Company acquired the remaining 50% interest in NAR, held by its former joint venture partner, for total consideration of 400,000,000 Japanese Yen (see also Note D). Terms of the note require 5 annual non-interest bearing payments on March 31 as follows:		

March 31	Yen
2006	50,000,000
2007	50,000,000
2008	75,000,000
2009	75,000,000
2010	150,000,000

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	2005	2004
The note is carried at the net present value of the future payments. The note is secured by the shares of stock of SDC Asia Tech, LTD. and by a standby letter of credit	2,164,184	—
Note payable to a Bank, with a maturity date of March 31, 2006, with interest calculated at a rate of 1.375%	127,248	—
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap (See Note S)	(125,290)	—
Total	13,212,310	12,841,099
Less: Current Maturities Of Long-Term Debt	1,620,843	1,053,213
Long-Term Debt	<u>\$ 11,591,467</u>	<u>\$ 11,787,886</u>

Maturities of long-term debt outstanding as of December 31, 2005 exclusive of the unrealized gain on the interest rate swap are as follows:

Year Ended December 31:	
2006	\$ 1,620,843
2007	1,647,713
2008	1,851,143
2009	1,876,583
2010	6,341,318
	<u>\$ 13,337,600</u>

NOTE I: Provision For Income Taxes

The Company follows the provisions of SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. The provision (benefit) for income taxes from continuing operations for the year ended December 31, 2005, the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004, the period of September 3, 2004 to December 31, 2004, and for the year ended December 31, 2003 are summarized as follows:

	Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	Period of Sep. 3 to Dec. 31, 2004	Jan. 1 2004 to Sep. 2, 2004	Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003
Current:				
Federal	\$ 719,336	\$ 388,019	\$ 505,443	\$ 485,774
State	73,429	(35,831)	128,486	17,568
Foreign	740,999	261,697	271,824	348,938
	<u>1,533,764</u>	<u>613,885</u>	<u>905,753</u>	<u>852,280</u>
Deferred				
Federal	(241,811)	(229,180)	(140,198)	215,519
State	(34,291)	87,549	(30,843)	(5,569)
	<u>(276,102)</u>	<u>(141,631)</u>	<u>(171,041)</u>	<u>209,950</u>
Provision For Income Taxes	<u>\$ 1,257,662</u>	<u>\$ 472,254</u>	<u>\$ 734,712</u>	<u>\$ 1,062,230</u>

The Company's effective income tax rate is different than what would be expected if the federal statutory rate were applied to income from continuing operations, primarily because of the valuation allowance for the foreign tax credit carry forward.

At December 31, 2005 the Company has available Federal research and development credits of \$227,123 fully expiring in 2025 and foreign tax credits of \$1,361,661 fully expiring in 2015. At

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December 31, 2004, the Company had available Federal research and development credits of \$42,388 fully expiring in 2024 and \$635,135 of foreign tax credits fully expiring in 2014. A valuation allowance has been established for 100% of the foreign tax credit carry forwards as of December 31, 2005 and 2004.

Deferred income taxes consist of the following components at December 31, 2005 and 2004:

	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Current		
Section 263(a) Inventory Costs	\$ 6,495	\$ 4,028
Exclusion Of Accrued Expenses	254,065	203,129
State Income Taxes	153,621	159,949
Amounts Applicable to Discontinued Operations	(16,382)	29,413
Net Deferred Income Tax Asset	<u>\$ 397,799</u>	<u>\$ 396,519</u>
Non-Current		
Excess Amortization	\$ (4,621,119)	\$ (4,074,527)
Excess Depreciation	382,398	556,521
Federal and State Tax Credits	1,588,748	1,402,392
Less Amounts Applicable to Discontinued Operations	(249,787)	(478,437)
	(2,899,724)	(2,594,051)
Valuation Allowance	<u>(1,588,784)</u>	<u>(1,402,392)</u>
Net Deferred Income Tax Liability	<u>\$ (4,488,508)</u>	<u>\$ (3,996,443)</u>

Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences resulting from income and expense items reported for financial accounting and tax purposes in different periods. Deferred taxes are classified as current or non-current, depending on the classification of the assets and liabilities to which they relate. Deferred taxes arising from temporary differences that are not related to an asset or liability are classified as current or non-current depending on the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse.

SFAS No. 109 requires a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets if, based on the weight of available evidence, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred foreign tax assets and liabilities will not be realized. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the Company believes that none of the deferred tax credit carry forward assets will be realized in the future and thus, has recorded a valuation allowance equal to 100% of the deferred foreign tax credit carry forward and the deferred research and development tax credit carry forward assets.

Included in Net Income from Discontinued Operations are the following tax provisions (Benefits):

Year Ended Dec. 31, 2005	\$ 71,594
Sept. 3, 2004 — Dec. 31, 2004	\$ (6,942)
Jan. 1, 2004 — Sept. 2, 2004	\$ (66,649)
Year Ended Dec. 31, 2003	\$(283,151)

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NOTE J: Capital Stock

On February 24, 2005 the Board of Directors authorized a one-for-twenty reverse stock split of all classes of capital stock to stockholders of record as of that date.

At December 31, 2005, the Company has the following classes of stock authorized and outstanding:

Preferred stock:

2,000,000 shares authorized, of which 150,000 shares are Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and 1,500,000 shares are Series B 13% Cumulative Mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Stock, par value \$1.00 per share. The remaining 350,000 shares may be issued in one or more series as authorized by the Board of Directors. At December 31, 2005, total shares of Series A and Series B preferred stock issued and outstanding are 22,432 and 4,500, respectively. Preferred stockholders are entitled to a liquidation preference of the original issue price per share upon the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of affairs of the Company. The original issue price for Series A Convertible Preferred Stock and Series B 13% Cumulative Mandatorily Redeemable Preferred Stock was \$314.20 and \$20.00 per share, respectively. At December 31, 2005 and 2004 the par value of the outstanding Series A preferred stock is \$224 and \$4,486, respectively.

Each share of Series A convertible preferred stock is convertible into both (i) one share of Series A common stock and (ii) that number of shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock which equals an amount equal to the original issue price of the series A convertible preferred stock plus a 13% per annum return, compounded annually from the original issue date of such shares. Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible at the option of two-thirds of the holders there of voting as a class (each share entitled to one vote) at any time or from time to time. The Company reduced retained earnings by approximately \$0.5 million to record the beneficial conversion feature of receiving Common Stock upon conversion as a deemed distribution in September 2004. In addition, the Company has recorded the accretion for the 13% per annum increase in the value of the Series B Redeemable Preferred Stock also as a reduction of retained earnings (See Note T).

Common Stock:

At December 31, 2005, the Company has 250,000 shares of common stock authorized, of which 100,000 shares are Series A, par value \$0.01 per share and 50,000 shares are Series B, par value \$0.01 per share. The remaining 100,000 shares may be issued in one or more series as authorized by the Board of Directors. Each share of Series A common stock is entitled to one vote. Each share of Series B common stock is entitled to 10 votes. At December 31, 2005, total shares of Series A and Series B common stock issued and outstanding are 14,037 and 5,000, respectively. At December 31, 2005, the par value of the issued Series A and B common stock is \$140 and \$50, respectively. At December 31, 2004 the par value of the outstanding Series A and B common stock is \$2,807 and \$1,000, respectively.

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NOTE K: Operating Leases

The Company leases building space under non-cancelable leases expiring between October 2006 and March 2015. The leases contain escalation clauses. Minimum future rental payments under non-cancelable operating leases having remaining terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2005, for each of the next five years and in the aggregate are as follows:

<u>December 31,</u>	
2006	\$ 210,230
2007	216,411
2008	218,299
2009	201,381
2010	47,367
Thereafter	140,792
Total Minimum Future Rental Payments	<u>\$ 1,034,480</u>

Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$206,160. Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2004, totaled \$131,836, of which \$79,288 was for the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004. Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2003 was \$114,699.

NOTE L: Management Services Agreement

Effective September 2, 2004, the Company has an agreement with WAJ, LLC, (formerly Kilgore Consulting III, LLC) a management firm controlled by the Compass Group to provide executive, financial and managerial oversight services to the Company. The Company has agreed to pay the management firm an annual fee of \$350,000 in four equal quarterly installments of \$87,500 commencing December 31, 2004. The term of the agreement is for a three year period and automatically renews for successive one year periods unless terminated by either party. Other than for the cost of providing services under the management services agreement, which are included in the management fee, WAJ, LLC has not paid any obligations nor incurred any expenses on behalf of the Company. As of December 31, 2005 and 2004 there was no outstanding balance payable to WAJ, LLC.

NOTE M: Employment Agreements

Effective September 2, 2004, the Company has employment agreements with certain members of management. The Company has agreed to pay each member an annual base salary and performance bonus based on a target EBITDA level beginning with the year ended December 31, 2005. The aggregate of the base salaries under the contract is \$648,000. Each employment agreement is for a three year period and automatically renews for successive one year periods unless terminated by either party.

NOTE N: Current Vulnerability — Foreign Operations

At December 31, 2005, the balance sheet includes cash, accounts receivable, inventories and property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation, of \$3,131,973, located at the Company's operating facilities in England and Japan. At December 31, 2004 the balance sheets includes cash, accounts receivable, inventories and property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation, of \$1,324,023, located at the Company's operating facilities in England. Although these countries are considered politically and economically stable, it is always possible that unanticipated events in foreign locations could disrupt the Company's operations and realization of its assets.

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NOTE O: Retirement Savings Plans

The Company has established a 401(k) savings plan (the "Plan"). The Plan is offered to all employees meeting minimum age and service requirements. Under the terms of the 401(k) savings plan the Company is required to contribute 3% of each participating employee's salary with additional contributions at the discretion of the Company. Contributions to this Plan for the year ended December 31, 2005 totaled \$170,779. Contributions to this Plan for the year ended December 31, 2004, totaled \$164,083, of which \$50,214 was for the pre-acquisition period ended September 2, 2004. Contributions to this plan for the year ended December 31, 2003 were \$171,229.

NOTE P: Stock Option Plan

The Company implemented a stock option plan during 2005 which provides for the issuance of non-qualified and incentive stock options to employees, consultants, and directors of the Company and its subsidiaries. Under the plan, the maximum number of options that may be granted is 2,183. Under the terms of this plan, options are granted at not less than fair market value of the Company's common stock, become exercisable as established by the Board of Directors (generally ratably over 3 to 5 years) and generally expire within 10 years from the date of grant. Fair value of the options at the date of grant is determined by the Company through the use of the minimum value method as provided in SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation." During December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued a revision of its Statement No. 123. The revised standard requires, among other things, that compensation cost for employee stock options be measured at fair value on the grant date and charged to expense over the employee's requisite service period for the option. This standard is required to be adopted by the Company effective January 1, 2006.

The following table summarizes stock option activity for the year ended December 31, 2005:

Granted	1,663
Forfeited	(82)
Cancelled	—
Balance — December 31, 2005	<u>1,581</u>

The following table summarizes stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2005:

<u>Outstanding</u>		<u>Weighted Average Contractual Remaining Life</u>
<u>Shares</u>	<u>Exercise Price</u>	
1,066	\$183.60	9.33 Years
515	\$350.00	9.75 Years
<u>Exercisable</u>		<u>Weighted Average Contractual Remaining Life</u>
<u>Shares</u>	<u>Exercise Price</u>	
-0-	\$183.60	9.33 Years
-0-	\$350.00	9.75 Years

The weighted average estimated fair market value of the employee stock options granted during 2005 was \$56.09.

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Under SFAS 123R, compensation cost for options granted is recognized over the vesting period. The Company used the Black-Scholes pricing model to estimate the value of the options. The following assumptions were used:

Risk Free Interest Rate	4.21% and 4.39%
Expected Life	10 years
Expected Volatility	0%
Expected Dividend Yield	0%

NOTE Q: Fair Value Of Financial Instruments

The following disclosure of the estimated fair value of financial instruments is made in accordance with the requirements of SFAS No. 107, "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments." The estimated fair values have been determined using available market information. However, considerable judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates presented herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts that the Company could realize in a current market exchange. The use of different market assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts. Accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses are not presented in the table below as the carrying amount for these items approximate fair value because of the short maturity of these instruments or because they are carried at fair value.

	December 31, 2005		December 31, 2004	
	Cost Basis	Fair Value	Cost Basis	Fair Value
Assets:				
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,515,731	\$ 1,515,731	\$ 1,006,720	\$ 1,006,720
Liabilities:				
Long-Term Debt	\$ 11,591,467	\$ 11,591,467	\$ 11,787,886	\$ 11,787,886

NOTE R: Discontinued Operations

During the fourth quarter of 2005, the Company made the decision to sell or otherwise divest its Application business in Henderson, Nevada. The Company determined that this decision met the criteria to classify it as held for sale. Accordingly, the Company has reflected this operation as discontinued in accordance with SFAS No. 144. For the year ended December 31, 2005, the Application business generated revenues of \$4,010,827 and net income of \$132,637. Assets and liabilities of the discontinued operations were as follows as of December 31:

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	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 71,541	\$ 2,569
Accounts Receivable (net of allowance of \$169,547 and \$5,470)	511,947	646,309
Inventory	168,893	266,128
Prepaid Expenses	132,508	117,125
Deferred Taxes	16,382	—
Total	<u>\$ 901,271</u>	<u>\$ 1,032,131</u>
Other Assets		
Deposits	\$ 30,752	\$ 30,752
Deferred Taxes	249,787	478,437
	<u>\$ 280,539</u>	<u>\$ 509,189</u>
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 61,480	\$ 315,125
Accrued Expenses	168,522	66,072
Deferred Taxes	—	29,413
Current Portion of Bank Loan	60,561 ^(A)	141,466 ^(A)
Total	<u>\$ 290,563</u>	<u>\$ 552,076</u>
Long-Term Liabilities		
Long-Term Portion of Bank Loan	<u>\$ 114,787^(A)</u>	<u>\$ 413,243^(A)</u>

(A) These amounts represent a note payable to a bank which is payable in monthly installments. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, the monthly payment was \$6,466 and \$14,628, respectively, including principal and interest at a variable rate. At December 31, 2005 and 2004, this variable rate was 7.62%, and 5.9%, respectively. Final payment on the note is due April 2008. The note is secured by the equipment at the Nevada location.

NOTE S: Interest Rate Swap Agreement

On December 21, 2004, the Company entered into an interest rate swap agreement to manage its exposure to interest rate movements in its variable rate debt. The Company pays interest at a fixed rate of 3.6% and receives interest from the counter party at three month LIBOR. At December 31, 2005 and 2004 the LIBOR rate was 4.53% and 2.56%, respectively. The notional principal amount at December 31, 2005 and 2004 was \$7,000,000 and \$8,500,000, respectively and decreases to \$4,375,000 over the term of the agreement. The termination date of this agreement is September 30, 2007. As of December 31, 2005, the fair market value of the instrument was \$125,290 and is reflected as an offset to interest expense of the period. As of December 31, 2004, the fair value of the instrument was not material.

NOTE T: Restatement of Previously Issued Financial Statements

The Company has restated its previously issued consolidated financial statements to reflect the following adjustments:

- to expense in-process research and development (IPR&D) of \$458,000 that was recorded as part of the purchase price allocation in September 2004 (adjustment A),
- to further reallocate the purchase price between goodwill and intangibles (adjustment B),
- to record the accretion and beneficial conversion features for the convertible preferred stock not previously recognized (adjustment C),

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- to correct an error in the provision for income taxes to reflect a lower utilization of foreign tax credits (adjustment D).

The reallocation of the purchase price was made to reflect the related tax benefit of the intangibles that was not previously considered. The impact of this adjustment was to reclassify approximately \$1.8 million from goodwill to other intangibles and to reflect \$34,594 of additional amortization expense. The Company also recorded approximately \$0.7 million of additional deferred tax liabilities associated with this change. The IPR&D did not have any alternative use and therefore should have been expensed at the time of acquisition. The impact of this adjustment was to reduce previously recorded intangibles by \$458,000 and to reduce previously recorded net income by the same \$458,000. The impact of recording the beneficial conversion and accretion features of the convertible preferred stock was to reduce retained earnings by \$754,142 and to increase additional paid in capital by the same amount. The provision for income taxes was corrected to properly reflect the foreign tax credits available to offset the federal tax liability. As a result of this correction additional income tax expense of \$328,163 and \$202,281 was recorded for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 and additional goodwill of \$1,168,570 was recorded to reflect the additional purchase consideration paid in connection with this change.

The following table summarizes the impact of the above adjustments:

	Amount Previously Reported ⁽¹⁾	IP R & D Adjustment A	Purchase Price Allocation Adjustment B	Preferred Stock Beneficial Conversion Feature and Accretion Adjustment C	Tax Credit Adjustment D	Restated Amounts
Balance Sheet at Dec. 31, 2004						
Deferred Tax Asset	\$ 1,153,899	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (757,380)	\$ 396,519
Intangible Assets	\$ 9,161,282	\$ (458,000)	\$ 1,781,861	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 10,485,143
Goodwill	\$ 9,066,612	\$ —	\$ (1,126,455)	\$ —	\$ 1,168,570	\$ 9,108,727
Income Taxes Payable	\$ 876,380	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 848,409	\$ 1,724,789
Deferred Tax Liability	\$ 3,600,980	\$ —	\$ 690,000	\$ —	\$ (294,537)	\$ 3,996,443
Additional Paid-In Capital	\$ 7,422,441	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 754,142	\$ —	\$ 8,176,583
Retained Earnings (Deficit)	\$ 747,743	\$ (458,000)	\$ (34,594)	\$ (754,142)	\$ (142,682)	\$ (641,675)
Income Statement Period 9/3/04 through 12/31/04						
Research and Development Expense	\$ 178,931	\$ 458,000	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 636,931
Amortization of Intangibles	\$ 174,263	\$ —	\$ 34,594	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 208,857
Income Tax Expense	\$ 329,572	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 142,682	\$ 472,254
Income Statement Period 1/1/04 to 9/2/04						
Income Tax Expense	\$ 549,231	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 185,481	\$ 734,712
Income Statement Year Ended 12/31/03						
Income Tax Expense	\$ 859,949	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 202,281	\$ 1,062,230

(1) Adjusted for Discontinued Operations Classification

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Until (25 days after the date of this prospectus), all dealers that buy, sell or trade our shares, whether or not participating in this offering, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to the dealers' obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as underwriters and with respect to their unsold allotments or subscriptions.

14,000,000 Shares



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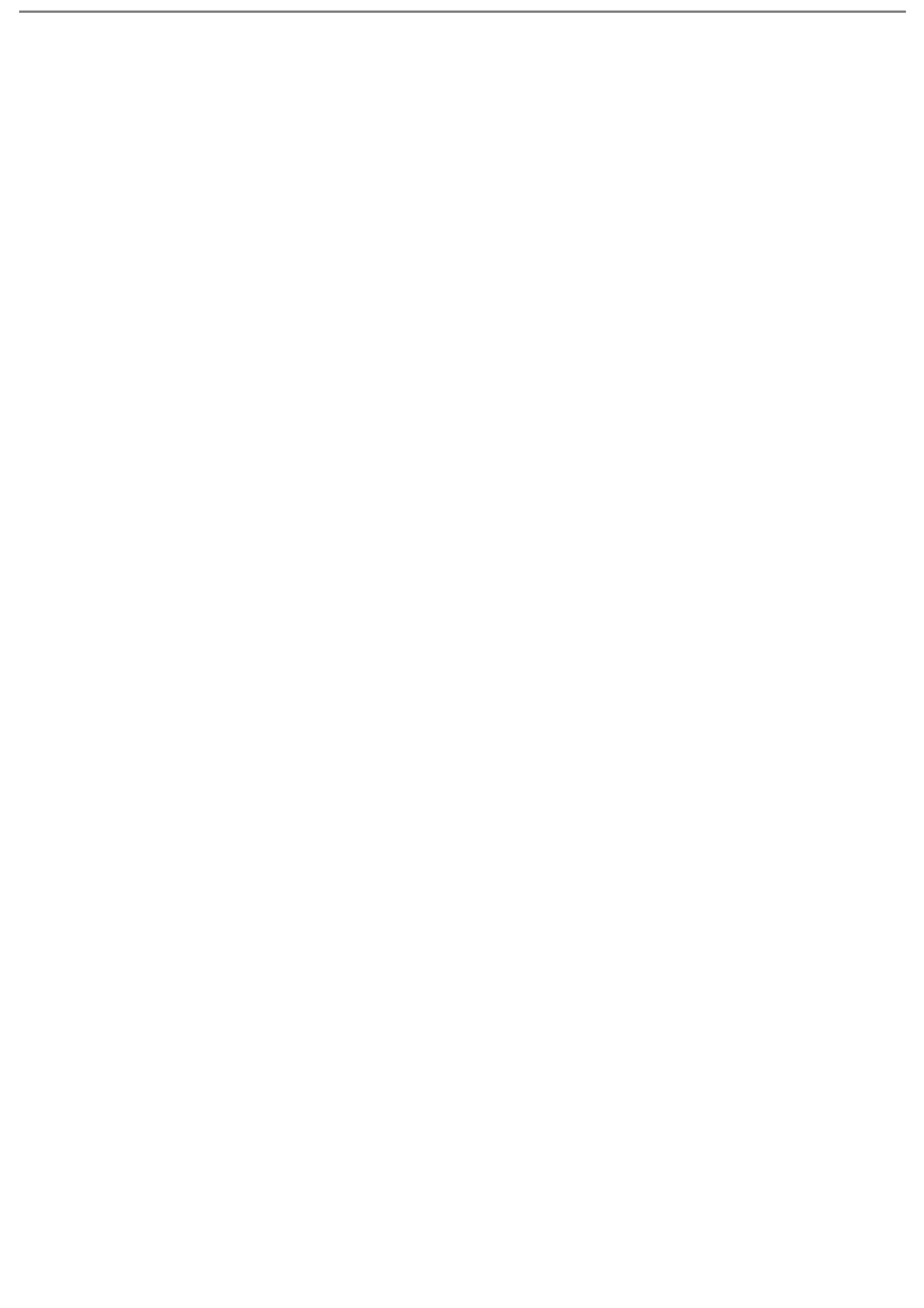
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PART II
INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The estimated expenses payable by us in connection with the offering described in this registration statement (other than the underwriting discount and commissions and the representative non-accountable expense allowance) will be as follows:

SEC Registration Fee	\$ 30,763
Financial Advisory Fee	\$ 525,000
NASD Filing Fee	\$ 29,250
Listing Application Fee	\$ 5,000
Accounting Fees and Expenses	\$ 1,635,000
Printing and Engraving Expenses	\$ 750,000
Legal Fees and Expenses	\$ 2,800,000
Hart Scott Rodino Filing Fee	\$ 125,000
Miscellaneous ⁽¹⁾	\$ 104,987
Total	\$ 6,000,000

(1) This amount represents additional expenses that may be incurred by the company or underwriters in connection with the offering over and above those specifically listed above, including distribution and mailing costs.

Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Certain provisions of our LLC agreement are intended to be consistent with Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which provides that a corporation has the power to indemnify a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation and certain other persons serving at the request of the corporation in related capacities against amounts paid and expenses incurred in connection with an action or proceedings to which he is, or is threatened to be made, a party by reason of such position, if such person shall have acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, in any criminal proceedings, if such person had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful; provided that, in the case of actions brought by or in the right of the corporation, no indemnification shall be made with respect to any matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the adjudicating court determines that such indemnification is proper under the circumstances.

Our LLC agreement includes a provision that eliminates the personal liability of its directors for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability:

- for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the company or its members;
- for acts or omissions not in good faith or a knowing violation of law;
- regarding unlawful dividends and stock purchases analogous to Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law; or
- for any transaction from which the director derived an improper benefit.

Our LLC agreement provides that:

- we must indemnify our directors and officers, manager and members to the equivalent extent permitted by Delaware General Corporation Law;
- we may indemnify our other employees and agents to the same extent that we indemnified our officers and directors, unless otherwise determined by the company's board of directors; and
- we must advance expenses, as incurred, to our directors and executive officers in connection with a legal proceeding to the extent permitted by Delaware law and may advance expenses as incurred to our other employees and agents, unless otherwise determined by the company's board of directors.

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The indemnification provisions contained in our LLC agreement are not exclusive of any other rights to which a person may be entitled by law, agreement, vote of members or disinterested directors or otherwise.

In addition, we will maintain insurance on behalf of our directors and executive officers and certain other persons insuring them against any liability asserted against them in their respective capacities or arising out of such status.

Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this registration statement, we have agreed to indemnify the underwriters and the underwriters have agreed to indemnify us against certain civil liabilities that may be incurred in connection with this offering, including certain liabilities under the Securities Act.

Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities.

Not Applicable

Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

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Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

- (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
- (ii) any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
- (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registration or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
- (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to provide to the underwriters at the closing specified in the underwriting agreements certificates in such denominations and registered in such names as required by the underwriters to permit prompt delivery to each purchaser.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer, or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit, or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that:

(1) For purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

(2) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 3 to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Westport, in the State of Connecticut, on April 13, 2006.

COMPASS DIVERSIFIED TRUST

By: COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED
HOLDINGS LLC, as Sponsor

By: _____ /s/ I. JOSEPH MASSOUD

I. Joseph Massoud
Chief Executive Officer

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COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

By: _____ /s/ I. JOSEPH MASSOUD

I. Joseph Massoud
Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Amendment No. 3 to the registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
_____ /s/ I. JOSEPH MASSOUD	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director	April 13, 2006
_____ I. Joseph Massoud		
_____ /s/ JAMES J. BOTTIGLIERI	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) and Director	April 13, 2006
_____ James J. Bottiglieri		
_____ *	Director	April 13, 2006
_____ C. Sean Day		
_____ *	Director	April 13, 2006
_____ D. Eugene Ewing		
_____ *	Director	April 13, 2006
_____ Ted Waitman		
_____ *	Director	April 13, 2006
_____ Harold S. Edwards		
_____ *	Director	April 13, 2006
_____ Mark H. Lazarus		

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Attorney-in-fact

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**FORM OF
STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

among

**COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC,
as Buyer,**

COMPASS GROUP INVESTMENTS, INC.

and

**COMPASS CS PARTNERS, L.P.
COMPASS CS II PARTNERS, L.P.
COMPASS CROSMAN PARTNERS, L.P.
COMPASS ADVANCED PARTNERS, L.P.,
and
COMPASS SILVUE PARTNERS, LP,
as Sellers**

Dated 1, 2006

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RECITALS

A. The Buyer is wholly-owned by Compass Diversified Trust, an entity which has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the initial public offering of its shares (the "Offering").

B. CGI wholly-owns, indirectly, each of the Sellers.

C. CS and CSII, together, are the majority stockholders of CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("CBS Personnel"). CS owns, and holds of record, 2,086,292 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of CBS Personnel and 1,675,904 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of CBS Personnel (825,037 of which Class B common stock (the "CS Redeemed Shares") will be redeemed by CBS as part of the Ancillary Transactions) (collectively, the "CS Owned Shares"). CSII owns, and holds of record, 744,617 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of CBS Personnel and 598,148 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of CBS Personnel (collectively, the "CSII Owned Shares"). CS and CSII also own vested, in-the-money warrants (collectively, the "CBS Warrants"), which warrants shall be exercised prior to or concurrent with the Closing, entitling them to purchase 17,287.16 and 6,169.99 shares, respectively, of Class B common stock of CBS Personnel (the "CBS Warrant Shares" and, together with the CS Owned Shares and the CSII Owned Shares, the "CBS Shares").

D. Crosman Partners is the majority stockholder of Crosman Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Crosman"), and owns, and holds of record, 428,292 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Crosman (the "Crosman Shares"). Crosman Partners also owns a contingent warrant (the "Crosman Contingent Warrant") entitling it to purchase [—] shares of Crosman common stock, which warrant shall not be exercised prior to Closing.

E. Advanced Partners is the majority stockholder of Compass AC Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Advanced Circuits"), and owns, and holds of record, 882,120 shares of Series B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Advanced Circuits (the "Advanced Circuits Shares").

F. Silvue Partners is the majority stockholder of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Silvue"), and owns, and holds of record, 1,716 shares of Series A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of Silvue, 4,901.4 shares of Series B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Silvue and 21,521.844 shares of Series A convertible preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Silvue (collectively, the "Silvue Shares"). The CBS Shares (other than the CS Redeemed Shares), the Crosman Shares, the Advanced Circuits Shares and the Silvue Shares are collectively referred to herein as the "Shares".

G. CGI and the Sellers desire that the Sellers sell, and Buyer desires to purchase, all of the Shares and the Crosman Contingent Warrant for the consideration and on the terms set forth in this Agreement.

AGREEMENT

The parties, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referred to in this Section 1:

“ACI Purchase Agreement” — the Stock and Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated September 20, 2005 by and between Advanced Partners, Advanced Circuits, Advanced Circuits, Inc., RJCS LLC and each of the sellers party thereto.

“Acquired Companies” — collectively, CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue; each of which is an “Acquired Company”.

“Advanced Circuits” — as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Advanced Circuits Shares” — as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Advanced Circuits Indemnification Cap” — as defined in Section 11.4(b).

“Advanced Circuits Threshold Amount” — as defined in Section 11.4(b).

“Advanced Partners” — as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“Affiliate” — with respect to any Person, (a) any other Person which, directly or indirectly, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with such Person, and (b) any officer or director of such Person. A Person shall be deemed to be “controlled by” any other Person if such Person possesses, directly or indirectly, power to vote 10% or more of the securities (on a fully diluted basis) having ordinary voting power for the election of directors or managers or power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person whether by contract or otherwise.

“Ancillary Transactions” — the transactions by which (i) Buyer acquires from the Persons identified on Schedule 2 hereto as minority stockholders in the Acquired Companies the shares of capital stock identified on Schedule 2 for the purchase prices set forth in Schedule 2, which transactions shall otherwise be pursuant to purchase agreements substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and (ii) CBS Personnel redeems the CS Redeemed Shares.

“Applicable Contract” — with respect to a particular Person, any Contract (a) under which such Person or its Subsidiaries has or may acquire any rights, (b) under which such Person or its Subsidiaries has or may become subject to any obligation or liability, or (c) by which such Person or any of its Subsidiaries or any of the assets owned or used by any of them is or may become bound.

“Balance Sheet” — (a) with respect to CBS Personnel, as defined in Section 3.4; (b) with respect to Crosman, as defined in Section 4.4; (c) with respect to Advanced Circuits, as defined in Section 5.4; and (d) with respect to Silvue, as defined in Section 6.4.

“Best Efforts” - the efforts that a prudent Person desirous of achieving a result would use in similar circumstances to ensure that such result is achieved as expeditiously as possible; provided, however, that an obligation to use Best Efforts under this Agreement does not require the Person subject to that obligation to take actions that would result in a Materially Adverse Change in the benefits to such Person of this Agreement and the Contemplated Transactions.

“Breach” - a “Breach” of a representation, warranty, covenant, obligation, or other provision of this Agreement or of any instrument delivered pursuant to this Agreement will be deemed to have occurred if there is or has been (a) any inaccuracy in or breach or violation of, or any failure to perform or comply with, such representation, warranty, covenant, obligation, or other provision, or (b) any claim (by any Person) or other occurrence or circumstance that is or was inconsistent with such representation, warranty, covenant, obligation, or other provision, and the term “Breach” means any such inaccuracy, breach, violation, failure, claim, occurrence, or circumstance.

“Buyer” - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“Buyer’s Allocable Percentage” — with respect to each of the Acquired Companies, the percentage specified for such Acquired Company in Schedule 1 hereto.

“Buyer Indemnification Cap” — as defined in Section 11.6(c).

“Buyer Indemnified Persons” -as defined in Section 11.2(a).

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“CGI” — as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

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“Closing” - as defined in Section 2.3.

“Closing Date” - the date and time as of which the Closing actually takes place.

“Company Plan” - with respect to each Acquired Company, all Plans of which such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate of any of them is or is required to be a Plan Sponsor, or to which such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate of any of them otherwise contributes or is required to contribute, or in which such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate of any of them otherwise participates or is required to participate or with respect to or which such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries or an ERISA Affiliate of any

of them could have any liability, actual or contingent. All references to Plans are to Company Plans unless the context requires otherwise.

“Consent” - any approval, consent, ratification, waiver, or other authorization (including any Governmental Authorization).

“Contemplated Transactions” - all of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including:

- (a) the sale of the Shares by Sellers to Buyer;
- (b) the performance by Buyer and the Sellers of their respective covenants and obligations under this Agreement;
- (c) the consummation of the Ancillary Transactions; and
- (d) Buyer’s acquisition and ownership of the Shares and exercise of control over CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue.

“Contract” - any agreement, contract, obligation, promise, or undertaking (whether written or oral and whether express or implied) that is legally binding.

“Crosman” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Crosman Contingent Warrant” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Crosman Guaranty” - the Guaranty dated February 10, 2004 by Crosman Partners and Norwest Mezzanine Partners, LP, a Minnesota limited partnership in favor of SBIC Partners, L.P. and those certain other Persons a party thereto.

“Crosman Indemnification Cap” - as defined in Section 11.3(b).

“Crosman Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Crosman Partners” - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“Crosman Threshold Amount” - as defined in Section 11.3(b).

“CS” - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“CS Owned Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“CS Redeemed Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“CSII” - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“CSII Owned Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Damages” - the amount of any loss, liability, claim, damage (excluding incidental and consequential damages) or expense (including costs of investigation and defense and reasonable attorneys’ fees, but excluding any actual or claimed diminution of value), whether or not involving a third-party claim, suffered or incurred by, for purposes of Sections 11.2, 11.3, 11.4 and 11.5, Buyer Indemnified Persons and, for purposes of Section 11.6, CGI and Sellers. For purposes of this Agreement,

Damages, when determined by reference to losses, liabilities, damages and/or expenses of, or claims against, an Acquired Company, will be deemed suffered or incurred by Buyer Indemnified Persons only to the extent of Buyer's Allocable Percentage thereof.

"Disclosure Letter" - the disclosure letter delivered by the Sellers to Buyer concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

"Encumbrance" - any charge, claim, community property interest, condition, deed of trust, easement, encumbrance, equitable interest, lien, lease, mortgage, option, pledge, security interest, right of first refusal, proxy, servitude or similar restriction, including any restriction on use, voting (including any such restriction imposed under any voting trust), transfer, receipt of income, or exercise of any other attribute of ownership.

"Environmental Claim" means any claim, action, cause of action, investigation or written notice by any Person or entity, including Buyer, alleging potential liability (including, without limitation, potential liability for investigatory costs, cleanup costs, governmental response costs, natural resources damages, property damages, personal injuries, or penalties) or Damages arising out of, based on or resulting from (a) the presence or Release of any Hazardous Materials at any location, whether or not owned or operated by the applicable Acquired Company or (b) circumstances forming the basis of any violation of any Environmental Law.

"Environmental Laws" shall mean all federal, state, local and foreign Legal Requirements relating to pollution or protection of human health or the environment, including Legal Requirements relating to Releases or Threatened Releases of Hazardous Materials or otherwise relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Hazardous Materials and all Legal Requirements with regard to recordkeeping, notification, disclosure and reporting requirements respecting Hazardous Materials.

"ERISA"- the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or any successor law, and regulations and rules issued pursuant to that Act or any successor law, as may be amended from time to time.

"ERISA Affiliate" - with respect to each Acquired Company, such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries, any other Person that, together with such Acquired Company or any of its Subsidiaries, would be treated as a single employer under IRC § 414.

"Estimated Net Working Capital" - as defined in [Section 2.5\(b\)](#).

"Facilities" - with respect to any Person, any real property, leaseholds, or other interests currently or formerly owned or operated by such Person or its Subsidiaries and any buildings, plants, structures, or equipment (including motor vehicles, tank cars, and rolling stock) currently or formerly owned or operated by such Person or its Subsidiaries.

"GAAP" — United States generally accepted accounting principles as of the date hereof, consistently applied.

"Governmental Authorization" - any approval, consent, license, permit, waiver, or other authorization issued, granted, given, or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Governmental Body or pursuant to any Legal Requirement.

“Governmental Body” - any:

- (a) nation, state, county, city, town, village, district, or other jurisdiction of any nature;
- (b) federal, state, local, municipal, foreign, or other government;
- (c) governmental or quasi-governmental authority of any nature (including any governmental agency, branch, department, official, or entity and any court or other tribunal);
- (d) multi-national organization or body; or
- (e) body exercising, or entitled to exercise, any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, police, regulatory, or taxing authority or power of any nature.

“Hazardous Materials” shall mean all materials regulated by Legal Requirement as capable of causing harm or injury to human health or the environment, including (a) any hazardous substances within the meaning of Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14), or any pollutant or constituent that is regulated under any Environmental Law, (b) friable asbestos containing material, (c) polychlorinated biphenyls, (d) highly toxic materials as defined by OSHA in 29 C.F.R. § 1910.1200, (e) radioactive materials and (f) all substances defined as Hazardous Substances, Oils, Pollutants or Contaminants in the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan, 40 C.F.R. § 300.5, or defined as such by, or regulated as such under, any Environmental Law.

“Historical Claim” - as defined in [Section 8.1\(a\)](#).

“Historical Claim Notice” - as defined in [Section 8.1\(a\)](#).

“Historical Purchase Agreement” - as defined in [Section 8.1\(a\)](#).

“HSR Act” - the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvement Act of 1976, as amended, or any successor law, and regulations and rules issued pursuant to that Act or any successor law.

“Interim Balance Sheet” - with respect to Crosman, as defined in [Section 4.4](#)

“IRC” - the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor law, and regulations issued by the IRS pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code or any successor law.

“IRS” - the United States Internal Revenue Service or any successor agency and, to the extent relevant, the United States Department of the Treasury.

“Knowledge” - with respect to any Person, the actual knowledge such Person or, if such Person is a corporation, the actual knowledge of each individual who is serving, or who has at any time served, as a director or chief executive officer of that corporation or, if such Person is a limited partnership, the actual knowledge of each individual who is serving, or who has at any time served, as a director, chief executive officer or manager of the general partner of that limited partnership.

“Legal Requirement” — any federal, state, local, municipal, foreign, international, multinational, or other administrative order, constitution, law, ordinance, principle of common law, regulation, statute, or treaty.

“Material Adverse Effect” or **“Material Adverse Change”** - with respect to a particular Person (the “Principal”), any effect or change that would be materially adverse to the business of the Principal and its Subsidiaries, or to the ability of the Principal or its Subsidiaries to consummate timely the transactions contemplated hereby; provided that none of the following shall be deemed to constitute, and none of the following shall be taken into account in determining whether there has been, a Material Adverse Effect or Material Adverse Change: (a) any adverse change, event, development, or effect arising from or relating to (1) general business or economic conditions, including such conditions related to the business of the Principal and its Subsidiaries, (2) national or international political or social conditions, including the engagement by the United States in hostilities, whether or not pursuant to the declaration of a national emergency or war, or the occurrence of any military or terrorist attack upon the United States, or any of its territories, possessions, or diplomatic or consular offices or upon any military installation, equipment or personnel of the United States, (3) financial, banking, or securities markets (including any disruption thereof and any decline in the price of any security or any market index), (4) changes in United States generally accepted accounting principles, (5) changes in laws, rules, regulations, orders, or other binding directives issued by any governmental entity, or (6) the taking of any action contemplated by this Agreement and the other agreements contemplated hereby, and (b) any existing event, occurrence, or circumstance with respect to which Buyer has knowledge as of the date hereof.

“Net Working Capital” - with respect to each Acquired Company and its Subsidiaries at any time, the excess, calculated on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP, of (i) all current assets (exclusive of deferred income taxes) of such Acquired Company and its Subsidiaries at such time, over (ii) all current liabilities (exclusive of current maturities on long-term debt and deferred income taxes) of such Acquired Company and its Subsidiaries at such time, including, in the case of CBS Personnel, all workers compensation liabilities, whether short-term or long-term.

“Offering” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Order” - any award, decision, injunction, judgment, order, ruling, subpoena, or verdict entered, issued, made, or rendered by any court, administrative agency, or other Governmental Body or by any arbitrator.

“Ordinary Course of Business” - an action taken by a Person will be deemed to have been taken in the “Ordinary Course of Business” only if-

(a) such action is consistent with the past practices of such Person and is taken in the ordinary course of the normal day-today operations of such Person; and

(b) such action does not require authorization by the board of directors of such Person (or by any Person or group of Persons exercising similar authority).

“Organizational Documents” - (a) the articles or certificate of incorporation and the bylaws of a corporation; (b) the partnership agreement and any statement of partnership of a general partnership; (c) the limited partnership agreement and the certificate of limited partnership of a limited partnership; (d) any charter or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation, or organization of a Person; and (e) any amendment to any of the foregoing.

“Pension Plan” — has the meaning given in ERISA § 3(2)(A).

“Person” - any individual, corporation (including any non-profit corporation), general or limited partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization, labor union, or other entity or Governmental Body.

“Plan” - has the meaning given in ERISA § 3(3).

“Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price” - as defined in Section 2.2.

“Proceeding” - any action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, litigation, or suit (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal) commenced, brought, conducted, or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Body or arbitrator.

“Purchase Price” - as defined in Section 2.2.

“Purchase Price Adjustment” - as defined in Section 2.5(c).

“Related Person” - with respect to a particular individual:

- (a) each other member of such individual’s Family;
- (b) any Person that is directly or indirectly controlled by such individual or one or more members of such individual’s Family;
- (c) any Person in which such individual or members of such individual’s Family hold (individually or in the aggregate) a Material Interest; and
- (d) any Person with respect to which such individual or one or more members of such individual’s Family serves as a director, officer, partner, executor, or trustee (or in a similar capacity).

With respect to a specified Person other than an individual:

- (a) any Person that directly or indirectly controls, is directly or indirectly controlled by, or is directly or indirectly under common control with such specified Person;
- (b) any Person that holds a Material Interest in such specified Person;
- (c) each Person that serves as a director, officer, partner, executor, or trustee of such specified Person (or in a similar capacity);
- (d) any Person in which such specified Person holds a Material Interest;
- (e) any Person with respect to which such specified Person serves as a general partner or a trustee (or in a similar capacity); and
- (f) any Related Person of any individual described in clause (b) or (c).

For purposes of this definition, (a) the “Family” of an individual includes (i) the individual, (ii) the individual’s spouse, (iii) any other natural person who is related to the individual or the individual’s spouse within the second degree, and (iv) any other natural person who resides with such individual, and (b) “Material Interest” means direct or indirect beneficial ownership (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) of voting securities or other voting interests representing at least 51% of the outstanding voting power of a Person or equity securities or other equity interests representing at least 51% of the outstanding equity securities or equity interests in a Person.

“Release” shall mean any release, spill, emission, leaking, pumping, injection, deposit, disposal, discharge, dispersal, leaching or migration into the indoor or outdoor environment (including ambient air, surface water, groundwater and surface or subsurface strata), or into or out of any property, including the movement of Hazardous Materials through or in the air, soil, surface water, groundwater or property.

“Representative” - with respect to a particular Person, any director, officer, employee, agent, consultant, advisor, or other representative of such Person, including legal counsel, accountants, and financial advisors.

“Securities Act” - the Securities Act of 1933 or any successor law, and regulations and rules issued pursuant to that Act or any successor law.

“Seller” and **“Sellers”** - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Silvue” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Silvue Indemnification Cap” - as defined in [Section 11.5\(b\)](#).

“Silvue Partners” - as defined in the Preamble to this Agreement.

“Silvue Purchase Agreement” - the Stock Purchase Agreement dated September 2, 2004 by and among Silvue, Dow Corning Enterprises, inc., Pilkington plc and SDC Technologies, Inc.

“Silvue Shares” - as defined in the Recitals of this Agreement.

“Silvue Threshold Amount” - as defined in [Section 11.5\(b\)](#).

“Subsidiary” - with respect to any Person (the “Owner”), each other Person that is a corporation, joint venture, trust, partnership, limited liability company or any other entity (i) of which the securities or other interests having the power to elect a majority of that other Person’s board of directors or similar governing body are held by the Owner or one or more of its Subsidiaries (other than securities or other interests having such power only upon the happening of a contingency that has not occurred), or (ii) over which the Owner has, directly or indirectly, the power to direct its business and policies.

“Tax” - any tax (including any income tax, capital gains tax, value-added tax, sales tax, property tax, gift tax, or estate tax), levy, assessment, tariff, duty (including any customs duty), deficiency, or other fee, and any related charge or amount (including any fine, penalty, interest, or addition to tax), imposed, assessed, or collected by or under the authority of any Governmental Body or payable pursuant to any tax-sharing agreement or any other Contract relating to the sharing or payment of any such tax, levy, assessment, tariff, duty, deficiency, or fee.

“Tax Return” - any return (including any information return), report, statement, schedule, notice, form, or other document or information filed with or submitted to, or required to be filed with or submitted to, any Governmental Body in connection with the determination, assessment, collection, or payment of any Tax or in connection with the administration, implementation, or enforcement of or compliance with any Legal Requirement relating to any Tax.

“Threatened” - a claim, Proceeding, dispute, action, or other matter will be deemed to have been “Threatened” if any demand or statement has been made (orally or in writing) or any notice has been

given (orally or in writing), or if any other event has occurred or any other circumstances exist, that would lead a prudent Person to conclude that such a claim, Proceeding, dispute, action, or other matter is likely to be asserted, commenced, taken, or otherwise pursued in the future.

2. SALE AND TRANSFER OF SHARES; CLOSING

2.1 PURCHASE AND SALE

Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, at the Closing, (a) the Sellers will sell and transfer to Buyer, and Buyer will purchase from the Sellers, the Shares and (b) Crosman Partners will sell and transfer to Buyer, and Buyer will purchase and assume from Crosman Partners, the Crosman Contingent Warrant.

2.2 PURCHASE PRICE

The purchase price for the CBS Shares (exclusive of the CS Redeemed Shares), the Crosman Shares and the Crosman Contingent Warrant, the Advanced Circuits Shares and the Silvue Shares will be (in each case subject to any adjustment required by [Section 2.5](#)) \$[65,389,906] (which amount includes \$[10,519,634] to be used by CBS Personnel to redeem the CS Redeemed Shares) (determined pursuant to methodology set forth in Exhibit B), \$[25,038,978] (determined pursuant to methodology set forth in Exhibit B), \$[32,233,723] (determined pursuant to methodology set forth in Exhibit B) and \$[23,424,449] (determined pursuant to methodology set forth in Exhibit B), respectively, aggregating \$[146,087,056] (the "[Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price](#)"). The aggregate adjusted purchase price for all the Shares and the Crosman Contingent Warrant will be the Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price plus or minus, as the case may be, the Purchase Price Adjustment (the "[Purchase Price](#)").

2.3 CLOSING

The purchase and sale of the Shares and the consummation of each of the Ancillary Transactions (the "[Closing](#)") will take place at the offices of Buyer's counsel at —, at 10:00 a.m. (local time) on the date of this Agreement.

2.4 CLOSING OBLIGATIONS

At the Closing:

(a) CGI, CS and CSII will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Buyer:

(i) certificates representing the CBS Shares (exclusive of the CS Redeemed Shares), duly endorsed (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers), for transfer to Buyer;

(ii) a certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed on behalf of CGI, CS and CSII by authorized officers of each, representing and warranting to Buyer that the conditions specified in [Section 9.1](#) and [Section 9.2](#) (as such conditions relate to the representations and warranties in [Section 3](#) and the covenants and obligations in respect of CBS Personnel and the CBS Shares) have been fulfilled;

(iii) all books and records of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries within the possession or control of CGI, CS or CSII;

(iv) a certificate of good standing for CBS Personnel, dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, and a certificate of good standing or its equivalent for each Subsidiary of CBS Personnel, each dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the state of its organization or formation;

(v) copies of CS's and CSII's Organizational Documents and the resolutions adopted by the applicable governing body of each of them authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the sale of the CBS Shares to Buyer, accompanied by the certificate of an authorized representative of each of CS and CSII certifying that its Organizational Documents and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf;

(vi) copies of the Organizational Documents of CBS Personnel, accompanied by a certificate of an authorized representative of CBS Personnel, CS or CSII certifying that such Organizational Documents remain in full force and effect;

(vii) a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of CBS Personnel authorizing the redemption by it of the CBS Redeemed Shares, accompanied by the certificate of an authorized representative of CBS Personnel certifying that such authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect;

(viii) a copy of the written consent of CBS Personnel to the assignment by Kilgore Consulting II LLC of its interests in that certain Management Services Agreement, dated as of October 13, 2000 and between Kilgore Consulting II LLC and Compass CS, Inc. (now known as CBS Personnel), to Compass Group Management LLC ; and

(ix) a copy of the written consent of Robert Lee Brown, in his capacity as a shareholder of CBS Personnel under that certain Shareholders' Agreement, dated December 13, 2000 and amended September 30, 2004, to the sale by CS and CSII to the Buyer of the CBS Shares;

(b) CGI and Crosman Partners will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Buyer:

(i) certificates representing the Crosman Shares, duly endorsed (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers), for transfer to Buyer;

(ii) the Crosman Contingent Warrant, with such acknowledgments of transfer from Crosman as Buyer may reasonably request;

(iii) a certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed on behalf of CGI and Crosman Partners by authorized officers of each, representing and warranting to Buyer that the conditions specified in Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 (as such conditions relate to the representations and warranties in Section 4 and the covenants and obligations in respect of Crosman and the Crosman Shares) have been fulfilled;

(iv) all books and records of Crosman and its Subsidiaries within the possession or control of CGI, CS or CSII;

(v) a certificate of good standing for Crosman, dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, and a certificate of good standing or its equivalent for

each Subsidiary of Crosman, each dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the state of its organization or formation;

(vi) copies of Crosman Partners' Organizational Documents and the resolutions adopted by its applicable governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the sale of the Crosman Shares to Buyer, accompanied by the certificate of an authorized representative of Crosman Partners certifying that its Organizational Documents and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf;

(vii) copies of the Organizational Documents of Crosman, accompanied by a certificate of an authorized representative of Crosman or Crosman Partners certifying that such Organizational Documents remain in full force and effect; and

(viii) a copy of the written consent of Crosman Corporation to the assignment by Kilgore Consulting III LLC of its rights under and interests in that certain Management Services Agreement, dated as of February 10, 2004 and between Kilgore Consulting III LLC and Crosman Corporation, to Compass Group Management LLC;

(c) CGI and Advanced Partners will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Buyer:

(i) certificates representing the Advanced Circuits Shares, duly endorsed (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers), for transfer to Buyer;

(ii) a certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed on behalf of CGI and Advanced Partners by authorized officers of each, representing and warranting to Buyer that the conditions specified in Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 (as such conditions relate to the representations and warranties in Section 5 and the covenants and obligations in respect of Advanced Circuits and the Advanced Circuits Shares) have been fulfilled;

(iii) a certificate of good standing for Advanced Circuits, dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, and a certificate of good standing or its equivalent for each Subsidiary of Advanced Circuits, each dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the state of its organization or formation;

(iv) copies of Advanced Partners' Organizational Documents and the resolutions adopted by its applicable governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the sale of the Advanced Circuits Shares to Buyer, accompanied by the certificate of an authorized representative of Advanced Partners certifying that its Organizational Documents and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf;

(v) copies of the Organizational Documents of Advanced Circuits, accompanied by a certificate of an authorized representative of Advanced Circuits or Advanced Partners certifying that such Organizational Documents remain in full force and effect; and

(vi) a copy of the written consent of Advanced Circuits, Inc. to the assignment by WAJ, LLC of its rights under and interests in that certain Management Services

Agreement, dated as of September 20, 2005 and between WAJ, LLC and Advanced Circuits, Inc., to Compass Group Management LLC;

(d) CGI and Silvue Partners will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Buyer:

(i) certificates representing the Silvue Shares, duly endorsed (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers), for transfer to Buyer;

(ii) a certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed on behalf of CGI and Silvue Partners by authorized officers of each, representing and warranting to Buyer that the conditions specified in Section 9.1 and Section 9.2 (as such conditions relate to the representations and warranties in Section 6 and the covenants and obligations in respect of Silvue and the Silvue Shares) have been fulfilled;

(iii) a certificate of good standing for Silvue, dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware, and a certificate of good standing or its equivalent for each Subsidiary of Silvue, each dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the state of its organization or formation;

(iv) copies of Silvue Partners' Organizational Documents and the resolutions adopted by its applicable governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the sale of the Silvue Shares to Buyer, accompanied by the certificate of an authorized representative of Silvue Partners certifying that its Organizational Documents and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf;

(v) copies of the Organizational Documents of Silvue, accompanied by a certificate of an authorized representative of Silvue or Silvue Partners certifying that such Organizational Documents remain in full force and effect;

(vi) a copy of the written consent of SDC Technologies, Inc. to the assignment by Kilgore Consulting III LLC of its rights under and interests in that certain Management Services Agreement, dated as of February 10, 2004 and between Kilgore Consulting III LLC and SDC Technologies, Inc., to Compass Group Management LLC; and

(vii) a copy of the written consent of each shareholder (other than Silvue Partners) of Silvue that is a party to that certain Shareholders' Agreement, dated September 2, 2004, to the sale by Silvue Partners to the Buyer of the CBS Shares;

(e) Buyer will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to or as directed in writing by CGI:

(i) by wire transfer to such account or accounts as specified in writing by CGI, immediately available funds in the amount of the Purchase Price;

(ii) a certificate executed by Buyer to the effect that, except as otherwise stated in such certificate, each of Buyer's representations and warranties in this Agreement was accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and is accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date;

(iii) a certificate of good standing for Purchaser, dated of recent date, from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware;

(iv) a copy of Buyer's Organizational Documents and the resolutions adopted by its Board of Directors authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement and the purchase by it of the Shares, accompanied by the certificate of the Secretary of Buyer certifying that its Organizational Documents and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf; and

(v) such other documents and instruments as may be reasonably required by CGI or the Sellers to consummate the purchase of the Shares;

(f) CGI will deliver, or cause to be delivered, to or as directed in writing by Buyer:

(i) an fully executed copy of each agreement pursuant to which an Ancillary Transaction is consummated;

(ii) a copy of CGI's Memorandum and Articles of Association and the resolutions adopted by its applicable governing body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement, accompanied by the certificate of the Secretary or other authorized officer of CGI certifying that such certificate of incorporation and authorizing resolutions remain in full force and effect and that the representatives named in the certificate are authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement on its behalf;

(iii) a certificate of good standing (or its equivalent) for CGI, dated of recent date, from the Registrar's Office of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas; and

(iv) such other documents and instruments as may be reasonably required by Buyer to consummate, or evidence the consummation of, the Contemplated Transactions.

2.5 NET WORKING CAPITAL; PURCHASE PRICE ADJUSTMENT

(a) Net Working Capital Range; Mid-Point. CGI, the Sellers and the Buyer hereby acknowledge and agree that the Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price assumes that, on the Closing Date, the Net Working Capital for each of CBS Personnel, Crosman, Advanced Circuits and Silvue will be an amount that falls within the range of values set forth opposite the applicable Acquired Company's name in the table below:

	<u>Net Working Capital Range</u>		
	<u>Low-End</u>	<u>High-End</u>	<u>Mid-Point</u>
CBS Personnel	[\$13,787,000]	[\$15,239,000]	[\$14,513,000]
Crosman	[\$20,292,000]	[\$22,428,000]	[\$21,360,000]
Advanced Circuits	[\$124,000]	[\$152,000]	[\$138,000]
Silvue	[\$1,213,000]	[\$1,483,000]	[\$1,348,000]

(b) Estimated Closing Net Working Capital. Prior to Closing, CGI and the Buyer shall agree on an estimate of the actual Net Working Capital as of the Closing Date for each of the Acquired Companies (with respect to each Acquired Company, the "Estimated Net Working Capital"), and shall jointly prepare a certificate, to be executed by CGI, the Sellers and the Buyer, setting forth such agreed upon estimates.

(c) Adjustment to Purchase Price. With respect to each Acquired Company:

(i) if such Acquired Company's Estimated Net Working Capital exceeds the "high-end" value of the applicable Net Working Capital range set forth within the table contained in Section 2.5(a), then the Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price (together with the portion thereof applicable to such Acquired Company) shall be increased, dollar-for-dollar, in an amount equal to the product of (x) Buyer's Allocable Percentage for such Acquired Company, *multiplied by* (y) CGI's Allocable Share for such Acquired Company, *multiplied by* (z) the amount obtained upon subtracting the "mid-point" (as identified in the table contained in Section 2.5(a)) of the Net Working Capital range for such Acquired Company from such Estimated Net Working Capital for such Acquired Company; or

(ii) if such Acquired Company's Estimated Net Working Capital is less than the "low-end" value of the applicable Net Working Capital range set forth within the table contained in Section 2.5(a), then the Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price (together with the portion thereof applicable to such Acquired Company) shall be decreased, dollar-for-dollar, in an amount equal to the product of (x) Buyer's Allocable Percentage for such Acquired Company, *multiplied by* (b) CGI's Allocable Share for such Acquired Company, *multiplied by* (z) the amount obtained upon subtracting such Estimated Net Working Capital for such Acquired Company from the "mid-point" (as identified in the table contained in Section 2.5(a)) of the Net Working Capital range for such Acquired Company.

The aggregate of such increases and/or decreases, if any, to the Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price is referred to in this Agreement as the "Purchase Price Adjustment". Upon Closing, the Purchase Price Adjustment shall be final and binding on all the parties hereto.

3. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF CGI, CS AND CSII IN RESPECT OF CBS PERSONNEL

Except as otherwise set forth in the Disclosure Letter to this Agreement, CGI, CS and CSII, jointly and severally, hereby represent and warrant to Buyer as follows:

3.1 ORGANIZATION AND GOOD STANDING

(a) Part 3.1 of the Disclosure Letter contains a complete and accurate list for each of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries of its name and its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization. Each of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, with full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as it is now being conducted, to own or use the properties and assets that it purports to own or use, and to perform all its material obligations under Applicable Contracts.

(b) Each of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign entity and is in good standing under the laws of each state or other jurisdiction in which either the ownership or use of the properties owned or used by it, or the nature of the activities conducted by it, requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

(c) Except as disclosed in Part 3.1 of the Disclosure Letter, CBS Personnel has no Subsidiaries and no ownership interest in any corporation, joint venture, trust, partnership, limited liability company or any other entity.

(d) CGI, CS and CSII have delivered or made available to Buyer copies of the Organizational Documents of each of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries, as currently in effect.

3.2 AUTHORITY; NO CONFLICT

(a) This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of CGI, CS and CSII, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and general principles of equity. Each of CGI, CS and CSII has the absolute and unrestricted right, power, authority, and capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The execution and delivery by each of CGI, CS and CSII of this Agreement and any related agreements to which they are parties and the consummation by each of them of the Contemplated Transactions and any transactions contemplated by such related agreements (to the extent applicable to them) have been duly authorized and approved and no other action with respect to CGI, CS and CSII is necessary to authorize this Agreement, such related agreements or such transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 3.2 of the Disclosure Letter, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions will, directly or indirectly (with or without notice or lapse of time):

(i) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of (A) any provision of the Organizational Documents of CGI, CS or CSII, or (B) any resolution adopted by the board of directors or the stockholders or other equity holders of any of CGI, CS and CSII;

(ii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation in any material respect of, or give any Governmental Body or other Person the right to challenge any of the Contemplated Transactions or to exercise any remedy or obtain any relief under, any Legal Requirement or any Order to which any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries or CGI, CS or CSII, or any of the assets owned or used by any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries, may be subject;

(iii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of any of the terms or requirements of, or give any Governmental Body the right to revoke, withdraw, suspend, cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Governmental Authorization that is held by any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries or that otherwise relates to the business of, or any of the assets owned or used by, any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries;

(iv) contravene, conflict with, or result in a material violation or breach of any provision of, or give any Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Applicable Contract of CBS Personnel or its Subsidiaries; or

(v) result in the imposition or creation of any Encumbrance upon or with respect to any of the CBS Shares or to any of the assets owned or used by any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries.

Except as set forth in Part 3.2 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI, CS, CSII, CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries is or will be required (x) to give any notice to or (y) obtain any Governmental Authorization or other material Consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

3.3 CAPITALIZATION; TITLE TO SHARES

(a) The authorized equity securities of CBS Personnel consist of (a) 5,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which 2,830,909 shares are issued and outstanding, (b) 5,000,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which 3,548,384 shares are issued and outstanding, and (c) 2,000,000 shares of Class C common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which [249,833] shares are issued and outstanding. CS is and will be on the Closing Date the record and beneficial owner, and holder of the CS Owned Shares, free and clear of all Encumbrances. CSII is and will be on the Closing Date the record and beneficial owner, and holder of the CSII Owned Shares, free and clear of all Encumbrances. All of the CBS Shares were duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable. None of the CBS Shares was issued in violation of the Securities Act or any other Legal Requirement.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 3.3(b) of the Disclosure Letter, all the outstanding equity securities of each Subsidiary of CBS Personnel are owned of record and beneficially by one or more of CBS Personnel or its Subsidiaries, free and clear of all Encumbrances.

3.4 CBS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CGI has delivered to Buyer or caused the delivery to Buyer of audited consolidated balance sheets of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries as at each of December 31, 2005 (including the notes thereto, the "Balance Sheet") and December 31, 2004, and the related audited consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flow for each of the fiscal years then ended, together with the report thereon of the independent certified public accountants (collectively, the "CBS Financial Statements"). The CBS Financial Statements fairly present the financial condition and the results of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flow of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries as at the respective dates thereof and for the periods referred to therein, and were prepared in accordance with GAAP. The CBS Financial Statements reflect the consistent application of such accounting principles throughout the periods involved, except as disclosed in the notes thereto.

3.5 TITLE TO PROPERTIES; ENCUMBRANCES

CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries own (with good and marketable title in the case of real property, subject only to the matters permitted by the following sentence) all the properties and assets (whether real, personal, or mixed and whether tangible or intangible) that they purport to own, including all of the properties and assets reflected in its Balance Sheet (except for assets held under capitalized leases and personal property sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business), and all of the properties and assets purchased or otherwise acquired by them since the date of such Balance Sheet (except for personal property acquired and sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business and consistent with past practice). All such material owned properties and assets are free and clear of all Encumbrances and are not, in the case of real property, subject to any rights of way, building use restrictions, exceptions, variances, reservations, or limitations of any nature except, with respect to all such properties and assets, (a) mortgages or security interests shown on such Balance Sheet as securing specified liabilities or obligations, with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (b) mortgages or security interests incurred in connection with the purchase of property or assets after the date of such Balance Sheet (such mortgages and security interests being limited to the property or assets so acquired), with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (c) liens for current Taxes not yet due, and (d) with respect to real property, (i) minor imperfections of title, if any, none of which is substantial in amount, materially detracts from the value or impairs the use of the property subject thereto, or impairs the operations of any of CBS Personnel and its

Subsidiaries, and (ii) zoning laws and other land use restrictions that do not impair the present or anticipated use of the property subject thereto. All buildings, plants, and structures owned by CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries lie wholly within the boundaries of the real property owned by CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries and do not encroach upon the property of, or otherwise conflict with the property rights of, any other Person.

3.6 CONDITION AND SUFFICIENCY OF ASSETS

The buildings, plants, structures, and equipment of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries are structurally sound, are in good operating condition and repair, and are adequate for the uses to which they are being put, and none of such buildings, plants, structures, or equipment is in need of maintenance or repairs except for ordinary, routine maintenance and repairs that are not material in nature or cost. The building, plants, structures, equipment, tangible and intangible assets and other assets of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries are sufficient for the continued conduct of the businesses of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing.

3.7 COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, each of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements of any Governmental Authority (and all agencies thereof), except where the failure to be in compliance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

3.8 ABSENCE OF CERTAIN CHANGES AND EVENTS

Since the date of its Balance Sheet, and except as set forth in Part 3.8 of the Disclosure Letter, (a) the businesses of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries have been conducted in the Ordinary Course of Business on a basis consistent with past practice, and (b) there has not been any Material Adverse Change in the assets or the results of operations of the businesses of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

3.9 CERTAIN PAYMENTS

None of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries nor any director, officer, agent, or employee of any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries, nor to the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII any other Person associated with or acting for or on behalf of any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries, has directly or indirectly (a) made any contribution, gift, bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kick back, or other payment to any Person, private or public, regardless of form, whether in money, property, or services (i) to obtain favorable treatment in securing business, (ii) to pay for favorable treatment for business secured, (iii) to obtain special concessions or for special concessions already obtained, for or in respect of any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries or any Affiliate of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries, or (iv) in violation of any Legal Requirement, and (b) established or maintained any fund or asset that has not been recorded in the books and records of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries.

3.10 RELATIONSHIPS WITH RELATED PERSONS

Except as set forth in Part 3.10 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI, CS and CSII nor any of their Affiliates has been involved in any business arrangement or relationship with CBS Personnel or any its Subsidiaries within the past twelve months (other than business dealings or transactions that provide for payments or receipts of an amount or value less than \$50,000), and none of CGI, CS and CSII nor any

of their Affiliates owns any material asset, tangible or intangible, that is used in the business of CBS Personnel or any its Subsidiaries.

3.11 BROKERS OR FINDERS

CGI, CS and CSII and their agents have incurred no obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement.

3.12 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Except as set forth in Part 3.12 of the Disclosure Letter, there is no Proceeding that is pending against CBS Personnel or its Subsidiaries or that challenges any of the Contemplated Transactions. To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, (1) no such Proceeding has been Threatened, and (2) no event has occurred or circumstance exists that may give rise to or serve as a basis for the commencement of any such Proceeding.

3.13 INSURANCE

Except as set forth in Part 3.13 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, all policies, bonds and other forms of insurance currently owned or held by or on behalf of or providing insurance coverage to CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, managers and employees:

(a) are valid, outstanding, and enforceable;

(b) are issued by an insurer that is financially sound and reputable;

(c) taken together, provide adequate insurance coverage for the assets and the operations of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries for all risks to which they are exposed in the Ordinary Course of Business; and

(d) will continue in full force and effect following the sale to Buyer of the CBS Shares.

To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, no pending notice of default, cancellation or termination has been received by CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any such policy that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

3.14 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, except as set forth in Part 3.14.1 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries own or have a valid and enforceable right to use all copyrights, trade names, trademarks, service marks, service names, trade secrets, designs, licenses, patents, software and other intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, know-how (whether related to any of the foregoing or otherwise) (including pending applications for any of the foregoing) (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), used in or necessary to the conduct of business by CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries as it is now being conducted; and

(b) there are no challenges pending or Threatened that (i) the operations of CBS Personnel or its Subsidiaries infringe upon or conflict with the rights of any other Person in respect of any Intellectual Property or (ii) any Intellectual Property is invalid or unenforceable.

To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, Part 3.14.2 of the Disclosure Letter sets forth in reasonable detail a true, correct and complete list of the Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) and of all licenses of Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) pursuant to which CBS Personnel or its Subsidiaries is a licensor or licensee in respect of any Intellectual Property.

3.15 LABOR MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII, except as set forth in Part 3.15 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries has, since September 30, 2004, experienced any actual or Threatened staff or billable employee strikes, work stoppages, slow-downs or lock-outs which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on CBS and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole;

(b) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries is the subject of any union organizing activity and no attempts to unionize its or their staff or billable employees are Threatened;

(c) CBS Personnel and each of its Subsidiaries is in material compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements respecting labor, employment, fair employment practices, work place safety and health, terms and conditions of employment, and wages and hours;

(d) none of the employment policies or practices of CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries are currently being audited or investigated, or are subject to imminent audit or investigation by any Governmental Body;

(e) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to any Order or private settlement Contract in respect of any labor or employment matters;

(f) CBS Personnel and each of its Subsidiaries is, and at all times since September 30, 2004, has been, in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of the Immigration Reform Control Act of 1986 (the "IRCA"), as the IRCA applies to any employee of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries;

(g) there is no policy, plan or program of paying severance pay or any form of severance compensation in connection with the termination of any employee of CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries;

(h) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries is subject to any affirmative action obligations under any Legal Requirement, including Executive Order 11246, or is government contractor for purposes of any Legal Requirement with respect to the terms and conditions of employment, including the Service Contracts Act or prevailing wage laws;

(i) there are no Proceedings pending before the National Labor Relations Board or any other local, state or federal agencies having jurisdiction over CBS Personnel's or any of its Subsidiary's staff or billable employee rights with respect to hiring, tenure, conditions of employment, nor are any such Proceedings Threatened; and

(j) CBS Personnel and each of its Subsidiaries has, since September 30, 2004, paid all staff and billable employees for all wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, fees or other direct compensation due with respect to any services performed by them in accordance with applicable local, state and federal law, and all staff and billable employees have been paid appropriate and correct premium (overtime) wages where applicable, and no such payments with respect to any services performed for it to the date hereof, or amounts required to be reimbursed to such employees, are delinquent; except where any such failure to pay, singly or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

3.16 TAXES

Except as set forth in Part 3.16 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII:

(a) CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries have filed or caused to be filed (on a timely basis since September 30, 2004), all Tax Returns that are or were required to be filed (taking into account any extensions of time within which to file) by or with respect to CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries;

(b) all Taxes shown to be due on the Tax Returns referred to in clause (a) above have been paid in full;

(c) all Taxes that CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries is or was since September 30, 2004 obligated to withhold from amounts owing to any employee, creditor or third party have been paid over to the proper Governmental Body in a timely manner, to the extent due and payable;

(d) no extensions or waivers of statutes of limitation have been given by or requested with respect to any of its U.S. federal income Taxes or those of its Subsidiaries;

(e) no Encumbrances for Taxes exist with respect to any of CBS Personnel's assets or properties or those of its Subsidiaries, except for statutory Encumbrances for Taxes not yet due and payable or that are being contested in good faith and reserved for in accordance with GAAP; and

(f) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a party to any distribution occurring since September 30, 2004 in which the parties to such distribution treated the distribution as one to which Section 355 of the IRC applied, except for distributions occurring among members of the same group of affiliated corporations filing a consolidated federal income Tax Return.

3.17 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS; ERISA

Except as set forth in Part 3.17 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI, CS and CSII:

(a) each Company Plan has been operated and administered (i) in accordance with its terms and (ii) in material compliance with applicable Legal Requirements including, but not limited to, ERISA and the IRC, and each Pension Plan that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC and each related trust which is intended to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the IRC has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, and (x) such Pension Plans are maintained in compliance with Revenue Procedures 2002-21 and 2003-86, and (y) there are no circumstances that are reasonably likely to result in such Pension Plan or related trust failing to be so qualified;

(b) there is no pending or Threatened Proceeding by any Governmental Body relating to any of the Company Plans, any fiduciary thereof or service provider thereto, nor is there any reasonable basis for any of the foregoing to be initiated;

(c) CBS Personnel has not engaged in a transaction with respect to any Company Plan that, assuming the taxable period of such transaction expired as of the date hereof, could subject CBS Personnel or any Company Plan to a material Tax or penalty imposed by either Section 4975 of the IRC or Section 502(i) of ERISA;

(d) no liability under Subtitle C or D of Title IV of ERISA has been or is reasonably expected to be incurred by CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any ongoing, frozen or terminated "single-employer plan", within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(15) of ERISA, currently or formerly maintained by any of them, or the single-employer plan of any ERISA Affiliate, none of CBS Personnel or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates has contributed to a "multiemployer plan", within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA, at any time since September 30, 2004, and no notice of a "reportable event", within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA for which the 30-day reporting requirement has not been waived, other than pursuant to Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Reg. Section 4043.66, has been required to be filed for any of CBS Personnel's Pension Plans or by any of its ERISA Affiliates within the 12-month period ending on the date hereof;

(e) all contributions required to be made under the terms of any of CBS Personnel's Company Plans have been timely made or have been reflected on its consolidated financial statements included in any of its regulatory filings, none of CBS Personnel's Pension Plans or any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates has an "accumulated funding deficiency" (whether or not waived) within the meaning of Section 412 of the IRC or Section 302 of ERISA and none of its ERISA Affiliates has an outstanding funding waiver, and neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries has provided, or is required to provide, security to any of its Pension Plans or to any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 401(a)(29) of the IRC;

(f) neither CBS Personnel nor any of its Subsidiaries has any obligations for retiree health and life benefits under any Company Plan or collective bargaining agreement, and either CBS Personnel nor its Subsidiaries may amend or terminate any such retiree health or life plan at any time without incurring any liability thereunder other than in respect of claims incurred prior to such amendment or termination; and

(g) the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions will not (A) entitle any of CBS Personnel's employees or any employees of its Subsidiaries to severance pay or any increase in severance pay, (B) accelerate the time of payment or vesting or trigger any payment or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise) of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or trigger any other material obligation pursuant to, any of its Company Plans or (C) cause any amounts to be non-deductible under Section 280G of the IRC.

4. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF CGI AND CROSMAN PARTNERS IN RESPECT OF CROSMAN

Except as otherwise set forth in the Disclosure Letter to this Agreement, CGI and Crosman Partners, jointly and severally, hereby represent and warrant to Buyer as follows:

4.1 ORGANIZATION AND GOOD STANDING

(a) Part 4.1 of the Disclosure Letter contains a complete and accurate list for each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries of its name and its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization. Each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, with full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as it is now being conducted, to own or use the properties and assets that it purports to own or use, and to perform all its material obligations under Applicable Contracts.

(b) Each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign entity and is in good standing under the laws of each state or other jurisdiction in which either the ownership or use of the properties owned or used by it, or the nature of the activities conducted by it, requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

(c) Except as disclosed in Part 4.1 of the Disclosure Letter, Crosman has no Subsidiaries and no ownership interest in any corporation, joint venture, trust, partnership, limited liability company or any other entity.

(d) CGI and Crosman Partners have delivered or made available to Buyer copies of the Organizational Documents of each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, as currently in effect.

4.2 AUTHORITY; NO CONFLICT

(a) This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of CGI and Crosman Partners, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and general principles of equity. Each of CGI and Crosman Partners has the absolute and unrestricted right, power, authority, and capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The execution and delivery by each of CGI and Crosman Partners of this Agreement and any related agreements to which they are parties and the consummation by each of them of the Contemplated Transactions and any transactions contemplated by such related agreements (to the extent applicable to them) have been duly authorized and approved and no other action with respect to CGI and Crosman Partners is necessary to authorize this Agreement, such related agreements or such transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 4.2 of the Disclosure Letter, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions will, directly or indirectly (with or without notice or lapse of time):

(i) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of (A) any provision of the Organizational Documents of CGI or Crosman Partners, or (B) any resolution adopted by the board of directors or the stockholders or other equity holders of CGI or Crosman Partners;

(ii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation in any material respect of, or give any Governmental Body or other Person the right to challenge any of the Contemplated Transactions or to exercise any remedy or obtain any relief under, any Legal Requirement or any Order to which any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries or CGI and Crosman Partners, or any of the assets owned or used by any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, may be subject;

(iii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of any of the terms or requirements of, or give any Governmental Body the right to revoke, withdraw, suspend, cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Governmental Authorization that is held by any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries or that otherwise relates to the business of, or any of the assets owned or used by, any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries;

(iv) contravene, conflict with, or result in a material violation or breach of any provision of, or give any Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Applicable Contract of Crosman or its Subsidiaries; or

(v) result in the imposition or creation of any Encumbrance upon or with respect to any of the Crosman Shares or to any of the assets owned or used by any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries.

Except as set forth in Part 4.2 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Crosman Partners, Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries is or will be required (x) to give any notice to or (y) obtain any Governmental Authorization or other material Consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

4.3 CAPITALIZATION; TITLE TO SHARES

(a) The authorized equity securities of Crosman consist of 1,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which [577,360] shares are issued and outstanding. Crosman Partners is and will be on the Closing Date the record and beneficial owner, and holder of the Crosman Shares, free and clear of all Encumbrances. All of the Crosman Shares were duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable. None of the Crosman Shares was issued in violation of the Securities Act or any other Legal Requirement.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 4.3 of the Disclosure Letter, all the outstanding equity securities of each Subsidiary of Crosman are owned of record and beneficially by one or more of Crosman or its Subsidiaries, free and clear of all Encumbrances.

4.4 CROSMAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CGI has delivered to Buyer or caused the delivery to Buyer of: (a) audited consolidated balance sheets of Crosman and its Subsidiaries as at each of June 30, 2005 (including the notes thereto, the "Balance Sheet") and June 30, 2004, and the related audited consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flow for each of the fiscal years then ended, together with the report thereon of the independent certified public accountants, and (b) reviewed consolidated balance sheet of Crosman and its Subsidiaries as at January 1, 2006 (the "Interim Balance Sheet") and the related reviewed consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flow for the two (2) fiscal quarters then ended (collectively, the "Crosman Financial Statements"). The Crosman Financial Statements fairly present the financial condition and the results of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flow of Crosman and its Subsidiaries as at the respective dates thereof and for the periods referred to therein, and were prepared in accordance with GAAP, subject, in the case of interim financial statements, to normal recurring yearend adjustments (which would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably expected to have a Materially Adverse Effect) and the absence of notes (that, if presented, would not differ materially from those included in such Balance Sheet). The Crosman Financial

Statements reflect the consistent application of such accounting principles throughout the periods involved, except as disclosed in the notes thereto.

4.5 TITLE TO PROPERTIES; ENCUMBRANCES

Crosman and its Subsidiaries own (with good and marketable title in the case of real property, subject only to the matters permitted by the following sentence) all the properties and assets (whether real, personal, or mixed and whether tangible or intangible) that they purport to own, including all of the properties and assets reflected in its Balance Sheet and its Interim Balance Sheet (except for assets held under capitalized leases and personal property sold since the date of such Balance Sheet and such Interim Balance Sheet, as the case may be, in the Ordinary Course of Business), and all of the properties and assets purchased or otherwise acquired by them since the date of such Interim Balance Sheet (except for personal property acquired and sold since the date of such Interim Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business and consistent with past practice). All such material owned properties and assets are free and clear of all Encumbrances and are not, in the case of real property, subject to any rights of way, building use restrictions, exceptions, variances, reservations, or limitations of any nature except, with respect to all such properties and assets, (a) mortgages or security interests shown on such Balance Sheet or such Interim Balance Sheet as securing specified liabilities or obligations, with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (b) mortgages or security interests incurred in connection with the purchase of property or assets after the date of such Interim Balance Sheet (such mortgages and security interests being limited to the property or assets so acquired), with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (c) liens for current Taxes not yet due, and (d) with respect to real property, (i) minor imperfections of title, if any, none of which is substantial in amount, materially detracts from the value or impairs the use of the property subject thereto, or impairs the operations of any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, and (ii) zoning laws and other land use restrictions that do not impair the present or anticipated use of the property subject thereto. All buildings, plants, and structures owned by Crosman and its Subsidiaries lie wholly within the boundaries of the real property owned by Crosman and its Subsidiaries and do not encroach upon the property of, or otherwise conflict with the property rights of, any other Person.

4.6 CONDITION AND SUFFICIENCY OF ASSETS

The buildings, plants, structures, and equipment of Crosman and its Subsidiaries are structurally sound, are in good operating condition and repair, and are adequate for the uses to which they are being put, and none of such buildings, plants, structures, or equipment is in need of maintenance or repairs except for ordinary, routine maintenance and repairs that are not material in nature or cost. The building, plants, structures, equipment, tangible and intangible assets and other assets of Crosman and its Subsidiaries are sufficient for the continued conduct of the businesses of Crosman and its Subsidiaries after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing.

4.7 COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements of any Governmental Authority (and all agencies thereof), except where the failure to be in compliance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

4.8 ABSENCE OF CERTAIN CHANGES AND EVENTS

Since the date of its Interim Balance Sheet, and except as set forth in Part 4.8 of the Disclosure Letter, (a) the businesses of Crosman and its Subsidiaries have been conducted in the Ordinary Course of Business on a basis consistent with past practice, and (b) there has not been any Material Adverse Change in the assets or the results of operations of the businesses of Crosman and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

4.9 CERTAIN PAYMENTS

None of Crosman and its Subsidiaries nor any director, officer, agent, or employee of any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, nor to the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, any other Person associated with or acting for or on behalf of any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, has directly or indirectly (a) made any contribution, gift, bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kick back, or other payment to any Person, private or public, regardless of form, whether in money, property, or services (i) to obtain favorable treatment in securing business, (ii) to pay for favorable treatment for business secured, (iii) to obtain special concessions or for special concessions already obtained, for or in respect of any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries or any Affiliate of Crosman and its Subsidiaries, or (iv) in violation of any Legal Requirement, and (b) established or maintained any fund or asset that has not been recorded in the books and records of Crosman and its Subsidiaries.

4.10 RELATIONSHIPS WITH RELATED PERSONS

Except as set forth in Part 4.10 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Crosman Partners nor any of their Affiliates has been involved in any business arrangement or relationship with Crosman or any its Subsidiaries within the past twelve months (other than business dealings or transactions that provide for payments or receipts of an amount or value less than \$50,000), and none of CGI and Crosman Partners nor any of their Affiliates owns any material asset, tangible or intangible, that is used in the business of Crosman or any its Subsidiaries.

4.11 BROKERS OR FINDERS

CGI and Crosman Partners and their agents have incurred no obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement.

4.12 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Except as set forth in Part 4.12 of the Disclosure Letter, there is no Proceeding that is pending against Crosman or its Subsidiaries or that challenges any of the Contemplated Transactions. To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, (1) no such Proceeding has been Threatened, and (2) no event has occurred or circumstance exists that may give rise to or serve as a basis for the commencement of any such Proceeding.

4.13 INSURANCE

Except as set forth in Part 4.13 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, all policies, bonds and other forms of insurance currently owned or held by or on behalf of or providing insurance coverage to Crosman and its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, managers and employees:

(a) are valid, outstanding, and enforceable;

(b) are issued by an insurer that is financially sound and reputable;

(c) taken together, provide adequate insurance coverage for the assets and the operations of Crosman and its Subsidiaries for all risks to which they are exposed in the Ordinary Course of Business; and

(d) will continue in full force and effect following the sale to Buyer of the Crosman Shares.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, no pending notice of default, cancellation or termination has been received by Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any such policy that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

4.14 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, except as set forth in Part 4.14.1 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) Crosman and its Subsidiaries own or have a valid and enforceable right to use all copyrights, trade names, trademarks, service marks, service names, trade secrets, designs, licenses, patents, software and other intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, know-how (whether related to any of the foregoing or otherwise) (including pending applications for any of the foregoing) (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), used in or necessary to the conduct of business by Crosman and its Subsidiaries as it is now being conducted; and

(b) there are no challenges pending or Threatened that (i) the operations of Crosman or its Subsidiaries infringe upon or conflict with the rights of any other Person in respect of any Intellectual Property or (ii) any Intellectual Property is invalid or unenforceable.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, Part 4.14.2 of the Disclosure Letter sets forth in reasonable detail a true, correct and complete list of the Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) and of all licenses of Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) pursuant to which Crosman or its Subsidiaries is a licensor or licensee in respect of any Intellectual Property.

4.15 LABOR MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, except as set forth in Part 4.15 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) neither Crosman nor its Subsidiaries is a party to (i) any collective bargaining agreement or similar agreement with any labor organization or employee association, (ii) any other written contract concerning employment or (iii) any binding oral contract concerning employment;

(b) no grievance or arbitration Proceeding arising out of or under any collective bargaining agreement is pending, and no such grievance or Proceeding is Threatened, against Crosman or its Subsidiaries;

(c) there is no pending or Threatened (i) labor dispute between Crosman or its Subsidiaries and any labor organization, or strike, slowdown, jurisdictional dispute, work stoppage or other similar organized labor activity involving any employee of Crosman or its Subsidiaries, or (ii) union organizing or election activity involving any employee of Crosman or its Subsidiaries;

(d) Crosman and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all material Legal Requirements regarding labor, employment and employment practices, conditions of employment, occupational safety and health, and wages and hours, including any bargaining or other obligations under the National Labor Relations Act (collectively, "Labor Laws");

(e) neither Crosman nor its Subsidiaries is engaged in any material unfair labor practice, and there is no unfair labor practice charge pending or Threatened against any of them before the National Labor Relations Board or other Governmental Body;

(f) no union claims to represent any of the employees of Crosman or its Subsidiaries;

(g) no charges are pending or Threatened by or on behalf of any employee or former employee of Crosman or its Subsidiaries against any of them before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or any other Governmental Body;

(h) no investigation with respect to Crosman or its Subsidiaries is in progress or Threatened by any Governmental Body responsible for the enforcement of any Labor Law;

(i) neither Crosman nor any of its Subsidiaries is delinquent in any payments to any employee for any wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, fees or other direct compensation due with respect to any services performed for it to the date hereof or amounts required to be reimbursed to such employees;

(j) neither Crosman nor any Subsidiary is subject to any Order or private settlement Contract in respect of any labor or employment matters;

(k) Crosman and each of its Subsidiaries is, and at all times since February 10, 2004 has been, in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of the IRCA, as the IRCA applies to any employee of Crosman and its Subsidiaries; and

(l) there is no policy, plan or program of paying severance pay or any form of severance compensation in connection with the termination of any employee of Crosman or its Subsidiaries.

4.16 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, except as set forth in Part 4.16 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries is in full compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws;

(b) each of Crosman and its Subsidiaries possesses, or has timely applied for, all Permits and other Governmental Authorizations required under applicable Environmental Laws necessary to own, lease and operate its properties and assets as now being owned, licensed and operated and to carry

on its respective business as it is now being conducted;

(c) there is no Environmental Claim pending or Threatened against any of Crosman or its Subsidiaries or against any Person or entity whose liability for any Environmental Claim Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries has or may have retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law;

(d) there are no Hazardous Materials present, and there have been no Releases of Hazardous Materials, in, on, beneath or adjacent to any property currently owned, operated, or leased by Crosman or its Subsidiaries in quantities sufficient to form the basis for an Environmental Claim; and

(e) no Encumbrance imposed by any Governmental Body in connection with the presence of any Hazardous Materials is currently outstanding on any property, facility, machinery or equipment owned, operated or leased by any of Crosman or its Subsidiaries.

4.17 CUSTOMER/SUPPLIER CONTRACTS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners, except as set forth in Part 4.17 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) Crosman and each of its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all terms and requirements of each Contract between it and any customer of or supplier (each an "Applicable Contract") to it under which it has any obligation or liability or by which it or any of the assets owned or used by it is bound, the failure of which to comply with could be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman or its Subsidiaries taken as a whole;

(b) each Person that has any obligation or liability to Crosman or its Subsidiaries under any Applicable Contract is in compliance with all terms and requirements thereof, the failure of which to comply with could be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman or its Subsidiaries taken as a whole;

(c) no event has occurred or circumstance exists that (with or without notice or lapse of time) may contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation or breach of, or give Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries or any other Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate, or modify, any Applicable Contract, where such event or condition could be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Crosman or its Subsidiaries taken as a whole;

(d) there are no renegotiations of, attempts to renegotiate, or outstanding rights to renegotiate any material amounts paid or payable to Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries under current or completed Applicable Contracts;

(e) all Applicable Contracts have been entered into by the Company or its Subsidiaries in the Ordinary Course of Business and have been entered into without the commission of any act alone or in concert with any other Person, or any consideration having been paid or promised, that is or would be in violation of any Legal Requirement.

4.18 TAXES

Except as set forth in Part 4.18 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners:

- (a) Crosman and its Subsidiaries have filed or caused to be filed (on a timely basis since February 10, 2004), all Tax Returns that are or were required to be filed (taking into account any extensions of time within which to file) by or with respect to Crosman and its Subsidiaries;
- (b) all Taxes shown to be due on the Tax Returns referred to in clause (a) above have been paid in full;
- (c) all Taxes that Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries is or was since February 10, 2004 obligated to withhold from amounts owing to any employee, creditor or third party have been paid over to the proper Governmental Body in a timely manner, to the extent due and payable;
- (d) no extensions or waivers of statutes of limitation have been given by or requested with respect to any of its U.S. federal income Taxes or those of its Subsidiaries;
- (e) no Encumbrances for Taxes exist with respect to any of Crosman's assets or properties or those of its Subsidiaries, except for statutory Encumbrances for Taxes not yet due and payable or that are being contested in good faith and reserved for in accordance with GAAP; and
- (f) neither Crosman nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a party to any distribution occurring since February 10, 2004 in which the parties to such distribution treated the distribution as one to which Section 355 of the IRC applied, except for distributions occurring among members of the same group of affiliated corporations filing a consolidated federal income Tax Return.

4.19 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS; ERISA

Except as set forth in Part 4.19 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Crosman Partners:

- (a) each Company Plan has been operated and administered (i) in accordance with its terms and (ii) in material compliance with applicable Legal Requirements including, but not limited to, ERISA and the IRC, and each Pension Plan that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC and each related trust which is intended to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the IRC has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, and (x) such Pension Plans are maintained in compliance with Revenue Procedures 2002-21 and 2003-86, and (y) there are no circumstances that are reasonably likely to result in such Pension Plan or related trust failing to be so qualified;
- (b) there is no pending or Threatened Proceeding by any Governmental Body relating to any of the Company Plans, any fiduciary thereof or service provider thereto, nor is there any reasonable basis for any of the foregoing to be initiated;
- (c) Crosman has not engaged in a transaction with respect to any Company Plan that, assuming the taxable period of such transaction expired as of the date hereof, could subject Crosman or any Company Plan to a material Tax or penalty imposed by either Section 4975 of the IRC or Section 502(i) of ERISA;
- (d) no liability under Subtitle C or D of Title IV of ERISA has been or is reasonably expected to be incurred by Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any ongoing, frozen or terminated "single-employer plan", within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(15) of ERISA, currently or

formerly maintained by any of them, or the single-employer plan of any ERISA Affiliate, none of Crosman or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates has contributed to a “multiemployer plan”, within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA, at any time since February 10, 2004, and no notice of a “reportable event”, within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA for which the 30-day reporting requirement has not been waived, other than pursuant to Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Reg. Section 4043.66, has been required to be filed for any of Crosman’s Pension Plans or by any of its ERISA Affiliates within the 12-month period ending on the date hereof;

(e) all contributions required to be made under the terms of any of Crosman’s Company Plans have been timely made or have been reflected on its consolidated financial statements included in any of its regulatory filings, none of Crosman’s Pension Plans or any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates has an “accumulated funding deficiency” (whether or not waived) within the meaning of Section 412 of the IRC or Section 302 of ERISA and none of its ERISA Affiliates has an outstanding funding waiver, and neither Crosman nor any of its Subsidiaries has provided, or is required to provide, security to any of its Pension Plans or to any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 401(a)(29) of the IRC;

(f) neither Crosman nor any of its Subsidiaries has any obligations for retiree health and life benefits under any Company Plan or collective bargaining agreement, and either Crosman nor its Subsidiaries may amend or terminate any such retiree health or life plan at any time without incurring any liability thereunder other than in respect of claims incurred prior to such amendment or termination; and

(g) the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions will not (A) entitle any of Crosman’s employees or any employees of its Subsidiaries to severance pay or any increase in severance pay, (B) accelerate the time of payment or vesting or trigger any payment or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise) of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or trigger any other material obligation pursuant to, any of its Company Plans or (C) cause any amounts to be non-deductible under Section 280G of the IRC.

5. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF CGI AND ADVANCED PARTNERS IN RESPECT OF ADVANCED CIRCUITS

Except as otherwise set forth in the Disclosure Letter to this Agreement, CGI and Advanced Partners, jointly and severally, hereby represent and warrant to Buyer as follows:

5.1 ORGANIZATION AND GOOD STANDING

(a) Part 5.1 of the Disclosure Letter contains a complete and accurate list for each of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries of its name and its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization. Each of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, with full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as it is now being conducted, to own or use the properties and assets that it purports to own or use, and to perform all its material obligations under Applicable Contracts.

(b) Each of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign entity and is in good standing under the laws of each state or other jurisdiction in which either the ownership or use of the properties owned or used by it, or the nature of the activities conducted by it, requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good

standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

(c) Except as disclosed in Part 5.1 of the Disclosure Letter, Advanced Circuits has no Subsidiaries and no ownership interest in any corporation, joint venture, trust, partnership, limited liability company or any other entity.

(d) CGI and Advanced Partners have delivered or made available to Buyer copies of the Organizational Documents of each of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries, as currently in effect.

5.2 AUTHORITY; NO CONFLICT

(a) This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of CGI and Advanced Partners, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and general principles of equity. CGI and Advanced Partners each has the absolute and unrestricted right, power, authority, and capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The execution and delivery by each of CGI and Advanced Partners of this Agreement and any related agreements to which they are parties and the consummation by each of them of the Contemplated Transactions and any transactions contemplated by such related agreements (to the extent applicable to them) have been duly authorized and approved and no other action with respect to CGI and Advanced Partners is necessary to authorize this Agreement, such related agreements or such transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 5.2 of the Disclosure Letter, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions will, directly or indirectly (with or without notice or lapse of time):

(i) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of (A) any provision of the Organizational Documents of CGI or Advanced Partners, or (B) any resolution adopted by the board of directors or the stockholders or other equity holders of CGI or Advanced Partners;

(ii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation in any material respect of, or give any Governmental Body or other Person the right to challenge any of the Contemplated Transactions or to exercise any remedy or obtain any relief under, any Legal Requirement or any Order to which any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries or CGI and Advanced Partners, or any of the assets owned or used by any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries, may be subject;

(iii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of any of the terms or requirements of, or give any Governmental Body the right to revoke, withdraw, suspend, cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Governmental Authorization that is held by any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries or that otherwise relates to the business of, or any of the assets owned or used by, any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries;

(iv) contravene, conflict with, or result in a material violation or breach of any provision of, or give any Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Applicable Contract of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries; or

(v) result in the imposition or creation of any Encumbrance upon or with respect to any of the Advanced Circuits Shares or to the assets owned or used by any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries.

Except as set forth in Part 5.2 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Advanced Partners, Advanced Circuits or any of its Subsidiaries is or will be required (x) to give any notice to or (y) obtain any Governmental Authorization or other material Consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

5.3 CAPITALIZATION; TITLE TO SHARES

(a) The authorized equity securities of Advanced Circuits consist of (a) 500,000 shares of Series A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 425,729 shares are issued and outstanding, and (b) 1,400,000 shares of Series B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 904,000 are issued and outstanding. Advanced Partners is and will be on the Closing Date the record and beneficial owner, and holder of the Advanced Circuits Shares, free and clear of all Encumbrances. All of the Advanced Circuits Shares were duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable. None of the Advanced Circuits Shares was issued in violation of the Securities Act or any other Legal Requirement.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 5.3(b) of the Disclosure Letter, all the outstanding equity securities of each Subsidiary of Advanced Circuits are owned of record and beneficially by Advanced Circuits, free and clear of all Encumbrances.

5.4 ADVANCED CIRCUITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CGI has delivered to Buyer or caused the delivery to Buyer of audited consolidated balance sheets of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries as at each of December 31, 2005 (including the notes thereto, the "Balance Sheet") and December 31, 2004, and the related audited consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flow for each of the fiscal years then ended, together with the report thereon of the independent certified public accountants (collectively, the "Advanced Circuits Financial Statements"). The Advanced Circuits Financial Statements fairly present the financial condition and the results of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flow of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries as at the respective dates thereof and for the periods referred to therein, and were prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Advanced Circuits Financial Statements reflect the consistent application of such accounting principles throughout the periods involved, except as disclosed in the notes thereto.

5.5 TITLE TO PROPERTIES; ENCUMBRANCES

Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries own (with good and marketable title in the case of real property, subject only to the matters permitted by the following sentence) all the properties and assets (whether real, personal, or mixed and whether tangible or intangible) that they purport to own, including all of the properties and assets reflected in its Balance Sheet (except for assets held under capitalized leases and personal property sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business), and all of the properties and assets purchased or otherwise acquired by them since the date of such Balance Sheet (except for personal property acquired and sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business and consistent with past practice). All such material owned properties and assets are free and clear of all Encumbrances and are not, in the case of real property, subject to any rights of way, building use restrictions, exceptions, variances, reservations, or limitations of any nature

except, with respect to all such properties and assets, (a) mortgages or security interests shown on such Balance Sheet as securing specified liabilities or obligations, with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (b) mortgages or security interests incurred in connection with the purchase of property or assets after the date of such Balance Sheet (such mortgages and security interests being limited to the property or assets so acquired), with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (c) liens for current Taxes not yet due, and (d) with respect to real property, (i) minor imperfections of title, if any, none of which is substantial in amount, materially detracts from the value or impairs the use of the property subject thereto, or impairs the operations of any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries, and (ii) zoning laws and other land use restrictions that do not impair the present or anticipated use of the property subject thereto. All buildings, plants, and structures owned by Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries lie wholly within the boundaries of the real property owned by Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries and do not encroach upon the property of, or otherwise conflict with the property rights of, any other Person.

5.6 CONDITION AND SUFFICIENCY OF ASSETS

The buildings, plants, structures, and equipment of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are structurally sound, are in good operating condition and repair, and are adequate for the uses to which they are being put, and none of such buildings, plants, structures, or equipment is in need of maintenance or repairs except for ordinary, routine maintenance and repairs that are not material in nature or cost. The building, plants, structures, equipment, tangible and intangible assets and other assets of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are sufficient for the continued conduct of the businesses of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing.

5.7 COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, each of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements of any Governmental Authority (and all agencies thereof), except where the failure to be in compliance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

5.8 ABSENCE OF CERTAIN CHANGES AND EVENTS

Since the date of its Balance Sheet, and except as set forth in Part 5.8 of the Disclosure Letter, (a) the businesses of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries have been conducted in the Ordinary Course of Business on a basis consistent with past practice, and (b) there has not been any Material Adverse Change in the assets or the results of operations of the businesses of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

5.9 CERTAIN PAYMENTS

None of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries nor any director, officer, agent, or employee of any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries, nor to the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, any other Person associated with or acting for or on behalf of any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries, has directly or indirectly (a) made any contribution, gift, bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kick back, or other payment to any Person, private or public, regardless of form, whether in money, property, or services (i) to obtain favorable treatment in securing business, (ii) to pay for favorable treatment for business secured, (iii) to obtain special concessions or for special concessions already obtained, for or in respect of any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries or any Affiliate of Advanced Circuits and its

Subsidiaries, or (iv) in violation of any Legal Requirement, and (b) established or maintained any fund or asset that has not been recorded in the books and records of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries.

5.10 RELATIONSHIPS WITH RELATED PERSONS

Except as set forth in Part 5.10 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Advanced Partners nor any of their Affiliates has been involved in any business arrangement or relationship with Advanced Circuits or any its Subsidiaries within the past twelve months (other than business dealings or transactions that provide for payments or receipts of an amount or value less than \$50,000), and none of CGI and Advanced Partners nor any of their Affiliates owns any material asset, tangible or intangible, that is used in the business of Advanced Circuits or any its Subsidiaries.

5.11 BROKERS OR FINDERS

CGI and Advanced Partners and their agents have incurred no obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement.

5.12 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Except as set forth in Part 5.12 of the Disclosure Letter, there is no Proceeding that is pending against Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries or that challenges any of the Contemplated Transactions. To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, (1) no such Proceeding has been Threatened, and (2) no event has occurred or circumstance exists that may give rise to or serve as a basis for the commencement of any such Proceeding.

5.13 INSURANCE

Except as set forth in Part 5.13 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, all policies, bonds and other forms of insurance currently owned or held by or on behalf of or providing insurance coverage to Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries and their directors, officers, managers and employees:

(a) are valid, outstanding, and enforceable;

(b) are issued by an insurer that is financially sound and reputable;

(c) taken together, provide adequate insurance coverage for the assets and the operations of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries for all risks to which they are exposed in the Ordinary Course of Business; and

(d) will continue in full force and effect following the sale to Buyer of the Advanced Circuits Shares.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, no pending notice of default, cancellation or termination has been received by Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries with respect to any such policy that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

5.14 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, except as set forth in Part 5.14.1 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries own or have a valid and enforceable right to use all copyrights, trade names, trademarks, service marks, service names, trade secrets, designs, licenses, patents, software and other intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, know-how (whether related to any of the foregoing or otherwise) (including pending applications for any of the foregoing) (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), used in or necessary to the conduct of business by Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries as it is now being conducted; and

(b) there are no challenges pending or Threatened that (i) the operations of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries infringe upon or conflict with the rights of any other Person in respect of any Intellectual Property or (ii) any Intellectual Property is invalid or unenforceable.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, Part 5.14.2 of the Disclosure Letter sets forth in reasonable detail a true, correct and complete list of the Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) and of all licenses of Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) pursuant to which Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries is a licensor or licensee in respect of any Intellectual Property.

5.15 LABOR MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, except as set forth in Part 5.15 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) neither Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries is a party to (i) any collective bargaining agreement or similar agreement with any labor organization or employee association, (ii) any other written contract concerning employment or (iii) any binding oral contract concerning employment;

(b) no grievance or arbitration Proceeding arising out of or under any collective bargaining agreement is pending, and no such grievance or Proceeding is Threatened, against Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries;

(c) there is no pending or Threatened (i) labor dispute between Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries and any labor organization, or strike, slowdown, jurisdictional dispute, work stoppage or other similar organized labor activity involving any employee of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries or (ii) union organizing or election activity involving any employee of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries;

(d) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all material Legal Requirements regarding labor, employment and employment practices, conditions of employment, occupational safety and health, and wages and hours, including any bargaining or other obligations under the National Labor Relations Act (collectively, "Labor Laws");

(e) neither Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries is engaged in any material unfair labor practice, and there is no unfair labor practice charge pending or Threatened against any of them before the National Labor Relations Board or other Governmental Body;

(f) no union claims to represent any of the employees of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries;

(g) no charges are pending or Threatened by or on behalf of any employee or former employee of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries against Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or any other Governmental Body;

(h) no investigation with respect to Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries is in progress or Threatened by any Governmental Body responsible for the enforcement of any Labor Law;

(i) neither Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries is delinquent in any payments to any employee for any wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, fees or other direct compensation due with respect to any services performed for it to the date hereof or amounts required to be reimbursed to such employees;

(j) neither Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries is subject to any Order or private settlement Contract in respect of any labor or employment matters;

(k) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are, and at all times since September 20, 2005 have been, in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of the IRCA, as the IRCA applies to any employee of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries; and

(l) there is no policy, plan or program of paying severance pay or any form of severance compensation in connection with the termination of any employee of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries.

5.16 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners, except as set forth in Part 5.16 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are in full compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws;

(b) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries possess, or have timely applied for, all Permits and other Governmental Authorizations required under applicable Environmental Laws necessary to own, lease and operate their properties and assets as now being owned, licensed and operated and to carry on their respective business as it is now being conducted;

(c) there is no Environmental Claim pending or Threatened against Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries or against any Person or entity whose liability for any Environmental Claim Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries have or may have retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law;

(d) there are no Hazardous Materials present, and there have been no Releases of Hazardous Materials, in, on, beneath or adjacent to any property currently owned, operated, or leased by Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries in quantities sufficient to form the basis for an Environmental Claim; and

(e) no Encumbrance imposed by any Governmental Body in connection with the presence of any Hazardous Materials is currently outstanding on any property, facility, machinery or equipment owned, operated or leased by Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries.

5.17 PERMITS; COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Except as set forth in Part 5.17 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners:

(a) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries possess all material franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, use and development rights, easements, access rights, variances, exemptions, consents, certificates, approvals and orders issued, granted or given by or under the authority of any Governmental Body or any Legal Requirement (collectively, the “Permits”) necessary to own, lease and operate their properties and assets as now being owned, licensed and operated and to carry on their respective business as it is now being conducted (other than those required under Environmental Laws, which are governed by Section 5.16 hereof);

(b) neither Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries has received any notice (written or oral) from any Governmental Authority or any other Person that is currently pending regarding (i) any actual, alleged or Threatened violation of, or failure to comply with, any Permit or applicable Legal Requirement, or (ii) any actual, alleged or Threatened material obligation on the part of Advanced Circuits or its Subsidiaries to undertake, or to bear all or any portion of the cost of, any remedial action pursuant to any Permit or applicable Legal Requirement, and there is no Proceeding pending or Threatened regarding modification, suspension or cancellation of any such Permits; and

(c) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries are, and at all times since September 20, 2005 have been, in compliance, in all material respects, with all of the terms, conditions and requirements of their Permits.

5.18 TAXES

Except as set forth in Part 5.18 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners:

(a) Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries have filed or caused to be filed (on a timely basis since September 20, 2005), all Tax Returns that are or were required to be filed (taking into account any extensions of time within which to file) by or with respect to Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries;

(b) all Taxes shown to be due on the Tax Returns referred to in clause (a) above have been paid in full;

(c) all Taxes that Advanced Circuits or any of its Subsidiaries is or was since September 20, 2005 obligated to withhold from amounts owing to any employee, creditor or third party have been paid over to the proper Governmental Body in a timely manner, to the extent due and payable;

(d) no extensions or waivers of statutes of limitation have been given by or requested with respect to any of its U.S. federal income Taxes or those of its Subsidiaries;

(e) no Encumbrances for Taxes exist with respect to any of Advanced Circuits’ assets or properties or those of its Subsidiaries, except for statutory Encumbrances for Taxes not yet due and payable or that are being contested in good faith and reserved for in accordance with GAAP; and

(f) neither Advanced Circuits nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a party to any distribution occurring since September 20, 2005 in which the parties to such distribution treated the distribution as

one to which Section 355 of the IRC applied, except for distributions occurring among members of the same group of affiliated corporations filing a consolidated federal income Tax Return.

5.19 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS; ERISA

Except as set forth in Part 5.19 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Advanced Partners:

(a) each Company Plan has been operated and administered (i) in accordance with its terms and (ii) in material compliance with applicable Legal Requirements including, but not limited to, ERISA and the IRC, and each Pension Plan that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC and each related trust which is intended to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the IRC has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, and (x) such Pension Plans are maintained in compliance with Revenue Procedures 2002-21 and 2003-86, and (y) there are no circumstances that are reasonably likely to result in such Pension Plan or related trust failing to be so qualified;

(b) there is no pending or Threatened Proceeding by any Governmental Body relating to any of the Company Plans, any fiduciary thereof or service provider thereto, nor is there any reasonable basis for any of the foregoing to be initiated;

(c) Advanced Circuits has not engaged in a transaction with respect to any Company Plan that, assuming the taxable period of such transaction expired as of the date hereof, could subject Advanced Circuits or any Company Plan to a material Tax or penalty imposed by either Section 4975 of the IRC or Section 502(i) of ERISA;

(d) no liability under Subtitle C or D of Title IV of ERISA has been or is reasonably expected to be incurred by Advanced Circuits or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any ongoing, frozen or terminated “single-employer plan”, within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(15) of ERISA, currently or formerly maintained by any of them, or the single-employer plan of any ERISA Affiliate, none of Advanced Circuits or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates has contributed to a “multiemployer plan”, within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA, at any time since September 20, 2005, and no notice of a “reportable event”, within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA for which the 30-day reporting requirement has not been waived, other than pursuant to Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Reg. Section 4043.66, has been required to be filed for any of Advanced Circuits’ Pension Plans or by any of its ERISA Affiliates within the 12-month period ending on the date hereof;

(e) all contributions required to be made under the terms of any of Advanced Circuits’ Company Plans have been timely made or have been reflected on its consolidated financial statements included in any of its regulatory filings, none of Advanced Circuits’ Pension Plans or any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates has an “accumulated funding deficiency” (whether or not waived) within the meaning of Section 412 of the IRC or Section 302 of ERISA and none of its ERISA Affiliates has an outstanding funding waiver, and neither Advanced Circuits nor any of its Subsidiaries has provided, or is required to provide, security to any of its Pension Plans or to any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 401(a)(29) of the IRC;

(f) neither Advanced Circuits nor any of its Subsidiaries has any obligations for retiree health and life benefits under any Company Plan or collective bargaining agreement, and either Advanced Circuits nor its Subsidiaries may amend or terminate any such retiree health or life plan at any time without incurring any liability thereunder other than in respect of claims incurred prior to such amendment or termination; and

(g) the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions will not (A) entitle any of Advanced Circuits' employees or any employees of its Subsidiaries to severance pay or any increase in severance pay, (B) accelerate the time of payment or vesting or trigger any payment or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise) of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or trigger any other material obligation pursuant to, any of its Company Plans or (C) cause any amounts to be non-deductible under Section 280G of the IRC.

6. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF CGI AND SILVUE PARTNERS IN RESPECT OF SILVUE

Except as otherwise set forth in the Disclosure Letter to this Agreement, CGI and Silvue Partners, jointly and severally, hereby represent and warrant to Buyer as follows:

6.1 ORGANIZATION AND GOOD STANDING

(a) Part 6.1 of the Disclosure Letter contains a complete and accurate list for each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries of its name and its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization. Each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization, with full corporate power and authority to conduct its business as it is now being conducted, to own or use the properties and assets that it purports to own or use, and to perform all its material obligations under Applicable Contracts.

(b) Each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign entity and is in good standing under the laws of each state or other jurisdiction in which either the ownership or use of the properties owned or used by it, or the nature of the activities conducted by it, requires such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified or in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Silvue and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

(c) Except as disclosed in Part 6.1 of the Disclosure Letter, Silvue has no Subsidiaries and no ownership interest in any corporation, joint venture, trust, partnership, limited liability company or any other entity.

(d) CGI and Silvue Partners have delivered or made available to Buyer copies of the Organizational Documents of each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, as currently in effect.

6.2 AUTHORITY; NO CONFLICT

(a) This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of CGI and Silvue Partners, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and general principles of equity. Each of CGI and Silvue Partners has the absolute and unrestricted right, power, authority, and capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The execution and delivery by each of CGI and Silvue Partners of this Agreement and any related agreements to which they are parties and the consummation by each of them of the Contemplated Transactions and any transactions contemplated by such related agreements (to the extent applicable to them) have been duly authorized and approved and no other action with respect to CGI and Silvue Partners is necessary to authorize this Agreement, such related agreements or such transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 6.2 of the Disclosure Letter, neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions will, directly or indirectly (with or without notice or lapse of time):

(i) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of (A) any provision of the Organizational Documents of CGI or Silvue Partners, or (B) any resolution adopted by the board of directors or the stockholders or other equity holders of CGI or Silvue Partners;

(ii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation in any material respect of, or give any Governmental Body or other Person the right to challenge any of the Contemplated Transactions or to exercise any remedy or obtain any relief under, any Legal Requirement or any Order to which any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries or CGI and Silvue Partners, or any of the assets owned or used by any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, may be subject;

(iii) contravene, conflict with, or result in a violation of any of the terms or requirements of, or give any Governmental Body the right to revoke, withdraw, suspend, cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Governmental Authorization that is held by any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries or that otherwise relates to the business of, or any of the assets owned or used by, any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries;

(iv) contravene, conflict with, or result in a material violation or breach of any provision of, or give any Person the right to declare a default or exercise any remedy under, or to accelerate the maturity or performance of, or to cancel, terminate, or modify, any material Applicable Contract of Silvue or its Subsidiaries; or

(v) result in the imposition or creation of any Encumbrance upon or with respect to any of the Silvue Shares or to any of the assets owned or used by any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries.

Except as set forth in Part 6.2 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Silvue Partners, Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries is or will be required (x) to give any notice to or (y) obtain any Governmental Authorization or other material Consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

6.3 CAPITALIZATION; TITLE TO SHARES

(a) The authorized equity securities of Silvue consist of (a) 250,000 shares of Series A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 36,468.9497 shares are issued and outstanding, (b) 50,000 shares of Series B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which 5,000 are issued and outstanding, and (c) 1,000,000 shares of Series B redeemable preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of which — are issued and outstanding. Silvue Partners is and will be on the Closing Date the record and beneficial owner, and holder of the Silvue Shares, free and clear of all Encumbrances. All of the Silvue Shares were duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable. None of the Silvue Shares was issued in violation of the Securities Act or any other Legal Requirement.

(b) Except as set forth in Part 6.3(b) of the Disclosure Letter, all the outstanding equity securities of each Subsidiary of Silvue are owned of record and beneficially by one or more of Silvue or its Subsidiaries, free and clear of all Encumbrances.

6.4 SILVUE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CGI has delivered to Buyer or caused the delivery to Buyer of audited consolidated balance sheets of Silvue and its Subsidiaries as at each of December 31, 2005 (including the notes thereto, the "Balance Sheet") and December 31, 2004, and the related audited consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flow for each of the fiscal years then ended, together with the report thereon of the independent certified public accountants (collectively, the "Silvue Financial Statements"). The Silvue Financial Statements fairly present the financial condition and the results of operations, changes in shareholders' equity, and cash flow of Silvue and its Subsidiaries as at the respective dates thereof and for the periods referred to therein, and were prepared in accordance with GAAP. The Silvue Financial Statements reflect the consistent application of such accounting principles throughout the periods involved, except as disclosed in the notes thereto.

6.5 TITLE TO PROPERTIES; ENCUMBRANCES

Silvue and its Subsidiaries own (with good and marketable title in the case of real property, subject only to the matters permitted by the following sentence) all the properties and assets (whether real, personal, or mixed and whether tangible or intangible) that they purport to own, including all of the properties and assets reflected in its Balance Sheet (except for assets held under capitalized leases and personal property sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business), and all of the properties and assets purchased or otherwise acquired by them since the date of such Balance Sheet (except for personal property acquired and sold since the date of such Balance Sheet in the Ordinary Course of Business and consistent with past practice). All such material owned properties and assets are free and clear of all Encumbrances and are not, in the case of real property, subject to any rights of way, building use restrictions, exceptions, variances, reservations, or limitations of any nature except, with respect to all such properties and assets, (a) mortgages or security interests shown on such Balance Sheet as securing specified liabilities or obligations, with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (b) mortgages or security interests incurred in connection with the purchase of property or assets after the date of such Balance Sheet (such mortgages and security interests being limited to the property or assets so acquired), with respect to which no default (or event that, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) exists, (c) liens for current Taxes not yet due, and (d) with respect to real property, (i) minor imperfections of title, if any, none of which is substantial in amount, materially detracts from the value or impairs the use of the property subject thereto, or impairs the operations of any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, and (ii) zoning laws and other land use restrictions that do not impair the present or anticipated use of the property subject thereto. All buildings, plants, and structures owned by Silvue and its Subsidiaries lie wholly within the boundaries of the real property owned by Silvue and its Subsidiaries and do not encroach upon the property of, or otherwise conflict with the property rights of, any other Person.

6.6 CONDITION AND SUFFICIENCY OF ASSETS

The buildings, plants, structures, and equipment of Silvue and its Subsidiaries are structurally sound, are in good operating condition and repair, and are adequate for the uses to which they are being put, and none of such buildings, plants, structures, or equipment is in need of maintenance or repairs except for ordinary, routine maintenance and repairs that are not material in nature or cost. The building, plants, structures, equipment, tangible and intangible assets and other assets of Silvue and its Subsidiaries are sufficient for the continued conduct of the businesses of Silvue and its Subsidiaries after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing.

6.7 COMPLIANCE WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable Legal Requirements of any Governmental Authority (and all agencies thereof), except where the failure to be in compliance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Silvue and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

6.8 ABSENCE OF CERTAIN CHANGES AND EVENTS

Since the date of its Balance Sheet, and except as set forth in Part 6.8 of the Disclosure Letter, (a) the businesses of Silvue and its Subsidiaries have been conducted in the Ordinary Course of Business on a basis consistent with past practice, and (b) there has not been any Material Adverse Change in the assets or the results of operations of the businesses of Silvue and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

6.9 CERTAIN PAYMENTS

None of Silvue and its Subsidiaries nor any director, officer, agent, or employee of any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, nor to the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, any other Person associated with or acting for or on behalf of any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, has directly or indirectly (a) made any contribution, gift, bribe, rebate, payoff, influence payment, kick back, or other payment to any Person, private or public, regardless of form, whether in money, property, or services (i) to obtain favorable treatment in securing business, (ii) to pay for favorable treatment for business secured, (iii) to obtain special concessions or for special concessions already obtained, for or in respect of any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries or any Affiliate of Silvue and its Subsidiaries, or (iv) in violation of any Legal Requirement, and (b) established or maintained any fund or asset that has not been recorded in the books and records of Silvue and its Subsidiaries.

6.10 RELATIONSHIPS WITH RELATED PERSONS

Except as set forth in Part 6.10 of the Disclosure Letter, none of CGI and Silvue Partners nor any of their Affiliates has been involved in any business arrangement or relationship with Silvue or any its Subsidiaries within the past twelve months (other than business dealings or transactions that provide for payments or receipts of an amount or value less than \$50,000), and none of CGI and Silvue Partners nor any of their Affiliates owns any material asset, tangible or intangible, that is used in the business of Silvue or any its Subsidiaries.

6.11 BROKERS OR FINDERS

CGI and Silvue Partners and their agents have incurred no obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement.

6.12 LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Except as set forth in Part 6.12 of the Disclosure Letter, there is no Proceeding that is pending against Silvue or its Subsidiaries or that challenges any of the Contemplated Transactions. To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, (1) no such Proceeding has been Threatened, and (2) no event has occurred or circumstance exists that may give rise to or serve as a basis for the commencement of any such Proceeding.

6.13 INSURANCE

Except as set forth in Part 6.13 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, all policies, bonds and other forms of insurance currently owned or held by or on behalf of or providing insurance coverage to Silvue and its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, managers and employees:

- (a) are valid, outstanding, and enforceable;
- (b) are issued by an insurer that is financially sound and reputable;
- (c) taken together, provide adequate insurance coverage for the assets and the operations of Silvue and its Subsidiaries for all risks to which they are exposed in the Ordinary Course of Business; and
- (d) will continue in full force and effect following the sale to Buyer of the Silvue Shares.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, no pending notice of default, cancellation or termination has been received by Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any such policy that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Silvue and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

6.14 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, except as set forth in Part 6.14.1 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) Silvue and its Subsidiaries own or have a valid and enforceable right to use all copyrights, trade names, trademarks, service marks, service names, trade secrets, designs, licenses, patents, software and other intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, know-how (whether related to any of the foregoing or otherwise) (including pending applications for any of the foregoing) (collectively, "Intellectual Property"), used in or necessary to the conduct of business by Silvue and its Subsidiaries as it is now being conducted; and

(b) there are no challenges pending or Threatened that (i) the operations of Silvue or its Subsidiaries infringe upon or conflict with the rights of any other Person in respect of any Intellectual Property or (ii) any Intellectual Property is invalid or unenforceable.

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, Part 6.14.2 of the Disclosure Letter sets forth in reasonable detail a true, correct and complete list of the Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) and of all licenses of Intellectual Property (other than off-the-shelf software) pursuant to which Silvue or its Subsidiaries is a licensor or licensee in respect of any Intellectual Property.

6.15 LABOR MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, except as set forth in Part 6.15 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) neither Silvue nor its Subsidiaries is a party to (i) any collective bargaining agreement or similar agreement with any labor organization or employee association, (ii) any other written contract concerning employment or (iii) any binding oral contract concerning employment;

(b) no grievance or arbitration Proceeding arising out of or under any collective bargaining agreement is pending, and no such grievance or Proceeding is Threatened, against Silvue or its Subsidiaries;

(c) there is no pending or Threatened (i) labor dispute between Silvue or its Subsidiaries and any labor organization, or strike, slowdown, jurisdictional dispute, work stoppage or other similar organized labor activity involving any employee of Silvue or its Subsidiaries, or (ii) union organizing or election activity involving any employee of Silvue or its Subsidiaries;

(d) Silvue and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all material Legal Requirements regarding labor, employment and employment practices, conditions of employment, occupational safety and health, and wages and hours, including any bargaining or other obligations under the National Labor Relations Act (collectively, "Labor Laws");

(e) neither Silvue nor its Subsidiaries is engaged in any material unfair labor practice, and there is no unfair labor practice charge pending or Threatened against any of them before the National Labor Relations Board or other Governmental Body;

(f) no union claims to represent any of the employees of Silvue or its Subsidiaries;

(g) no charges are pending or Threatened by or on behalf of any employee or former employee of Silvue or its Subsidiaries against any of them before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or any other Governmental Body;

(h) no investigation with respect to Silvue or its Subsidiaries is in progress or Threatened by any Governmental Body responsible for the enforcement of any Labor Law;

(i) neither Silvue nor any of its Subsidiaries is delinquent in any payments to any employee for any wages, salaries, commissions, bonuses, fees or other direct compensation due with respect to any services performed for it to the date hereof or amounts required to be reimbursed to such employees;

(j) neither Silvue nor any Subsidiary is subject to any Order or private settlement Contract in respect of any labor or employment matters;

(k) Silvue and each of its Subsidiaries is, and at all times since September 2, 2004 has been, in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of the IRCA, as the IRCA applies to any employee of Silvue and its Subsidiaries; and

(l) there is no policy, plan or program of paying severance pay or any form of severance compensation in connection with the termination of any employee.

6.16 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

To the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners, except as set forth in Part 6.16 of the Disclosure Letter:

(a) each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries is in full compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws;

(b) each of Silvue and its Subsidiaries possesses, or has timely applied for, all Permits and other Governmental Authorizations required under applicable Environmental Laws necessary to own, lease and operate its properties and assets as now being owned, licensed and operated and to carry on its respective business as it is now being conducted;

(c) there is no Environmental Claim pending or Threatened against any of Silvue or its Subsidiaries or against any Person or entity whose liability for any Environmental Claim Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries has or may have retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law;

(d) there are no Hazardous Materials present, and there have been no Releases of Hazardous Materials, in, on, beneath or adjacent to any property currently owned, operated, or leased by Silvue or its Subsidiaries in quantities sufficient to form the basis for an Environmental Claim; and

(e) no Encumbrance imposed by any Governmental Body in connection with the presence of any Hazardous Materials is currently outstanding on any property, facility, machinery or equipment owned, operated or leased by any of Silvue or its Subsidiaries.

6.17 TAXES

Except as set forth in Part 6.17 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners:

(a) Silvue and its Subsidiaries have filed or caused to be filed (on a timely basis since September 2, 2004), all Tax Returns that are or were required to be filed (taking into account any extensions of time within which to file) by or with respect to Silvue and its Subsidiaries;

(b) all Taxes shown to be due on the Tax Returns referred to in clause (a) above have been paid in full;

(c) all Taxes that Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries is or was since September 2, 2004 obligated to withhold from amounts owing to any employee, creditor or third party have been paid over to the proper Governmental Body in a timely manner, to the extent due and payable;

(d) no extensions or waivers of statutes of limitation have been given by or requested with respect to any of its U.S. federal income Taxes or those of its Subsidiaries;

(e) no Encumbrances for Taxes exist with respect to any of Silvue's assets or properties or those of its Subsidiaries, except for statutory Encumbrances for Taxes not yet due and payable or that are being contested in good faith and reserved for in accordance with GAAP; and

(f) neither Silvue nor any of its Subsidiaries has been a party to any distribution occurring since September 2, 2004 in which the parties to such distribution treated the distribution as one to which Section 355 of the IRC applied, except for distributions occurring among members of the same group of affiliated corporations filing a consolidated federal income Tax Return.

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Except as set forth in Part 6.18 of the Disclosure Letter, to the Knowledge of CGI and Silvue Partners:

(a) each Company Plan has been operated and administered (i) in accordance with its terms and (ii) in material compliance with applicable Legal Requirements including, but not limited to, ERISA and the IRC, and each Pension Plan that is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC and each related trust which is intended to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the IRC has received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service, and (x) such Pension Plans are maintained in compliance with Revenue Procedures 2002-21 and 2003-86, and (y) there are no circumstances that are reasonably likely to result in such Pension Plan or related trust failing to be so qualified;

(b) there is no pending or Threatened Proceeding by any Governmental Body relating to any of the Company Plans, any fiduciary thereof or service provider thereto, nor is there any reasonable basis for any of the foregoing to be initiated;

(c) Silvue has not engaged in a transaction with respect to any Company Plan that, assuming the taxable period of such transaction expired as of the date hereof, could subject Silvue or any Company Plan to a material Tax or penalty imposed by either Section 4975 of the IRC or Section 502(i) of ERISA;

(d) no liability under Subtitle C or D of Title IV of ERISA has been or is reasonably expected to be incurred by Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any ongoing, frozen or terminated “single-employer plan”, within the meaning of Section 4001(a)(15) of ERISA, currently or formerly maintained by any of them, or the single-employer plan of any ERISA Affiliate, none of Silvue or any of its Subsidiaries or any of its ERISA Affiliates has contributed to a “multiemployer plan”, within the meaning of Section 3(37) of ERISA, at any time since September 2, 2004, and no notice of a “reportable event”, within the meaning of Section 4043 of ERISA for which the 30-day reporting requirement has not been waived, other than pursuant to Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Reg. Section 4043.66, has been required to be filed for any of Silvue’s Pension Plans or by any of its ERISA Affiliates within the 12-month period ending on the date hereof;

(e) all contributions required to be made under the terms of any of Silvue’s Company Plans have been timely made or have been reflected on its consolidated financial statements included in any of its regulatory filings, none of Silvue’s Pension Plans or any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates has an “accumulated funding deficiency” (whether or not waived) within the meaning of Section 412 of the IRC or Section 302 of ERISA and none of its ERISA Affiliates has an outstanding funding waiver, and neither Silvue nor any of its Subsidiaries has provided, or is required to provide, security to any of its Pension Plans or to any single-employer plan of any of its ERISA Affiliates pursuant to Section 401(a)(29) of the IRC;

(f) neither Silvue nor any of its Subsidiaries has any obligations for retiree health and life benefits under any Company Plan or collective bargaining agreement, and either Silvue nor its Subsidiaries may amend or terminate any such retiree health or life plan at any time without incurring any liability thereunder other than in respect of claims incurred prior to such amendment or termination; and

(g) the consummation of the Contemplated Transactions will not (A) entitle any of Silvue’s employees or any employees of its Subsidiaries to severance pay or any increase in severance pay, (B) accelerate the time of payment or vesting or trigger any payment or funding (through a grantor trust or otherwise) of compensation or benefits under, increase the amount payable or trigger any other material obligation pursuant to, any of its Company Plans or (C) cause any amounts to be non-deductible under Section 280G of the IRC.

7. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer represents and warrants to CGI and the Sellers as follows:

7.1 ORGANIZATION AND GOOD STANDING

Buyer is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

7.2 AUTHORITY; NO CONFLICT

(a) This Agreement constitutes the legal, valid, and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with its terms. Buyer has the absolute and unrestricted right, power, and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations under this Agreement. The execution and delivery by Buyer of this Agreement and any related agreements to which it is a party and the consummation by it of the Contemplated Transactions and any transactions contemplated by such related agreements have been duly authorized and approved and no other action with respect to Buyer is necessary to authorize this Agreement, such related agreements or such transactions contemplated hereby or thereby.

(b) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement by Buyer nor the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions by Buyer will give any Person the right to prevent, delay, or otherwise interfere with any of the Contemplated Transactions pursuant to:

- (i) any provision of Buyer's Organizational Documents;
- (ii) any resolution adopted by the board of directors or the stockholders of Buyer;
- (iii) any Legal Requirement or Order to which Buyer may be subject; or
- (iv) any material Contract to which Buyer is a party or by which Buyer may be bound.

(c) Except as set forth in Schedule 7.2 hereto, Buyer is not and will not be required to obtain any Consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

7.3 INVESTMENT INTENT

Buyer is acquiring the Shares for its own account and not with a view to their distribution within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act.

7.4 CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS

There is no pending Proceeding that has been commenced against Buyer and that challenges, or may have the effect of preventing, delaying, making illegal, or otherwise interfering with, any of the Contemplated Transactions. To Buyer's Knowledge, no such Proceeding has been Threatened.

7.5 BROKERS OR FINDERS

Buyer and its officers and agents have incurred no obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions, fees or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement or the Contemplated Transactions, except for fees or other similar payments to Duff & Phelps, LLC in connection with its delivery of a fairness opinion covering the Contemplated Transactions the obligation for payment of which shall be borne solely by Buyer.

8. COVENANTS

8.1 RIGHTS TO INDEMNIFICATION UNDER HISTORICAL PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

(a) Subject to paragraphs (b) and (c) of this Section 8.1, if (i) Buyer shall suffer Damages as a result of any inaccuracy in or breach of, or any failure to perform or comply with, any representation or warranty, or any claim (by any Person) or other occurrence or circumstance that is or was inconsistent with such representation or warranty, under any of the agreements pursuant to which the Sellers acquired their interests in the applicable Acquired Company (each an "Historical Purchase Agreement") by the seller party or parties, as the case may be, under each such Historical Purchase Agreement, (ii) Buyer notifies CGI in writing (each such notice an "Historical Claim Notice") of such breach, failure, occurrence or circumstance (each an "Historical Claim"), each of which Historical Claim Notices shall specify in particularity the basis for such Historical Claim and the amount of such claimed Damages, and (iii) at the time of receipt of an Historical Claim Notice, CGI has sufficient information to prosecute such Historical Claim, then CGI shall in good faith cooperate with Buyer in fully prosecuting such Historical Claim.

(b) CGI's obligations under paragraph (a) of this Section 8.1 with respect to each Historical Claim shall be conditioned upon Buyer's agreement to (i) pay, or reimburse CGI for, all costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) incurred in connection with the prosecution of such Historical Claim, (ii) indemnify and hold CGI and the applicable Sellers and their respective Affiliates harmless against any and all claims, counterclaims, Damages, fees and expenses incurred as a result of or arising from the prosecution of such Historical Claim, and (iii) if and to the extent requested by CGI, assume (with the assistance of legal counsel reasonably acceptable to CGI) responsibility for the prosecution of such Historical Claim.

(c) Any amounts recovered by CGI or Buyer as a result of the prosecution of any Historical Claim shall be for the benefit of Buyer.

9. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO BUYER'S OBLIGATION TO CLOSE

Buyer's obligation to purchase the Shares and to take the other actions required to be taken by Buyer at the Closing is subject to the satisfaction, at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions (any of which may be waived by Buyer, in whole or in part):

9.1 ACCURACY OF REPRESENTATIONS

Except as contemplated or permitted by this Agreement, all of CGI's and the Sellers' representations and warranties in this Agreement must be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, those representations and warranties (a) expressly made as of a particular date must be accurate in all material respects as of that particular date and (b) qualified by the term "material" or containing terms such as "Material Adverse Effect" or "Material Adverse Change" shall be true and correct in all respects as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the

representations and warranties of CGI and the Sellers set forth in Sections 3.3, 4.3, 5.3 and 6.3 shall be true and correct in all respects at the Closing.

9.2 SELLERS' PERFORMANCE

(a) All of the covenants and obligations that CGI and the Sellers, or any of them, are required to perform or to comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing (considered collectively), and each of these covenants and obligations (considered individually), must have been duly performed and complied with in all material respects.

(b) Each document required to be delivered pursuant to Section 2.4 must have been delivered.

9.3 CONSENTS

Each of the Consents identified in Parts 3.2, 4.2, 5.2 and 6.2 of the Disclosure Letter must have been obtained and must be in full force and effect.

9.4 CBS WARRANTS

CS and CSII must have exercised the CBS Warrants and, as a result of such exercise, hold, and be the record and beneficial owners of, the CBS Warrant Shares prior to or at Closing.

9.5 ANCILLARY TRANSACTIONS

Each of the Ancillary Transactions shall have been consummated or will be consummated concurrent with the Closing hereof.

9.6 OFFERING

The Offering shall have closed.

9.7 ADDITIONAL PURCHASE DOCUMENTS

CGI and the Sellers must have delivered to Buyer such other documents as Buyer may reasonably request for the purpose of (i) evidencing the accuracy of any of CGI's and the Sellers' representations and warranties, (ii) evidencing the performance by CGI and the Sellers of, or the compliance by CGI and the Sellers with, any covenant or obligation required to be performed or complied with by CGI or any such Seller, (iii) evidencing the satisfaction of any condition referred to in this Section 9, or (iv) otherwise facilitating the consummation or performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

9.8 NO PROCEEDINGS; NO ORDERS

There must not have been commenced or Threatened against Buyer, or against any Person affiliated with Buyer, any Proceeding (a) involving any challenge to, or seeking damages or other relief in connection with, any of the Contemplated Transactions, or (b) that may have the effect of preventing, delaying, making illegal, or otherwise interfering with any of the Contemplated Transactions. No Order (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent) shall be issued or entered that restrains, enjoins or otherwise prohibits consummation of the Contemplated Transactions.

9.9 NO CLAIM REGARDING STOCK OWNERSHIP OR SALE PROCEEDS

There must not have been made or Threatened by any Person any claim asserting that such Person (a) is the holder or the beneficial owner of, or has the right to acquire or to obtain beneficial ownership of, the Shares, or (b) is entitled to all or any portion of the Purchase Price.

9.10 NO PROHIBITION

Neither the consummation nor the performance of any of the Contemplated Transactions will, directly or indirectly (with or without notice or lapse of time), materially contravene, or conflict with, or result in a material violation of, or cause Buyer or any Person affiliated with Buyer to suffer any material adverse consequence under, (a) any applicable Legal Requirement or Order, or (b) any Legal Requirement or Order that has been published, introduced, or otherwise proposed by or before any Governmental Body.

10. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CGI'S AND THE SELLERS' OBLIGATION TO CLOSE

CGI and the Sellers' obligation to sell the Shares and to take the other actions required to be taken by CGI and the Sellers, or any of them, at the Closing is subject to the satisfaction, at or prior to the Closing, of each of the following conditions (any of which may be waived by CGI and the Sellers, in whole or in part):

10.1 ACCURACY OF REPRESENTATIONS

All of Buyer's representations and warranties in this Agreement (considered collectively), and each of these representations and warranties (considered individually), must have been accurate in all material respects as of the date of this Agreement and must be accurate in all material respects as of the Closing Date.

10.2 BUYER'S PERFORMANCE

(a) All of the covenants and obligations that Buyer is required to perform or to comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing (considered collectively), and each of these covenants and obligations (considered individually), must have been performed and complied with in all material respects.

(b) Buyer must have delivered each of the documents required to be delivered by Buyer pursuant to Section 2.4 and must have made the cash payment required to be made by Buyer pursuant to Section 2.4(d)(ii).

10.3 CONSENTS

Each of the Consents identified in Subpart of Parts 3.2, 4.2, 5.2 and 6.2 of the Disclosure Letter must have been obtained and must be in full force and effect.

10.4 ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS

Buyer must have delivered to CGI and the Sellers such other documents as CGI and the Sellers may reasonably request for the purpose of (i) evidencing the accuracy of any representation or warranty of Buyer, (ii) evidencing the performance by Buyer of, or the compliance by Buyer with, any covenant or

obligation required to be performed or complied with by Buyer, (iii) evidencing the satisfaction of any condition referred to in this Section 10, or (iv) otherwise facilitating the consummation of any of the Contemplated Transactions.

10.5 No INJUNCTION

There must not be in effect any Legal Requirement or any injunction or other Order that (a) prohibits the sale of the Shares by the Sellers to Buyer, and (b) has been adopted or issued, or has otherwise become effective, since the date of this Agreement.

11. INDEMNIFICATION; REMEDIES

11.1 SURVIVAL; RIGHT TO INDEMNIFICATION NOT AFFECTED BY KNOWLEDGE

(a) The representations, warranties and covenants of the parties shall survive the Closing until the fifteen (15) month anniversary of the Closing Date; except for (i) the representations and warranties set forth in Sections 3.1(a) (Organization and Good Standing), 3.2(a) (Authority and Enforceability), 3.3 (Capitalization; Title to Shares), 4.1(a) (Organization and Good Standing), 4.2(a) (Authority and Enforceability), 4.3 (Capitalization; Title to Shares), 5.1(a) (Organization and Good Standing), 5.2(a) (Authority and Enforceability), 5.3 (Capitalization; Title to Shares), 6.1(a) (Organization and Good Standing), 6.2(a) (Authority and Enforceability) and 6.3 (Capitalization; Title to Shares), which representations and warranties shall survive the Closing until the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations, and (ii) the covenants set forth in Section 8.1 (Rights to Indemnification Under Historical Purchase Agreements), which covenants shall survive the Closing until the expiration of the applicable survival periods under such Historical Purchase Agreements (as applicable, the "Survival Period"). Nothing contained in the foregoing sentence shall prevent recovery under this Section 11 after the expiration of the Survival Period so long as the party making a claim or seeking recovery complies with the provisions of clause (x) and (y) of the following sentence. No party shall have any claim or right of recovery for any breach of a representation, warranty, covenant or agreement unless (x) written notice is given in good faith by that party to the other party of the representation, warranty, covenant or agreement pursuant to which the claim is made or right of recovery is sought setting forth in reasonable detail the basis for the purported breach of the representation, warranty, covenant or agreement, the amount or nature of the claim being made, if then ascertainable, and the general basis therefor and (y) such notice is given prior to the expiration of the Survival Period.

(b) The right of any indemnified party to indemnification, payment of Damages or other remedy based on representations, warranties, covenants, and obligations of any indemnifying party will not be affected by any investigation conducted by such indemnified party with respect to, or any Knowledge acquired (or capable of being acquired) by such indemnified party at any time, whether before or after the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the Closing Date, with respect to the accuracy or inaccuracy of or compliance with, any such representation, warranty, covenant, or obligation of such indemnifying party. The waiver by such indemnified party of any condition based on the accuracy of any representation or warranty of such indemnifying party, or on the performance of or compliance with any covenant or obligation by such indemnifying party, will not affect the right of such indemnified party to indemnification, payment of Damages, or other remedy based on such representations, warranties, covenants, and obligations.

(c) From and after the Closing, the right of the parties hereto to demand and receive indemnification pursuant to this Section 11 shall be the sole and exclusive remedy exercisable by a

party with respect to any claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Contemplated Transactions, except for remedies based on fraud, willful misconduct or bad faith.

11.2 INDEMNIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF DAMAGES BY CGI, CS AND CSII

(a) Indemnification and Payment of Damages. Subject to Section 11.2(b), CGI, CS and CSII will indemnify and hold harmless Buyer and its Representatives, stockholders, controlling persons, and Affiliates (collectively, the “Buyer Indemnified Persons”) for, and will pay to the Buyer Indemnified Persons, any and all Damages, arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with:

(i) any Breach of any representation or warranty made by CGI, CS and CSII in Section 3 of this Agreement (giving effect to the Disclosure Letter), the Disclosure Letter or any other certificate or document delivered by CGI, CS and CSII pursuant to this Agreement;

(ii) any Breach by CGI, CS and CSII of any covenant or obligation of CGI (as relates to CBS Personnel or the CBS Shares), CS and CSII in this Agreement; or

(iii) any claim by any Person for brokerage or finder’s fees or commissions or similar payments based upon any agreement or understanding alleged to have been made by any such Person with either CGI, CS and CSII or any of CBS Personnel and its Subsidiaries (or any Person acting on their behalf) in connection with the sale of the CBS Shares.

(b) Limitations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 11.2(a), CGI, CS and CSII will have no liability (for indemnification or otherwise) with respect to the matters described in clause (i) or clause (ii) of Section 11.2(a) until the total of all Damages with respect to such matters exceeds \$— [*to be inserted: 1% of equity purchase price*] (the “CBS Threshold Amount”), and then only for CGI’s Allocable Share of the amount by which such Damages exceed the CBS Threshold Amount, and the aggregate liability of CGI, CS and CSII to Buyer Indemnified Persons in respect of Section 11.2(a) shall not in any event exceed CGI’s Allocable Share of \$— [*to be inserted: 15% of equity purchase price*] (the “CBS Indemnification Cap”); provided, however, that neither the CBS Threshold Amount nor the CBS Indemnification Cap shall apply to Damages to the extent arising from any Breach of any representation or warranty set forth in Sections 3.1(a), Section 3.2(a) or Section 3.3. In addition, with respect to Damages arising from the matters described in Clause (i), CGI, CS and CSII shall be obligated to pay to Buyer Indemnified Persons, and to indemnify or hold harmless Buyer Indemnified Persons for, in the aggregate, only that amount equal to the applicable CGI Allocable Share of such Damages.

11.3 INDEMNIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF DAMAGES BY CGI AND CROSMAN PARTNERS

(a) Indemnification and Payment of Damages. Subject to Section 11.3(b), CGI and Crosman Partners (collectively with the applicable minority stockholders identified on Schedule 2) will indemnify and hold harmless the Buyer Indemnified Persons for, and will pay to the Buyer Indemnified Persons, any and all Damages arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with:

(i) any Breach of any representation or warranty made by CGI and Crosman Partners in Section 4 of this Agreement (giving effect to the Disclosure Letter), the Disclosure Letter or any other certificate or document delivered by CGI and Crosman Partners pursuant to this Agreement;

(ii) any Breach by CGI and Crosman Partners of any covenant or obligation of CGI (as relates to Crosman or the Crosman Shares) and Crosman Partners in this Agreement; or

(iii) any claim by any Person for brokerage or finder's fees or commissions or similar payments based upon any agreement or understanding alleged to have been made by any such Person with either CGI and Crosman Partners or any of Crosman and its Subsidiaries (or any Person acting on their behalf) in connection with the sale of the Crosman Shares.

(b) Limitations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 11.3(a), CGI and Crosman Partners will have no liability (for indemnification or otherwise) with respect to the matters described in clause (i) or clause (ii) of Section 11.3(a) until the total of all Damages with respect to such matters exceeds \$ — [to be inserted: 1% of equity purchase price] (the "Crosman Threshold Amount"), and then only for CGI's Allocable Share of the amount by which such Damages exceed the Crosman Threshold Amount, and the aggregate liability of Crosman to Buyer Indemnified Persons in respect of this Section 11.3(a) shall not in any event exceed CGI's Allocable Share of \$ — [to be inserted: 15% of equity purchase price] (the "Crosman Indemnification Cap"); provided, however, that neither the Crosman Threshold Amount nor the Crosman Indemnification Cap shall apply to Damages to the extent arising from any Breach of any representation or warranty set forth in Sections 4.1(a), Section 4.2(a) or Section 4.3. In addition, with respect to Damages arising from the matters described in Clause (i), CGI and Crosman Partners shall be obligated to pay to Buyer Indemnified Persons, and to indemnify or hold harmless Buyer Indemnified Persons for, in the aggregate, only that amount equal to the applicable CGI Allocable Share of such Damages.

11.4 INDEMNIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF DAMAGES BY CGI AND ADVANCED PARTNERS

(a) Indemnification and Payment of Damages. Subject to Section 11.4(b), CGI and Advanced Partners (collectively with the applicable minority stockholders identified on Schedule 2) will indemnify and hold harmless the Buyer Indemnified Persons for, and will pay to the Buyer Indemnified Persons, any and all Damages arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with:

(i) any Breach of any representation or warranty made by CGI and Advanced Partners in Section 5 of this Agreement (giving effect to the Disclosure Letter), the Disclosure Letter or any other certificate or document delivered by CGI and Advanced Partners pursuant to this Agreement;

(ii) any Breach by CGI and Advanced Partners of any covenant or obligation of CGI (as relates to Advanced Circuits or the Advanced Circuits Shares) and Advanced Partners in this Agreement;

(iii) any claim by any Person for brokerage or finder's fees or commissions or similar payments based upon any agreement or understanding alleged to have been made by any such Person with either CGI and Advanced Partners or any of Advanced Circuits and its Subsidiaries (or any Person acting on their behalf) in connection with the sale of the Advanced Circuits Shares; or

(iv) (A) any breach by Advanced Partners or Advanced Circuits of any representation, warranty, covenant or obligation of Advanced Partners or Advanced Circuits under the ACI Purchase Agreement or (B) a failure by Advanced Partners or Advanced Circuits to perform any obligation under the ACI Purchase Agreement that was required to be performed

by Advanced Partners or Advanced Circuits after the date of the closing of the transactions contemplated therein through the Closing hereof.

(b) **Limitations.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 11.4(a), CGI and Advanced Partners will have no liability (for indemnification or otherwise) with respect to the matters described in clause (i), clause (ii) or clause (iv) of Section 11.4(a) until the total of all Damages with respect to such matters exceeds \$— [to be inserted: 1% of equity purchase price] (the “Advanced Circuits Threshold Amount”), and then only for CGI’s Allocable Share of the amount by which such Damages exceed the Advanced Circuits Threshold Amount, and the aggregate liability of CGI and Advanced Partners to Buyer Indemnified Persons in respect of this Section 11.4(a) shall not in any event exceed CGI’s Allocable Share of \$— [to be inserted: 15% of equity purchase price] (the “Advanced Circuits Indemnification Cap”); provided, however, that neither the Advanced Circuits Threshold Amount nor the Advanced Circuits Indemnification Cap shall apply to Damages to the extent arising from any Breach of any representation or warranty set forth in Sections 5.1(a), Section 5.2(a) or Section 5.3. In addition, with respect to Damages arising from the matters described in Clauses (i) and (iv), CGI and Crosman Partners shall be obligated to pay to Buyer Indemnified Persons, and to indemnify or hold harmless Buyer Indemnified Persons for, in the aggregate, only that amount equal to the applicable CGI Allocable Share of such Damages.

11.5 INDEMNIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF DAMAGES BY CGI AND SILVUE PARTNERS

(a) **Indemnification and Payment of Damages.** Subject to Section 11.5(b), CGI and Silvue Partners (collectively with the applicable minority stockholders identified on Schedule 2) will indemnify and hold harmless the Buyer Indemnified Persons for, and will pay to the Buyer Indemnified Persons, any and all Damages arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with:

(i) any Breach of any representation or warranty made by CGI and Silvue Partners in Section 6 of this Agreement (giving effect to the Disclosure Letter), the Disclosure Letter or any other certificate or document delivered by CGI and Silvue Partners pursuant to this Agreement;

(ii) any Breach by CGI and Silvue Partners of any covenant or obligation of CGI (as relates to Silvue or the Silvue Shares) and Silvue Partners in this Agreement;

(iii) any claim by any Person for brokerage or finder’s fees or commissions or similar payments based upon any agreement or understanding alleged to have been made by any such Person with either CGI and Silvue Partners or any of Silvue and its Subsidiaries (or any Person acting on their behalf) in connection the sale of the Silvue Shares; or

(iv) (A) any breach by Silvue Partners or Silvue of any representation, warranty, covenant or obligation of Silvue Partners or Silvue under the Silvue Purchase Agreement or (B) a failure by Silvue Partners or Silvue to perform any obligation under the Silvue Purchase Agreement that was required to be performed by Silvue Partners or Silvue after the date of the closing of the transactions contemplated therein through the Closing hereof.

(b) **Limitations.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 11.5(a), CGI and Silvue Partners will have no liability (for indemnification or otherwise) with respect to the matters described in clause (i), clause (ii) or clause (iv) of Section 11.5(a) until the total of all Damages with respect to such matters exceeds \$— [to be inserted: 1% of equity purchase price] (the “Silvue Threshold Amount”), and then only for CGI’s Allocable Share of the amount by which such Damages exceed the Silvue Threshold Amount, and the aggregate liability of CGI and Silvue Partners

to Buyer Indemnified Persons in respect of this Section 11.5(a) shall not in any event exceed CGI's Allocable Share of \$— [to be inserted: 15% of equity purchase price] (the "Silvue Indemnification Cap"); provided, however, that neither the Silvue Threshold Amount nor the Silvue Indemnification Cap shall apply to Damages to the extent arising from any Breach of any representation or warranty set forth in Sections 6.1(a), Section 6.2(a) or Section 6.3. In addition, with respect to Damages arising from the matters described in Clauses (i) and (iv), CGI and Silvue Partners shall be obligated to pay to Buyer Indemnified Persons, and to indemnify or hold harmless Buyer Indemnified Persons for, in the aggregate, only that amount equal to the applicable CGI Allocable Share of such Damages. The parties further agree that Buyer shall take no action to change the composition of the board of directors of SDC Technologies, Inc. for no less than 180 days following the Closing without the approval of CGI and Silvue Partners.

11.6 INDEMNIFICATION AND PAYMENT OF DAMAGES BY BUYER

(a) Indemnification and Payment of Damages. Buyer will indemnify and hold harmless CGI and the Sellers, and will pay to CGI and the Sellers the amount of any Damages arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with (a) any Breach of any representation or warranty made by Buyer in this Agreement or in any certificate delivered by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, (b) any Breach by Buyer of any covenant or obligation of Buyer in this Agreement, or (c) any claim by any Person for brokerage or finder's fees or commissions or similar payments based upon any agreement or understanding alleged to have been made by such Person with Buyer (or any Person acting on its behalf) in connection with any of the Contemplated Transactions.

(b) Crosman Guaranty. Buyer will indemnify and hold harmless CGI and Crosman Partners, and will pay to CGI and Crosman Partners, the amount of any Damages arising, directly or indirectly, from or in connection with the Crosman Guaranty.

(c) Limitations on Amount. Buyer will have no liability (for indemnification or otherwise) with respect to the matters described in clause (a) of this Section until the total of all Damages with respect to such matters exceeds \$— (the "Buyer Threshold Amount"), and then only for the amount by which such Damages exceed the Buyer Threshold Amount. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Buyer's aggregate liability to Seller under this Agreement shall not in any event exceed \$— (the "Buyer Indemnification Cap"); provided, however, that neither the Buyer Threshold Amount nor the Buyer Indemnification Cap shall apply to Damages to the extent arising from any Breach of any representation or warranty set forth in Section 7.2(a).

11.7 PROCEDURE FOR INDEMNIFICATION—THIRD PARTY CLAIMS

(a) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under Sections 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.5 or 11.6 of notice of the commencement of any Proceeding against it, such indemnified party will, if a claim is to be made against an indemnifying party under such Section, give notice to the indemnifying party of the commencement of such claim, but the failure to notify the indemnifying party will not relieve the indemnifying party of any liability that it may have to any indemnified party, except to the extent that the indemnifying party demonstrates that the defense of such action is prejudiced by the indemnified party's failure to give such notice.

(b) If any Proceeding referred to in Section 11.7(a) is brought against an indemnified party and it gives notice to the indemnifying party of the commencement of such Proceeding, the indemnifying party will, unless the claim involves Taxes, be entitled to participate in such Proceeding and, to the extent that it wishes (unless (i) the indemnifying party is also a party to such Proceeding and the indemnified party determines in good faith that joint representation would be inappropriate, or

(ii) the indemnifying party fails to provide reasonable assurance to the indemnified party of its financial capacity to defend such Proceeding and provide indemnification with respect to such Proceeding), to assume the defense of such Proceeding with counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party and, after notice from the indemnifying party to the indemnified party of its election to assume the defense of such Proceeding, the indemnifying party will not, as long as it diligently conducts such defense, be liable to the indemnified party under this Section 11 for any fees of other counsel or any other expenses with respect to the defense of such Proceeding, in each case subsequently incurred by the indemnified party in connection with the defense of such Proceeding, other than reasonable costs of investigation. Pending a final and binding determination of any such Proceeding, upon giving notice thereof to the indemnifying party, the indemnified party shall be entitled to set off any amount to which it may be entitled under this Section 11 against amounts otherwise payable or distributable by the indemnified party to the indemnifying party including amounts distributable in respect of equity securities directly or indirectly owned by such indemnified party (such as in respect of trust shares of Compass Diversified Trust). If the indemnifying party assumes the defense of a Proceeding, (i) it will be conclusively established for purposes of this Agreement that the claims made in that Proceeding are within the scope of and subject to indemnification; (ii) no compromise or settlement of such claims may be effected by the indemnifying party without the indemnified party's consent unless (A) there is no finding or admission of any violation of Legal Requirements or any violation of the rights of any Person and no effect on any other claims that may be made against the indemnified party, and (B) the sole relief provided is monetary damages that are paid in full by the indemnifying party; and (iii) the indemnified party will have no liability with respect to any compromise or settlement of such claims effected without its consent. If notice is given to an indemnifying party of the commencement of any Proceeding and the indemnifying party does not, within ten days after the indemnified party's notice is given, give notice to the indemnified party of its election to assume the defense of such Proceeding, the indemnifying party will be bound by any determination made in such Proceeding or any compromise or settlement effected by the indemnified party.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an indemnified party determines in good faith that there is a reasonable probability that a Proceeding may adversely affect it or its Affiliates other than as a result of monetary damages for which it would be entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, the indemnified party may, by notice to the indemnifying party, assume the exclusive right to defend, compromise, or settle such Proceeding, but the indemnifying party will not be bound by any determination of a Proceeding so defended or any compromise or settlement effected without its consent (which may not be unreasonably withheld).

(d) CGI and the Sellers hereby consent to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any court in which a Proceeding is brought against any Indemnified Person for purposes of any claim that an Indemnified Person may have under this Agreement with respect to such Proceeding or the matters alleged therein, and agree that process may be served on Seller with respect to such a claim anywhere in the world.

(e) Upon final determination of Damages owing to Buyer hereunder in respect of:

(i) CBS, CGI and Buyer shall promptly deliver joint written notice of such finally determined Damages to each Person identified on Schedule 2 hereto as a minority stockholder of the shares of capital stock in CBS;

(ii) Crosman, CGI and Buyer shall promptly deliver joint written notice of such finally determined Damages to each Person identified on Schedule 2 hereto as a minority stockholder of the shares of capital stock in Crosman;

(iii) Advanced Circuits, CGI and Buyer shall promptly deliver joint written notice of such finally determined Damages to each Person identified on Schedule 2 hereto as a minority stockholder of the shares of capital stock in Advanced Circuits; and

(iv) Silvue, CGI and Buyer shall promptly deliver joint written notice of such finally determined Damages to each Person identified on Schedule 2 hereto as a minority stockholder of the shares of capital stock in Silvue.

11.8 PROCEDURE FOR INDEMNIFICATION—OTHER CLAIMS

A claim for indemnification for any matter not involving a third-party claim may be asserted by notice to the party from whom indemnification is sought. Upon receipt of such notice, the indemnifying party shall have 30 days to object to such claim for indemnification by delivery of a written notice of such objection to the indemnified party specifying in reasonable detail the basis for such objection. Failure to timely object shall constitute a final and binding acceptance of the claim for indemnification by the indemnifying party and such claim shall be paid by the indemnifying party. If an objection is timely made by the indemnifying party, then the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall negotiate in good faith to resolve any such dispute.

12. GENERAL PROVISIONS

12.1 EXPENSES

Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, each party to this Agreement will bear its respective expenses incurred in connection with the preparation, execution, and performance of this Agreement and the Contemplated Transactions, including all fees and expenses of agents, representatives, counsel, and accountants. Buyer will pay one-half and CGI and the Sellers, collectively, will pay one-half of the HSR Act filing fee.

12.2 NOTICES

All notices, consents, waivers, and other communications under this Agreement must be in writing and will be deemed to have been duly given when (a) delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt), (b) sent by telecopier (with written confirmation of receipt), provided that a copy is mailed by registered mail, return receipt requested, or (c) when received by the addressee, if sent by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service (receipt requested), in each case to the appropriate addresses and telecopier numbers set forth below (or to such other addresses and telecopier numbers as a party may designate by notice to the other parties):

If to CGI or the Sellers: Compass Group Investments, Inc.
c/o Compass Group International LLC
Sixty One Wilton Road, Second Floor
Westport, Connecticut 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud
Facsimile No.: (203) 221-8253

with a copy to: Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon, Esq.
Facsimile No.: (513) 361-1201

If to Buyer: Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC
Sixty One Wilton Road, Second Floor
Westport, Connecticut 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud
Facsimile No.: (203) 221-8253

with a copy to: Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP
1275 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004-2415
Attention: —
Facsimile No.: —

12.3 FURTHER ASSURANCES

The parties agree (a) to furnish upon request to each other such further information, (b) to execute and deliver to each other such other documents, and (c) to do such other acts and things, all as the other party may reasonably request for the purpose of carrying out the intent of this Agreement and the documents referred to in this Agreement.

12.4 WAIVER

The rights and remedies of the parties to this Agreement are cumulative and not alternative. Neither the failure nor any delay by any party in exercising any right, power, or privilege under this Agreement or the documents referred to in this Agreement will operate as a waiver of such right, power, or privilege, and no single or partial exercise of any such right, power, or privilege will preclude any other or further exercise of such right, power, or privilege or the exercise of any other right, power, or privilege. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, (a) no claim or right arising out of this Agreement or the documents referred to in this Agreement can be discharged by one party, in whole or in part, by a waiver or renunciation of the claim or right unless in writing signed by the other party; (b) no waiver that may be given by a party will be applicable except in the specific instance for which it is given; and (c) no notice to or demand on one party will be deemed to be a waiver of any obligation of such party or of the right of the party giving such notice or demand to take further action without notice or demand as provided in this Agreement or the documents referred to in this Agreement.

12.5 ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND MODIFICATION; DISCLAIMER OF REPRESENTATIONS

(a) This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between the parties with respect to its subject matter and constitutes (along with the documents referred to in this Agreement) a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter. This Agreement may not be amended except by a written agreement executed by the party to be charged with the amendment.

(b) Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, neither CGI nor any Seller makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, at law or in equity, in respect of the Shares or

the Acquired Companies or their Subsidiaries, or any of their respective assets, liabilities or operations, including with respect to merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose, and any such other representations or warranties are hereby expressly disclaimed.

12.6 ASSIGNMENTS, SUCCESSORS, AND NO THIRD-PARTY RIGHTS

Neither party may assign any of its rights under this Agreement without the prior consent of the other parties, which will not be unreasonably withheld, except that Buyer may assign any of its rights under this Agreement to any of its Affiliates. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will apply to, be binding in all respects upon, and inure to the benefit of the successors and permitted assigns of the parties. Nothing expressed or referred to in this Agreement will be construed to give any Person other than the parties to this Agreement any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under or with respect to this Agreement or any provision of this Agreement. This Agreement and all of its provisions and conditions are for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties to this Agreement and their successors and assigns.

12.7 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect. Any provision of this Agreement held invalid or unenforceable only in part or degree will remain in full force and effect to the extent not held invalid or unenforceable.

12.8 SECTION HEADINGS; CONSTRUCTION

The headings of Sections in this Agreement are provided for convenience only and will not affect its construction or interpretation. All references to “Section” or “Sections” refer to the corresponding Section or Sections of this Agreement. All words used in this Agreement will be construed to be of such gender or number as the circumstances require. Unless otherwise expressly provided, the word “including” does not limit the preceding words or terms.

12.9 TIME OF ESSENCE

With regard to all dates and time periods set forth or referred to in this Agreement, time is of the essence.

12.10 GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of New York without regard to conflicts of laws principles thereof.

12.11 COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed and delivered this Agreement as of the date first written above.

BUYER:

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

CGI AND THE SELLERS:

COMPASS GROUP INVESTMENTS, INC.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS CS PARTNERS, L.P.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS CS II PARTNERS, L.P.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS CROSMAN PARTNERS, L.P.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS ADVANCED PARTNERS, L.P.

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS SILVUE PARTNERS, LP

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

APPLICABLE PERCENTAGES

Acquired Company	Buyer's Allocable Percentage ¹	Pre-Adjustment Purchase Price ²	Pre-Adjustment Aggregate Ancillary Purchase Price ³	Pre-Adjustment Total Purchase Price	CGI's Allocable Share
		(a)	(b)	(c) = (a) + (b)	(d) = (a) ÷ (c)
CBS Personnel	[97.9%]	\$ [65,389,906]	\$ 0	\$ [65,389,906]	[100.0%]
Crosman	[75.4%]	\$ [25,038,978]	\$ [399,066]	\$ [25,437,984]	[98.4315%]
Advanced Circuits	[70.2%]	\$ [32,233,723]	\$ [1,895,755]	\$ [34,129,478]	[94.4454%]
Silvue	[73.0%]	\$ [23,424,449]	\$ [1,354,218]	\$ [24,778,667]	[94.5347%]
Total		\$ [146,087,056]			

- ¹ Represents Buyer's primary ownership percentage of each Acquired Company immediately after consummation of the Closing and of the closing of all Ancillary Transactions.
- ² In each case other than CBS Personnel, the purchase price (pre-adjustment) to be paid by Buyer to CGI and the applicable Sellers for the applicable Shares. In the case of CBS Personnel, this number includes the redemption proceeds to be paid by CBS Personnel to CGI and Compass CS for shares held by Compass CS that are to be redeemed as part of the Ancillary Transactions.
- ³ In each case other than CBS Personnel, the aggregate purchase price (pre-adjustment) to be paid by Buyer to the applicable minority stockholders as part of the Ancillary Transactions. In the case of CBS Personnel, this number is the aggregate redemption proceeds to be paid by CBS Personnel to shareholders other than Compass CS for shares held by such shareholders that are to be redeemed as part of the Ancillary Transactions.

SELLING MINORITY STOCKHOLDERS

Name of Stockholder	Acquired Company	Number of Shares	Class of Shares
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[to be inserted]

PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT

This PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of [___], 2006, is made and entered into by and between Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Purchaser"), and [___], a(n) [___] ("Seller").

WHEREAS, Seller is the record and beneficial owner and holder of [___] shares of [___] (the "Shares") of [___], a Delaware corporation (the "Acquired Company");

WHEREAS, pursuant to that certain Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of even date herewith, by and among Purchaser, Compass Group Investments, Inc., Compass CS Partners, L.P., Compass CS II Partners, L.P., Compass Crosman Partners, L.P., Compass Advanced Partners, L.P. and Compass Silvue Partners, LP (the "CGI Purchase Agreement"), Purchaser is acquiring a majority interest in the Acquired Company, the consummation of which is conditioned upon, among other things, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Purchaser desires to purchase the Shares owned by Seller, and Seller desires to sell the Shares to Purchaser, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants, representations and agreements herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Defined Terms. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the CGI Purchase Agreement.

2. Purchase and Sale of Shares. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Seller hereby sells and transfers the Shares to Purchaser, and Purchaser hereby purchases the Shares from Seller, for an aggregate purchase price of \$[___] (the "Share Purchase Price"), which Purchase Price is comprised of [\\$___] (the "Pre-Adjustment Share Purchase Price") [plus/minus] [\\$___] (the "Adjustment Amount"), which Adjustment Amount represents Seller's allocable share of the Purchase Price Adjustment, if any, attributable to the Acquired Company and determined pursuant to the CGI Purchase Agreement.

3. Condition to Obligations of Each Party. The obligations of the parties to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall be conditioned upon and subject to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the CGI Purchase Agreement.

4. Closing Deliveries.

(a) Seller hereby delivers to Purchaser certificates representing the Shares, duly endorsed (or accompanied by duly executed stock powers) for transfer to Purchaser; and

(b) Purchaser hereby delivers to Seller the Purchase Price, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account or accounts as specified by Seller.

5. Seller Representations and Warranties. Seller represents and warrants to Purchaser as follows:

(a) Seller is the record and beneficial owner of the Shares, and holds title to the Shares free and clear of any liens or encumbrances;

(b) Seller has all the requisite legal authority required to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform Seller's obligations hereunder; and

(c) This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Seller and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Seller, enforceable against Seller in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws affecting creditors' rights and remedies generally.

6. Purchaser Representations and Warranties. Purchaser represents and warrants to Seller as follows:

(a) Purchaser has all the requisite legal authority required to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder; and

(b) This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Purchaser and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Purchaser, enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws affecting creditors' rights and remedies generally.

7. Further Assurances.

(a) From time to time, without additional consideration, each party hereto will execute and deliver such further instruments and take such other action as may be necessary or reasonably requested by the other party to make effective the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to provide the other party with the intended benefits of this Agreement.

(b) Seller hereby acknowledges that, pursuant to the CGI Purchase Agreement, CGI and the other parties thereto who are selling shares of the Acquired Company to Purchaser are obligated to indemnify Purchaser for CGI's Allocable Share of certain Damages relating to the Acquired Company, which Damages may arise, largely if not wholly, from breaches by CGI and such seller parties of their representations and warranties under the CGI Purchase Agreement as relate to the Acquired Company, and that CGI and the Purchaser are required to promptly give joint written notice of any such Damages to Seller. Seller hereby agrees to pay to Purchaser, by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such account as is specified by Purchaser, promptly upon receipt of such joint written notice, its allocable share of such Damages, which allocable share shall be equal to that amount which is derived by multiplying such Damages (as finally determined by CGI and Purchaser under the CGI Purchase Agreement) by [____]%⁴.

8. Successors and Assigns; Third Party Beneficiaries. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Nothing contained in this Agreement, express or implied, shall confer unto any person other than the parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns any right, obligation, remedy or benefit hereunder.

9. Applicable Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to any applicable conflicts of law principles.

⁴ Note: This percentage will be derived by dividing the Pre-Adjustment Share Purchase Price by the aggregate of the "pre-adjustment total purchase price" indicated for the applicable Acquired Company in Schedule 1 to the CGI Purchase Agreement.

10. Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which together will constitute one and the same agreement. Any counterpart may be executed by facsimile signature and such facsimile signature shall be deemed an original.

11. Titles and Headings. Titles and headings to sections herein are inserted for convenience of reference only, and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has caused this Agreement to be executed on its behalf as of the date first written above.

Purchaser:

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS, LLC,
as Purchaser

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Seller:

**Illustrative Example of Calculation of Purchase Price
Pursuant to Section 2.2 of the Stock Purchase Agreement**

	CBS Personnel	Crosman	Advanced Circuits	Silvue
Total enterprise value	\$ 129,600,000	\$ 79,900,000	\$ 86,445,000	\$ 44,100,000
Less debt & capital leases to be repaid (a)	(31,949,193)	(45,192,000)	(48,625,000)	(13,902,850)
Less debt & capital leases to be assumed (a)	—	(171,000)	—	—
+/- working capital adjustment (b)	(1,583,802)	(2,019,000)	2,347,479	1,598,802
Less prepayment penalty	(400,000)	—	—	(60,000)
Plus mgmt & director note repayment (a)	300,000	1,235,838	8,422,358	—
Plus option & warrant proceeds	6,515,114	—	—	180,933
Less preferred equity value (a)	—	—	—	(8,671,621)
Proceeds to common equity	102,482,119	33,753,838	48,589,838	23,245,264
F.D. shares outstanding	8,037,494	577,360	1,329,729	43,050
Purchase price per share	\$ 12.7505	\$ 58.4624	\$ 36.5412	\$ 539.9597
CGI shares (purchased)	4,303,382	428,292	882,120	28,139
Purchase proceeds	54,870,272	N/A	N/A	N/A
CGI shares (redeemed)	825,037	N/A	N/A	N/A
Redemption proceeds	10,519,634	N/A	N/A	N/A
CGI common equity proceeds	\$ 65,389,906	\$ 25,038,978	\$ 32,233,723	\$ 15,193,926
Plus CGI preferred equity value (a)	—	—	—	8,230,523
CGI net proceeds	65,389,906	25,038,978	32,233,723	23,424,449

(a) Projected as of 3/31/06. Actual amounts at Closing will not exceed, respectively, \$___, \$___, \$___ and \$___.

(b) Projected as of 3/31/06. Actual amounts will vary and will be calculated pursuant to Section 2.5 of the Stock Purchase Agreement.

Acknowledged and agreed to by each of the undersigned, and certified as to by CGI and the Sellers as of ___, 2006:

Compass Group Investments, Inc.

By: _____

Compass CS Partners, L.P.

By: _____

Compass CS II Partners, L.P.

By: _____

Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC

By: _____

Compass Crosman Partners, L.P.

By: _____

Compass Advanced Partners, L.P.

By: _____

Compass Silvue Partners, LP

By: _____

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

THIS EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT dated as of September 28, 2005 (the "Agreement"), is entered into by and between James Bottiglieri, a resident of the state of New York (the "Executive"), and The Compass Group International LLC, a Delaware limited liability corporation (the "Company").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Executive has been a professional engaged in the accounting and finance professions for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Company offered to employ Executive and place him in a position of responsibility on terms and conditions agreed upon between the parties, and to provide him with confidential business information to enable Executive to perform his responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Executive accepted said employment; and

WHEREAS, the Company and Executive deem it to be in their respective best interests to enter into an agreement providing for the Company's employment of Executive on the terms and conditions set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants, representations, agreements, and promises set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. **Employment**

1.1 **Term**. The Company agrees to employ the Executive and the Executive agrees to accept such employment, for a period of two (2) years commencing as of the date of this Agreement, or for such longer term as the Company and the Executive may agree to in writing (the "Term"). The Term will automatically renew for successive one-year periods at the end of each Term, provided that the Company may terminate this agreement

upon two months notice and Executive may terminate this agreement upon six months notice after the end of the first two year Term.

1.2 Duties. During the Term, as Executive Vice President of the Company, Executive shall perform such duties and functions as are assigned to him from time to time by the President of the Company (the "President"), and Executive shall adhere to all of the Company's policies and procedures as they may from time to time be amended.

1.3 Time Devoted to Employment; Best Efforts. Except as Scheduled in Schedule 1.3 hereto, as it may be updated from time to time, subject to the Company's approval, to reflect the Executive's current activities, Executive agrees to devote his entire working time, attention and efforts to the Company and its affiliates and subsidiaries, will use his best, good faith efforts to promote the success of the Company's business, and will cooperate fully with the Board in the advancement of the best interests of the Company.

1.4 Location of Employment. Executive's principal place of employment shall be at the Company's offices located in Westport, Connecticut.

1.5 Use of Confidential Information. In performing his services for the Company pursuant to this Agreement the Executive will not use Confidential Information (as defined in Section 7) in a manner that would violate the rights or impair the interests of the Company.

1.6 Transfer to Affiliate. The Company may, at its option, transfer Executive's employment, and its obligations hereunder, to an affiliate of the Company or an entity under control of the Company's shareholders or its management team. Should this occur, the Company agrees to guarantee all payments owed to Executive hereunder, and Executive agrees that all of his obligations and the Company's right hereunder shall accrue to the entity to which employment is transferred.

2. Compensation and Related Matters.

2.1 Base Salary. As compensation for services rendered hereunder, the Company shall pay the Executive an annual base salary of \$325,000 or such higher amount as the Company, in its sole judgment and discretion, may provide during the Term (the "Annual Base"), provided that the Annual Base may be increased by

the Company, but not decreased, which amount shall be paid in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices.

2.2 Performance Bonus. The Company shall award a bonus (the "Bonus Amount") to Executive for each fiscal year of the Company during the term, which bonus shall be no less than \$100,000 and shall be recommended by the Company's President and determined by the Company's Board in its sole judgment and discretion.

2.3 Initial Bonus. The Company shall pay Executive a one-time Initial Bonus of \$100,000 on the first day of his employment.

2.4 Transaction Bonus. Upon completion of an initial public equity or debt offering by an affiliate of the Company to which more than one of the Company's affiliates have been or are contracted to be sold, Executive shall receive a one time bonus of \$200,000.

2.5 Benefits. The Executive will be eligible to participate in the Company's employee benefit plans made available to similarly situated employees of the Company, including medical, dental, life insurance (at least \$1 million of term benefits to be maintained by the Company), and 401(k) plan, all in accordance with Company policies and subject to the terms of those benefit plans, as they may from time to time be amended. The Executive will be afforded four weeks of vacation annually.

2.6 Withholding. The Company shall make such deductions and withhold such amounts from each payment made to Executive under this Agreement as may be required by law and in accordance with the Company's customary payroll practices.

3. Termination of Employment.

3.1 Termination. The Executive's employment hereunder may be terminated prior to the end of the Term of this Agreement under the following circumstances:

(a) Death. The Executive's employment hereunder shall terminate upon his death.

(b) Disability. If, as a result of the incapacity of the Executive due to physical or mental illness, the Executive shall have been absent from the full-time performance of his duties with the Company

for a cumulative six (6) months during any eighteen (18) month period, his employment may be terminated by the Company for “Disability.”

(c) Cause. Termination by the Company of the employment of the Executive for “Cause” shall mean termination based upon the Executive’s (i) willful breach of any provision of this Agreement or willful breach or willful neglect of his duties and responsibilities, (ii) criminal conviction of an offense constituting a felony occurring on or after the execution of this Agreement, (iii) acts of fraud, misappropriation or embezzlement, or (iv) breach of his duty of loyalty or fiduciary duties to the Company.

(d) Good Reason. The Executive may terminate his employment during the Term of this Agreement for “Good Reason.” Good Reason shall mean (i) the Company’s material breach of this Agreement, (ii) a requirement that Executive relocate to an area outside of a radius of twenty-five (25) miles of Westport, Connecticut, (iii) a reduction in the Executive’s Annual Base, or (iv) bankruptcy or insolvency of the Company; provided, however, that the Company shall be allowed to cure any such breach within ten (10) days after Notice of Termination is given by the Executive.

3.2 Date of Termination. “Date of Termination” shall mean (a) if the Executive’s employment is terminated due to his death, the date of his death, (b) if the Executive’s employment is terminated due to Executive’s Disability, ten (10) days after Notice of Termination is given to the Executive, (c) if the Executive’s employment is otherwise terminated by the Company or by Executive, the date upon which the Cause or Good Reason event or, if applicable, the last to occur of such events, occurs or such other date reasonably set forth in the Notice of Termination. Nothing in this Section shall be deemed to diminish the Company’s right to cause the Executive to cease performing his duties and responsibilities as an employee of the Company at any time for reasons other than those stated in Paragraph 3.1 (“Termination Without Cause”), or to limit either party’s right to give a Notice of Termination at any time during the Term of this Agreement.

3.3 Notice of Termination. Any purported termination of the Executive’s employment by the Company or by the Executive shall be communicated by written Notice of Termination to the other party hereto in accordance with Paragraph 9.4 of this Agreement. For purposes of this Agreement, a “Notice of Termination” shall mean a written notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon, and

shall set forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination of the Executive's employment under the provision so indicated.

4. Compensation Upon Termination.

4.1 Disability. During any period in which the Executive fails to perform his full-time duties with the Company as a result of incapacity due to physical or mental illness, the Executive shall be compensated as follows: (a) the Executive shall continue to receive his Annual Base at the rate in effect at the commencement of any such period less any compensation payable to the Executive under the applicable disability insurance plan of the Company during such period, until the Executive's employment is terminated pursuant to Section 3 of this Agreement; and (b) within thirty (30) days after the Date of Termination, the Company shall pay Executive a lump sum amount equivalent to (i) six months' Annual Base salary and (ii) one half times the Executive's average Bonus Amount for any fiscal year during Executive's employment with the Company, less any amounts to be paid to Executive during the first two years after disability has occurred by any Company disability insurance plan. Thereafter, the Executive's benefits shall be only as provided under the Company's insurance and other benefits programs then in effect in accordance with the terms of such programs.

4.2 Cause; Termination by Executive Without Good Reason Before Two Years. In the event the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company for Cause or by the Executive without Good Reason before the completion of his first two years of employment, the Company shall pay the Executive all earned, but unpaid amounts of his Annual Base, if any, to which the Executive was entitled as of the Date of Termination and the Company shall have no further obligations to the Executive under this Agreement.

4.3 Without Cause; Termination by Executive for Good Reason, Termination by Executive Without Good Reason After Two Years. In the event the Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason at any time or Without Good Reason after the completion of two years of employment but prior to the completion of four years of employment, the Company shall pay the Executive all earned, but unpaid amounts of his Annual Base, if any, to which Executive was entitled as of the Date of Termination. In addition, the Company shall pay to the Executive, within thirty (30) days after the Date of Termination, a lump sum amount equivalent to \$300,000.

4.4 Non-Solicitation of Employees. Upon termination, Executive shall not solicit other employees of the Company for employment elsewhere for a period of twenty-four months without express written consent of the Company.

5. Covenants.

5.1 Confidential Information. Executive acknowledges that during his employment with the Company, he shall be exposed to or given access to Confidential Information (as defined below in Section 7.2). The Executive agrees, without limitation in time or except to the extent such information shall become public other than by the Executive's unauthorized disclosure (which shall not include disclosures as are necessary or appropriate in connection with the performance by the Executive of his duties as President of the Company), to maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information and refrain from divulging, disclosing, or otherwise using in any respect the Confidential Information. There shall be no prohibition against the Executive using the general skill and knowledge which he has acquired as an employee of the Company, provided that such use does not violate this Paragraph 5.1 or other provision of this Agreement.

5.2 Ownership of Intellectual Property. Executive acknowledges and agrees that all work performed, and all ideas, concepts, materials or other subject matter related to the Company's business (collectively, "Materials") conceived, developed or prepared by him, alone or with others, during the period of his employment or other relationship with the Company in written, oral, electronic, photographic, optical or any other form, are the property of the Company and its successors or assigns, and all rights, title and interest therein shall vest in the Company and its successors or assigns, and all Materials shall be deemed to be works made for hire and made in the course of his employment or other relationship with the Company. To the extent that title to any Materials has not or may not, by operation of law, vest in the Company and its successors or assigns, or such Materials may not be considered works made for hire, Executive hereby irrevocably assigns all rights, title and interest therein to the Company and its successors or assigns. All Materials belong exclusively to the Company and its successors or assigns, with the Company and its successors or assigns having the right to obtain and to hold in its or their own name, copyrights, patents, trademarks, applications, registrations or such other protection as may be appropriate to the subject matter, and any extensions and renewals thereof. Executive hereby grants to the Company and its successors or assigns an irrevocable power of attorney to perform any and all acts and execute any and all

documents and instruments on his behalf as the Company and its successors or assigns may deem appropriate in order to perfect or enforce the rights defined in this Section. Executive further agrees to give the Company and its successors or assigns, or any person designated by the Company and its successors or assigns, at the Company's or its successors' or assigns' expense, any assistance required to perfect or enforce the rights defined in this Section. Executive shall communicate and deliver to the Company and its successors or assigns promptly and fully all Materials conceived or developed by him (alone or jointly with others) during the period of his employment or other relationship with the Company and its successors and assigns.

5.3 Return of Documents and Other Property. Upon termination of Executive's employment, the Executive shall return to the Company all of its property, equipment, documents, records, lists, files and any and all other Company materials including, without limitation, computerized or electronic information that is in Executive's possession as of the Date of Termination (the "Company Property"). The Company Property shall be delivered to the Company at its office in Westport, Connecticut (or at such other location designated by the Company), at Executive's expense, within five (5) business days after the Date of Termination. Unless otherwise agreed by the Company in writing, Executive shall not retain any Company Property.

5.4 Irreparable Injury. Executive acknowledges that the covenants contained in this Section 5 and the Executive's services under this Agreement are of a special and unique character, which gives them a peculiar value to the Company, the loss of which may not be reasonably or adequately compensated for by damages in an action at law. Executive therefore agrees that the Company shall be entitled, in addition to any other right or remedy, to a temporary restraining order, preliminary and permanent injunctions and any other appropriate equitable remedy that prevents Executive from breaching this Agreement.

6. Arbitration.

(a) All disputes under this Agreement will be resolved by arbitration in Connecticut, before a single arbitrator pursuant to the Rules of Commercial Arbitration of the American Arbitration Association. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. Any award rendered by the arbitrator will be conclusive and binding upon the parties and there will be no right of appeal therefrom (except as federal and/or state law provides limited rights of appeal of arbitration decisions.)

(b) Arbitration may be commenced at any time by any party hereto giving written notice to each other party to a dispute that such dispute has been referred to arbitration under this paragraph.

(c) The arbitrator will be selected by the joint agreement of the parties hereto, but if they do not so agree within 20 days after the date of the notice referred to above (or such longer time to which they agree), they will request from the AAA a panel of seven (7) arbitrators from which the parties will alternately strike names until a single arbitrator has been selected. The flip of a coin will determine which party strikes the first name.

(d) Each party will pay its own expenses of arbitration (including legal fees) and the expenses of the arbitrator will be equally shared. The arbitrator shall have no authority to make an award to either party of any such expenses or fees.

7. Definitions. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referred to in this Section 9:

7.1 "Affiliates" with respect to any person or entity, shall mean any entity that is controlled by such person or entity, is controlled by such person or entity or is under common control with such person or entity.

7.2 "Confidential Information" shall mean (i) any and all trade secrets, product and business plans; (ii) any and all non-public information concerning the business and affairs of the Company (which includes, but is not limited to, historical financial statements, financial projections and budgets, historical and projected sales, capital spending budgets and plans, the names and backgrounds of key personnel, personnel training and techniques and materials), however documented; and (iii) any and all notes, analysis, compilations, studies, summaries, and other material prepared by or for the Company containing or based, in whole or in part, on any information included in the foregoing.

8. Representations and Warranties of Executive. Executive represents and warrants to the Company that Executive's signing and performance of this Agreement will not violate any agreement of the Executive with any third party or otherwise violate the rights of any third party based upon the present or past relationship of the Executive with such third party.

9. Miscellaneous.

9.1 Successors and Assigns; Binding Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns; provided, that the duties of the Executive hereunder are personal to the Executive and may not be delegated or assigned by him.

9.2 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut.

9.3 Waivers. The waiver by either party hereto of any right hereunder or any failure to perform or breach by the other party hereto shall not be deemed a waiver of any other right hereunder or of any other failure or breach by the other party hereto, whether of the same or a similar nature or otherwise. No waiver shall be deemed to have occurred unless set forth in a writing executed by or on behalf of the waiving party. No such written waiver shall be deemed a continuing waiver unless specifically stated therein, and each such waiver shall operate only as to the specific term or condition waived and shall not constitute a waiver of such term or condition for the future or as to any act other than that specifically waived.

9.4 Notices. All notices and communications that are required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered personally or by overnight courier, as follows:

If to the Company, to:

The Compass Group International LLC
61 Wilton Road
Suite 2
Westport, CT 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud, President

and

Squire Sanders & Dempsey
Suite 3500
312 Walnut Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202
Attention: Steve Mahon

If to the Executive, to:

James Bottiglieri
805 Shore Acres Drive
Mamaroneck, N.Y. 10543

or to such other address as may be specified in a written notice personally delivered, faxed or mailed by overnight courier or registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, given by one party to the other party hereunder.

9.5 Severability. If for any reason any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, all other valid terms and provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect, and all of the terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be severable in nature. If for any reason any term or provision containing a restriction set forth herein is held to cover an area or to be for a length of time which is unreasonable, or in any other way is construed to be too broad or to any extent invalid, such term or provision shall not be determined to be null, void and of no effect, but to the extent the same is or would be valid or enforceable under applicable law, any court of competent jurisdiction shall construe and interpret or reform this Agreement to provide for a restriction having the maximum enforceable area, time period and other provisions (not greater than those contained herein) as shall be valid and enforceable under applicable law.

9.6 Amendment; Cancellation. This Agreement may not be amended or cancelled except by mutual agreement of the parties in writing (and without requiring the consent of any other person) and, so long as the Executive lives, no person, other than the Company, its successors and assigns and the Executive shall have any rights under or interests in this Agreement or the subject matter hereof except as expressly provided herein.

9.7 Descriptive Headings. The parties hereto agree that the headings of the several paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or construction of any provision of this Agreement.

9.8 Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior oral and/or written understandings and/or agreements between the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the date and year first above written.

The Compass Group International LLC

By: /s/ I. Joseph Massoud

Name: Ihab Joseph Morcos Massoud

Title: President

By: /s/ James Bottiglieri

James Bottiglieri

THIS CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO §15 — 48 -10 ET SEQ. OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS (1976), AS AMENDED.

SHAREHOLDERS' AGREEMENT

This Shareholders' Agreement ("Agreement") made as of the 16th day of August, 1999 by and between Compass CS Partners LP, a Bahamian partnership ("Compass"), and those individuals owning options to purchase shares of Compass CS Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") who have executed this Agreement.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Compass is the sole shareholder of the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company has adopted a Stock Option Plan dated August 16, 1999 ("Plan") pursuant to which Compass has granted options to purchase shares of its common stock to Eligible Individuals (as defined in the Plan);

WHEREAS, Compass, being the sole shareholder of the Company and those individuals who have signed this Agreement being the sole holders of options to purchase shares of Company Common Stock pursuant to the Plan, wish to enter into this Agreement to establish procedures for the transfer of the Shares (defined below);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual covenants and promises hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions. Whenever used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

1.1 "Permitted Transferee" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 3.3.(a).

1.2 "Shares" means the issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Company, \$.001 par value.

1.3 "Shareholder" means any person other than Compass who owns Shares which were issued pursuant to the Plan and were not acquired in violation of this Agreement.

Management of the Company.

1.4 Directors.

(a) All of the directors of the Company shall be nominated by Compass. The Shareholders hereby agree to vote their Shares so as to elect the directors so nominated.

(b) From the date of this Agreement through August 16, 2000, Compass agrees to nominate and elect Glen Kilgore as a director of The Kilgore Group, Inc.; provided, however, that the obligation to so nominate Glen Kilgore shall terminate on the earlier of (i) the completion of a public offering of Shares (ii) the date on which Compass ceases to own at least 70% of the Shares (iii) the date on which the Company sells all or substantially all of its assets to a third party in an arms-length party transaction or (iv) the termination “for cause” of the consulting agreement of even date between Kilgore and Kilgore Group Inc.

2. Shares Subject to Agreement; Restrictions.

2.1 Shares Subject to Agreement. All Shares, whether currently outstanding or hereafter issued, at any time held or owned by any Shareholder or by any successor in interest to any Shareholder shall be subject to this Agreement and to all the obligations and restrictions hereof.

2.2 No Transfers. Except as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5, no Shareholder or any successor in interest to any Shareholder shall sell, assign, convey, transfer, encumber or in any other manner dispose of any or all of the Shares held or owned by him except in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. Any such sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, encumbrance or disposition of the Shares in violation of this Agreement is void ab initio.

2.3 Transfers to Permitted Transferees.

(a) Any Shareholder may during his life or pursuant to his will transfer his Shares to his spouse or lineal descendants or a trust for his benefit and/or for the benefit of one or more of them. Any person receiving Shares pursuant to this Section 2.3 (a) is herein referred to as a “Permitted Transferee.”

(b) If any Shares are transferred to a Permitted Transferee, such Permitted Transferee shall take and hold such Shares, and such Shares shall be, subject to this Agreement and to the rights, obligations and restrictions provided herein, including, without limitation, the provision that such Permitted Transferee shall not thereafter transfer any such Shares pursuant to this Section 2.3 other than to a person who is a Permitted Transferee of such Shareholder. Every Permitted Transferee shall observe and comply with this Agreement and with all obligations and restrictions imposed hereby and shall, upon demand made at any time by Compass or any Shareholder, execute appropriate instruments to that effect.

2.4 First Refusal Rights. If any Shareholder (“Offeree Shareholder”) shall receive a bona fide written cash offer (“Offer”) from a non-affiliated third party (“Offeror”) which he desires to accept, Compass shall have the right (“First Refusal Right”) to purchase the Shares subject to such Offer (“Offered Shares”) at the same price and on the same terms and conditions as follows:

(a) The Offeree Shareholder shall provide notice to Compass setting forth the identity of the Offeror, the number of Shares proposed to be purchased, the proposed purchase price and all material terms and conditions of the Offer.

(b) For a period of 30 days (“Option Period”), Compass shall have the First Refusal Right to purchase the Offered Shares. Such option shall be exercisable by a written notice to the Offeree Shareholder no later than the expiration of the Option Period.

(c) If the First Refusal Right has not been exercised with respect to all of the Offered Shares within the Option Period, then the Offeree Shareholder shall have the right to sell all of the Offered Shares to the Offeror pursuant to the Offer within the period of 90 days following the expiration of the Option Period. If the Offered Shares are not so sold within such 90 day period, such Offered Shares shall continue to be subject to the provisions of this Agreement.

(d) The closing of the purchase of the Offered Shares by Compass pursuant to this Section shall be held at 11:00 a.m. (New York City time) at the principal office of Compass within 30 days after the expiration of the Option Period. At the closing, the Offeree Shareholder shall deliver the certificate(s) representing the Offered Shares in accordance with, and subject to, the terms and conditions of the accepted Offer.

2.5 Drag Along Rights.

(a) If Compass proposes to sell more than 5% of the then outstanding Shares in a bona fide transaction to a non-affiliated third party at any time, Compass shall have the right to require each of the other Shareholders (“Drag Along Shareholders”) to sell such percentage of his Shares to the same purchaser as proposed to be sold by the Company, upon the same terms and conditions on which, and at the same time, as the Company sells its Shares. The rights referred to in this Section 2.5 shall be exercised by written notice to the Drag Along Shareholders (“Disposition Notice”) from Compass proposing the sale or other disposition contemplated herein. The Disposition Notice shall specify the number of Shares to be sold, the price, terms and conditions of such proposed sale and a description of the proposed purchaser. The Disposition Notice shall be deemed effective with respect to each Drag Along Shareholder upon receipt,

(b) Promptly following receipt of such Disposition Notice, each Drag Along Shareholder shall deliver to Compass (or such other person as may be agreed upon between the Disposing Shareholders and each such Drag Along Shareholder) to be held by Compass (or such other person) for sale or return upon the terms of this Section 2.5, the certificate or certificates representing the Shares to be sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant to this Section, duly endorsed, together with a limited power-of-attorney authorizing Compass to sell or otherwise dispose of such Shares in accordance with the terms of this Section.

(c) Promptly after the consummation of the sale or other disposition of the Shares of Compass and the Drag Along Shareholders to the third party, and in any event not later than 2 business days after such consummation, Compass shall remit to each of the Drag Along Shareholders the total sale price of his Shares sold or otherwise disposed of pursuant hereto (after deduction of his proportionate share of the out-of-pocket expenses associated with such sale based on the number of Shares sold by such Drag Along Shareholder and each of the other Drag Along Shareholders and Compass) and shall furnish such other evidence of the expenses associated with and the completion and time of completion of such sale

or other disposition and the terms thereof, as may reasonably be requested by a Drag Along Shareholder.

(d) Compass shall have 90 days from the date of the Drag Along Shareholder's receipt of the Disposition Notice in which to sell such Shares to the third party at the price and on the terms not less favorable to the Drag Along Shareholders than will be received by Compass. If, at the end of such 90 day period Compass has not completed the sale or other disposition of its Shares and the Shares of the Drag Along Shareholders, all certificates representing Shares delivered for sale or other disposition pursuant to this Section shall be returned to the Drag Along Shareholders. Thereafter, Compass may complete its sale or other disposition to such non-affiliated third parties; provided, however, that the Drag Along Shareholders shall not be bound by the provisions of this Section with respect to such sale. This Section shall, however, apply to any other proposed sale or other disposition.

3. Miscellaneous.

(a) Legend on Certificates. Each certificate representing Shares shall be inscribed with the following legend:

"This certificate and the securities represented by this certificate and all rights therein are subject to and transferable (including without limitation by way of pledge or other grant of a security interest therein) only in accordance with the provisions of a certain Shareholders' Agreement dated as of August 16, 1999, among the Company and its Shareholders. A copy of such Shareholders' Agreement, as may be amended from time to time, is on file and available for inspection at the principal office of the Company. Any sale, pledge, gift, bequest, transfer, assignment, encumbrance or other disposition of this certificate and the securities represented thereby in violation of said Shareholders' Agreement shall be invalid."

(b) Effectiveness of Transfers. No Shares shall be transferred on the Company's books and records and transfer of Shares shall be otherwise ineffective unless such transfer is made pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

(c) Notices. Any and all notices or consents required or permitted to be given under any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received (i) on the date of delivery if delivered in person or by facsimile copy and confirmed or on the second date after it is given if sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight delivery service which requires a signed receipt or (ii) upon three days after the date of mailing, if mailed first class by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party entitled to receive the same at the following addresses:

(i) If to Compass:

NAVCO Inc.
C/o Oceanic Bank and Trust
4th Fl Euro Canadian Centre
Marlboro St & Navy Lion Rd
Nassau, Bahamas
Attn: Bruce Bell

with a copy to:

Phillips Nizer Benjamin
Krim & Ballon LLP
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103
Attn: Alan Shapiro, Esq.

and

Compass CS, Inc.
728 Post Road East
Suite 205
Westport, Ct. 06880
Attn: J. Massoud, President

- (ii) If to the individuals who have signed this Agreement to their address set forth on the signature page.

Any party hereto may change his address by giving notice to the other parties stating his new address, all in the manner provided herein. Commencing on the fifth day after giving such notice, such newly designated address shall be such parties address for the purpose of all notices or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement.

(d) Specific Performance. Due to the fact that the Shares cannot be readily purchased or sold in the open market, and for other reasons, the parties will be irreparably damaged in the event that this Agreement is not specifically enforced. In the event of a breach or threatened breach of any of the terms, covenants and conditions of this Agreement by any of the parties hereto, the other parties shall, in addition to all other remedies, be entitled to a temporary or permanent injunction, without showing any actual damage, and/or a decree for specific performance in accordance with the provisions hereof.

(e) Arbitration. Any controversy arising out of or relating to this Agreement (except controversies pursuant to or arising under Section 3 of this Agreement) or any modification, extension or termination thereof, including any claim for damages and/or rescission, shall be resolved by arbitration in the State of Connecticut, in accordance with the commercial arbitration rules then obtaining of the American Arbitration Association. The parties consent to the jurisdiction of the Courts of the State of Connecticut for all purposes in connection

with said arbitration and further consent that any process or notice of motion or other application to the Court or any judge thereof and any paper in connection with such arbitration may be served in or out of the State of Connecticut by certified or registered mail or personal service or in such other manner as may be permissible under the rules of the applicable Court or arbitration tribunal, provided a reasonable time for appearance is allowed. Any provisional remedy which, but for this Agreement to arbitrate disputes, would be available at law, shall be available to the parties hereto pending arbitration. Each party shall pay his own attorneys' fees and other expenses of such arbitration and related proceedings, except that the costs assessed by the American Arbitration Association or the said Court shall be shared equally by the parties.

(f) Entire Agreement. This Agreement cancels and supersedes any and all oral or written agreements and understandings made between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof, and contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

(g) Amendments; Termination. This Agreement may not be modified, amended or, except as herein provided, terminated except by a written agreement signed by all of the parties hereto.

(h) Waiver. No waiver of any breach or default hereunder shall be considered valid unless in writing, and no such waiver shall be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the same or similar nature.

(i) Assignment. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Compass its successors and assigns, and the Shareholders, their heirs, personal representatives and assigns; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as granting any Shareholder the right to transfer his Shares except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

(j) Headings. The headings contained herein are for the purposes of convenience only and are not intended to define or limit the contents hereof.

(k) Further Assurances. Each party hereto shall cooperate and shall take such further action and shall execute and deliver such further documents as may be reasonably requested by any other party in order to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Agreement.

(l) Use of Pronouns. Whenever the pronouns "he" or "his" are used herein they shall also be deemed to mean "she" or "hers" whenever applicable. Words in the singular shall be read and construed as though in the plural and words in the plural shall be read and construed as though in the singular in all cases where they would so apply.

(m) Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall be deemed one original.

(n) Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Connecticut without regard to the principles of conflicts of law of such State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

COMPASS CS PARTNERS LP
By: NAVCO Inc., its General Partner

By: [ILLEGIBLE]
Name:
Title: Power of Attorney

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Columbia, SC 20206

/s/ Glen Kilgore
Glen Kilgore
138 Spanish Point Drive
Beaufort, SC 29902

STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT

THIS STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT (the "**Agreement**") is made and entered into effective as of the 10th day of February, 2004, by and among CROSMAN ACQUISITION CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), COMPASS CROSMAN PARTNERS, L.P., a Bahamian limited partnership ("**Compass**"), NORWEST MEZZANINE PARTNERS I, LP, a Minnesota limited partnership ("**Norwest**"), KEN D'ARCY, an individual ("**D'Arcy**"), STEVE UPHAM, an individual ("**Upham**"), DAN SCHULTZ, an individual ("**Schultz**"), ROBERT BECKWITH, an individual ("**Beckwith**"), and each additional holder (if any) of Shares (as defined herein) signing an Additional Holder Signature Page in the form attached as Exhibit A hereto (each, a "**New Holder**" and, collectively, the "**New Holders**"). D'Arcy, Upham, Schultz and Beckwith are sometimes referred to herein as the "**Management Stockholders**". Compass, Norwest, the Management Stockholders and the New Holders (if any) are sometimes referred to herein individually as a "**Stockholder**" and collectively as the "**Stockholders**".

RECITALS:

The following recitals are representations of the parties hereto with respect to certain factual matters that form the basis of this Agreement and are an integral part of this Agreement:

A. The Company is authorized to issue one million five hundred thousand (1,500,000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (collectively, the "**Shares**"), 558,473 of which are currently issued and outstanding (the "**Outstanding Shares**").

B. The Company may hereafter authorize the issuance of and/or issue up to 75,000 Shares to its directors and certain designated employees pursuant to the terms of one or more stock option plans and/or stock option agreements and any related buy/sell agreements (collectively, the "**Stock Options**").

C. The Company, Compass, Norwest, the Management Stockholders and certain other persons named therein are parties to that certain Stock Purchase and Redemption Agreement of even date herewith (the "**Stock Purchase Agreement**"), pursuant to which Compass purchased from certain stockholders 440,310 Shares, and Norwest purchased 77,909 Shares.

D. The Company, Crosman Corporation, a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("**Crosman**"), and Norwest, as Purchaser, are parties to a certain Subordinated Note Purchase Agreement of even date herewith (the "**Note Purchase Agreement**"), pursuant to which Norwest has, among other things, agreed to purchase certain Notes (as defined therein) in the original principal amount of \$14,000,000 from Crosman (the "**Notes**").

E. The Company and the Stockholders desire to set forth their agreement with respect to ownership of Shares and establish consistent policies with respect to the management of the Company and the transfer of Shares.

AGREEMENT:

In consideration of the forgoing Recitals and the mutual promises contained in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the adequacy, sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1 — GENERAL RESTRICTION ON TRANSFER

In order to assure the Company and the Stockholders the benefit of this Agreement, no Stockholder shall sell, exchange, give, transfer, assign, pledge, encumber, hypothecate or otherwise dispose (“**transfer**”) of any Shares or any legal, beneficial or other interest in any Shares (including, without limitation, transfers by way of intestacy, will, gift, bankruptcy, execution, seizure and sale by legal process, by operation of law or otherwise) except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

SECTION 2 — PERMITTED TRANSFERS

(a) Without first complying with the provisions of Section 3, below, and subject to the provisions of the Stock Options, the Stockholders may transfer legal and/or beneficial ownership of Shares only (i) in an Open Market Transaction (as defined below), (ii) pursuant to Section 4 hereof, (iii) pursuant to Section 5 hereof (provided that Compass shall be required to comply with Section 3 prior to offering the Tag-Along Rights set forth in said Section 5), or (iv)(A) among themselves, (B) to any Affiliate (defined below) of Compass or Norwest, and/or (C) in the case of a Management Stockholder, to such Management Stockholder’s spouse, lineal descendants or trusts for the benefit of any of them or any partnership, corporation or other entity that is and remains owned or controlled by them; provided that the transferring Management Stockholder shall retain voting control over the Shares transferred through a voting trust or similar arrangement (each transferee described in any of clauses (iv)(A), (B) or (C), a “**Permitted Transferee**”). Any Shares transferred by a Stockholder to a Permitted Transferee shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, however, if any term or provision contained in this Agreement relating to the rights and/or obligations of Stockholders to transfer Shares shall be inconsistent with any term or provision contained in the Stock Options, the terms of the Stock Options, as applicable, shall control.

(b) As used in this Agreement, “**Affiliate**” of a Person shall mean any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, under common control with, or controlled by such Person. An Affiliate of any Person shall include any officer, director, manager, employee or (direct or indirect) record or beneficial owner of any equity interest in such Person. For purposes of the definition of Affiliate, “**control**” when used with respect to any specific Person, means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms “**controlling**” and “**controlled**” have meanings relative to the foregoing. As used herein, “**Person**” shall mean any individual, sole proprietorship, or other entity of any kind or nature including without limitation any corporation, partnership, trust, unincorporated organization, limited liability company, mutual company, joint stock company, estate, union, employee organization, government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

(c) As used in this Section 2, the term “**Open Market Transaction**” means the sale of Shares in an open market transaction at such time as there exists a bona fide public market for such Shares, such transaction including, without limitation a sale pursuant to a registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), or pursuant to Rule 144 (or any successor rule, which shall not include Rule 144A) under such Securities Act.

(d) Except as expressly permitted in Section 2(f) below, nothing in this Section 2 shall be deemed to permit the Company to repurchase any of its Shares from a Management Stockholder or any other Stockholder. If the Company desires to effect any such purchase, it shall send notice to all of the Stockholders describing (i) the Stockholder from whom it desires to make such repurchase and, if applicable, the event giving rise to the request to make such repurchase, (ii) the number of Shares which are the subject of the repurchase, (iii) the proposed repurchase price and (iv) the fair market value of the subject Shares as determined by the Company’s Board of Directors in its sole discretion. Each of Compass and Norwest shall have the right to consent or withhold its consent to such repurchase in its sole discretion.

(e) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, without first complying with the provisions of Section 3, below, and without obtaining the consent of Norwest or any other Stockholder, Compass shall be permitted to sell and transfer up to an aggregate of 30,000 Shares to directors, officers and employees of the Company or any subsidiary thereof; provided that in the case of a sale to officers or employees of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, such sale is made within 90 days of the date hereof.

(f) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, without first complying with the provisions of Section 3, below, and without obtaining the consent of Norwest or any other Stockholder, the Company, Compass and/or Norwest, in their sole discretion, shall be permitted to purchase from any Management Stockholder, or any other director, officer or employee of the Company or any subsidiary thereof, upon termination of employment (in the case of an officer or employee), or upon such person ceasing to be a director, any Shares sold to such individual on or before the date hereof or pursuant to the provisions of Section 2(e) hereof; provided, however, that in no event shall the Company purchase any such Shares at a price greater than the fair market value of such Shares on the date of such purchase, as determined by the Company’s Board of Directors.

(g) As security for the payment and performance of each New Holder’s obligations under this Agreement, such New Holder hereby pledges and grants to the Company a security interest in all of such New Holder’s rights, title and interest in, to and under all of its Shares, the stock certificates evidencing the same and all dividends, distributions and other proceeds therefrom. In order to perfect such security interest, upon the request of the Company or Compass from time to time, each New Holder shall promptly deliver to the Company all stock certificates evidencing the Shares of such new Holder, together with a stock power executed in blank in a form acceptable to the Company and its counsel. Upon a breach of any covenant or agreement of such New Holder under this Agreement and the failure of such New Holder to cure the same within five (5) days after receipt of written notice thereof from the Company or

Compass, the Company shall have all of the rights and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in the State of Delaware.

SECTION 3 — RIGHTS OF FIRST REFUSAL

(a) Company's Right. If a Stockholder or any Permitted Transferee (a "**Selling Stockholder**") desires to dispose of all or any part of the Shares owned by such Selling Stockholder ("**Offered Shares**") in a privately-negotiated transaction pursuant to a *bona fide* offer (the "**Offer**") from a person or entity other than a Permitted Transferee, then:

(i) The Selling Stockholder first shall offer in writing to sell all of the Offered Shares to the Company on the same terms as set forth in the Offer, and remit written notice to the Company of the material terms of the Offer (the "**Offered Terms**"); and

(ii) The Company may elect to purchase all of the Offered Shares on the Offered Terms by providing written notice to the Selling Stockholder within thirty (30) days after receiving the notice of offer, otherwise the offer will be deemed declined by the Company. The determination by the Company shall be made by a majority of the directors, excluding the Selling Stockholder (if such Selling Stockholder is a director).

(b) Compass' Right. If the Company does not elect to purchase the Offered Shares within the applicable time period, the Selling Stockholder next shall (i) offer in writing to sell all of the Offered Shares to Compass and (ii) remit written notice to Compass of the Offered Terms. Compass may elect to purchase the Offered Shares on the Offered Terms by providing written notice to the Selling Stockholder within twenty (20) days after receipt of the notice of offer, otherwise the offer will be deemed declined by Compass. If Compass elects to purchase all or part of the Offered Shares, then the Selling Stockholder shall sell such number of Offered Shares with respect to which Compass exercised such option to Compass in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3.

(c) Other Stockholders' Rights. If Compass elects to purchase all of the Offered Shares, then the remaining Stockholders shall not have the option or right to purchase any of the Offered Shares. However, if Compass elects not to purchase any of the Offered Shares or to purchase less than all of the Offered Shares, then the Selling Stockholder shall (i) offer in writing to sell the Offered Shares not purchased by Compass (the "**ROFR Shares**") to the remaining Stockholders as provided below and (ii) remit written notice to such Stockholders of the Offered Terms. Each such Stockholder may elect to purchase ROFR Shares on the Offered Terms by providing written notice to the Selling Stockholder within twenty (20) days after receipt of the notice of offer, otherwise the offer will be deemed declined by such Stockholder. If more than one such Stockholder elects to purchase ROFR Shares, then each such Stockholder shall have the right to purchase only that proportion of the ROFR Shares which the number of Shares then owned by such Stockholder bears to the total number of Shares then held by all of the Stockholders which exercised their purchase options hereunder.

(d) Requirements for Sale. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, a Selling Stockholder shall not be required to sell any Offered Shares to the Company, Compass or

the other Stockholders hereunder unless the Company, Compass and the other Stockholders, together, purchase all but not less than all of such Offered Shares.

(e) Closing Date. If the Company, Compass or any other Stockholders elect to purchase all of the Offered Shares on the Offered Terms in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3, then the transaction(s) contemplated by this Section 3 shall be consummated and payment made in accordance with the Offered Terms on the date which is the later of: (i) the date specified in the offer; or (ii) thirty (30) days after the Company, Compass or the other Stockholders, as the case may be, exercise their option to purchase the Offered Shares.

(f) Sale to Original Offeror; Renewal of Right of First Refusal. If the Company, Compass and the other Stockholders together do not elect to purchase all of the Offered Shares within the time period specified in paragraph (a), (b) or (c), as applicable, of this Section 3, then the Selling Stockholder may sell such Offered Shares to the person or entity making the Offer if, but only if: (i) the sale of the Offered Shares is consummated within sixty (60) days following the last day on which Compass or the other Stockholders could exercise their respective rights to purchase the Offered Shares; and (ii) the Company shall have received an original Additional Holder Signature Page in the form attached as Exhibit A hereto executed by the purchaser of the Offered Shares. If the Selling Stockholder fails to sell the Offered Shares in accordance with this paragraph, then the provisions of this Section 3 shall automatically renew and the Selling Stockholder must again comply with all of the requirements contained in this Section 3.

(g) Effect of Change in Offered Terms. Each time the Offered Terms are altered in any fashion, including, but not limited to, changes in the proposed purchaser or the consideration to be paid or manner of payment, then the provisions of this Section 3 shall automatically renew as if a totally new transaction were proposed.

SECTION 4 — DRAG-ALONG RIGHTS

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3, above, but subject to the following provisions of this Section 4, if at any time following the date hereof, a majority of the Company's Board of Directors and holders of a majority of the voting rights with respect to the Shares then outstanding (voting as a single class) (the "**Majority Stockholders**") shall vote or otherwise enter into an agreement to (A) sell in a *bona fide* arms' length transaction all of the Shares owned by the Majority Stockholders to any independent third party, person or group of persons who are not affiliated with the Majority Stockholders (an "**Outsider**"), or (B) an agreement to enter into a *bona fide* arms' length transaction pursuant to which the Company agrees to merge with or into another entity or agrees to sell all or substantially all of the assets of the Company to another independent, third party entity that is not affiliated with the Majority Stockholders (in each case, a "**Corporate Transaction**"), then the Majority Stockholders may require that each Stockholder sell all of the Shares owned by such Stockholder to such independent third party, person or group of persons at the same price per share and on the same terms and conditions as are applicable to the proposed sale by such Majority Stockholders and/or vote such securities in favor of the Corporate Transaction. Each Stockholder hereby grants to Compass or its designee an irrevocable proxy, coupled with an interest, to vote all shares of capital stock owned by the Stockholder and to take such other actions to the extent necessary to

carry out the provisions of this Section 4 in the event of any breach by the Stockholder of its obligations hereunder.

(b) In order to exercise the rights under this Section 4, the Majority Stockholders must give notice to each Stockholder (other than the Majority Stockholders) not less than thirty (30) days prior to the proposed date upon which the contemplated Corporate Transaction is to be effected.

(c) The obligations of the Stockholders pursuant to this Section 4 are subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) upon the consummation of the Corporate Transaction, each Stockholder shall receive the same proportion of the aggregate consideration from such Corporate Transaction (including in such aggregate consideration the amount of any non-competition payments or finders, brokers, consulting or similar fees to be received by the Majority Stockholders) that such Stockholder would have received if such aggregate consideration had been distributed by the Company in complete liquidation pursuant to the rights and preferences set forth in the Company's certificate of incorporation as in effect immediately prior to the entrance into the first agreement entered into in connection with, and prior to, such Corporate Transaction (giving effect to applicable orders of priority);

(ii) if any holders of a class or series of capital stock are given an option as to the form and of consideration to be received, each other holder of such class or series shall be given the same option;

(iii) the Corporate Transaction must be a *bona fide*, arms' length transaction;

(iv) the purchaser, acquirer or similar counterparty in the Corporate Transaction must not be affiliated with any of the Majority Stockholders, including, without limitation, that the purchaser, acquirer or similar counterparty must not, directly or indirectly, be a stockholder, officer, director, partner, member or manager of any of the Majority Stockholders;

(v) prior to the Corporate Transaction, the purchaser, acquirer or similar counterparty in the Corporate Transaction must not, directly or indirectly, control, be controlled by, or be under common control with, any of the Majority Stockholders;

(vi) if any Stockholder obtains in connection with the Corporate Transaction any contractual rights, such as registration rights, rights of co-sale, preemptive rights, and the like, each other Stockholder shall receive substantially commensurate contractual rights in connection with such Corporate Transaction;

(vii) each Stockholder shall only be obligated to make representations or warranties in any such Corporate Transaction as to such Person's (A) title and ownership of the Shares to be sold by such Person, (ii) authorization, execution and delivery of relevant documents by such Person, and (iii) the enforceability of relevant documents against such Person; and

(viii) in the event that all of the Stockholders are required to provide any representations or indemnities in connection with the Corporate Transaction, each Stockholder shall not be liable for more than such person's pro rata share (based upon the amount of consideration received) of any liability for misrepresentation or indemnity and such liability shall not exceed both the total purchase price or consideration received by such Stockholder for such person's Shares in such Corporate Transaction and such Stockholders' pro rata share of any escrow established in connection with any such Corporate Transaction.

SECTION 5 — TAG-ALONG RIGHTS

(a) With respect to any proposed transfer, sale or other disposition (as used in this Section 5, collectively, a **"proposed transfer"**) of Shares by Compass (Compass and any of its transferees permitted hereunder being hereinafter referred to collectively as the **"Control Group"**) to a person (such other person being hereafter referred to in this Section 5 as the **"proposed purchaser"**), other than pursuant to a transfer by a member of the Control Group to another member of the Control Group or to one or more Permitted Transferees, each other Stockholder shall have the right (the **"Tag-Along Right"**) to sell to the proposed purchaser up to a pro rata portion of the Shares subject to the proposed transfer based on the relative number of Shares owned by Compass and each Stockholder that exercises its Tag-Along Right hereunder. Any Shares purchased from a Stockholder pursuant to this Section 5 shall be for the same consideration and upon the same terms and conditions as such proposed transfer by the Control Group. A representative of the Control Group (the **"Control Group Representative"**) shall, not less than thirty (30) nor more than ninety (90) calendar days prior to each proposed transfer, notify, or cause to be notified, each other Stockholder in writing of each such proposed transfer, setting forth in such notice (the **"Control Group Transfer Notice"**): (A) the name of the transferor and the number of Shares proposed to be transferred; (B) the name and address of the proposed purchaser; (C) the proposed amount and form of consideration and terms and conditions of payment offered by such proposed purchaser; and (D) that the proposed purchaser has been informed of the Tag-Along Right provided for in this Section 5.

(b) The Tag-Along Right may be exercised by a Stockholder by delivery of a written notice to the Control Group Representative (the **"Tag-Along Notice"**) within twenty (20) days following its receipt of the Control Group Transfer Notice. The Tag-Along Notice shall state the number of Shares that such Stockholder proposes to include in such transfer to the proposed purchaser. In the event that the proposed purchaser does not purchase Shares from such Stockholder on the same terms and conditions as specified in the Control Group Transfer Notice, then the Control Group shall not be permitted to sell any Shares to the proposed purchaser in the proposed transfer. If no Tag-Along Notice is received during the 20-day period referred to above (or if such Tag-Along Notices do not cover all the Shares proposed to be transferred), the Control Group shall have the right, for a period of ninety (90) days after the expiration of the 20-day period referred to above, to transfer the Shares specified in the Control Group Transfer Notice (or the remaining Shares) on terms and conditions no more favorable than those stated in the Tag-Along Notice and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 5.

(c) The Company agrees not to affect any transfer of Shares by any member of the Control Group until it has received evidence reasonably satisfactory to it that the Tag-Along Right, if applicable to such transfer, has been complied with.

SECTION 6 — UNAUTHORIZED TRANSFERS

If a party hereto or transferee of a party hereto fails to act in conformity with this Agreement, or if any Shares are held in any manner contrary to the terms of this Agreement, then the other parties to this Agreement may avail themselves of all remedies afforded at law, in equity or in this Agreement and, in addition, any dividends otherwise to be paid upon such Shares shall be retained by the Company and such breaching party shall have no right to vote on any matters in respect to Company. When the breach is cured, the Company shall deliver the withheld distributions, without interest, and the breaching party shall be entitled to vote on any matters properly presented to a vote of the holders of the Shares subsequent to the date such breach is cured. Any purported transfer of Shares in violation of this Agreement shall not affect the beneficial ownership of such Shares and shall not be recognized in the books and records of the Company.

SECTION 7 — CERTAIN RIGHTS OF NORWEST

(a) Norwest Director. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that Section 2.5 of the Note Purchase Agreement provides that, as long as Norwest holds no less than 25% of the Shares held by it on the date hereof, Norwest shall have the right to designate one (1) member of the Board of Directors of the Company and one (1) member of the Board of Directors of Crosman (the “**Norwest Director**”). The Company, Compass and the other Stockholders shall vote all of their respective Shares and shares of capital stock of Crosman, as applicable, (i) to elect as a director of the Company and Crosman the person designated in writing by Norwest to serve as the Norwest Director and (ii) if and to the extent directed by Norwest, for the removal of the Norwest Director. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of the Norwest Director, the Company, Compass and the other Stockholders shall vote all of their respective Shares and shares of capital stock of Crosman, as applicable, to replace that director by another person designated by Norwest. Notwithstanding any provision hereof to the contrary, for so long as Norwest holds no less than 25% of the Shares held by it on the date hereof, the provisions of this Section 7 may only be amended with the prior written consent of Norwest.

(b) Preemptive Rights. (i) So long as Norwest owns any Shares, except for Excluded Issuances (as defined below), if the Company authorizes or issues to any Person (the “**Proposed Purchaser**”) any Shares or any other equity securities, debt securities containing equity features or other securities or other rights convertible into or containing options or rights to acquire any such debt or equity securities (collectively, “**Securities**”), the Company shall, at least 90 days prior to such authorization or issuance, offer to sell by written notice (a “**Proposal Notice**”) to Norwest a portion of such Securities equal to the quotient determined by dividing (A) the number of Shares then held by Norwest by (B) the total number of Shares then outstanding (in each case, calculated assuming the exercise of all outstanding warrants and options to purchase Shares to the extent such warrants and options are then exercisable by their respective terms). The Proposal Notice shall describe the terms of the offering and shall set forth in reasonable detail the Securities being offered, the purchase price thereof, the payment terms

and Norwest's percentage allotment. Norwest shall be entitled to purchase for cash such Securities at the most favorable price and on the most favorable terms as such Securities are to be offered to any Proposed Purchaser.

(ii) In order to exercise its purchase rights hereunder, Norwest must deliver a written notice to the Company describing its election hereunder within 15 days after receipt of the Proposal Notice from the Company; provided that any such election may be subject to the consummation of the sale of the Securities described in the Proposal Notice on the terms set forth therein.

(iii) If Norwest fails to timely exercise its rights pursuant to Section 7(b)(ii), the Company shall be entitled to sell such Securities which Norwest has not elected to purchase to the Proposed Purchaser during the 90 days following such expiration on terms and conditions no more favorable to the Proposed Purchaser thereof than those offered to Norwest. Any Securities offered or sold by the Company to the Proposed Purchaser after such 90-day period must be reoffered to Norwest pursuant to the terms of this Section 7(b).

(iv) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may issue and sell Securities without first complying with Section 7(b)(i) provided that the following conditions are met: (a) the Board has determined in good faith that (x) the Company needs an immediate cash investment; (y) no alternative financing is available under reasonable timing and on reasonable terms for the Company; and (z) the delay caused by compliance with Section 7(b)(i) in connection with such investment would be reasonably likely to cause severe and immediate harm to the Company; (b) the Company gives prompt notice to Norwest of such investment, which notice shall describe in reasonable detail the Securities being purchased by the Person making such purchase; and (c) as promptly as practical following the issuance of Securities as provided above (but in any event within 30 days following such issuance), the Company shall take all steps reasonably necessary to enable Norwest to effectively exercise its preemptive rights under Section 7(b)(i) with respect to the Securities.

(v) For purposes of the foregoing, "**Excluded Issuances**" means (A) issuances of equity securities pursuant to a Public Offering or Stock Options, (B) equity securities issued in connection with the acquisition of another Person by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, whether by merger, purchase of all or substantially all assets or other acquisition of stock, recapitalization or reorganization as a result of which the Company shall become the owner of more than 50% of the voting power of the securities of such corporation, provided that such equity securities are issued to the equity holders of the acquired Person and not to any other Person, (C) up to an aggregate of 30,000 Shares issued by the Company to any director, officer, manager or employee of the Company or of any subsidiary of the Company, (D) equity securities issued in connection with any stock split, stock dividend, recombination, or reclassification of Shares distributable on a pro rata basis to all holders of Shares, and (E) up to 100,000 Shares to Compass and/or Norwest in accordance with the provisions of that certain Warrant Agreement dated as of February 10, 2004 among the Company, Compass and Norwest and the warrants issued pursuant thereto.

(c) Termination. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof to the contrary, (i) all of the rights and benefits of Norwest under this Section 7 shall terminate and be of no further force and effect from and after the date that Norwest ceases to own any Shares and (ii) the rights and benefits of Norwest under this Section 7 shall not be assignable by Norwest to any other party, without the prior written consent of the Company and Compass, which consent may be withheld in the sole discretion of such parties, and any attempted assignment thereof contrary to the provisions hereof shall be void and of no force and effect.

SECTION 8 — CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Norwest hereby acknowledges its obligations with respect to confidentiality as set forth in Section 9.13 of the Note Purchase Agreement, which obligations are incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof to the same extent as if they were set forth herein in their entirety. Such obligations shall survive the termination of the Note Purchase Agreement and Norwest shall be bound by the same for so long as it shall own any Shares. Each other Stockholder acknowledges that, as a Stockholder of the Company, he, she or it may become privy to confidential information regarding the Company and its subsidiaries and the financial condition, business or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries. Each other Stockholder agrees that he, she or it will maintain in strict confidence and will not, directly or indirectly, divulge, transmit, publish, release, or otherwise use or cause to be used in any manner to compete with or contrary to the interests of the Company and its subsidiaries, any confidential information relating to the Company's or its subsidiaries' systems, operations, processes, computer programs and data bases, records, development data and reports, cost analyses, flow charts, know how, customer lists, supplier lists, marketing data, personnel data, or any information relating to sales, financial structure, pricing, or other information of like nature. Each other Stockholder acknowledges that all information regarding the Company and its subsidiaries compiled or obtained by or furnished to him, her or it in connection with his, her or its association with the Company or any subsidiary thereof is confidential information and the Company's and such subsidiary's exclusive property. Upon demand by the Company, any Stockholder shall surrender to the Company all original and facsimile records, documents, data, and other materials in his possession pertaining to the Company, except to the extent such Stockholder is required to retain such information by law or regulatory authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this provision does not apply to the extent, and only to the extent, such information is clearly obtainable in the public domain.

SECTION 9 — LEGEND; COMPLIANCE WITH SECURITIES LAWS

(a) Legend. In order to effectuate this Agreement, each certificate evidencing Shares shall bear the following legend (or a legend of similar import):

“Ownership, encumbrance, pledge, assignment, transfer, or other disposition of this share certificate, or any shares issued in lieu hereof, are restricted by a Stockholders' Agreement to which the Company and the original purchaser or holder of these shares are parties, a copy of which Agreement is on file in the office of the Company. A copy of said Agreement will be mailed by the

Company to any stockholder without charge within five (5) days after its receipt of a written request therefor.”

The failure of the Company to place the foregoing legend on share certificates shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement as among the parties.

(b) Investment Representation. Each Stockholder represents to all other Stockholders and to the Company that all Shares have been acquired for investment and not with a view to the sale or distribution thereof within the meaning of the Securities Act; that such Stockholder has no present intention of selling or otherwise disposing of any of such Shares for its own account and no one else has or will have a beneficial ownership in any of such Shares; and that such Stockholder has been advised that the Shares have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and may not be offered, sold or otherwise transferred except in compliance with the Securities Act.

(c) Covenant to Comply with Securities Laws. By acceptance of a certificate evidencing shares of the Company, each party hereto agrees that at no time shall any of the Shares be transferred in the absence of (i) an effective registration statement under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws with respect to such Shares at such time, or (ii) upon the request of the Company, an opinion of counsel in form and substance satisfactory to the Company and its counsel, to the effect that the proposed transfer at such time will not violate the Securities Act or applicable state securities laws.

SECTION 10 — MISCELLANEOUS

(a) This Agreement shall terminate upon the earliest to occur of the following: (i) the sale of all of the Shares to an Outsider pursuant to Section 4, above; (ii) closing of any public offering by the Company of its equity securities pursuant to an effective registration statement filed by the Company pursuant to the Securities Act (other than pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-8 or any successor Form thereto) resulting in net proceeds to the Company or its stockholders of at least \$50,000,000; provided that if the Company does not on such date have a total market equity value of its publicly traded securities of at least \$50,000,000, then this Agreement shall not terminate pursuant to this clause (ii) until such later date as of which the Company has a total market equity value of its publicly traded securities of at least \$50,000,000; (iii) the dissolution of the Company; or (iv) the date upon which there is only one (1) holder of Shares.

(b) Nothing expressed or implied in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to confer on any person or entity, other than the parties hereto, any rights hereunder.

(c) This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware.

(d) Section headings are not to be considered part of this Agreement. They are included solely for convenience and are not intended to be full or accurate descriptions of the contents hereof.

(e) All of the terms and words used in this Agreement shall be deemed and construed to include any other number, singular or plural, and any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context of this Agreement or any paragraph or clause herein may require, the same as if such terms and words had been fully and properly written in the number and gender.

(f) All provisions of this Agreement are distinct and severable. If any provision shall be held to be unenforceable, the other provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected but shall remain in full force. The Company and the Stockholders agree that any unenforceable provision or restriction in this Agreement shall be deemed modified so it shall be enforced to the greatest extent permissible under law.

(g) This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

(h) All notices, demands or other communications to be given or delivered under or by reason of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given when (a) delivered personally to the recipient, (b) telecopied to the recipient (with hard copy sent to the recipient by reputable overnight courier service (charges prepaid) that same day) if telecopied before 5:00 p.m., Westport, Connecticut time on a business day, and otherwise on the next business day, or (c) one business day after being sent to the recipient by reputable overnight courier service (charges prepaid). Such notices, demands and other communications shall be sent to the Company at the address set forth below and to any Stockholder at the address indicated below such Stockholder's signature hereto, or at such address or to the attention of such other person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. The Company's address is:

Crosman Acquisition Corporation
c/o The Compass Group
61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
Westport, CT 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud
Telephone: (203) 221-1703
Telecopy: (203) 221-8253

with copies to:

Compass Crosman Partners, L.P.
c/o The Compass Group
61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
Westport, CT 06880
Attention: Alan Offenber
Telephone: (203) 221-1703
Telecopy: (203) 221-8253

and

Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
321 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, OH 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon, Esq.
Telephone: (513) 361-1230
Telecopy: (513) 361-1200

(i) The parties covenant and agree to execute and deliver such further instruments, agreements and other documents reasonably requested by any other party in order to effectuate the terms of this Agreement.

(j) This Agreement supersedes all previous stockholders' or similar agreements among the Company and any one or more of the Stockholders, including, without limitation, that certain Amended and Restated Stockholders Agreement dated as of October 15, 1999 among the Company and the other parties named therein.

(k) This Agreement may be amended only by the affirmative vote or written consent of (i) the holders of more than fifty percent (50%) of all issued and outstanding Shares, (ii) for so long as Compass or any Affiliate thereof is a Stockholder, Compass, and (iii) for so long as Norwest is the holder of no less than 67% of the Shares held by it as of the date hereof, Norwest; provided, however, that (A) for so long as Norwest shall own no less than 25% of the Shares held by it as of the date hereof, Section 7 hereof may only be amended with the prior written consent of Norwest, (B) if any amendment to this Agreement would alter any other provision applicable to a specific party such provision may only be amended with such party's consent, and (C) if any amendment to this Agreement materially adversely affects the rights of any Stockholder differently from the persons approving such amendment as provided herein, then the consent of such adversely affected Stockholder shall be required. If this Agreement is amended by the consent of the holders of fewer than all Shares, the secretary of the Company shall mail a copy of the amendment to each Stockholder who did not so consent.

(l) This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Company its successors and assigns, and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Stockholders and any holders of any Shares issued by the Company subsequent to the adoption of this Agreement and during the term of this Agreement, as well as their respective heirs, representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first appearing above.

CROSMAN ACQUISITION CORPORATION,
a Delaware corporation

By: /s/ Alan B. Offenberg
Name: _____
Title: _____

COMPASS CROSMAN PARTNERS, L.P.,
a Bahamian limited partnership

By: Navco Management, Inc.,
Its General Partner

By: /s/ I. Joseph Massoud
Name: _____
Attorney-in-Fact

(440,310 Shares)
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Westport, CT 06880
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NORWEST MEZZANINE PARTNERS I, L P,
a Minnesota limited partnership

By: Itasca Mezzanine Partners I, LLP,
a Minnesota limited liability partnership,
its General Partner

By: [ILLEGIBLE] _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
(77,426 Shares)
Address: _____

Attention: _____
Telephone: _____
Telecopy: _____

KEN D' ARCY, an individual
([30,043] Shares)
Address: _____

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STEVE UPHAM, an individual
([3,527] Shares)
Address: _____

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NORWEST MEZZANINE PARTNERS I, L P,
a Minnesota limited partnership

By: Itasca Mezzanine Partners I, LLP,
a Minnesota limited liability partnership,
its General Partner

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

(77,909 Shares)

Address: _____

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/s/ Ken D'Arcy

KEN D'ARCY, an individual

(29,157 Shares)

Address: 7851 Royal Woods

Pittsford, NY 14534

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/s/ Steve Upham

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Victor, NY 14564

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/s/ Dan Schultz

DAN SCHULTZ, an individual
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/s/ Robert Beckwith

ROBERT BECKWITH, an individual
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**STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT
OF
COMPASS AC HOLDINGS, INC.**

THIS STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT (the "**Agreement**") is made as of September 20, 2005, by and among Compass AC Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), Compass Advanced Partners, L.P., a Bahamian limited partnership ("**Compass**"), Madison Capital Funding LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("**Madison**"), Allied Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation ("**Allied**" and, together with Madison, the "**Institutional Investors**"), John Yacoub, an individual ("**John Yacoub**"), Ashraf Yacoub, an individual ("**Ashraf Yacoub**"), Dan Chouinard, an individual ("**Chouinard**"), Jim Hellmer, an individual ("**Hellmer**"), and Larry McQuinn, an individual ("**McQuinn**", and together with John Yacoub, Ashraf Yacoub, Chouinard and Hellmer, the "**Management Stockholders**"), and the Additional Holders from time to time a party hereto.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Compass owns beneficially and of record 904,000 shares of the Company's Series B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; and

WHEREAS, Madison and Allied each own beneficially and of record 40,000 shares of the Company's Series A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; and

WHEREAS, the Management Stockholders own beneficially and of record 152,364 shares of the Company's Series A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; and

WHEREAS, Compass, the Institutional Investors and the Management Stockholders hold all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company, and desire to set forth certain rights, preferences, privileges, obligations and restrictions accorded to and imposed on the Stockholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the forgoing recitals and the mutual promises herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

Section 1. Definitions. Whenever used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

1.1. "**Additional Holder**" and "**Additional Holders**" mean the additional holder or holders, as the case may be, of Shares that become a party to this Agreement from time to time by signing an Additional Holder Signature Page in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. Specifically excepted from this definition is any holder that is a successor-in-interest to all or some of the Shares held by Compass, notwithstanding that any successor-in-interest shall sign an Additional Holder Signature Page (any reference to Compass herein shall be a reference to any

such successor-in-interest, excluding Section 2.4 which rights shall remain solely vested in Compass for so long as Compass shall hold Shares).

1.2. **“Affiliate”** of any particular Person means any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with such particular Person.

1.3. **“Control”** (Including the terms “controls,” “controlled by” and “under common control with”) means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or credit arrangement, as trustee or executor, or otherwise.

1.4. **“Original Issue Price”** means, for each series of each class of capital stock of the Company, the per share issue price on the first date on which each respective series of capital stock was issued.

1.5. **“Person”** means an individual, corporation, partnership, bank, limited liability company, trust, association, unincorporated organization, other entity or group (as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act).

1.6. **“Securities Act”** means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any similar successor federal statute, all as the same shall be in effect from time to time.

1.7. **“Shares”** means the issued and outstanding shares of Series A Common Stock, Series B Common Stock and such other series of capital stock of the Company which may from time to time come into existence.

1.8. **“Stockholder”** means any person who owns Shares which were not acquired in violation of this Agreement.

Section 2. Shares Subject to Agreement; Restrictions.

2.1. Shares Subject to Agreement. All Shares, whether currently outstanding or hereafter issued, shall be subject to this Agreement and to all the rights, privileges, preferences, obligations and restrictions hereof.

2.2. No Transfers. Except as provided in this Section 2, no Stockholder shall sell, assign, convey, transfer, encumber or in any other manner dispose of any or all of the Shares held or owned by him. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, a Management Stockholder may encumber his or her Shares pursuant to a loan, note or other indebtedness if Compass or the Company is the creditor and the encumbrance is in favor of Compass or the Company, as the case may be. Any sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, encumbrance or other disposition of the Shares in violation of this Agreement is void *ab initio*.

2.3. Exempt Transfers. Notwithstanding Section 2.2, a Stockholder may make an Exempt Transfer. The following transactions shall constitute **“Exempt Transfers”** as that term is used in this Agreement: (i) an inter vivos transfer by a Stockholder to his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (ii) an inter vivos transfer to a trust for the benefit of such Stockholder

and/or the benefit of one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (iii) a transfer by will or intestate succession to a Stockholder's spouse or lineal descendants or such Stockholder's executor, administrator or testamentary trustee for the benefit of one or more of such Stockholder's spouse or lineal descendants; (iv) a transfer from a trust for the benefit of a Stockholder and/or one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants to such Stockholder's spouse and/or lineal descendants; (v) a transfer to any members of the Board of Directors of the Company that are nominees of Compass; (vi) a transfer to any director, officer or employee of The Compass Group International LLC; (vii) a transfer to a Person in which a Compass Affiliate is directly or indirectly the beneficial owner of five percent or more of the equity securities of such Person, (viii) a transfer by Madison to The New York Life Insurance Company or any of its majority-owned subsidiaries, provided that Madison shall provide the Company with written notice of such transfer within sixty (60) days of the transfer, and (ix) a transfer by Allied to an Allied Affiliate with the prior written consent of Compass, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Shares transferred to any such permitted transferee shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement and such permitted transferee shall become a Stockholder for purposes of this Agreement. Every such transferee shall observe and comply with this Agreement and with all obligations and restrictions imposed hereby and shall, at the request of Compass or any Stockholder, execute an Additional Holder Signature Page.

2.4. Drag Along/Tag Along Rights. Compass shall be permitted to sell, assign, convey, transfer, encumber or in any other manner dispose of any or all of the Shares held or owned by it, subject, however, (i) that Shares transferred to any person shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement and such transferee shall become a Stockholder for purposes of this Agreement and (ii) in the case of sales or other transfers for value, to the following restrictions:

(a) Disposition Notice. If Compass proposes at any time to sell or otherwise transfer for value, whether in a single transaction or in a series of transactions, including any redemption or repurchase of Shares by the Company, but excluding Exempt Transfers, (i) in the context of Section 2.4(b), substantially all of its Shares, or (ii) in the context of Section 2.4(c), more than 5% of the then outstanding Shares of the Company (each a "**Proposed Sale**") to any person, Compass shall send written notice (the "**Disposition Notice**") to the other Stockholders specifying the identity and address of such person, the number of Shares to be sold, the proposed per Share sale price, the form of consideration to be paid, any other material terms and conditions of the Proposed Sale, and, for *bona fide* sales subject to Section 2.4(b), below, whether Compass is thereby exercising its Section 2.4(b) Drag Along Rights. The Disposition Notice shall be deemed effective with respect to each such Stockholder in accordance with Section 7.2.

(b) Drag Along Rights. In the event that the Proposed Sale is a *bona fide* sale or other *bona fide* transfer for value to a non-affiliated third party (a "**Third Party Purchaser**"), Compass shall have the right to require each of the other Stockholders to sell, and each of the Stockholders hereby agrees to sell, an equal percentage of his Shares (the "**Drag Along Right**") to such Third Party Purchaser on the same terms and conditions, and at the same time as, the Proposed Sale. If Compass has by way of the Disposition Notice exercised its Drag Along Rights, then, promptly upon receipt of such Disposition Notice, each Stockholder (each a "**Drag Along Stockholder**") shall deliver to Compass (or such other person as may be agreed upon

between Compass and each such Drag Along Stockholder) to be held by Compass (or such other agreed upon person) in escrow for sale or return upon the terms of this Section 2.4, the certificate or certificates representing the Shares to be sold pursuant to this Section 2.4(b), duly endorsed or accompanied by executed stock powers, together with a limited power-of-attorney authorizing Compass to sell such Shares in accordance with the terms of this Section 2.4(b). To the fullest extent of the law, the Stockholders and any Additional Holders expressly waive any appraisal rights conferred under the Delaware General Corporation Law.

(c) Tag Along Rights. Upon receipt of any Disposition Notice from Compass, each of the other Stockholders shall have, as a condition to closing the Proposed Sale, the right to require (the “**Tag Along Right**”) that the same percentage of his or its Shares be sold as part of, and upon the same terms and conditions as, the Proposed Sale. The rights referred to in this Section 2.4(c) shall be exercised by written notice to Compass (the “**Tag Along Notice**”). The Tag Along Notice shall only be deemed effective if received by Compass from the electing Stockholder (each a “**Tag Along Stockholder**”) within the period ending 30 days after the Disposition Notice was received by such Tag Along Stockholder. Promptly upon giving the Tag Along Notice, each Tag Along Stockholder shall deliver to Compass (or such other person as may be agreed upon between Compass and such Tag Along Stockholder) to be held by Compass (or such other person) in escrow for sale or return upon the terms of this Section 2.4(c), the certificate or certificates representing his Shares to be sold as part of the Proposed Sale, duly endorsed or accompanied by executed stock powers, together with a limited power-of-attorney authorizing Compass to sell such Shares in accordance with the terms of this Section 2.4.

(d) Promptly upon the consummation of any Proposed Sale, and, in any event not later than 5 days after such consummation, Compass shall deliver to each Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, the total sale price of his or its Shares sold as part of the Proposed Sale (after deduction of his proportionate share, based on number of Shares sold, of the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses associated with such Proposed Sale), together with evidence of the expenses associated with, and the completion and time of completion of, such Proposed Sale.

(e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Compass shall have 90 days from the date of receipt of any Disposition Notice during which to consummate the Proposed Sale to which such Disposition Notice relates. If, at the end of such 90 day period, Compass has not consummated the Proposed Sale, all certificates representing Shares delivered by either a Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, to Compass for sale or other disposition as part of such Proposed Sale shall be returned to such Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, and the transaction contemplated by the Proposed Sale shall be deemed to be a new Proposed Sale and shall again be subject to the provisions of this Section 2.4.

(f) Limitations.

(i) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event that all of the Stockholders are required to provide any indemnities in connection with the Proposed Sale, each Stockholder shall not be liable for more than such Person's pro rata share (based upon the amount of consideration received) of any liability for indemnity, and such liability shall not exceed (A) the total purchase price or consideration received by such Stockholder for such Person's Shares in the Proposed Sale plus (B) such Stockholders' pro rata share of any escrow established in connection with any such Proposed Sale.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Institutional Investors shall only be obligated to make representations or warranties in any such Proposed Sale as to such Person's (i) title and ownership of the Shares to be sold by such Person, including the absence of liens or encumbrances on such Shares, (ii) authorization, execution and delivery of the relevant documents by such Person, and (iii) the enforceability of the relevant documents against such Person.

2.5. Expiration of Restrictions. All restrictions imposed pursuant to this Section 2 shall terminate:

(a) at any time upon the written agreement of the Company and all the Stockholders then signatory to this Agreement as it may be amended or revised from time to time;

(b) immediately upon the dissolution of the Company or the bankruptcy or insolvency of the Company;

(c) immediately upon the closing of the first underwritten offering by the Company to the public pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act; provided that such registration statement covers the offer and sale of Common Stock of which the aggregate net proceeds attributable to sales for the account of the Company exceed \$50,000,000; provided, further, that the Stockholders shall be required to enter into customary lock-up agreements in such form as is generally required from company insiders by the lead underwriter in such offering; or

(d) upon the acquisition by merger of the Company by an existing publicly traded company; provided that the Stockholders receive cash or publicly-tradeable securities in exchange for their Shares pursuant to such acquisition.

Section 3. Pre-Emptive Rights.

3.1. Rights to Purchase Additional Securities. So long as the restrictions imposed by Section 2 apply to the Stockholders and have not terminated pursuant to Section 2.5, except for Excluded Issuances (as defined in Section 3.3 below), if the Company authorizes or issues to any Person (the "**Proposed Purchaser**") any of its Shares or other equity securities, debt securities containing equity features or other securities or other rights convertible into or

containing options or rights to acquire any such debt or equity securities (collectively, “**Securities**”), the Company shall, within 90 days of such authorization or issuance, offer to sell by written notice (the “**Offer Notice**”) to each holder of record of Shares on the date of such authorization or issuance a portion of such Securities equal to the number of Securities to be so issued multiplied by the quotient determined by dividing (A) the number of Shares held by such holder of Shares by (B) the number of Shares then outstanding (calculated assuming that all convertible securities shall be converted into Shares, to the extent then exercisable, immediately prior to such issuance). The Offer Notice shall describe the terms of the offering, including, without limitation, the Securities offered and the price and other terms of sale, and shall set forth in reasonable detail the payment terms and such Stockholder’s percentage allotment.

3.2. Notice of Acceptance. In order to exercise his or its preemptive rights hereunder, each holder of Shares must deliver a written notice to the Company within 15 days of receipt of the Offer Notice, describing his or its election to purchase the Securities. If a holder of Shares fails to timely exercise such holder’s rights pursuant to this Section, the Company shall be entitled to sell such Securities which any holder of Shares has not elected to purchase to the Proposed Purchaser following such expiration on terms and conditions no more favorable to the Proposed Purchaser thereof than those offered to the holders of Shares.

3.3. Excluded Issuances. “**Excluded Issuances**” means any Shares or any security exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for Shares that may be issued or sold (i) pursuant to stock options or restricted stock or similar arrangements issued or provided to managers, consultants, directors and/or key employees of the Company (up to twenty percent (20%) of the Company’s total outstanding share capital), (ii) other than for cash or cash equivalents as part of an arms’ length transaction in which the Company is acquiring control of an unaffiliated third-party from a person to whom such Shares are issued, (iii) pursuant to a public offering of the Company’s securities, or (iv) to institutional lenders lending money to the Company (but no more than a cumulative aggregate of five percent (5%) of the Company’s total outstanding share capital).

Section 4. Legend on Certificates. Each certificate representing Shares shall (unless otherwise permitted by the provisions of this Agreement be stamped or otherwise imprinted with a legend (in addition to any legends as may be required pursuant to applicable state securities laws) substantially similar to the following:

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE “ACT”), AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ASSIGNED, PLEDGED OR HYPOTHECATED BY A HOLDER UNLESS AND UNTIL THE SECURITIES ARE REGISTERED UNDER THE ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AND, IF REQUIRED BY THE COMPANY, THE HOLDER HAS DELIVERED TO THE COMPANY AN OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO THE COMPANY THAT SUCH REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE AND ALL RIGHTS HEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO AND TRANSFERABLE (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION BY WAY OF PLEDGE OR OTHER GRANT OF A SECURITY INTEREST THEREIN) ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THAT CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT, DATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2005 AMONG THE COMPANY'S STOCKHOLDERS. A COPY OF SUCH STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT, AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, IS ON FILE AND AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE COMPANY. ANY SALE, PLEDGE, GIFT, BEQUEST, TRANSFER, ASSIGNMENT, ENCUMBRANCE OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY IN VIOLATION OF SAID STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT SHALL BE INVALID.

Section 5. Covenant Not To Compete.

5.1. During the period (the "**Non-Compete Period**") beginning on the date hereof and ending on the second anniversary of the closing date of the Disposition or, if an Employment Termination shall occur prior to the Disposition, the date that is the later to occur of (i) the one year anniversary of the Employment Termination and (ii) the end of the period during which any severance payments are paid under any employment agreement with the Company in connection with such Employment Termination, each Management Stockholder and each Additional Holder that is an employee, officer or director of the Company agrees and covenants that, in connection with the sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, encumbrance or other disposition of all the Shares owned by such Management Stockholder or Additional Holder (the "**Disposition**") or, if such Management Stockholder or Additional Holder is an officer or employee of the Company or its subsidiaries, such individual's termination of employment with the Company or its subsidiaries, as applicable (the "**Employment Termination**"), he or she:

(a) shall not own, manage, operate, join, control or participate in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected as a stockholder, member, manager, director, officer, employee, partner, consultant with, any for profit business, firm, entity or organization, which competes with the Company and its subsidiaries in the manufacturing, marketing and selling of printed circuit boards (the "**Business**") in any state in the United States or anywhere else in the world (each a "**Competing Concern**"); provided, however, the forgoing shall not prohibit such holder from beneficially owning up to five percent (5%) of the outstanding equity securities of a for profit business, firm, entity or organization the equity securities of which are traded on a national securities exchange, the Nasdaq Stock market, or the London Stock Exchange. Each such Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that such restriction is reasonable with respect to subject matter. Each such Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that because the Company and its subsidiaries do business throughout the world, such restriction is reasonable as to geographic area. Each such Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that because the Company is likely to continue to conduct a like business during the Non-Compete Period, such restriction is reasonable as to time.

(b) shall not, during the period beginning on the closing date of the Disposition and ending on the second anniversary thereof, directly or indirectly,

(i) contact, approach or solicit for the purpose of offering employment to or hiring (whether as an employee, consultant, agent, independent contractor or otherwise) or actually hire any person employed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries at any time prior to the closing date of the disposition or during the Non-Compete Period, without the prior written consent of Compass;

(ii) solicit or attempt to induce any customer or other business relation of the Company or any of its subsidiaries into any business relationship (including the termination or rescission of the relationship) which might materially harm the Company or any related, affiliated or subsidiary organization of Company; or

(iii) participate or concur in any remarks or actions that are disparaging or detrimental in any way to the business or personal reputation of the Company and any related, affiliated or subsidiary organization of Company, or any directors, officers, employees or representatives thereof.

5.2. Whenever possible each provision and term of this Section 5 will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid but if any provision or term of this Section 5 is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such provision or term will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such provision or term or the remaining provisions or terms of this Section 5. If any of the covenants set forth in this Section 5 are held to be unreasonable, arbitrary or against public policy, such covenants will be considered divisible with respect to scope, time and geographic area, and in such lesser scope, time and geographic area, will be effective, binding and enforceable against each Seller.

Section 6. Custody of Shares by Company.

To facilitate the enforcement of the rights and obligations agreed to herein by the parties, each Stockholder and each Additional Holder, other than the Institutional Investors, acknowledges such rights and obligations and agrees that the Company or its designee shall hold each such Stockholder's and Additional Holder's Shares (other than the Institutional Investors' shares), for the benefit of such Stockholder, subject to any rights granted to another party as permitted herein. Each Stockholder and Additional Holder (other than the Institutional Investors) shall promptly deliver to the Company all stock certificates evidencing the Shares of such holder, together with a stock power executed in blank in a form acceptable to the Company and its counsel. So long as the Company shall hold the Shares on behalf of a Stockholder, the Stockholder shall be entitled to exercise such holder's right to vote such Shares and shall be entitled to receive any dividend (ordinary or extraordinary, whether paid in cash or property) or other distribution with respect to such Shares.

Section 7. Miscellaneous.

7.1. Effectiveness of Transfers. No Shares shall be transferred on the Company's books and records, and transfers of Shares shall be otherwise ineffective, unless any such transfer is made pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7.2. Notices. Any and all notices or consents required or permitted to be given under any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received (i) on the date of delivery if delivered in person or by facsimile copy and confirmed, (ii) on the date received if sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight delivery service which requires a signed receipt or (iii) upon three days after the date of mailing, if mailed first class by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party entitled to receive the same at the following addresses:

Company:	Compass AC Holdings, Inc. c/o The Compass Group International, LLC 61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor Westport, Connecticut 06880 Attn: I. Joseph Massoud Facsimile No.: (203) 221-8253
with a copy to:	Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. 312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Attention: Stephen C. Mahon Facsimile No.: (513) 361-1201
Compass:	Compass Advanced Partners, L.P. c/o The Compass Group International, LLC 24422 Avenida de la Carlota Suite 370 Laguna Hills, California 92653 Attn: Elias J. Sabo Facsimile No.: (949) 420-0771
with a copy to:	Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. 312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Attention: Stephen C. Mahon Facsimile No.: (513) 361-1201
Madison:	Madison Capital Funding LLC 30 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3700 Chicago, Illinois 60606 Attention: Advanced Circuits Account Manager Facsimile No: (312) 596-6950

with a copy to: Winston & Strawn LLP
35 W. Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60302
Attention: John M. Schloerb
Facsimile No.: (312) 558-5700

Allied: Allied Capital Corporation
1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 3rd floor
Washington, DC 20006
Attention George Ferris, Principal
Facsimile No: (202) 659- 2053

with a copy to: Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oshinsky LLP
2101 L Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037
Attn: David P. Parker
Facsimile No: (202) 887-0689

Management Stockholders: To the address of each Management Stockholder as set forth on the signature page hereto.

Additional Holders: As applicable, to the address of each Additional Holder as set forth on the Additional Holder Signature Page.

Any party hereto may change his, her or its address for notice by giving notice to the other parties stating his, her or its new address, all in the manner provided herein. Commencing on the fifth day after giving such notice, such newly designated address shall be such party's address for the purpose of all notices or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement

7.3. Specific Performance. Due to the fact that the Shares cannot be readily purchased or sold in the open market, and for other reasons, the parties will be irreparably damaged in the event that this Agreement is not specifically enforced. In the event of a breach or threatened breach of any of the terms, covenants and conditions of this Agreement by any of the parties hereto, the other parties shall, in addition to all other remedies, be entitled to a temporary or permanent injunction, without showing any actual damage, and/or a decree for specific performance in accordance with the provisions hereof.

7.4. Entire Agreement. This Agreement cancels and supersedes any and all oral or written agreements and understandings made between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof, and contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

7.5. Amendments; Termination. This Agreement may not be modified, amended or, except as herein provided, terminated by a written agreement signed by all of the parties hereto.

7.6. Waiver. Any party may waive compliance by any other with any of the covenants or conditions herein, but no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the party making the waiver. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed, or shall constitute, a waiver of any other provision, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver. No waiver of any breach or default hereunder shall be considered valid unless in writing, and no such waiver shall be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the same or similar nature.

7.7. Assignment. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Compass, its successors and permitted assigns, and the other Stockholders, their heirs, personal representatives, successors and permitted assigns; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as granting any Stockholder the right to transfer his or its Shares except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

7.8. Headings. The headings contained herein are for the purposes of convenience only and are not intended to define or limit the contents hereof.

7.9. Further Assurances. Each party hereto shall cooperate and shall take such further action and shall execute and deliver such further documents as may be reasonably requested by any other party in order to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Agreement.

7.10. Interpretations. When the context in which words are used in this Agreement indicates that such is the intent, words used in the singular shall have a comparable meaning when used in the plural and vice versa; pronouns stated in the masculine, feminine or neuter shall include each other gender; and, the term "person" shall include any individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any department or agency thereof.

7.11. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall be deemed one original.

7.12. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without regard to the principles of conflicts of law of such State.

7.13. No Effect Upon Lending Relationship. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, nothing contained in this Agreement shall affect, limit or impair the rights and remedies of Madison, any of its affiliates or any other lender in their capacity as lenders to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries pursuant to any agreement under which the Company or such Subsidiary has borrowed money. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, neither Madison nor any such Person, in exercising its rights as a lender, including making its decision on whether to foreclose on any collateral security, will have any duty to consider (a) its status as a direct or indirect Stockholder of the Company, (b) the interests of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or (c) any duty it may have to any other direct or indirect Stockholder of the Company, except as may be required under the applicable loan documents.

7.14. Confidentiality. Each Institutional Investors hereby acknowledges its obligations with respect to confidentiality as set forth in Section 10.9 of the Credit Agreement, which obligations are incorporated by reference herein and made a part hereof to the same extent as if they were set forth herein in their entirety. Such obligations shall survive the termination of the Credit Agreement and the Institutional Investors shall be bound by the same for so long as it shall own any Shares. Each other Stockholder acknowledges that, as a Stockholder of the Company, he, she or it may become privy to confidential information regarding the Company and its subsidiaries and the financial condition, business or operations of the Company and its subsidiaries. Each other Stockholder agrees that he, she or it will maintain in strict confidence and will not, directly or indirectly, divulge, transmit, publish, release, or otherwise use or cause to be used in any manner to compete with or contrary to the interests of the Company and its subsidiaries, any confidential information relating to the Company's or its subsidiaries' systems, operations, processes, computer programs and data bases, records, development data and reports, cost analyses, flow charts, know how, customer lists, supplier lists, marketing data, personnel data, or any information relating to sales, financial structure, pricing, or other information of like nature. Each other Stockholder acknowledges that all information regarding the Company and its subsidiaries compiled or obtained by or furnished to him, her or it in connection with his, her or its association with the Company or any subsidiary thereof is confidential information and the Company's and such subsidiary's exclusive property. Upon demand by the Company, any Stockholder shall surrender to the Company all original and facsimile records, documents, data, and other materials in his possession pertaining to the Company, except to the extent such Stockholder is required to retain such information by law or regulatory authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this provision does not apply to the extent, and only to the extent, such information is clearly obtainable in the public domain.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

COMPASS AC HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo
Name: Elias J. Sabo
Title: President

Address for notices:
61 Wilton Road
Westport, Connecticut 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud
Facsimile: (203) 221-8253

JOHN YACOUB

By: /s/ John Yacoub

Address for notices:
5579 S. Helena St
Aurora Co 80015
Facsimile: _____

DAN CHOUINARD

By: /s/ Dan Chouinard

Address for notices:
6164 South Fundy G
Aurora, Co 80016
Facsimile: _____

COMPASS ADVANCED PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Navco Management, Inc.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo
Name: Elias J. Sabo
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ASHRAF YACOUB

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JAMES HELLMER

By: /s/ James Hellmer

Address for notices:
5451 S. HOCKBERRY LANE
HIGHLANDS RANCH, Co 80129
Facsimile: _____

LARRY MCQUINN

BY: /s/ Larry McQuinn

Address for notices:
9916 S. Ramshead Ct.
Highlands Ranch, Co 80130
Facsimile: _____

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ George Ferris
Name: GEORGE FERRIS
Title: PRINCIPAL

Address for notices:
1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20006
Attention George Ferris, Principal
Facsimile No: (202) 659-2053

MADISON CAPITAL FUNDING LLC

By: /s/ Tom Klinacak
Name: Tom Klinacak
Title: Managing Director

Address for notices:
30 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3700
Chicago, Illinois 60606
Attn: Advanced Circuits Account Manager
Facsimile No: (312) 596-6950

EXHIBIT A

ADDITIONAL HOLDER SIGNATURE PAGE

The undersigned, desiring to become a Stockholder of Compass AC Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), hereby agrees to all of the terms of the foregoing Stockholders' Agreement and agrees to be bound by the terms and provisions thereof.

Executed by the undersigned as a Stockholder of the Company.

Series and Number
of Shares: _____

STOCKHOLDER:

By: _____

Name: _____
Print

Tax ID No.: _____

Address: _____

Date : _____

**STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT
OF
SILVUE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.**

THIS STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT (the "**Agreement**") is made as of September 2, 2004, by and among Silvue Technologies Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), Compass Silvue Partners, L.P., a Bahamian limited partnership ("**Compass**"), William A. Gregg, an individual ("**Gregg**"), Mark S. Sollberger, an individual ("**Sollberger**"), Frank Bassoff, an individual ("**Bassoff**"), John Bamforth, an individual ("**Bamforth**"), and together with Gregg, Sollberger and Bassoff, the "**Management Stockholders**") and the Additional Holders.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Compass owns beneficially and of record (i) 100,000 shares of the Company's Series B Common Stock, \$0.01 par value; representing all of the outstanding shares of such series, and (ii) 439,098.8927 shares of the Company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value; and

WHEREAS, the Management Stockholders own beneficially and of record (i) 260,000 shares of the Company's Series A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value, representing all of the outstanding shares of such series, and (ii) 9,545.6280 shares of the Company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value; and

WHEREAS, Compass and the Management Stockholders desire to set forth certain rights, preferences, privileges, obligations and restrictions accorded to and imposed on the Stockholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the forgoing recitals and the mutual promises herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

Section 1. **Definitions**. Whenever used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following respective meanings:

1.1. "**Additional Holder**" and "**Additional Holders**" mean the additional holder or holders, as the case may be, of Shares that become a party to this Agreement from time to time by signing an Additional Holder Signature Page in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Specifically excepted from this definition is any holder that is a successor-in-interest to all or some of the Shares held by Compass, notwithstanding that any successor-in-interest shall sign an Additional Holder Signature Page (any reference to Compass herein shall be a reference to any such successor-in-interest, excluding Section 2.4 which rights shall remain solely vested in Compass for so long as Compass shall hold Shares).

- 1.2. **“Original Issue Price”** means, for each series of each class of capital stock of the Company, the per share issue price on the first date on which each respective series of capital stock was issued.
- 1.3. **“Securities Act”** means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or any similar successor federal statute, all as the same shall be in effect from time to time.
- 1.4. **“Shares”** means the issued and outstanding shares of Series A Common Stock, Series B Common Stock and such other series of Common Stock of the Company which may from time to time come into existence (collectively, referred to herein as Common Stock), and shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, 13% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock and such other series of Preferred Stock of the Company which may from time to time come into existence.
- 1.5. **“Stockholder”** means any person who owns Shares which were not acquired in violation of this Agreement.

Section 2. Shares Subject to Agreement; Restrictions.

- 2.1. Shares Subject to Agreement. All Shares, whether currently outstanding or hereafter issued, shall be subject to this Agreement and to all the rights, privileges, preferences, obligations and restrictions hereof.
- 2.2. No Transfers. Except as provided in this Section 2, no Stockholder shall sell, assign, convey, transfer, encumber or in any other manner dispose of any or all of the Shares held or owned by him. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, a Management Stockholder may encumber his or her Shares pursuant to a loan, note or other indebtedness if Compass is the creditor and the encumbrance is in favor of Compass. Any sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, encumbrance or other disposition of the Shares in violation of this Agreement is void *ab initio*.
- 2.3. Exempt Transfers. Notwithstanding Section 2.2, a Stockholder may make an Exempt Transfer. The following transactions shall constitute **“Exempt Transfers”** as that term is used in this Agreement: (i) an inter vivos transfer by a Stockholder to his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (ii) an inter vivos transfer to a trust for the benefit of such Stockholder and/or the benefit of one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (iii) a transfer by will or intestate succession to a Stockholder’s spouse or lineal descendants or such Stockholder’s executor, administrator or testamentary trustee for the benefit of one or more of such Stockholder’s spouse or lineal descendants; (iv) a transfer from a trust for the benefit of a Stockholder and/or one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants to such Stockholder’s spouse and/or lineal descendants; (v) a transfer to any members of the Board of Directors of the Company that are nominees of Compass, and (vi) a transfer to any director, officer or employee of The Compass Group International LLC. The Shares transferred to any such permitted transferee shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement and such permitted transferee shall become a Stockholder for purposes of this Agreement. Every such transferee shall observe and comply with this Agreement and with all obligations and restrictions imposed hereby and shall, at the request of Compass or any Stockholder, execute an Additional Holder Signature Page.

2.4. Drag Along/Tag Along Rights. Compass shall be permitted to sell, assign, convey, transfer, encumber or in any other manner dispose of any or all of the Shares held or owned by it, subject, however, (i) that Shares transferred to any person shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement and such transferee shall become a Stockholder for purposes of this Agreement and (ii) in the case of sales or other transfers for value, to the following restrictions:

(a) Disposition Notice. If Compass proposes at any time to sell or otherwise transfer for value, whether in a single transaction or in a series of transactions, including any redemption or repurchase of Shares by the Company, but excluding Exempt Transfers, more than 5% of the then outstanding Shares of the Company (the “**Proposed Sale**”) to any person, Compass shall send written notice (“**Disposition Notice**”) to the other Stockholders specifying the identity and address of such person, the number of Shares to be sold, the proposed per Share sale price, the form of consideration to be paid, any other material terms and conditions of the Proposed Sale, and, for *bona fide* sales subject to Section 2.4(b), below, whether Compass is thereby exercising its Section 2.4(b) Drag Along Rights. The Disposition Notice shall be deemed effective with respect to each such Stockholder upon receipt.

(b) Drag Along Rights. In the event that the Proposed Sale is a *bona fide* sale or other *bona fide* transfer for value to a non-affiliated third party (“**Third Party Purchaser**”), Compass shall have the right to require each of the other Stockholders to sell, and each of the Stockholders hereby agrees to sell, an equal percentage of his Shares (the “**Drag Along Right**”) to such Third Party Purchaser on the same terms and conditions, and at the same time as, the Proposed Sale. If Compass has by way of the Disposition Notice exercised its Drag Along Rights, then, promptly upon receipt of such Disposition Notice, each Stockholder (each a “**Drag Along Stockholder**”) shall deliver to Compass (or such other person as may be agreed upon between Compass and each such Drag Along Stockholder) to be held by Compass (or such other agreed upon person) in escrow for sale or return upon the terms of this Section 2.4, the certificate or certificates representing the Shares to be sold pursuant to this Section 2.4(b), duly endorsed or accompanied by executed stock powers, together with a limited power-of-attorney authorizing Compass to sell such Shares in accordance with the terms of this Section 2.4(b). To the fullest extent of the law, the Stockholders and any Additional Holders expressly waive any appraisal rights conferred under the Delaware General Corporation Law.

(c) Tag Along Rights. Upon receipt of any Disposition Notice from Compass, each of the other Stockholders shall have, as a condition to closing the Proposed Sale, the right to require (the “**Tag Along Right**”) that the same percentage of his Shares be sold as part of, and upon the same terms and conditions as, the Proposed Sale. The rights referred to in this Section 2.4(c) shall be exercised by written notice to Compass (the “**Tag Along Notice**”). The Tag Along Notice shall only be deemed effective if received by Compass from the electing Stockholder (each a “**Tag Along Stockholder**”) within the period ending 30 days after the Disposition Notice was received by such Tag Along Stockholder. Promptly upon giving the Tag Along Notice, each Tag Along Stockholder shall deliver to Compass (or such other person as may be agreed upon between Compass and such Tag Along Stockholder) to be held by Compass

(or such other person) in escrow for sale or return upon the terms of this Section 2.4(c), the certificate or certificates representing his Shares to be sold as part of the Proposed Sale, duly endorsed or accompanied by executed stock powers, together with a limited power-of-attorney authorizing Compass to sell such Shares in accordance with the terms of this Section 2.4.

(d) Promptly upon the consummation of any Proposed Sale, and, in any event not later than 5 business days after such consummation, Compass shall deliver to each Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, the total sale price of his Shares sold as part of the Proposed Sale (after deduction of his proportionate share, based on number of Shares sold, of the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses associated with such Proposed Sale), together with evidence of the expenses associated with, and the completion and time of completion of, such Proposed Sale.

(e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Compass shall have 120 days from the date of receipt of any Disposition Notice during which to consummate the Proposed Sale to which such Disposition Notice relates. If, at the end of such 120 day period, Compass has not consummated the Proposed Sale, all certificates representing Shares delivered by either a Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, to Compass for sale or other disposition as part of such Proposed Sale shall be returned to such Drag Along Stockholder or Tag Along Stockholder, as the case may be, and the transaction contemplated by the Proposed Sale shall be deemed to be a new Proposed Sale and shall again be subject to the provisions of this Section 2.4.

2.5. Expiration of Restrictions. All restrictions imposed pursuant to this Section 2 shall terminate:

(a) at any time upon the written agreement of the Company and all the Stockholders then signatory to this Agreement as it may be amended or revised from time to time;

(b) immediately upon the dissolution of the Company or the bankruptcy or insolvency of the Company;

(c) immediately at such time as a registration statement filed for the public sale of shares of the Company for cash is declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission except that the Stockholders shall be required to enter into customary lock-up agreements in such form as is generally required from company insiders by the lead underwriter in such offering; or

(d) upon the acquisition by merger of the Company by an existing publicly traded company.

Section 3. Pre-Emptive Rights.

3.1. Rights to Purchase Additional Securities. So long as the restrictions imposed by Section 2 apply to the Stockholders and have not terminated pursuant to Section 2.5,

except for Excluded Issuances (as defined in Section 3.3 below), if the Company proposes to sell to any person or entity any Shares or any security exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for Shares (“**Offered Securities**”), the Company shall also offer (a “**Preemptive Offer**”) the Management Stockholders, Additional Holders and Compass the right to purchase, at the same price and upon the same terms as the Offered Securities are proposed to be sold, up to such number of the Offered Securities as would enable the Management Stockholders, Additional Holders and Compass to own immediately after such purchase the same percentage of the issued and outstanding Common Stock as owned (calculated on an “as converted” basis in the case of common stock equivalents or securities exercisable, convertible or exchangeable into or for Common Stock) by the Management Stockholders, Additional Holders and Compass, respectively, immediately prior to the date on which the Offered Securities are proposed to be issued.

3.2. Notice of Acceptance. Notice of his or its intention to accept, in whole or in part, a Preemptive Offer shall be evidenced by a writing signed by the Management Stockholders, Additional Holders and/or Compass, as the case may be, and delivered to the Company prior to the end of the 20 business-day period commencing on the date of such Preemptive Offer, setting forth such portion of the Offered Securities as the Management Stockholders, Additional Holders and/or Compass elect to purchase.

3.3. Excluded Issuances. “**Excluded Issuances**” means any Shares or any security exercisable, convertible or exchangeable for Shares that may be issued or sold (i) pursuant to stock options or restricted stock or similar arrangements issued or provided to managers, consultants, directors and/or key employees of the Company, (up to ten percent (10%) of the Company’s total outstanding share capital), (ii) other than for cash or cash equivalents as part of an arms’-length transaction in which the Company is acquiring control of an unaffiliated third-party from a person to whom such Shares are issued, (iii) pursuant to a public offering of the Company’s securities, or (iv) to institutional lenders lending money to the Company (but no more than a cumulative aggregate of ten percent (10%) of the Company’s total outstanding share capital).

Section 4. Legend on Certificates. Each certificate representing Shares shall (unless otherwise permitted by the provisions of this Agreement or that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated of even date herewith, by and between the Company and the Management Stockholders (the “Registration Rights Agreement”)) be stamped or otherwise imprinted with a legend (in addition to any legends as may be required pursuant to applicable state securities laws) substantially similar to the following:

THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 (THE “ACT”) AND MAY NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED, ASSIGNED, PLEDGED OR HYPOTHECATED BY A HOLDER UNLESS AND UNTIL THE SECURITIES ARE REGISTERED UNDER THE ACT OR AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE AND, IF REQUIRED BY THE COMPANY, THE HOLDER HAS DELIVERED TO THE COMPANY AN OPINION OF COUNSEL REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO THE COMPANY THAT SUCH

REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER APPLICABLE FEDERAL AND STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED BY THIS CERTIFICATE AND ALL RIGHTS THEREIN ARE SUBJECT TO AND TRANSFERABLE (INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION BY WAY OF PLEDGE OR OTHER GRANT OF A SECURITY INTEREST THEREIN) ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THAT CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT, DATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2004 AMONG THE COMPANY'S STOCKHOLDERS. A COPY OF SUCH STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT, AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, IS ON FILE AND AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE COMPANY. ANY SALE, PLEDGE, GIFT, BEQUEST, TRANSFER, ASSIGNMENT, ENCUMBRANCE OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED THEREBY IN VIOLATION OF SAID STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT SHALL BE INVALID.

Section 5. Covenant Not To Compete.

5.1. Each Management Stockholder and Additional Holder agrees and covenants that, in connection with the sale, assignment, conveyance, transfer, encumbrance or other disposition of all the Shares owned by such Management Stockholder or Additional Holder (the "**Disposition**"), he, she or it:

(a) shall not, during the period beginning on the closing date of the Disposition and ending on the second anniversary of such closing date (the "**Non-Compete Period**"), own, manage, operate, join, control or participate in the ownership, management, operation or control of, or be connected as a stockholder, member, manager, director, officer, employee, partner, consultant with, any for profit business, firm, entity or organization, which competes with the Company and its subsidiaries in the development, manufacture, distribution, application or sale of abrasion resistant coatings on plastic corrective and non-corrective vision eyewear (the "**Business**") in any county or city in California or anywhere else in the world (each a "**Competing Concern**"); provided, however, the forgoing shall not prohibit such holder from beneficially owning up to five percent (5%) of the outstanding equity securities of a for profit business, firm, entity or organization the equity securities of which are traded on a national securities exchange, the Nasdaq Stock market, or the London Stock Exchange; and provided, further, that the foregoing shall not prohibit any such holder from acquiring a for profit business, firm, entity or organization where less than ten percent (10%) of the gross revenue of such for profit, business, firm, entity or organization is attributable to operations that compete with the Business, so long as the applicable holder (a) provides written notice to the Company of such acquisition at or prior to the consummation thereof, and (b) seeks to divest, and continues to use commercially reasonable efforts to divest, the portion of the acquired for profit business, firm entity or organization that competes with the Business; provided, further, that the restrictions imposed by this Section 5.1(a) shall not apply to a Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's employment with a Competing Concern if such person is employed by the Competing

Concern at the time of the Disposition and (A) such person has been employed by the Competing Concern at least six months prior to the Disposition, (B) such person has not been employed by the Company or its subsidiaries during the nine month period preceding the Disposition, (C) such person's employment was terminated by the Company and its subsidiaries or (D) such person terminated his employment with the Company and its subsidiaries at such time as he was unaware of the contemplated Disposition; provided, further, that, if the Company shall dispose of a portion of its business, whether a subsidiary, division or otherwise, to a Competing Concern and a Management Stockholder or Additional Holder shall accept employment with such Competing Concern in connection with such disposition, then the restrictions imposed by this Section 5.1(a) shall not apply to such Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's employment with such Competing Concern. Each Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that such restriction is reasonable with respect to subject matter. Each Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that because the Company does business throughout the world, such restriction is reasonable as to geographic area. Each Stockholder expressly acknowledges and agrees that because Company is likely to continue to conduct a like business throughout the United States for at least two (2) years from the closing date of the disposition, such restriction is reasonable as to time.

(b) shall not, during the Non-Compete Period, directly or indirectly,

(i) contact, approach or solicit for the purpose of offering employment to or hiring (whether as an employee, consultant, agent, independent contractor or otherwise) or actually hire any person employed by the Company or any of its subsidiaries at any time prior to the closing date of the disposition or during the Non-Compete Period, without the prior written consent of Compass;

(ii) solicit or attempt to induce any customer or other business relation of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries into any business relationship (including the termination or rescission of the relationship) which might materially harm the Company or any related, affiliated or subsidiary organization of Company: or

(iii) participate or concur in any remarks or actions that are disparaging or detrimental in any way to the business or personal reputation of the Company and any related, affiliated or subsidiary organization of Company, or any directors, officers, employees or representatives thereof.

5.2. Stockholders hereby acknowledge and agree that the covenants, restrictions and agreements of Section 5.1 are made in connection with the Disposition of all of a Stockholder's ownership interest in the Company and the goodwill of the Company and are fair and reasonable.

5.3. Whenever possible each provision and term of this Section 5 will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid but if any provision or term of this Section 5 is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such provision or term will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such provision or term or the remaining provisions or terms of this Section 5. If

any of the covenants set forth in this Section 5 are held to be unreasonable, arbitrary or against public policy, such covenants will be considered divisible with respect to scope, time and geographic area, and in such lesser scope, time and geographic area, will be effective, binding and enforceable against each Seller.

Section 6. Mandatory Sale of Shares.

6.1. Upon any Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's termination of employment from SDC Technologies, Inc., either voluntarily or for cause (as defined below), Compass shall have the right to purchase all of the shares of Series A Common Stock of such holder at a purchase price equal to the product of the Original Issue Price of the stock held by such holder multiplied by the number of such shares (plus, if any such Holder shall have financed the acquisition of such shares by issuing a promissory note to Compass, any accrued and unpaid interest thereon). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, Compass shall not have the right to purchase (a) shares of Series A Common Stock or 13% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock such holder received upon the conversion of any Series A Convertible Preferred Stock held by such holder, (b) shares of Series A Common Stock which are no longer subject to Compass' purchase right hereunder, (c) shares of Series A Common Stock which are held by an Additional Holder that is not an employee of SDC Technologies, Inc., and (d) shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock owned by a holder. For purposes of this Agreement, Compass' right to purchase the shares of a Management Stockholder or Additional Holder under this Section 6 shall lapse at a rate of ten percent (10%) for each full year of employment with SDC Technologies, Inc., starting on the date of this Agreement. For example, after two years of employment with SDC Technologies, Inc. from the date of this Agreement, only eighty percent (80%) of such Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's shares of Series A Common Stock will be subject to the purchase rights of Compass under this Section 6.

6.2. For purposes of this Section 6, "**for cause**" means (a) willful or grossly negligent violation of any law which causes material injury to the business of Company or entry of a plea of *nolo contendere* (or similar plea) to a charge of such an offense (b) any willful and material breach by the Management Stockholder or Additional Holder of this Agreement, which, if curable, remains uncured for thirty (30) days following written notice thereof from Company to Executive, (c) the Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's willful violation of his or her fiduciary duty to Company, including his or her duty of loyalty and the corporate opportunity doctrine, (d) commission of, or the indictment or conviction for, acts of fraud, dishonesty, misappropriation or embezzlement, and (e) refusal to comply with the Company's reasonable orders or directives or the Company's reasonable rules, regulation, policies, procedures or practices that are not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement, which failure to comply, if curable, continues uncured for thirty (30) days following written notice thereof from Company to Executive.

Section 7. Custody of Shares by Silvue.

To facilitate the enforcement of the rights and obligations agreed to herein by the parties, each Management Stockholder and Additional Stockholder acknowledges such rights and obligations and agrees that the Company shall hold each such Management Stockholder's

and Additional Holder's Shares, for the benefit of such Stockholder, subject to any rights granted to another party herein. Each Management Stockholder and Additional Holder shall promptly deliver to the Company all stock certificates evidencing the Shares of such holder, together with a stock power executed in blank in a form acceptable to the Company and its counsel. So long as the Company shall hold the Shares on behalf of a Stockholder, the Stockholder shall be entitled to exercise such holder's right to vote such Shares and shall be entitled to receive any dividend (ordinary or extraordinary, whether paid in cash or property) or other distribution with respect to such Shares.

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

8.1. Effectiveness of Transfers. No Shares shall be transferred on the Company's books and records, and transfers of Shares shall be otherwise ineffective, unless any such transfer is made pursuant to and in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

8.2. Notices. Any and all notices or consents required or permitted to be given under any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received (i) on the date of delivery if delivered in person or by facsimile copy and confirmed, (ii) on the date received if sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight delivery service which requires a signed receipt or (iii) upon three days after the date of mailing, if mailed first class by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party entitled to receive the same at the following addresses:

Company: Silvue Technologies Group, Inc.
c/o The Compass Group International, LLC
61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
Westport, Connecticut 06880
Attn: I. Joseph Massoud
Facsimile No.: (203) 221-8253

with a copy to: Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon
Facsimile No.: (513) 361-1201

Compass: Compass Silvue Partners, L.P.
c/o The Compass Group International, LLC
Two Park Plaza, Suite 1020
Irvine, California 92614
Attn: Elias J. Sabo
Facsimile No.: (949) 296-2407

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312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon
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Management Stockholders: William A. Gregg
c/o Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP
695 Town Center Drive, 17th Floor
Costa Mesa, California 92626
Attention: William J. Simpson
Facsimile No.: (714) 979-1921

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Any party hereto may change his, her or its address for notice by giving notice to the other parties stating his, her or its new address, all in the manner provided herein. Commencing on the fifth day after giving such notice, such newly designated address shall be such party's address for the purpose of all notices or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement.

8.3. Specific Performance. Due to the fact that the Shares cannot be readily purchased or sold in the open market, and for other reasons, the parties will be irreparably damaged in the event that this Agreement is not specifically enforced. In the event of a breach or threatened breach of any of the terms, covenants and conditions of this Agreement by any of the parties hereto, the other parties shall, in addition to all other remedies, be entitled to a temporary or permanent injunction, without showing any actual damage, and/or a decree for specific performance in accordance with the provisions hereof.

8.4. Entire Agreement. Except as contained in that certain Registration Rights Agreement, this Agreement cancels and supersedes any and all oral or written agreements and understandings made between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof, and contains the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

8.5. Amendments: Termination. This Agreement may not be modified, amended or, except as herein provided, terminated by a written agreement signed by all of the parties hereto.

8.6. Waiver. Any party may waive compliance by any other with any of the covenants or conditions herein, but no waiver shall be binding unless executed in writing by the party making the waiver. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed, or shall constitute, a waiver of any other provision, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver. No waiver of any breach or default hereunder shall be considered

valid unless in writing, and no such waiver shall be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default of the same or similar nature.

8.7. Assignment. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Compass, its successors and assigns, and the other Stockholders, their heirs, personal representatives and assigns; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall be construed as granting any Stockholder the right to transfer his Shares except as expressly provided in this Agreement.

8.8. Headings. The headings contained herein are for the purposes of convenience only and are not intended to define or limit the contents hereof.

8.9. Further Assurances. Each party hereto shall cooperate and shall take such further action and shall execute and deliver such further documents as may be reasonably requested by any other party in order to carry out the provisions and purposes of this Agreement.

8.10. Interpretations. When the context in which words are used in this Agreement indicates that such is the intent, words used in the singular shall have a comparable meaning when used in the plural and vice versa; pronouns stated in the masculine, feminine or neuter shall include each other gender; and, the term "person" shall include any individual, partnership, joint venture, corporation, trust, unincorporated organization or government or any department or agency thereof.

8.11. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall be deemed one original.

8.12. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without regard to the principles of conflicts of law of such State.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

COMPASS SILVUE PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Navco Management, Inc.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Name: Elias J. Sabo
Attorney-in-Fact

SILVUE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

its: Vice President

MANAGEMENT STOCKHOLDERS:

/s/ William A. Gregg

William A. Gregg

/s/ Mark S. Sollberger

Mark S. Sollberger

/s/ Frank Bassoff

Frank Bassoff

/s/ John Bamforth 9/2/2004

John Bamforth

**MEMBERS AGREEMENT
OF
DIABLO MARKETING LLC,
A Limited Liability Company**

This MEMBERS AGREEMENT, dated as of October 24, 2001, of Diablo Marketing LLC (the "Company"), is by and among Zhentil Keep Holding Co., a Delaware corporation ("ZKH"), and Crosman Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Crosman").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS ZKH has the manufacturing, production and marketing expertise required; and

WHEREAS Crosman has the sales, marketing and distribution expertise required; and

WHEREAS the Members desire to insure continuity of the business and management of the Company and to provide for the disposition of the proceeds thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. PRIOR AGREEMENTS

Any prior agreements and understandings among the parties hereto with respect to the Company are hereby terminated and are of no further force and effect, with the exception of the OPERATING AGREEMENT dated October 24, 2001 (the "Operating Agreement"). Capitalized terms not specifically defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Operating Agreement.

2. TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Members Agreement shall commence on the date hereof and shall terminate upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

- (a) The mutual consent in writing of all the parties hereto; or
 - (b) The sale of all the Capital Interests held by all but one of the Members; or
 - (c) The expiration of 60 days after a petition in bankruptcy shall have been filed
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by or against the Company, by persons other than any of the Members, unless such petition shall have been discharged during such 60 day period; or

- (d) An assignment by the Company for the benefit of creditors;
- (e) The expiration of 60 days after the commencement of any proceeding, by persons other than any of the Members, under any act of Congress or governmental authority for the relief of debtors seeking the relief or readjustment of indebtedness, either through reorganization, composition, extension or otherwise, and such proceedings involving the Company as debtor shall not have been vacated within such 60 day period; or
- (f) The voluntary or involuntary dissolution of the Company; *provided, however*, that if voluntary, such dissolution is agreed to by Members holding, in aggregate, at least 80% of all the Capital Interests in the Company.

In the Event that any Member shall cease to be the owner of Capital Interests of the Company, such Member shall cease to be a party to this Members Agreement and this Members Agreement shall no longer be binding upon or inure to the benefit of such Member; *provided, however*, that nothing contained in this Section 2 shall affect or impair any rights of obligations of any Member or the Company arising prior to the time of the termination of this Members Agreement, or which may arise by an event causing such termination.

3. INITIAL SHARE STRUCTURE

- (a) The initial capital contributions of the members (“Initial Contribution”) shall be effected as of the date hereof (the “Effective Date”).
 - (b) On the Effective Date, each member’s Initial Contribution shall be one hundred thousand US dollars (US\$100,000.00).
 - (c) Within 7 days of the Effective Date, each member shall make a further capital contribution (“Further Contribution”) in the amount of two hundred seventy five thousand US dollars (US\$275,000.00).
 - (d) The Further Contributions shall be used to purchase the molds (for equipment masks and packaging bottles, see Schedule A) that the Company will require for operation, at a fixed price of five hundred fifty thousand US dollars (\$550,000.00), from Unitech Consultants Limited, a Hong Kong company (“Unitech”).
 - (e) The Members shall examine the business during the first year of operation, and together determine whether any other capital contribution (“Optional Contribution”) shall be required. If the Members decide unanimously that an
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Optional Contribution is required, then the amount of said contribution shall not exceed one hundred fifty thousand US dollars (US\$150,000.00) per member. Bank financing shall fund any other working capital requirements.

(f) The initial Capital Interests of the Members shall be as follows:

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| (1) ZKH | 50.0% |
| (2) Crosman | 50.0% |

4. MANAGEMENT AND OFFICERS

(a) The business affairs of the Company shall be managed by those procedures set forth in the Operating Agreement except as otherwise set forth in this Section 4.

(b) The Member's agree that their shall be two officers of the Company, having the duties and titles set forth in this Section 4(b).

The first such officer shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. The Chief Executive Officer shall be appointed by Crosman upon the approval of ZKH, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Chief Executive Officer shall have all of the duties and authority of the Manager set forth in the Operating Agreement, including, without limitation, the administration of the day-to-day operations of the Company, cash management and record keeping, intra-Company relations, sales, collection of debts owed to the Company, the purchase and procurement of product and warehousing and shipping.

The second officer shall be the Director of Marketing and Product Development. The Director of Marketing and Product Development shall be appointed by ZKH upon the approval of Crosman, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Director of Marketing and Product Development shall have management and administrative responsibilities in the areas of marketing, development of brand awareness, packaging, and product development. However, the Director of Marketing and Product Development shall not have the authority to expend Company funds, or to make an offer to sell or purchase products, without the approval of the Manager or the Chief Executive Officer. Likewise, neither the Manager, nor the Chief Executive Officer shall have any authority to make decisions within the management authority of the Director of Marketing and Product Development, without the approval of such officer.

Salaries paid to these executives as consideration for the performance of their duties as described herein shall initially be the responsibility of the Member that appointed them. These Members will be able to charge a management fee

to the Company on a future date to be set by a vote of Members holding at least 80% of the Capital Interests of the Company.

5. OPERATIONS

- (a) Members shall provide product (which they manufacture themselves) to the Company at a profit, provided that the Company maintains a margin consistent with distributor margins in the relevant market ("Required Margin") on resale of such products, such Required Margin to be defined by the Members at a later date.
 - (b) Crosman shall supply CO₂ to the Company at a price of US\$0.23 per 12g bottle, plus the actual costs of packaging. ZKH shall supply paintballs to the Company at a price of US\$14.00 per thousand, plus the actual costs of packaging. Subject to Section 5(a), these prices may be adjusted from time to time as required by the Member supplying such product to the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, ZKH may sell existing inventories of paintballs intended to be distributed in Sheridan brand specific packaging to the Company at US\$14.00 per thousand until all Sheridan brand specific paintball packaging has been utilized.
 - (c) Members shall offer to the Company credit terms of 60 days in the first year and 45 days in the second year for products sold by the Members to the Company. A Member may extend credit to the Company beyond such 60 day and 45 day terms as needed by the Company, and in such an event will be paid interest at its actual cost of funds.
 - (d) Members shall provide full credit to the Company for defective product manufactured by the Member.
 - (e) The Company may freely purchase product not produced by any of the Members from alternative sources directly without being required to do so through a Member.
 - (f) ZKH shall license to the Company, at no charge, the use of the trade-names and trademarks required by the Company for use in the retail market, including DUSK, SKUL and DIABLO, and any other trade-names that the Members determine necessary to further the interests of the Company.
 - (g) Crosman shall be paid a commission by the Company equivalent to 2.5% of net sales. In return for this payment, Crosman shall provide the Company's sales force at its own expense, and bear all costs related to such sales force. As the Company develops its own sales force over time, Crosman shall be paid a commission by the Company equivalent to 2.5% of net sales for any sales not initiated by salespeople employed by the Company. For purposes of this paragraph, the salesperson servicing the account when a shipment is made
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- (h) Crosman shall initially provide all warehousing services to the Company. The current Crosman warehouse facilities shall be used, and Crosman will collect a fee from the Company equivalent to 1.5% of net sales for the provision of such services. This shall include warehouse space, personnel, supplies, insurance, utilities, maintenance and any other costs necessary to warehouse and ship the Company's product. The Company will lease its own warehouse space when it becomes necessary, at which point the Company shall pay all costs required to operate a shipping and warehouse facility, and Crosman will no longer receive the fee noted in this section above. If the Company relocates over an extended period of time, the above noted fee shall be reduced to an amount acceptable to Crosman and those Members holding, in the aggregate, 80% of the Capital Interest.
 - (i) Crosman shall initially provide all accounting, billing, collection, payroll and IT services and any related administrative costs, in return for a payment from the Company equivalent to 1.0% of net sales. As the Company develops its own administrative staff over time, this commission shall be reduced to an amount acceptable to Crosman and those Members holding, in the aggregate, 80% of the Capital Interest. At such time as the Company is providing all of the accounting, billing, collection, payroll and IT services for itself, Crosman will no longer receive the fee noted in this section above.
 - (j) The parties hereto agree that the Company will, from time to time, effect distributions to the Members in amounts sufficient to pay the tax liabilities of the Members at the highest federal, state and local rates arising out of the income earned by the Company, such distribution to be effected at a time and from time to time to enable the Members to satisfy such tax liability prior to the date interest and/or penalties may accrue thereon. In no event shall distributions to Members be unequal.
 - (k) The parties hereto agree that, unless otherwise agreed to by the Members holding at least 80% of all the Capital Interests, and after giving effect to the distributions specified in Section 4(d) hereof, the Company will, from time to time, effect distributions to the Members and Economic Holders, in amounts equal to at least 50% of the retained earnings of the Company, and that such distributions shall be made no less frequently than quarterly; *provided, however*, that no such distribution shall be effected as long as the Company is indebted to the Members for product delivered and any portion of such indebtedness is more than 60 days overdue in the year 2001 or more than 45 days overdue thereafter. There must be sufficient legal funds to effect this distribution.
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6. MODIFICATION AND WAIVER

This Members Agreement cannot be amended, modified, supplemented or changed, and no provision hereof can be waived, except by a written instrument making specific reference to this Members Agreement and signed by the parties hereto against whom enforcement of any such amendment, modification, supplement, change or waiver is sought. The waiver of any right of a party hereto shall not be deemed a waiver of any other right derived hereunder.

7. COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE

Each Member hereby agrees that:

- (a) Each Member shall, and each Member shall cause its Affiliates (as defined below) to, (i) hold in confidence all knowledge and information of a confidential nature of the Company and (ii) refrain from disclosing, publishing or making use of same without the prior written consent of the Company; and
 - (b) Each Member shall, and shall cause each of its Affiliates to, (i) hold in confidence any and all trade secrets of the Company and (ii) refrain from disclosing, publishing or making use of same without prior written consent of the Company; and
 - (c) Except as set forth in Subsection (f) below, during the Noncompete Period (as hereinafter defined) a Member shall not, and shall not permit any Affiliates to, in any manner, directly or indirectly:
 - (i) Engage in, have any equity or profit interest in, make any loan to or for the benefit of, or render services (of any executive, advertising, marketing, sales, administrative, supervisory or consulting nature) to any business which engages in providing any goods or services provided by the Company (collectively the "Company Activities"), and which is conducting such Company Activities anywhere in the world in retail, distribution and other markets directly related to the Non-Conventional Paintball Market (such retail, distribution and other markets anywhere in the world directly related to the Non-Conventional Paintball Market referred to herein as the "Territory");
 - (ii) Employ, or seek to employ, on his or its own behalf, as the case may be, or on behalf of any other person, firm or company, any person who was employed during the Noncompete Period by the Company and who has not thereafter ceased to be employed by the Company for a period of at least one year; or
 - (iii) Solicit, or seek to solicit, on his or its, as the case may be, own behalf or on behalf of any other person, firm, or company, any customer of
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the Company who is or was a customer of the Company from the Effective Date to the end of the Noncompete Period and whose facilities serviced by the Company are located within the Territory for the purpose of rendering or performing Company Activities for such customer.

- (d) Crosman shall not, and shall not permit any Affiliates to, during the Noncompete Period, in any manner, directly or indirectly, engage in the manufacture of paintballs. ZKH shall not, and shall not permit any Affiliates to, during the Noncompete Period, in any manner, directly or indirectly, engage in the manufacture of CO₂ powerlets.
- (e) ZKH shall not, and shall not permit any Affiliates to, during the Noncompete Period, in any manner, directly or indirectly, engage in selling or soliciting sales with respect to any paintball product within the Territory.
- (f) Notwithstanding anything in Sections 4(c), 4(d) and 4(e) to the contrary:
 - 1) Crosman may sell existing inventories of its Sheriden brand paintball products into the Territory until such inventories have been completely depleted.
 - 2) Except for the Skul and Dusk brands, ZKH may market and sell paintball products under any other brand name, including, without limitation, the Diablo brand, anywhere outside of the Territory, but not at prices lower than offered to the Company.
 - 3) Crosman may engage in any business related to air guns and air gun ammunition, including, without limitation, pellets, BBs and all other air gun accessories. In addition, Crosman may market and sell CO₂ powerlets packaged for any market other than the paintball market to any person, business or entity.

The "Noncompete Period" shall be the period commencing on the date hereof and terminating on the close of business on the third anniversary from the date such Member no longer owns Capital Interests.

The "Affiliate" of any person or entity means any other person or entity who directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such first person or entity. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Procaps Encapsulations, Inc. ("Procaps") shall be deemed an Affiliate of ZKH.

8. SEVERABILITY

If a judicial determination is made that any of the provisions of Section 7 hereof constitutes an unreasonable or otherwise unenforceable restriction against any Member, the provisions of Section 7 hereof shall be rendered void only to the extent that such judicial determination finds such provisions to be unreasonable or otherwise unenforceable. In this regard, the parties hereto hereby agree that any judicial authority construing this Members Agreement shall be empowered to sever any portion of the Territory, any prohibited business activity or any time period from the coverage of Section 7 hereof and to apply the provisions of Section 7 hereof to the remaining portion of the Territory or the remaining business activities not so severed by such judicial authority. In addition, the parties hereto further agree that such judicial authority shall be empowered to reduce the scope of any of the provisions of Section 7 hereof to the extent necessary to make any such provision enforceable. Moreover, notwithstanding the fact that any provision of Section 7 hereof is determined not to be specifically enforceable, the Company shall nevertheless be entitled to recover monetary damages as a result of the breach of such provisions by such Member or any Related Party. The time period during which the prohibitions set forth in Section 7 hereof shall apply shall be tolled and suspended as to such Member or any Related party for a period equal to the aggregate quantity of time during which such Member or any Related Party violates such prohibitions in any respect.

9. CHANGE IN CONTROL

In the event of a Change in Control (as defined below) of either Member (or, in the case of ZKH, of ZKH or Procaps) such that the person or entity in control of the Member (or Procaps) is a Competitor of the Company (as defined below), all of the Capital Interest of that Member shall be deemed to be offered for sale to the other Member for a period of thirty (30) days from the later of (i) the date of the Change in Control, or (ii) the date the selling Member delivers written notice of the Change in Control to the other Member. During such thirty (30) day period the other Member shall send written notice to the selling Member of its intention to purchase the offered Capital Interest. If the other Member does not elect to purchase the offered Capital Interest within such 30 day period, then the offer of sale shall expire. If the other Member does provide timely written notice of its intention to purchase the Capital Interest, then the sale price for such Capital Interest shall be seventy percent (70%) of the fair market value of such Capital Interest, as determined by an independent third party appraisal firm, mutually agreeable to both Members (the "Appraiser"). The closing of such sale of the Capital Interest shall be as soon as practicable after the Appraiser determines the fair market value, but in no event more than 30 days following such determination by the Appraiser. The determination of fair market value by the Appraiser shall be binding on both parties.

For purposes of the Section, the term "Change in Control" with respect to either Member shall mean either:

(i) The consummation of a merger or consolidation of the Member (or, in the case of ZKH, either ZKH or Procaps) with or into another entity, the sale of voting stock of the Member (or, in the case of ZKH, either ZKH or Procaps), or any other corporate

reorganization, if more than 50% of the combined voting power of the continuing or surviving entity's securities outstanding immediately after such merger, consolidation, sale or other reorganization is owned by persons or entities who were not stockholders of the Member (or, in the case of ZKH, either ZKH or Procaps) immediately prior to such merger, consolidation, sale or other reorganization; or

(ii) The sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the Member's (or, in the case of ZKH, either ZKH's or Procaps') assets.

For purposes of this Section, the term "Competitor" shall mean any other person or entity that manufactures, markets or sells paintball products, including, without limitation, Brass Eagle, Pursuit Marketing, National Paintball East, National Paintball South, Tippman, Kingman, and Zap (AccuCaps).

10. SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE

Inasmuch as the Capital Interests are closely held and the market therefore is limited, irreparable harm would result if this Members Agreement were not specifically enforced. Therefore, the rights and obligations of the parties hereto and the transferees thereof to offer for sale and to purchase Capital Interests shall be enforceable in a court of equity by a decree of specific performance, and appropriate injunctive relief may be applied for and granted in connection therewith, and each Member hereby agrees that any remedy at law for any breach of the provisions contained in Section 7 hereof shall be inadequate and that the Company shall be entitled to injunctive relief in addition to any other remedy that the Company might have under this Agreement. Such remedies shall, however, be cumulative and not exclusive and shall be in addition to any other remedies which any party may have under this Members Agreement or otherwise.

11. INDEMNIFICATION

Each Member hereby agrees to indemnify and defend and hold harmless each of the other Members from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, deficiencies, costs (including, without limitation, court costs), and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) incurred and arising out of or due to (i) any breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement of such Member contained herein, or (ii) claims of products liability, negligence, or strict liability relating to products supplied by that Member or an Affiliate of such Member to the Company, except to the extent arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the Company.

Each Member hereby agrees to indemnify and defend and hold harmless the Company from and against any and all losses, liabilities, damages, deficiencies, costs (including, without limitation, court costs), and expenses (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) incurred and arising out of or due to (i) any breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement of such Member contained herein, or (ii) claims of products liability, negligence, or strict liability relating to products supplied by that Member or an

Affiliate of such Member to the Company, except to the extent arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the Company.

12. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

All the provisions contained herein shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, successors, assigns and personal representatives of the respective parties hereto.

13. GOVERNING LAW

This Members Agreement has been made in and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without regard to conflicts of laws principles.

14. NOTICES

All notices, offers, acceptances and other communications to be made, served or given to a party hereto pursuant to the provisions contained herein shall be in writing and shall be sent by overnight courier service or personally delivered to such party at the address listed below or to such other address as any party hereto shall specify by notice delivered pursuant to the provisions of this Section 14.

Zhentil Keep Holding Co.
c/o Procaps Encapsulation Inc.
6000 Kieran Street
St. Laurent, Quebec
H4S 2B5, Canada

Crosman Corporation
Rts. 5 & 20
E. Bloomfield, NY
14443, U.S.A.

15. HEADINGS

The headings contained in this Members Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Members Agreement.

16. COUNTERPARTS

This Members' Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which when taken together shall constitute a single

instrument.

The undersigned hereby agree, acknowledge, and certify that this Agreement constitutes the Members' Agreement of DIABLO MARKETING LLC, a Limited Liability Company adopted by the Members of the Company as of the Date first above written.

MEMBERS

ZHENTIL KEEP HOLDING CO.

By: /s/ Richmond Italia
Richmond Italia, President

CROSMAN CORPORATION

By: /s/ Ken D' Arcy
Ken D' Arcy, President

SCHEDULE A

Molds owned by Unitech Consultants Limited

Mask:	Three molds (mask, lens, clip)
Bottles:	500 count 200 count (lease to own)
Equipment Belt:	Mold for clips and 100 count pod

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT made as of this 13 day of October, 2000 by and between Compass CS Inc., a Delaware corporation with offices at 61 Wilton Road, Westport, Connecticut 06880 (the "Company") and Kilgore Consulting II LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company with offices at 61 Wilton Road, Westport Connecticut 06880 ("Kilgore").

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Company is engaged in the business of providing temporary staffing and leasing services (the "Business"); and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain Kalgore to provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to it relating to the Business on the terms herein set forth, and Kilgore has capability enabling it to provide such services and is agreeable to providing the same on such terms:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1. Term and Duties.

For the five (5) year period commencing on the date hereof unless sooner terminated pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 7 hereof (the "Initial Term", and, as extended pursuant to the terms hereof, the "Term"), Kilgore shall provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to the Company and the Company's subsidiaries from time to time. The nature of such services shall be to critique and analyze the performance of the Company's executive personnel and to assist them to develop and plan the implementation of financing, internal growth and acquisition strategies; however, Kilgore will not become involved in day to day operations. In general, such services shall be provided by reviewing internal reports and financial statements and analyses prepared by the executive officers of the Company and advising them as to matters covered by such reports as well assisting them to formulate financial and corporate growth strategies. If so requested, appropriate personnel of Kilgore will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors. It is understood that persons who will provide services to the Company may be employees of Kilgore and will also have such duties with Kilgore, and that, therefore, none of said persons will devote full business time to the business of the Company, but that they will devote thereto only such time as may be necessary from time to time properly to perform their duties. At the expiration of the Initial Term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for an additional five (5) year term unless either party shall have notified the other of its intention not to renew this Agreement at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the Initial Term. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with section 10(c) hereof.

2. Degree of Care.

Kilgore shall use its best efforts to perform its services, and to cause its personnel to perform their services, hereunder in a professional manner and with due care, but

shall have no liability to the Company or for any act or omission except for willful default or gross negligence.

3. Fee.

In full consideration and compensation for the services to be furnished by Kilgore to the Company and its subsidiaries during the Term, the Company will pay to Kilgore and Kilgore will accept an annual fee equal to 15/100ths of one percent (.15%) of annual revenues of the Company, payable in quarterly installments in arrears, beginning on the Closing Date, with the first payment due on December 31, 2000. Kilgore may elect to defer a portion or all of its fee for any such installment due by written notice to the Company.

4. Expenses.

(a) During the Term, the personnel of Kilgore assigned to perform duties hereunder will engage in such travel as may be reasonably required in connection with the performance of those duties. The Company will pay (or reimburse) all such reasonable expenses upon submission of proper documentation.

(b) The Company will pay for, or reimburse Kilgore for, all equipment and supplies bought by Kilgore and specifically dedicated to the purposes of this Agreement (e.g. computer supplies). Kilgore shall not be entitled to reimbursement of incidental expense (e.g. use of Kilgore's offices) for purposes hereof.

(c) Kilgore will pay all salaries, wages, bonuses, health and other insurance expenses, pension fund payments, payroll taxes and withholding and the like applicable to its employees or other personnel furnishing services hereunder, without right of reimbursement from the Company.

(d) The Company will indemnify to the full extent permitted by law Kilgore and the personnel of Kilgore who perform services hereunder against any claims which may be made against them by reason thereof, except for claims due to the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Kilgore.

5. Duty of Loyalty. The Company acknowledges that Kilgore is engaged in various other businesses some of which may be competitive with the Business and that all persons who perform services for the Company pursuant to this Agreement will be full time employees of Kilgore and that their primary loyalty is to Kilgore. The mere fact of Kilgore's business activities as described above and the use of such employees to perform services for Kilgore shall in no way give rise to any liability of Kilgore or such employees under this Agreement.

6. Relationship Between Parties.

The parties are not partners or joint venturers, and neither shall have any power or right to incur any liability on behalf of the other party; provided, however, that any of the personnel of Kilgore elected an officer of the Company, shall have power to obligate the

Company as appropriate for his office. Each party shall discharge its own debt and obligations without recourse against the other.

7. Defaults.

The following shall constitute events of default:

(a) The failure of the Company to pay Kilgore any sums due it hereunder within ten (10) days of written demand therefor by Kilgore.

(b) The failure of either party to perform, keep or fulfill in any material respect any of the other covenants, undertakings, obligations or conditions set forth in this Agreement or the failure of Kilgore to perform the services required under this Agreement with the degree of care set forth in Paragraph 2 hereof, and the continuance of such default for a period of thirty (30) days after notice of said failure.

Upon the occurrence of any of the events of default, the non-defaulting party may give to the defaulting party notice of intention to terminate this Agreement and upon the expiration of a period of sixty (60) days from the date of such notice specifying the cause therefor and if the defaulting party shall fail to cure such defaults before the 60 day period should expire, this Agreement shall terminate. In the event of default by the Company, the parties acknowledge that the damages of Kilgore would be substantial, but difficult to compute with accuracy; accordingly, Kilgore shall be entitled to receive in cash as an agreed upon amount of liquidated damages an amount equal to 75% of all amounts payable under this Agreement from the date of default to the end of the term discounted to present value using a 7% interest rate.

The rights granted hereunder shall not be in substitution for, but shall be in addition to, any rights and remedies available to the non-defaulting party hereunder by reason of applicable provisions of law.

8. Waiver.

The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any option, right or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or as a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right or remedy, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect. No waiver by either party of any term or provision hereof shall be deemed to have been made unless expressed in writing and signed by such party. In the event of consent by either party to an assignment of this Agreement, no further assignment shall be made without the express consent in writing of such party, unless such assignment may otherwise be made without such consent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any portion of this Agreement shall be declared invalid by order, decree or judgment of a court, this Agreement shall be construed as if such portion had not been inserted herein except when such construction would operate as an undue hardship to Kilgore or the Company or constitute a substantial deviation from the general intent and purpose of said parties as reflected in this Agreement.

9. Assignment.

Neither party shall assign or transfer or permit the assignment or transfer of this Agreement, or its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the sale of substantially all the assets of Kilgore to, or the merger of Kilgore into, a single entity or a group of entities under common control, shall not constitute an assignment or transfer for purposes of this section.

10. Miscellaneous.

(a) Right to Make Agreement. The Company and Kilgore each warrant to the other that neither the execution of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby shall violate any provision of law or judgment, writ, injunction, order or decree of any court or governmental authority having jurisdiction over it; result in or constitute a breach under any indenture, contract, other commitment or restriction to which it is a party or by which it is bound; or require any consent, vote or approval which has not been taken, or at the time of the transaction involved shall not have been given or taken. Each party covenants that it has and will continue to have throughout the term of this Agreement and any extensions thereof, the full right to enter into this Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder.

(b) Applicable Law; Jurisdiction. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. Each party unconditionally submits itself to the exclusive jurisdiction of any Connecticut State Court or Federal Court of the United States of America sitting in Connecticut. Each party unconditionally waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding in any such court and waives the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The parties hereby irrevocably waive trial by jury.

(c) Notices. Notices, statements and other communications to be given under the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered by hand against receipt or sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested:

To the Company: Compass CS Inc.
 c/o The Compass Group International LLC
 61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
 Westport, CT 06880
 Attn: Elias Sabo

To Kilgore: Kilgore Consulting II LLC
 61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
 Westport, CT 06880
 Attn: I. Joseph Massoud

With a Copy to: Phillips Nizer Benjamin
Krim & Ballon LLP
666 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10103-0084
Attn: Alan Shapiro, Esq.

A party may change its address for receiving notices, statement and other communications by notice hereunder.

(d) Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with other writings signed by the parties expressly stated to be supplementing hereto and together with any instruments to be executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior understandings and writings.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers on the year and day first above written.

COMPASS CS INC.

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Name: ELIAS J. SABO

Title: Secretary

KILGORE CONSULTING II LLC

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Name: ELIAS J. SABO

Title: Principal of the Compass Group International, LLC, its
Managing Member

**Form of
AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is entered into as of ____, 2006, by and between CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (f/k/a Compass CS Inc.) (the "Company") and Kilgore Consulting II LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company ("Kilgore").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Company and Kilgore entered into that certain Management Services Agreement dated October 13, 2000 (the "MSA");

WHEREAS, the Company and Kilgore desire to amend certain provisions of the MSA in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual premises and the respective mutual agreements contained herein, the Company and Kilgore agree as follows:

Section 1. Termination by Company. Paragraph 1 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 1:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company may terminate this Agreement upon 30 days' prior written notice to Kilgore."

Section 2. Assignment. Paragraph 9 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 9:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Paragraph 9 to the contrary, Kilgore may assign this Agreement to Compass Group Management LLC and shall upon such assignment provide written notice thereof to the Company within 10 calendar days of such assignment."

Section 3. Offsetting Management Services Agreement. The MSA, as amended by this Agreement, shall be an "Offsetting Management Services Agreement" as defined in that certain Management Services Agreement dated of even date hereof, by and between Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC and Compass Group Management LLC.

Section 4. Effectiveness of MSA. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and provisions of the MSA remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 6. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed and delivered this Amendment to Management Services Agreement as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

CBS PERSONNEL HOLDINGS, INC.,
a Delaware corporation

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

KILGORE:

KILGORE CONSULTING II LLC,
a Connecticut limited liability company

By: THE COMPASS GROUP INTERNATIONAL LLC, its Managing
Manager

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of this 10th day of February, 2004 by and between Crosman Corporation, a Delaware corporation with offices at Routes 5 & 20, East Bloomfield, NY 14443 (the "Company") and Kilgore Consulting III LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company with offices at 61 Wilton Road, Westport, Connecticut 06880 ("Kilgore").

W I T N E S S E T H

WHEREAS, the Company is engaged in the business of designing, manufacturing and selling sporting goods equipment (the "Business"); and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain Kilgore to provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to it relating to the Business on the terms herein set forth, and Kilgore has capability enabling it to provide such services and is agreeable to providing the same on such, terms:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1. TERM AND DUTIES

For the one (1) year period commencing on the date hereof unless sooner terminated pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 7 hereof (the "Term"), Kilgore shall provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to the Company and the Company's subsidiaries from time to time. The nature of such services shall be to analyze the performance of the Company's executive personnel and to assist them in developing and planning the implementation of financing, internal growth and acquisition strategies; however, Kilgore will not become involved in day to day operations. In general, such services shall be provided by reviewing internal reports and financial statements and analyses prepared by the executive

officers of the Company and advising them as to matters covered by such reports as well assisting them to formulate financial and corporate growth strategies. If so requested, appropriate personnel of Kilgore will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors. It is understood that persons who will provide services to the Company may be employees of Kilgore and will also have such duties with Kilgore, and that, therefore, none of said persons will devote full business time to the business of the Company, but that they will devote thereto only such time as may be necessary from time to time properly to perform their duties. At the expiration of the term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for an additional one (1) year term unless either party shall have notified the other of its intention not to renew this Agreement at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the Term. Any such notice shall be given in accordance with section 10(c) hereof.

2. DEGREE OF CARE

Kilgore shall use its best efforts to perform its services, and to cause its personnel to perform their services hereunder in a professional manner and with due care, but shall have no liability to the Company or for any act or omission except for willful default or gross negligence.

3. FEES

In full consideration and compensation for the services to be furnished by Kilgore to the Company and its subsidiaries during the Term, the Company will pay to Kilgore and Kilgore will accept (i) an up front fee, payable upon execution and delivery of this Agreement, equal to Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$580,000), and (ii) an annual fee equal to Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$580,000) beginning upon the date of execution of this Agreement and payable in quarterly installments, in advance, thereafter. Kilgore may elect to defer a portion or all of its fee for any such installment due by written notice to the Company.

4. EXPENSES

(a) During the Term, the personnel of Kilgore assigned to perform duties hereunder will engage in such travel as may be reasonably required in connection with the performance of those duties. The company will pay (or reimburse) all such reasonable expenses upon submission of proper documentation.

(b) The Company will pay for, or reimburse Kilgore for, all equipment and supplies bought by Kilgore and specifically dedicated to the purposes of this Agreement (e.g. computer supplies). Kilgore shall not be entitled to reimbursement of incidental expenses (e.g. use of Kilgore's offices) for purposes hereof.

(c) Kilgore will pay all salaries, wages, bonuses, health and other insurance expenses, pension fund payments, payroll taxes and withholding and the like applicable to its employees furnishing services hereunder, without the right to reimbursement from the Company.

(d) The Company will indemnify, to the full extent permitted by law, Kilgore and the personnel of Kilgore who perform services hereunder against any claims which may be made against them by reason thereof.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Company acknowledges that Kilgore is engaged in various other businesses some of which may be competitive with the business and that all persons who perform services for the Company pursuant to this Agreement will be full time employees of Kilgore and that their primary loyalty is to Kilgore. The mere existence of Kilgore's business activities as described above and the use of such employees to perform services for Kilgore shall in no way give rise to any liability of Kilgore or such employees under this Agreement.

6. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARTIES

Kilgore and the Company are not partners or joint venturers, and neither shall have any power or right to incur any liability on behalf of the other party; provided, however, that any of the personnel of Kilgore elected as an officer of the Company shall have the power to obligate the Company in such capacity as an officer, but only to the extent appropriate for such office. Each party shall discharge its own debts and obligations without recourse against the other.

7. DEFAULTS

The following shall constitute events of default ("Events of Default") hereunder:

(a) The failure of the Company to pay Kilgore any sums due Kilgore hereunder within ten (10) days of written demand therefor by Kilgore.

(b) The failure of either party to perform, keep or fulfill in any material respect any of the other covenants, undertakings, obligations or conditions set forth in this Agreement or the failure of Kilgore to perform the services required under this Agreement with the degree of care set forth in Paragraph 2 hereof, and the continuance of such default for a period of thirty (30) days after notice of said default.

(d) Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the non-defaulting party may give to the defaulting party notice of the non-defaulting party's intention to terminate this Agreement specifying the cause therefor ("Termination Notice"). If the defaulting party shall fail to cure the Event of Default before the expiration of a period of sixty (60) days from the date of such Termination Notice, this Agreement shall terminate. In the case of an Event of Default by the Company, the parties acknowledge that the damages of Kilgore would be substantial, but difficult to compute with accuracy; accordingly, Kilgore shall be entitled to receive in cash as an agreed upon amount of liquidated damages an amount equal to Seventy-Five Percent (75%) of

all amounts payable under this Agreement from the date of the Event of Default to the end of the Term, discounted to present value using a seven percent (7%) interest rate.

The rights granted hereunder shall not be in substitution for, but shall be in addition to, any rights and remedies available to the non-defaulting party hereunder by reason of applicable provisions of law.

8. WAIVER.

The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any option, right or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or as a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right or remedy, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect. No waiver by either party of any term or provision hereof shall be deemed to have been made unless expressed in writing and signed by such party. In the event of consent by either party to an assignment of this Agreement, no further assignment shall be made without the express consent in writing of such party, unless such assignment may otherwise be made without such consent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any portion of this Agreement shall be declared invalid by order, decree or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, this Agreement shall be construed as if such portion had not been inserted herein except when such construction would operate as an undue hardship to Kilgore or the Company or constitute a substantial deviation from the general intent and purpose of said parties as reflected in this Agreement.

9. ASSIGNMENT.

Neither party shall assign or transfer or permit the assignment or transfer of this Agreement, or its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the sale of substantially all the assets of Kilgore to, or the merger of

Kilgore into a single entity or a group of entities under common control, shall not constitute an assignment or transfer for purposes of this Section 9.

10. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) Right to Make Agreement. The Company and Kilgore each warrant that neither the execution of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby shall violate any provision of law or judgment, writ, injunction, order or decree of any court or governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Company or Kilgore; result in or constitute a breach under any indenture, contract, other commitment or restriction to which either is a party or by which either is bound; or require any consent, vote or approval which has not been taken, or at the time of the transaction involved shall not have been given or taken. Each party covenants that it has and will continue to have throughout the term of this Agreement and any extensions thereof, the full right to enter into this Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder.

(b) Applicable Law; Jurisdiction. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. Each party unconditionally submits itself to the exclusive jurisdiction of any Connecticut State Court or Federal Court of the United States of America sitting in Connecticut. Each party unconditionally waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding in any such court and waives the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The parties hereby irrevocably waive trial by jury.

(c) Notices. Notices, statements and other communications to be given under the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered by hand against receipt or sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested:

To the Company:

Crosman Acquisition Corporation
c/o The Compass Group International LLC
61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
Westport, CT 06880
Attn: Alan B. Offenberg

To Kilgore:

Kilgore Consulting III, LLC
61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor
Westport, CT 06880
Attn: I. Joseph Massoud

With a Copy to:

Squire Sanders & Dempsey, L.L.P.
312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, OH 45202
Attn: Stephen C. Mahon

A party may change its address for receiving notices, statement and other communications by notice hereunder.

(d) Entire Agreement. This Agreement, together with other writings signed by the parties expressly stated to be supplementing hereto and together with any instruments to be executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior understandings and writings.

(Signature Pages Follow)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers on the year and day first above written.

Crosman Corporation

By: /s/ I. Joseph Massoud _____

Name: I. Joseph Massoud

Title: Secretary

KILGORE CONSULTING III LLC

By: /s/ I. Joseph Massoud _____

Name: I. Joseph Massoud

Title: President of The Compass Group
International LLC, Managing Member

**Form Of
AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is entered into as of ____, 2006, by and between Crosman Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and Kilgore Consulting III LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company ("Kilgore").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Company and Kilgore entered into that certain Management Services Agreement dated February 10, 2004 (the "MSA");

WHEREAS, the Company and Kilgore desire to amend certain provisions of the MSA in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual premises and the respective mutual agreements contained herein, the Company and Kilgore agree as follows:

Section 1. Termination by Company. Paragraph 1 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 1:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company may terminate this Agreement upon 30 days' prior written notice to Kilgore."

Section 2. Assignment. Paragraph 9 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 9:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Paragraph 9 to the contrary, Kilgore may assign this Agreement to Compass Group Management LLC and shall upon such assignment provide written notice thereof to the Company within 10 calendar days of such assignment."

Section 3. Offsetting Management Services Agreement. The MSA, as amended by this Agreement, shall be an "Offsetting Management Services Agreement" as defined in that certain Management Services Agreement dated of even date hereof, by and between Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC and Compass Group Management LLC.

Section 4. Effectiveness of MSA. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and provisions of the MSA remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 6. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed and delivered this Amendment to Management Services Agreement as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

CROSMAN CORPORATION,
a Delaware corporation

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

KILGORE:

KILGORE CONSULTING III LLC,
a Connecticut limited liability company

By: THE COMPASS GROUP INTERNATIONAL LLC, its Managing
Manager

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of September 20, 2005 by and between Advanced Circuits, Inc., a Colorado corporation (the "Company"), with offices at 21100 E. 33rd Drive, Aurora, Colorado, and WAJ, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Consultant"), with offices at 61 Wilton Road, Second Floor, Westport, Connecticut.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company is engaged in the manufacturing, marketing and selling of printed circuit boards (the "Business"); and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain Consultant to provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to it relating to the Business on the terms herein set forth, and Consultant has capability enabling it to provide such services and is agreeable to providing the same on such terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. TERM AND DUTIES.

For the five year period commencing on the date hereof, unless sooner terminated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 7 or 8 (the "Term"), Consultant shall provide executive, financial and managerial oversight services to the Company and the Company's subsidiaries from time to time. The nature of such services shall be to analyze the performance of the Company's executive personnel and to assist them in developing and planning the implementation of financing, internal growth and acquisition strategies; however, Consultant will not become involved in day-to-day operations of the Company. In general, such services shall be provided by reviewing internal reports and financial statements and analyses prepared by the executive officers of the Company and advising them as to matters covered by such reports as well as assisting them to formulate financial and corporate growth strategies. If so requested, appropriate personnel of Consultant will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors. It is understood that the individuals who will provide services to the Company may be employees of Consultant and will also have duties with and to Consultant, and that, therefore, none of said individuals will devote their full business time to the business of the Company, but that they will devote thereto only such time as may be necessary from time to time to properly perform their duties. Unless either party shall have notified the other of its intention not to renew, at least sixty days prior to the expiration of the Term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive three year periods.

2. DEGREE OF CARE.

Consultant shall use its best efforts to perform its services and to cause its personnel to perform their services hereunder in a professional manner and with due care, but shall have no liability to the Company for any act or omission except for gross negligence or the willful breach of this Agreement.

3. FEES.

(a) In full consideration and compensation for the services to be furnished by Consultant to the Company and its subsidiaries during the Term,

(i) the Company or an affiliate of the Company shall pay to Consultant upon execution of this Agreement, and Consultant shall accept, an up-front fee in cash in an amount equal to \$500,000.00, which shall be earned in full upon Consultant's receipt thereof and relates to additional financial and managerial oversight and strategic planning services to be rendered by Consultant during the first 90 days following the closing of the transactions contemplated in the Stock Purchase Agreement (as defined below); and

(ii) the Company shall pay to Consultant and Consultant shall accept, an annual fee in an amount equal to \$500,000.00. Such fee shall be payable in arrears in equal quarterly installments of \$125,000.00 (each a "Management Fee Payment") commencing on December 31, 2005 (the first installment to also include a pro rated fee attributed to the period September 20 through September 30, 2005) and continuing on a calendar quarter basis until the Termination of this Agreement. Consultant may elect to defer all or a portion of its fee for any such installment due by delivering written notice of such election to the Company. If payment of any Management Fee Payment would cause the Company to violate the fixed charge coverage ratio covenant set forth in the credit facility between the Company and Madison Capital Funding, LLC, such Management Fee Payment shall automatically be deferred and the Company shall accrue such amount, together with interest at 6.0% per annum, compounded quarterly. Any amount accrued, payable and/or in arrears shall be paid promptly to Consultant as soon as and to the extent assets are legally available therefor, provided payment thereof is not legally or contractually restricted or prohibited.

(b) Unless full payment in respect of Management Fee Payments for all past periods and the then current period shall have been paid and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart; (i) no dividend whatsoever (other than a dividend payable solely in capital stock of the Company or other securities and rights convertible into or entitling the holder thereof to receive, directly or indirectly, additional shares of capital stock of the Company) shall be declared or paid, and no distribution shall be made on, any capital stock, and (ii) no shares of capital stock shall be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (or pay into or set aside for a sinking fund for such purpose); provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to the repurchase of shares of capital stock of the Company from employees, officers, directors, consultants or other persons performing services for the Company or any subsidiary pursuant to agreements under which the Company has the option to repurchase such shares upon the occurrence of certain events, such as the termination of employment.

(c) All payments hereunder shall be in U.S. Dollars and shall be made at the offices of Consultant, unless otherwise instructed at least three business days prior to the due date of the payment.

(d) For purposes of this Agreement, "Stock Purchase Agreement" shall mean that certain Stock and Membership Interest Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 20, 2005, by and among the Company, Compass Advanced Partners L.P., Advanced Circuits, Inc., RJCS, LLC, Ron D. Huston and each of the members of RJCS a party thereto.

4. EXPENSES.

(a) During the Term, the personnel of Consultant assigned to perform duties hereunder will engage in such travel as may be reasonably required in connection with the performance of those duties. The Company will pay or reimburse all such reasonable expenses upon submission of proper documentation, with due regard to cost savings for the Company's benefit.

(b) The Company will pay for, or reimburse Consultant for, all equipment and supplies bought by Consultant and specifically dedicated to the purposes of this Agreement (e.g. computer supplies). Consultant shall not be entitled to reimbursement of incidental expenses (e.g. use of Consultant's offices) for purposes hereof.

(c) Consultant will pay all salaries, wages, bonuses, health and other insurance expenses, pension fund payments, payroll taxes and withholding and the like applicable to its employees furnishing services hereunder, without the right to reimbursement from the Company.

(d) The Company will indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Consultant and the personnel of Consultant who perform services hereunder against any claims which may be made against them by reason thereof other than claims arising from Consultant's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY.

The Company acknowledges that Consultant is engaged in various other businesses some of which may be competitive with the business and that all persons who perform services for the Company pursuant to this Agreement will be full time employees of Consultant and that their primary loyalty is to Consultant. The mere existence of Consultant's business activities as described above and the use of such employees to perform services for Consultant shall in no way give rise to any liability of Consultant or such employees under this Agreement.

6. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARTIES.

Consultant and the Company are not partners or joint venturers, and neither shall have any power or right to incur any liability on behalf of the other party; provided, however, that any of the personnel of Consultant elected as an officer of the Company shall have the power to obligate the Company in such capacity as an officer, but only to the extent appropriate for such office. Each party shall discharge its own debts and obligations without recourse against the other.

7. DEFAULTS.

(a) The following shall constitute events of default ("Events of Default") hereunder:

(i) The failure of the Company to pay Consultant any sums due to Consultant hereunder within ten days of written demand therefor by Consultant.

(ii) The failure of either party to perform, keep or fulfill in any material respect any of the other covenants, undertakings, obligations or conditions set forth in this Agreement or the failure of Consultant to perform the services required under this Agreement in a professional manner and with due care, and the continuance of such default for a period of 30 days after notice of said default.

(iii) A Change in Control of the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Change in Control" means the happening of any of the following: (i) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company or (ii) a stock sale, merger, consolidation, stock exchange, reorganization or similar transaction to which the Company is a party if the individuals and entities who were shareholders of the Company immediately prior to the effective date of such transaction collectively own, immediately following the effective date of such transaction, less than fifty percent (50%) of the total combined outstanding voting power for the election of directors of the Company or the surviving entity, in the case of a merger or consolidation.

(b) Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the non-defaulting party may give to the defaulting party notice of the non-defaulting party's intention to terminate this Agreement specifying the cause therefor ("Termination Notice"). If the defaulting party shall fail to cure the Event of Default before the expiration of a period of 60 days from the date of such Termination Notice, this Agreement shall terminate. In the case of an Event of Default by the Company, the parties acknowledge that the damages of Consultant would be substantial, but difficult to compute with accuracy; accordingly, Consultant shall be entitled to receive in cash as an agreed upon amount of liquidated damages an amount equal to all amounts payable under this Agreement from the date of the Event of Default to the end of the Term, provided, that, in no circumstance shall such amount be less than one year of fees under Section 3 hereof.

(c) The rights granted hereunder shall not be in substitution for, but shall be in addition to, any rights and remedies available to the non-defaulting party hereunder by reason of applicable provisions of law.

8. TERMINATION.

In addition to termination pursuant to the provisions of Section 7, this Agreement shall terminate without liability of any party to the other upon the earlier to occur of the following:

(a) upon the expiration of the Term;

(b) at any time upon the written agreement of the Company and Consultant; or

(c) immediately upon the dissolution, bankruptcy or insolvency of the Company.

9. WAIVER.

The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any option, right or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or as a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right or remedy, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect. No waiver by either party of any term or provision hereof shall be deemed to have been made unless expressed in writing and signed by such party. In the event of consent by either party to an assignment of this Agreement, no further assignment shall be made without the express consent in writing of such party, unless such assignment may otherwise be made without such consent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any portion of this Agreement shall be declared invalid by order, decree or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, this Agreement shall be construed as if such portion had not been inserted herein except when such construction would operate as an undue hardship to Consultant or the Company or constitute a substantial deviation from the general intent and purpose of said parties as reflected in this Agreement.

10. ASSIGNMENT.

Neither party shall assign or transfer or permit the assignment or transfer of this Agreement, or its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the sale of substantially all the assets of Consultant to, or the merger of Consultant into a single entity or a group of entities under common control, shall not constitute an assignment or transfer for purposes of this Section 10.

11. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) *Right to Make Agreement.* The Company and Consultant each warrant that neither the execution of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby shall violate any provision of law or judgment, writ, injunction, order or decree of any court or governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Company or Consultant; result in or constitute a breach under any indenture, contract, other commitment or restriction to which either is a party or by which either is bound; or require any consent, vote or approval which has not been taken, or at the time of the transaction involved shall not have been given or taken. Each party covenants that it has and will continue to have throughout the term of this Agreement and any extensions thereof, the full right to enter into this Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder.

(b) *Applicable Law; Jurisdiction.* This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. Each party unconditionally submits itself to the exclusive jurisdiction of any Connecticut State Court or Federal Court of the United States of America sitting in Connecticut. Each party unconditionally waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding in any such court and waives the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The parties hereby irrevocably waive trial by jury.

(c) *Notices.* Notices, statements and other communications to be given under the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received (i) on the

date of delivery if delivered in person or by facsimile copy and confirmed, (ii) on the date received if sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight delivery service which requires a signed receipt or (iii) upon three days after the date of mailing, if mailed first class by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party entitled to receive the same at the following addresses;

If to the Company:	Advanced Circuits, Inc. 21100 E. 33 rd Drive Aurora, Colorado 80011 Attention: John Yacoub
with a copy to:	Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. 312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Attention: Stephen C. Mahon, Esq.
If to Consultant:	WAJ, LLC c/o The Compass Group International, LLC 61 Wilton Road, 2 nd Floor Westport, Connecticut 06880 Attention: I. Joseph Massoud
with a copy to:	Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. 312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 Attention: Stephen C. Mahon, Esq.

Any party to receive notices hereunder may change its address for notices by giving notice to the other parties stating its new address. Commencing on the fifth day after giving such notice, such newly designated address shall be such party's address for the purpose of all notices, statements or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement.

(d) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement, together with other writings signed by the parties expressly stated to be supplementing hereto and together with any instruments to be executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior understandings and writings.

(e) *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall be deemed one original.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers on the year and day first above written.

ADVANCED CIRCUITS, INC.

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Its: Secretary

WAJ, LLC

By: The Compass Group International, LLC,
its Managing Member

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Name: Elias J. Sabo

Its: Principal

**Form of
AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is entered into as of ____, 2006, by and between Advanced Circuits, Inc., a Colorado corporation (the "Company") and WAJ, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("WAJ").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Company and WAJ entered into that certain Management Services Agreement dated September 20, 2005 (the "MSA");

WHEREAS, the Company and WAJ desire to amend certain provisions of the MSA in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual premises and the respective mutual agreements contained herein, the Company and WAJ agree as follows:

Section 1. Termination by Company. Paragraph 1 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 1:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company may terminate this Agreement upon 30 days' prior written notice to Kilgore."

Section 2. Assignment. Paragraph 10 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 10:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Paragraph 10 to the contrary, Kilgore may assign this Agreement to Compass Group Management LLC and shall upon such assignment provide written notice thereof to the Company within 10 calendar days of such assignment."

Section 3. Offsetting Management Services Agreement. The MSA, as amended by this Agreement, shall be an "Offsetting Management Services Agreement" as defined in that certain Management Services Agreement dated of even date hereof, by and between Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC and Compass Group Management LLC.

Section 4. Effectiveness of MSA. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and provisions of the MSA remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 6. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed and delivered this Amendment to Management Services Agreement as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

ADVANCED CIRCUITS, INC. ,
a Colorado corporation

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

WAJ:

WAJ, LLC ,
a Delaware limited liability company

By: THE COMPASS GROUP INTERNATIONAL, LLC, its Managing
Manager

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (this “**Agreement**”) is made as of September 2, 2004 by and between SDC Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the “**Company**”), with offices at 19111 East Wright Circle, Anaheim, California, and Kilgore Consulting III LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company (“**Kilgore**”), with offices at 61 Wilton Road, Second Floor, Westport, Connecticut.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company is engaged in the development, manufacture, distribution, application and sale of abrasion resistant coatings on plastic corrective and non-corrective vision eyewear (the “**Business**”); and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to retain Kilgore to provide executive, financial, and managerial oversight services to it relating to the Business on the terms herein set forth, and Kilgore has capability enabling it to provide such services and is agreeable to providing the same as such terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, it is hereby agreed as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. TERM AND DUTIES.

For the three year period commencing on the date hereof, unless sooner terminated pursuant to the provisions of Sections 7 or 8 (the “**Term**”), Kilgore shall provide executive, financial and managerial oversight services to the Company (and the Company’s subsidiaries, if any) from time to time. The nature of such services shall be to analyze the performance of the Company’s executive personnel and to assist them in developing and planning the implementation of financing, internal growth and acquisition strategies; however, Kilgore will not become involved in day-to-day operations of the Company. In general, such services shall be provided by reviewing internal reports and financial statements and analyses prepared by the executive officers of the Company and advising them as to matters covered by such reports as well as assisting them to formulate financial and corporate growth strategies. If so requested, appropriate personnel of Kilgore will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors. It is understood that the persons who will provide services to the Company may be employees of Kilgore and will also have duties with and to Kilgore, and that, therefore, none of said persons will devote full business time to the business of the Company, but that they will devote thereto only such time as may be necessary from time to time to properly perform their duties. Unless either party shall have notified the other of its intention not to renew, at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the Term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one year periods.

2. DEGREE OF CARE.

Kilgore shall use its best efforts to perform its services and to cause its personnel to perform their services hereunder in a professional manner and with due care, but shall have no liability to the Company for any act or omission except for gross negligence or the willful breach of this Agreement.

3. FEES.

(a) In full consideration and compensation for the services to be furnished by Kilgore to the Company and its subsidiaries during the Term,

(i) as contemplated by the Stock Purchase Agreement (defined below), but not changing or increasing any of the parties obligations thereunder, the Company or an affiliate of the Company shall pay to Kilgore and Kilgore shall accept, an up-front fee in an amount equal to 350,000, with such fee due and payable in immediately available funds at Closing (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement); and

(ii) the Company shall pay to Kilgore and Kilgore shall accept, an annual fee in an amount equal to Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000). Such fee shall be payable in arrears in equal quarterly installments of Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (87,500) (each a "**Management Fee Payment**") commencing on December 31, 2004 (with such amount pro rated and equal to 4 months) and continuing on a calendar quarter basis until the termination of this Agreement. So long as the Company's fixed charge ratio is less than one and two-tenths (1.2), the Board of Directors of the Company may elect to defer up to fifty percent (50%) of the Management Fee Payment then due. Without limiting the preceding sentence, Kilgore may elect, at any time and from time to time, to defer all or a portion of its fee for any such installment due by written notice to the Company. Any amount accrued, payable and/or in arrears shall be paid to the extent assets are legally available therefor and any amounts for which assets are not legally available shall be paid promptly as assets become legally available therefor.

(b) Unless full payment in respect of Management Fee Payments for all past periods and the then current period shall have been paid and a sum sufficient for the payment thereof set apart (i) no dividend whatsoever (other than a dividend payable solely in Common Stock or Preferred Stock or other securities and rights convertible into or entitling the holder thereof to receive directly or indirectly, additional shares of Common Stock and/or Preferred Stock) shall be declared or paid, and no distribution shall be made on, any Common Stock or Preferred Stock, and (ii) no shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock shall be redeemed, purchased or otherwise acquired (or pay into or set aside for a sinking fund for such purpose); provided, however, that this restriction shall not apply to the repurchase of shares of capital stock from employees, officers, directors, consultants or other persons performing services for the Company or any subsidiary pursuant to agreements under which the Company has the option to repurchase such shares upon the occurrence of certain events, such as the termination of employment.

(c) All payments hereunder shall be in U.S. Dollars and shall be made at the offices of Kilgore, unless otherwise instructed at least three (3) business days prior to the due date of the ??? payment.

(d) For purposes of this Agreement, “**Stock Purchase Agreement**” shall mean that certain Stock Purchase Agreement dated of even date herewith by and among Silvue Technologies Group, Inc., Dow Corning Enterprises, Inc., Pilkington Holdings, Inc. and the Company.

4. EXPENSES.

(a) During the Term, the personnel of Kilgore assigned to perform duties hereunder shall engage in such travel as may be reasonably required in connection with the performance of those duties. The Company will pay or reimburse all such reasonable expenses upon submission of proper documentation, with due regard to cost savings for the Company’s benefit.

(b) The Company will pay for, or reimburse Kilgore for, all equipment and supplies bought by Kilgore and specifically dedicated to the purposes of this Agreement (e.g. computer supplies). Kilgore shall not be entitled to reimbursement of incidental expenses (e.g. use of Kilgore’s offices) for purposes hereof.

(c) Kilgore will pay all salaries, wages, bonuses, health and other insurance expenses, pension fund payments, payroll taxes and withholding and the like applicable to its employees furnishing services hereunder, without the right to reimbursement from the Company.

(d) The Company will indemnify, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Kilgore and the personnel of Kilgore who perform services hereunder against any claims which may be made against them by reason thereof other than claims arising from Kilgore’s gross negligence or willful misconduct.

5. CONFIDENTIALITY.

The Company acknowledges that Kilgore is engaged in various other businesses some of which may be competitive with the business and that all persons who perform services for the Company pursuant to this Agreement will be full time employees of Kilgore and that their primary loyalty is to Kilgore. The mere existence of Kilgore’s business activities as described above and the use of such employees to perform services for Kilgore shall in no way give rise to any liability of Kilgore or such employees under this Agreement.

6. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PARTIES.

Kilgore and the Company are not partners or joint venturers, and neither shall have any power or right to incur any liability on behalf of the other party; provided, however, that any of the personnel of Kilgore elected as an officer of the Company shall have the power to obligate the Company in such capacity as an officer, but only to the extent appropriate for such office. Each party shall discharge its own debts and obligations without recourse against the other.

7. DEFAULTS.

The following shall constitute events of default (“**Events of Default**”) hereunder:

(a) The failure of the Company to pay Kilgore any sums due to Kilgore hereunder within ten (10) days of written demand therefor by Kilgore.

(b) The failure of either party to perform, keep or fulfill in any material respect any of the other covenants, undertakings, obligations or conditions set forth in this Agreement or the failure of Kilgore to perform the services required under this Agreement in a professional manner and with due care, and the continuance of such default for a period of thirty (30) days after notice of said default.

(c) A Change in Control. For purposes of this Agreement, a “**Change in Control**” means the happening of any of the following: (i) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company or (ii) a stock sale, merger, consolidation, stock exchange, reorganization or similar transaction to which the Company is a party if the individuals and entities who were shareholders of the Company immediately prior to the effective date of such transaction effectively own, immediately following the effective date of such transaction, less than fifty percent (50%) of the total combined outstanding voting power for the election of directors of the Company or the surviving entity, in the case of a merger or consolidation.

Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the non-defaulting party may give to the defaulting party notice of the non-defaulting party’s intention to terminate this Agreement specifying the cause therefor (“**Termination Notice**”). If the defaulting party shall fail to cure the Event of Default before the expiration of a period of sixty (60) days from the date of such Termination Notice, this Agreement shall terminate. In the case of an Event of Default by the Company, the parties acknowledge that the damages of Kilgore would be substantial, but difficult to compute with accuracy; accordingly, Kilgore shall be entitled to receive in cash as an agreed upon amount of liquidated damages an amount equal to all amounts payable under this Agreement from the date of the Event of Default to the end of the Term, provided, that, in no circumstance shall such amount be less than one year of fees under Section 3 hereof.

(d) The rights granted hereunder shall not be in substitution for, but shall be in addition to, any rights and remedies available to the non-defaulting party hereunder by reason of applicable provisions of law.

8. TERMINATION.

In addition to termination pursuant to the provisions of Section 7, this Agreement shall terminate without liability of any party to the other upon the earlier to occur of the following:

(a) upon the expiration of the Term;

(b) at any time upon the written agreement of the Company and Kilgore; or

(c) immediately upon the dissolution, bankruptcy or insolvency of the Company.

9. WAIVER.

The failure of either party to insist upon a strict performance of any of the terms or provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any option, right or remedy herein contained, shall not be construed as a waiver or as a relinquishment for the future of such term, provision, option, right or remedy, but the same shall continue and remain in full force and effect. No waiver by either party of any term or provision hereof shall be deemed to have been made unless expressed in writing and signed by such party. In the event of consent by either party to an assignment of this Agreement, no further assignment shall be made without the express consent in writing of such party unless such assignment may otherwise be made without such consent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any portion of this Agreement shall be declared invalid by order, decree or judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, this Agreement shall be construed as if such portion had not been inserted herein except when such construction would operate as an undue hardship to Kilgore or the Company or constitute a substantial deviation from the general intent and purpose of said parties as reflected in this Agreement.

10. ASSIGNMENT.

Neither party shall assign or transfer or permit the assignment or transfer of this Agreement, or its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other; provided, however, that the sale of substantially all the assets of Kilgore to, or the merger of Kilgore into a single entity or a group of entities under common control, shall not constitute an assignment or transfer for purposes of this Section 10.

11. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) *Right to Make Agreement.* The Company and Kilgore each warrant that neither the execution of this Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby shall violate any provision of law or judgment, writ, injunction, order or decree of any court or governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Company or Kilgore; result in or constitute a breach under any indenture, contract, other commitment or restriction to which either is a party or by which either is bound; or require any consent, vote or approval which has not been taken, or at the time of the transaction involved shall not have been given or taken. Each party covenants that it has and will continue to have throughout the term of this Agreement and any extensions thereof, the full right to enter into this Agreement and perform its obligations hereunder.

(b) *Applicable Law; Jurisdiction.* This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut. Each party unconditionally submits itself to the exclusive jurisdiction of any Connecticut State Court or Federal Court of the United States of America sitting in Connecticut. Each party unconditionally waives any objection that it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding in any such court and waives the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court. The parties hereby irrevocably waive trial by jury.

(c) *Notices.* Notices, statements and other communications to be given under the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been received (i) on the

date of delivery if delivered in person or by facsimile copy and confirmed, (ii) on the date received if sent by Federal Express or other similar overnight delivery service which requires a signed receipt or (iii) upon three days after the date of mailing, if mailed first class by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the party entitled to receive the same at the following addresses:

If to the Company: SDC Technologies, Inc.
1911 East Wright Circle
Anaheim, California 92806
Attention: William A. Gregg

with a copy to: The Compass Group International, LLC
61 Wilton Road, Second Floor
Westport, Connecticut 06880
Attention: I. Joseph Massoud

and Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon

If to Kilgore: Kilgore Consulting III LLC
c/o The Compass Group International, LLC
Two Park Plaza, Suite 1020
Irvine, California 92614
Attention: Elias J. Sabo

with a copy to: Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
312 Walnut Street, Suite 3500
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Attention: Stephen C. Mahon

Any party to receive notices hereunder may change its address for notices by giving notice to the other parties stating its new address. Commencing on the fifth day after giving such notice such newly designated address shall be such party's address for the purpose of all notices, statements or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement.

(d) *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement, together with other writings signed by the parties expressly stated to be supplementing hereto and together with any instruments to be executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior understandings and writings.

(e) *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, all of which taken together shall be deemed one original.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized officers on the year and day first above written.

SDC TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Its: PRESIDENT/CEO

KILGORE CONSULTING III LLC

By: The Compass Group International LLC

Its: Managing Member

By: /s/ Elias J. Sabo

Name: Elias J. Sabo

Title: Principal

**Form of
SECOND AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

This SECOND AMENDMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), is entered into as of ____, 2006, by and between SDC Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and WAJ, a Connecticut general partnership ("WAJ").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Company and Kilgore Consulting III LLC, a Connecticut limited liability company ("Kilgore") entered into that certain Management Services Agreement dated September 2, 2004, as supplemented and amended by the Amendment to Management Services Agreement dated September 30, 2004, by and between the Company and WAJ (as amended, the "MSA"), whereby WAJ substituted Kilgore under the MSA;

WHEREAS, the Company and WAJ desire to amend certain provisions of the MSA in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual premises and the respective mutual agreements contained herein, the Company and WAJ agree as follows:

Section 1. Termination by Company. Paragraph 1 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 1:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company may terminate this Agreement upon 30 days' prior written notice to Kilgore."

Section 2. Assignment. Paragraph 10 of the MSA is amended by adding the following language to the end of Paragraph 10:

"Notwithstanding any provision of this Paragraph 10 to the contrary, Kilgore may assign this Agreement to Compass Group Management LLC and shall upon such assignment provide written notice thereof to the Company within 10 calendar days of such assignment."

Section 3. Offsetting Management Services Agreement. The MSA, as amended by this Agreement, shall be an "Offsetting Management Services Agreement" as defined in that certain Management Services Agreement dated of even date hereof, by and between Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC and Compass Group Management LLC.

Section 4. Effectiveness of MSA. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the terms and provisions of the MSA remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 6. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this Agreement and all of which, when taken together, will be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed and delivered this Second Amendment to Management Services Agreement as of the date first above written.

COMPANY:

SDC TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,
a Delaware corporation

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

WAJ:

WAJ,
a Connecticut general partnership

By: _____
Name: I. Joseph Massoud
Title: General Partner

**Form Of
AMENDMENT TO STOCKHOLDERS' AGREEMENT
OF SILVUE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.**

This Amendment to Stockholders' Agreement (this "**Amendment**"), dated and effective (except as otherwise expressly provided herein) as of April __, 2006 (the "**Effective Date**"), by and among Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "**LLC**"), Silvue Technologies Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), Compass Silvue Partners, L.P., a Bahamian limited partnership ("**Partners**"), and the stockholders whose signatures appear on the signature page hereto (the "**Minority Stockholders**"), amends that certain Stockholders' Agreement, dated September 2, 2004 (the "**Original Agreement**" and, as amended hereby, the "**Stockholders' Agreement**"), by and among the Company, Partners, the Minority Stockholders and certain former stockholders of the Company. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Original Agreement.

WHEREAS, Partners desires to sell to the LLC, and the LLC desires to purchase from Partners, all of the shares of capital stock of the Company owned by Partners (the "**Transfer**", with the date, if any, on which the Transfer is consummated being referred to herein as the "**Transfer Date**");

WHEREAS, as of the Effective Date, Partners and the Minority Stockholders own all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company, and the Minority Stockholders, Partners and the LLC desire that, effective on and after the Transfer Date, the LLC, as successor-in-interest to Partners, without further action or consent on the part of the LLC, Partners or the Minority Stockholders, have all rights and obligations of Partners under the Stockholders' Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the parties further desire to modify certain of the provisions of the Original Agreement as provided herein.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the respective mutual agreements herein contained, the parties to this Amendment hereby agree as follows:

1. **Consent.** Each of the Minority Stockholders hereby consents to the Transfer and waives any and all notice requirements under, and rights pursuant to, the Original Agreement arising from or relating to the Transfer, including, without limitation, the right, if any, to receive a Disposition Notice with respect thereto and any Tag Along Right in respect thereof.

2. **Joinder.** Each of the parties hereto hereby agrees that, effective as of the Transfer Date, the LLC, as the successor-in-interest to Partners, shall be substituted in Partners' stead as a Stockholder under the Stockholders' agreement without further action or consent on the part of any of them, and the LLC hereby agrees that, effective as of the Transfer Date, it shall be bound by and comply with all the terms and provisions of the Stockholders' Agreement.

3. Amendment of Original Agreement. Effective as of the Transfer Date, the Original Agreement shall be amended as follows:

3.1 The introductory paragraph and notice provisions of the Original Agreement shall be amended to reflect Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC as a party, with an address of 61 Wilton Road, 2nd Floor, Westport, Connecticut 06880, Attention: I. Joseph Massoud, Chief Executive Officer, and a facsimile number of (203) 221-8253.

3.2 Each reference in the Original Agreement to Compass Silvue Partners, L.P... or any nickname, abbreviation or alias intended to refer to Compass Silvue Partners, L.P. shall mean and be a reference to Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC and its successors and assigns ("**CODI**").

3.3 Section 2.3 of the Original Agreement shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

2.3 Exempt Transfers. Notwithstanding Section 2.2, a Stockholder may make an Exempt Transfer. The following transactions shall constitute "**Exempt Transfers**" as that term is used in this Agreement: (i) an inter vivos transfer by a Stockholder to his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (ii) an inter vivos transfer to a trust for the benefit of such Stockholder and/or the benefit of one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants; (iii) a transfer by will or intestate succession to a Stockholder's spouse or lineal descendants or such Stockholder's executor, administrator or testamentary trustee for the benefit of one or more of such Stockholder's spouse or lineal descendants; (iv) a transfer from a trust for the benefit of a Stockholder and/or one or more of his or her spouse or lineal descendants to such Stockholder's spouse and/or lineal descendants; (v) a transfer to any members of the Board of Directors of the Company that are nominees of Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC ("**CODI**"), (vi) a transfer to any director, officer or employee of CODI, and (vii) the pledge by CODI of, or the grant by CODI of a security interest in, any or all Shares then or in the future held by CODI as collateral security for loans by third-party lenders to CODI, and any transfer to or by such third-party lender in connection with its enforcement rights and remedies in respect thereof. The Shares transferred pursuant to Exempt Transfers shall remain subject to the provisions of this Agreement and the permitted transferees of such Shares shall be a Stockholder for purposes of this Agreement. Every such transferee shall observe and comply with this Agreement and with all obligations and restrictions imposed hereby and shall, at the request of CODI or any Stockholder, execute an Additional Holder Signature Page.

3.4 Section 6.1 of the Original Agreement shall be amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Section 6. Mandatory Sale of Shares

6.1. Upon any Management Stockholder's or Additional Holder's termination of employment from SDC Technologies, Inc., either voluntarily or for cause (as defined below), CODI shall have the right to purchase 50% of all of the shares of Series A Common Stock of such holder at a purchase price equal to the product of the Original Issue Price of the stock held by such holder multiplied by the number of such shares (plus, if any such Holder shall have financed the acquisition of such shares by issuing a promissory note to CODI, any accrued and unpaid interest thereon). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, CODI shall not have the right to purchase: (a) shares of Series A Common Stock or 13% Series B Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock such holder received upon the conversion of any Series A Convertible Preferred Stock held by such holder; (b) shares of Series A Common Stock which are held by an Additional Holder that is not an employee of SDC Technologies, Inc.; (c) shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock owned by a holder; or (d) any shares of Series A Common Stock on or after September 2, 2007.

4. Effect on Original Agreement. Each reference in the Original Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof", "herein" or words of similar import shall mean and be a reference to the Original Agreement as amended hereby. Except as specifically modified by the terms of this Amendment, all of the terms, provisions, covenants, warranties and agreements contained in the Original Agreement, and all other documents, instruments, agreements or amendments executed or delivered in connection therewith, shall remain in full force and effect and are hereby ratified.

5. Headings. Section headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the meaning or interpretation of this Amendment.

6. Governing Law. Each of the undersigned hereby agrees that this Amendment and the rights and obligations hereunder of all parties hereto shall be governed by and construed under the substantive laws of the State of Delaware without reference to the conflict of laws principles thereof

7. Severability. If any provision of this Amendment is held invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect. Any provision of this Amendment held invalid or unenforceable only in part or degree will remain in full force and effect to the extent not held invalid or unenforceable.

8. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts and by the different parties hereto on separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and all of which shall, when taken together, constitute one and the same Amendment. Receipt by telecopy of any executed signature page to this Amendment shall constitute effective delivery of such signature page.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Amendment as of the date first above written.

SILVUE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC.

By: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

COMPASS SILVUE PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Navco Management, Inc.,
its General Partner

By: _____

Name: _____
Attorney-in-Fact

MINORITY STOCKHOLDERS:

William A. Gregg

Mark S. Sollberger

Bryant Riley

Andre D. Guardi

Jeremy Nowak

Frank K. Bassoff

Ronald D. Eaton

Gregory E. Presson

Tom Kelleher

Shane Pavitt



April 12, 2006

The Compass Group International LLC
Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC
61 Wilton Road
Westport, CT 06880
Attention: Mr. Joseph Massoud
and Mr. Alan Offenberg

Re: Financing Commitment

Ladies and Gentlemen:

1. You have advised Ableco Finance LLC ("**Ableco**") that The Compass Group International LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("**CGLLC**") has organized a newly created entity, Compass Group Diversified Holdings, a Delaware limited liability company ("**Holdings**") that will be owned and controlled by Compass Diversified Trust, a Delaware statutory trust ("**Trust**"). CGLLC and Holdings are desirous of obtaining financing for Holdings in order to (i) partially finance the consummation of the acquisition of (a) CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. ("**CBS**"), (b) Crosman Acquisition Corporation ("**Crosman**"), (c) Compass AC Holdings, Inc. ("**Advanced Circuits**"), and (d) Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. ("**Silvue**"; CBS, Crosman, Advanced Circuits, and Silvue, the "**Companies**") (the "**Acquisition**"), (ii) provide financing in connection with future permitted acquisitions by Holdings, (iii) pay fees and expenses associated with the Acquisition and such financing transaction, and (iv) meet the ongoing working capital requirements and other general corporate needs of Holdings and each of its subsidiaries.

2. Ableco is pleased to advise you that it (either individually or through its affiliates and related funds) hereby commits to provide Holdings with a senior secured financing facility in the maximum aggregate amount of \$225,000,000 (the "**Financing Facility**"), substantially on the terms and conditions set forth in the Outline of Terms and Conditions attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "**Term Sheet**"). The Financing Facility will consist of the following: (i) a revolving credit facility of up to \$60,000,000 outstanding at any time, (ii) a term loan of \$50,000,000, and (iii) a delayed draw term loan facility of up to \$115,000,000. The Financing Facility shall be secured by perfected first priority liens on substantially all now owned or hereafter acquired assets (including the stock of all of Holdings' subsidiaries and all intercompany indebtedness owed by Holdings' subsidiaries to Holdings) of Holdings as specified in the Term Sheet.

3. CGLLC acknowledges that the Term Sheet does not purport to summarize all the conditions, covenants, representations, warranties and other provisions that would be contained in definitive legal documentation for the Financing Facility. The loan documentation for the Financing Facility shall include, in addition to the provisions that are summarized in this commitment letter and the Term Sheet, provisions that, in the reasonable opinion of Ableco, are customary for this type of financing transaction and other provisions that Ableco reasonably determines to be appropriate in the context of the proposed transaction.

4. By its execution hereof and its acceptance of the commitment contained herein, each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Ableco and GoldenTree (as defined below) and each of their affiliates and related funds and each of their respective directors, officers, employees and agents (each an “**Indemnified Party**”) from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses to which such Indemnified Party may become subject, insofar as such losses, claims, damages, liabilities (or actions or other proceedings commenced or threatened in respect thereof) and reasonable out-of-pocket expenses arise out of or in any way relate to or result from, this commitment letter or the extension of the Financing Facility contemplated by this commitment letter, or in any way arise from any use or intended use of this commitment letter or the proceeds of the Financing Facility, and each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees to reimburse each Indemnified Party for any reasonable out-of-pocket legal or other expenses incurred in connection with investigating, defending or participating in any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action or other proceeding (irrespective of whether such Indemnified Party is a party to any action or proceeding out of which indemnified expenses arise), but excluding therefrom all expenses, losses, claims, damages and liabilities that are finally determined in a non-appealable decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Party. In the event of any litigation or dispute involving this commitment letter or the Financing Facility, Ableco shall not be responsible or liable to CGLLC or Holdings for any special, indirect, consequential, incidental or punitive damages.

5. Each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees to reimburse Ableco for all of its reasonable out-of-pocket fees and expenses (the “**Expenses**”) incurred by or on behalf of Ableco in connection with (i) the preparation, negotiation, execution, and delivery of this commitment letter and any and all definitive documentation relating hereto, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel to Ableco and the reasonable fees and expenses incurred by Ableco in connection with any due diligence, collateral reviews, appraisals, valuations, audits, and field examinations, any syndication of the Financing Facility, and any filing and search fees incurred in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby; and (ii) the enforcement of any of Ableco’s rights and remedies under this commitment letter and any and all definitive documentation relating hereto. In addition, each of CGLLC and Holdings recognizes that Ableco has been discussing with GoldenTree Asset Management, LP (“**GoldenTree**”) the possibility that GoldenTree, on behalf of certain of its managed funds, will be a Lender with respect to the Financing Facility and that its original commitment to the Financing Facility, if issued, is potentially significant in size. To this end, GoldenTree shall be a third-party beneficiary for purposes of enforcing its rights under paragraphs 4 and 5 herein where such provision is applicable to GoldenTree (and thus GoldenTree may enforce such provisions, as applicable, as if it was a party to this agreement). As a result, each of CGLLC and Holdings

agrees to reimburse GoldenTree for all of its reasonable out-of-pocket fees and expenses (the “**GoldenTree Expenses**”) incurred by or on behalf of GoldenTree in connection with (i) the preparation, negotiation, execution, and delivery of this commitment letter and any and all definitive documentation relating hereto, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel to GoldenTree and the reasonable fees and expenses incurred by GoldenTree in connection with any due diligence, collateral reviews, appraisals, valuations, audits, and field examinations, any syndication of the Financing Facility; and (ii) the enforcement of any of GoldenTree’s rights and remedies under this paragraph of this commitment letter.

6. Ableco acknowledges that CGLLC has previously provided Ableco with a deposit in the amount of \$250,000 (the “**Deposit**”), to fund the reimbursement of Expenses incurred by or on behalf of Ableco. Ableco may from time to time request additional expense deposits if the Expenses exceed or may exceed the Deposit and each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees to provide such additional expense deposits. The Deposit will not be segregated and may be commingled with other funds of Ableco and neither CGLLC nor Holdings will be entitled to receive interest on the Deposit (or any additional deposits). If (a) Ableco concludes that it will not make the Financing Facility available to Holdings on the terms and conditions set forth in the Term Sheet and so long as neither CGLLC nor Holdings has previously declined to continue to pursue the Financing Facility, the unused portion of the Deposit held by Ableco will be promptly returned by Ableco to CGLLC; (b) CGLLC concludes that it will not consummate the initial public offering of the Trust’s equity securities and so long as neither CGLLC nor Holdings has previously declined to continue to pursue the Financing Facility, the unused portion of the Deposit held by Ableco will be promptly returned by Ableco to CGLLC; (c) CGLLC or Holdings declines to continue pursuing the Financing Facility and so long as Ableco has not previously declined to make the Financing Facility available to Holdings on the terms and conditions set forth in the Term Sheet, Ableco shall be entitled to retain any unused amount of the Deposit (or any additional deposits); or (d) the Financing Facility is closed and funded, any unused portion of the Deposit held by Ableco will be returned by Ableco to CGLLC.

7. During the effectiveness of the commitment contained in this commitment letter, CGLLC and Holdings each hereby agrees to work exclusively with Ableco to accomplish the Financing Facility, and each agrees that it shall not engage in any discussions with another lender or funding source regarding an alternative financing to the Financing Facility, shall not provide any deposit to any other lender or funding source in connection with an alternative financing to the Financing Facility, will not solicit or accept a proposal or commitment from another lender or funding source in connection with an alternative financing to the Financing Facility and will not otherwise permit or encourage another person to solicit a financing proposal or conduct due diligence in connection with an alternative financing to the Financing Facility. If the initial public offering of the shares of the Trust (“the IPO”) is consummated on or before May 5, 2007 and the Financing Facility does not close and if, on or prior to May 5, 2007, CGLLC or Holdings, directly or indirectly, enters into a letter of intent, proposal letter, expense deposit arrangement, commitment letter, loan agreement, or other agreement for alternative financing to the Financing Facility (other than with Ableco) so long as (a) Ableco has not terminated or breached its commitment hereunder based on any one of the following subsections set forth in the Conditions section of Exhibit A attached hereto: (ii), (iii), (viii), (xv), and (xix),

then CGLLC and Holdings agree to immediately pay to Ableco a fee (the "**Break-up Fee**") of \$2,250,000 (which amount is in addition to any other amount paid or payable hereunder).

8. The commitment by Ableco to provide the Financing Facility shall be subject to (i) the negotiation, execution and delivery of definitive loan documentation (the "**Loan Documents**"), in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Ableco; (ii) the satisfaction of Ableco that, since the date hereof, there has not occurred any material adverse change with respect to the condition, financial or otherwise, business, results of operations, assets, or liabilities of the Companies, taken as a whole (a "**Material Adverse Change**"), as determined by Ableco in its discretion; and (iii) satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Term Sheet.

9. This commitment letter is delivered to CGLLC and Holdings on the condition that, prior to its acceptance of this offer, neither the existence of this commitment letter, nor its contents, shall be disclosed by CGLLC or Holdings, except as may be compelled to be disclosed in a judicial or administrative proceeding, as otherwise required by law or, on a confidential and "need to know" basis, solely to the directors, officers, employees, advisors and agents of CGLLC or Holdings. In addition, unless required by applicable law each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees that it shall obtain the prior approval of Ableco before releasing any public announcement in which reference is made to Ableco or to the commitment contained herein. Each of CGLLC and Holdings acknowledges that Ableco and its affiliates or related funds may now or hereafter provide financing or obtain other interests in other companies in respect of which CGLLC, Holdings, or the Companies or their affiliates may be business competitors, and that neither Ableco nor any of its affiliates or related funds shall have any obligation to provide to CGLLC or Holdings or any of their affiliates any confidential information obtained from such other companies.

10. While Ableco is hereby providing its commitment for the entire amount of the Financing Facility subject to the terms and conditions of this commitment letter, Ableco may syndicate the Financing Facility. Ableco will manage all aspects of such syndication, including the timing of all offers to potential lenders, the allocation of commitments and the determination of compensation provided and titles (such as co-agent, managing agent, etc.). The CGLLC and Holdings agree that no lender will receive any compensation for its participation in the Financing Facility except as expressly set forth in the Term Sheet or as agreed to and offered by Ableco.

11. As a material inducement to Ableco to issue the commitments set forth herein, each of CGLLC and Holdings agrees to use (and to cause the Companies to use) commercially reasonable efforts to assist Ableco in forming a syndicate acceptable to Ableco. The CGLLC's and Holdings' assistance shall include but not be limited to (i) using commercially reasonable efforts to make senior management and representatives of Holdings and the Companies available to participate in meetings and to provide information to potential lenders and participants at such times and places as Ableco may reasonably request; and (ii) using commercially reasonable efforts to provide all information reasonably deemed necessary by Ableco to complete the syndication, subject to confidentiality agreements in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to CGLLC, Holdings, and Ableco.

12. The obligations of CGLLC and Holdings under paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7, 9 and 15 of this commitment letter shall remain effective notwithstanding any termination of this

commitment letter. Except as set forth in the immediately prior sentence, if definitive documentation is entered into by the parties relative to the Financing Facility and if the IPO contemplated by the Term Sheet is consummated, CGLLC's obligations under this letter shall be of no further force and effect.

13. Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, Holdings shall have no liability or obligation to pay or reimburse any amounts referenced or otherwise provided for herein if the IPO contemplated by the Term Sheet is not consummated.

14. The offer made by Ableco in this commitment letter shall expire, unless otherwise agreed by Ableco in writing, at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on April 12, 2006, unless prior thereto Ableco has received a copy of this commitment letter, signed by CGLLC and Holdings, accepting the terms and conditions of this commitment letter. The commitment by Ableco to provide any portion of the Financing Facility shall expire at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on May 5, 2006, unless at or prior to such date the Loan Documents shall have been agreed to in writing by all parties and the conditions set forth therein shall have been satisfied.

15. This commitment letter (i) supersedes all prior discussions, agreements, commitments, arrangements, negotiations or understandings, whether oral or written, of the parties with respect thereto; (ii) shall be governed by the law of the State of New York; (iii) shall be binding upon the parties and their respective successors and assigns; (iv) may not be relied upon or enforced by any other person or entity; and (v) may be signed in multiple counterparts and may be delivered by facsimile or other electronic transmission, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each of the parties hereto consents to the jurisdiction and venue of the federal and/or state courts located within the City of New York. If this commitment letter becomes the subject of a dispute, each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives trial by jury in any action or proceeding (whether based on contract, tort or otherwise) arising out of or relating to this commitment letter or the transactions contemplated by this commitment letter or the actions of Ableco or any of its affiliates or related funds in the negotiation, performance, or enforcement of this commitment letter. This commitment letter may be amended, modified or waived only in a writing signed by each of the parties hereto.

Very truly yours,

ABLECO FINANCE LLC

By: /s/ Kevin Genda

Name: Kevin Genda

Title: SVP and Chief Credit Officer

Agreed and accepted on April 12, 2006:

THE COMPASS GROUP INTERNATIONAL LLC

By: /s/ Alan B. Offenberg
Name: Alan B. Offenberg
Title: Partner

COMPASS GROUP DIVERSIFIED HOLDINGS LLC

By: /s/ James Bottiglieri
Name: James Bottiglieri
Title: Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Commitment Letter]

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our report dated February 9, 2006, accompanying the December 31, 2005 consolidated financial statements of Compass Diversified Trust contained in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus. We consent to the use of the aforementioned reports in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

New York, New York

April 10, 2006

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our report dated February 14, 2006, accompanying the consolidated financial statements of CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. and subsidiaries contained in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus of Compass Diversified Trust. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Cincinnati, Ohio

April 6, 2006

Consent of Independent Accountants

We hereby consent to the use in this Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of our report dated December 12, 2005, relating to the financial statements of Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries as of June 30, 2005 and 2004, for the year ended June 30, 2005 and the period from February 10, 2004 to June 30, 2004, which appear in such Registration Statement. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Syracuse, New York
April 11, 2006

Consent of Independent Accountants

We hereby consent to the use in this Amendment No. 3 to this Registration Statement on Form S-1 of our report dated August 31, 2004, relating to the financial statements of Crosman Acquisition Corporation and Subsidiaries for the period from July 1, 2003 to February 9, 2004 and the year ended June 30, 2003, which appear in such Registration Statement. We also consent to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in such Registration Statement.

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Syracuse, New York

April 11, 2006

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We have issued our report dated January 27, 2006, accompanying the financial statements and schedules of Advanced Circuits, Inc. and R.J.C.S., LLC contained in the Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus of Compass Diversified Trust. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in the Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ Bauerle and Company, P.C.

Denver, Colorado

April 10, 2006

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We have issued our report dated September 9, 2005 except for Footnotes R and T which are as of March 1, 2006, accompanying the financial statements of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and Subsidiaries contained in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus of Compass Diversified Trust. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in Amendment No. 3 in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ White, Nelson & Co. LLP

Anaheim, California

April 10, 2006

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our report dated February 10, 2006, accompanying the consolidated financial statements of Compass AC Holdings, Inc. as of December 31, 2005, and for the period from September 20, 2005 (inception) through December 31, 2005, contained in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus of Compass Diversified Trust. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Denver, Colorado
April 10, 2006

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our report dated March 1, 2006, accompanying the December 31, 2005 consolidated financial statements of Silvue Technologies Group, Inc. and subsidiaries contained in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus of Compass Diversified Trust. We consent to the use of the aforementioned report in Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and to the use of our name as it appears under the caption "Experts."

/s/ Grant Thornton LLP

Irvine, California

April 6, 2006

DUFF & PHELPS, LLC • 311 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4200 • CHICAGO, IL 60606 • TEL 312-697-4600 • FAX 312-697-0112

DUFF & PHELPS

April 11, 2006

Board of Directors
Compass Diversified Trust
Compass Diversified Holdings, LLC
Westport, CT

Re: Consent of Duff & Phelps, LLC

Members of the Board:

We hereby consent to the reference of Duff & Phelps' name and opinion (the "Opinion") addressed to the Board of Directors of Compass Diversified Trust ("CODI" or "Company") in Amendment #3 to Form S-1 (the "Registration Statement") regarding the analysis of the fairness, from a financial point of view, of Compass Diversified Holdings, LLC (the "Buyer") initial acquisition of the four operating companies (on an individual basis only) and (ii) references made to our firm and such Opinion in the Registration Statement under the sections "Risk Factors", "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions" and "The Acquisitions of and Loans to Our Initial Businesses".

In giving such consent, we are not and should not be misconstrued as "experts" with respect to any part of the Registration Statement for purposes of, the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. Duff & Phelps did not analyze or opine on the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the initial public offering's ("IPO") valuation, affiliate party debt terms and conditions, the LLC agreement, the management agreement, the Profit Interest, the Registration Statement and other IPO-related contracts.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Duff & Phelps, LLC". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Duff & Phelps, LLC

April 13, 2006

VIA COURIER

Mr. Larry Spigel
Assistant Director
Office of Telecommunications
Mail Stop 3561
Division of Corporation Finance
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Compass Diversified Trust and Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC
Amendment No. 3 to Registration Statement on Form S-1
filed April 13, 2006 File No. 333-130326; File No. 333-120326-01

Dear Mr. Spigel:

On behalf of Compass Diversified Trust (the "Trust") and Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC (the "Company"), set forth below are the responses to the comments provided by the Staff of the Division of Corporation Finance (the "Staff") of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in a letter dated March 31, 2006. For your convenience, we have set forth below the Staff's comments in bold, italic typeface followed by responses to each comment. Reference to "we," "us" and "our" refer to the Trust and the Company collectively. All responses are those of the Trust and the Company only.

Concurrently with the submission of this response letter, the Trust and the Company are filing Amendment No. 3 to the Registration Statement (the "Amended Registration Statement"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meaning attributable to the analogous terms used in the Amended Registration Statement.

Prospectus Summary, page 1

- 1. We note your response to prior comment 2, and we do not agree with your assertion in response to prior comment 24 that disclosing the percentage of net income would confuse investor. As you disclose on page 96, based on the \$17.6 million pro forma net income you disclose on page 71, the management fee of \$6.8 million would represent***
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28.3% of net income before the fee. Based on the \$12.3 million pro forma net income after overhead that you discuss in response to prior comment 2, the management fee would represent 35.6% of net income before the fee. These amounts are necessary to provide context for your disclosure, including at page 21 in the risk factors, that the amount of management fees may be significant with respect to your net income. Therefore, please revise your summary disclosure to highlight the percentage that your pro forma management fee calculation represents of your net income.

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

2. *Additionally, we note your response that inclusion of a pro forma calculation of the profit allocation would be misleading to investors. In lieu of providing this calculation, include disclosure in the summary highlighting the earliest a profit allocation could be payable to the manager (based upon the acquisition dates of the company's current businesses) and that the amount of the profit allocation payable to the manager in the future could be considerably greater than the other fees paid to manager pursuant to the management services agreement.*

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

Risk Factors, page 14

3. *We note your response to prior comment 4. However, you have not included risk factor disclosure highlighting the board of directors' inability to control the level of compensation paid to the company's CEO, Mr. Massoud. Please revise the appropriate risk factor to highlight.*

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

We would like to inform the Staff that we have revised the provision of the management services agreement with respect to the offsetting management fees. Under the current management services agreement, the offsetting management fees, payable under the offsetting management services agreements, may not exceed the management fee payable under the management services agreement. We have revised the relevant risk factor discussion for this new provision.

Our Manager, page 60

Management Fee, page 60

4. *Please revise to clarify whether or not the management fee will include, in addition to the adjusted net assets calculation, additional amounts to reimburse your manager for identification, diligence and negotiation of acquisition targets. Your disclosure on page 134 in the paragraph above Market Opportunity suggests that it will.*

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements, page 71

5. **We note your response to comment 7. Please address the following additional comments.**

- **Disclose the substance of your response concerning the background information behind the offering including the negotiations leading to the modified management buyout structure as shown on page 7. Also disclose explanations why the purchases prices of the initial businesses represent fair value given the fact that the negotiations are among related parties.**

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

- **Explain to us your basis in GAAP supporting your belief that CGI's non-management interests in the Manager will not impact the Company's purchase accounting for the transaction.**

The 10% of the profit allocation that our Manager has granted to Compass Group Investments, Inc. ("CGI") through the non-management interests in the Manager is consideration for expected future value to be received by our Manager from CGI in the form of additional profitable relationships. In considering whether CGI's non-management interests in our Manager impact the Company's purchase accounting for the transaction, we considered the history of the negotiations with CGI and the totality of the relationship the Manager has historically had, and anticipates it will continue to have, with CGI. Primarily, the management team expects to have future opportunities, which are currently undefined, to work with CGI and its subsidiaries, which may be profitable for the management team. In consideration of this potential continuing relationship and as part of the overall historic relationship and transaction, the management team decided to offer CGI, through its subsidiaries, 10% of the profit allocation to be received from the Company by the Manager, as holder of allocation interests, so as to support the continuation of this relationship.

Furthermore, we believe that the purchase price would not have changed had this 10% not been included in the transaction. In fact, the pricing mechanism (*i.e.*, the multiples of cash flow to be paid for the initial businesses) for the acquisition of the initial businesses was negotiated before the Manager offered CGI the 10% of the profit allocation. As noted above, the Manager provided this 10% of the profit allocation to CGI after it had negotiated the terms of its profit allocation, in an attempt to secure a continuing relationship between the management team and CGI. It will not be given by the Company in connection with the acquisition of the initial businesses.

Also, please note that the Company will be given an opinion by Duff & Phelps, LLC, an independent financial advisory and investment banking firm, relating to the fairness of the purchase price of each of the four initial businesses by the

Company. The Company's board of directors will evaluate the fairness of these transactions based upon their review of the initial businesses, without taking into consideration at all any interest that CGI may or may not have in the profit allocation.

Pursuant to GAAP, the Company recorded the minority interests, represented by the allocation interests owned by our Manager, on its financial statements. CGI's non-management interest in our Manager, however, does not create an ownership interest in the Company. CGI's non-management interests entitle it to receive a certain portion of any profit allocation received by the Manager as a result of the Manager's allocation interests in the Company. CGI does not have a claim against the Company for the profit allocation; it only has a claim against the Manager for any profit allocation the Manager receives and therefore CGI's non-management interests in the Manager should not change the accounting for the allocation interests held by the Company.

For example, if Company A had a minority shareholder that held 1% of a preferred security that entitled that holder of such security to a dividend (in this case, the analogy is to our Manager's right to receive a profit allocation pursuant to the allocation interests), the granting by that minority shareholder of 10% of its dividend to be received pursuant to its equity ownership to another entity that owned a portion of the equity of that entity does not change the accounting for the preferred securities by Company A. The relationship is even further removed where the minority shareholder is an entity itself and the 10% interest in the relevant dividend was given pursuant to a separate and unrelated equity interest. Rather, only the minority shareholder of the preferred security would need to recognize the granting of that dividend percentage. Similarly, the Manager's granting of a percentage of the profit allocation it is entitled to receive as a holder of allocation interests to an owner of its equity, in this case CGI, does not need to be recognized by the Company but rather only by the Manager in its own financial statements. If the Manager had not offered CGI this 10% of the profit allocation, the Manager would still have maintained the same allocation interests in the Company; thus, this right, and any consideration related thereto, flows to the Manager and not the Company.

- **Clearly indicate under "Relationship with Related Parties," on page 190, that CGI did not pay any cash consideration for its non-management member interests.**

We have revised the disclosure as requested. We would also like to inform the Staff that this information is provided in the section entitled "Our Manager — Overview of Our Manager".

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, page 91

Dividend and Distribution Policy, page 97

6. ***We note your revision in response to prior comment 12. Please revise further to clarify your reference to cash sweep obligations in everyday language. Clarify what you mean by "the company is expected to sweep the cash flows." Disclose more clearly to whom these cash flows will be paid, whether or not the company is obligated to make these payments and what amount you expect them to be.***

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

7. ***We note your discussion of cash available for distribution or distribution rate on a per share basis throughout the section. Since cash available for distribution is considered a liquidity measure, we object to your discussion or presentation of cash available for distribution or similar measure on a per share basis. As such, please remove such presentation here and elsewhere, as applicable, in the filing, and limit your discussion and presentation to cash available for distribution on a total basis. Refer to Question 11 of the Frequent Asked Questions Regarding the Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures.***

We have revised to delete any reference to per share information in the section entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis — Dividend and Distribution Policy".

We respectfully inform the Staff that the remaining per share information currently provided in the Amended Registration Statement is concerning the dividend amount the Board of Directors of the Company currently intends to declare and pay as the initial dividend to shareholders. As stated in the Amended Registration Statement, this per share amount will be determined by the board of directors after consideration of the current results of operations of the Company's initial businesses and other available resources, including the third party credit facility. We confirm to the Staff that this per share amount does not represent the amount of cash flow available for distribution divided by the proposed number of shares to be offered in this offering and related private placement transactions.

8. ***Refer to the distribution table that reconciles pro forma net income to estimated pro forma cash available for distribution on page 46. Note that the most directly comparable financial measure to cash available for distribution is cash flow from operating activities. While we do not object to your reconciliation that begins with pro forma net income, you should reconcile pro forma net income to cash flow from operating activities first and then arrive at estimated cash available for distribution in the distribution table. Please revise and advise us.***
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We have revised the cash flow available for distribution table to first reconcile pro forma net income to pro forma cash flow provided by operating activities and then adjusted to arrive at estimated pro forma cash flow available for distribution.

Management Services Agreement, page 183

Offsetting Management Services Agreements, page 183

9. ***We note your revisions in response to prior comment 25. Further revise to disclose, in a single location, the amounts payable under the offsetting management services agreements and the transaction services agreements, which are currently at pages 184-185, together with your disclosure of amounts payable, or pro forma, beginning at page 60.***

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

Contractual Arrangements with Related Parties, page 193

10. ***We note on page 193, in response to comment 8, you have replaced the reference to an independent valuation firm with a reference to “an independent financial advisor.” We reiterate our request that you provide a consent from the financial advisor.***

We have revised the disclosure to identify the independent financial advisory and investment banking firm and included a consent from that firm in the Amended Registration Statement.

Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations, page 207

Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders, page 209

Allocation of Company Profits and Losses, page 210

11. ***We note your revision in response to prior comment 34. Although your response indicates that counsel is opining that allocations under the LLC agreement should have substantial economic effect, the revised disclosure is not clear whether or not counsel is opining on this consequence. Specifically, the disclosure in the paragraph immediately preceding Tax Considerations for U.S. Holders, on page 209, indicates that counsel is only opining that the company will be classified as a partnership and that the following discussion of tax considerations is not the subject of counsel’s opinion. Please revise to clarify whether or not counsel is opining on these tax consequences.***

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

Management Fees and Other Expenses, page 212

12. ***Similarly, your response to prior comment 35 indicates that counsel is opining on the***
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tax consequences described in this section. However, the revised disclosure is unclear whether or not counsel is opining on this consequence. Please revise to clarify.

We have revised the disclosure as requested.

Financial Statements, page F-1

General

- 13. We note your response to comment #37 however, we believe how you intend to account for the Supplemental Put Agreement and its potential impact on your future results of operations and financial position is material information that should be clearly disclosed in your Form S-1. With respect to your accounting for the Supplemental Put Agreement, it appears the put may be under the scope of SFAS No. 133 or SFAS No. 150. Please explain to us your full consideration of this literature and your specific basis in GAAP for your proposed accounting for the Put.**

We agree with the Staff that the Supplemental Put Agreement falls within the scope of SFAS No. 150, specifically under bullet number two of the Scope and Requirement section of this statement and as further clarified under paragraph 11 of this statement. We believe that the Supplemental Put Agreement represents an instrument described in the second bullet of SFAS No. 150, which states that “[a] financial instrument, other than an outstanding share, that, at inception, embodies an obligation to repurchase the issuer’s equity shares, or is indexed to such an obligation, and that requires or may require the issuer to settle the obligation by transferring assets...” should be classified as a liability.

We have revised the disclosure in the section entitled “Management’s Discussion and Analysis — Contractual Obligations” of the Amended Registration Statement, a copy of which is attached, to clearly disclose how we intend to account for the Supplemental Put Agreement upon the closing of this offering and going forward. In general, we will record, through the income statement, any increase or decrease in the company’s liability related to the fair value of the Supplemental Put Agreement, taking into consideration any changes in the estimated profit allocation (which drive the pricing of the Supplemental Put Agreement), as well as any additional value related to the put itself. We have also revised the disclose in our management’s discussion and analysis to reflect that this liability represents an estimate of amounts to ultimately be paid to our Manager, whether as a result of the occurrence of various trigger events or through the exercise of the Supplemental Put Agreement following termination of the Management Services Agreement.

Any payments made pursuant to the profit allocation will reduce this liability accordingly.

- 14. Tell us how you determined that the allocation interest in the Company does not represent a derivative as defined in paragraph 6 of FAS 133. Please address each of the criteria set forth in paragraph 6 (a) — (c). If you have relied upon a scope exception**
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from FAS 133 in making your determination that the allocation interest represents equity and not a derivative, please specify which exception you are relying upon.

In evaluating how and whether to account for the allocation interests in light of SFAS 133, we took a variety of factors into consideration. As an overview, we do not believe SFAS 133 applies to the allocation interests in that the lead in to Paragraph 6 of SFAS 133 (which sets out the basic criteria for determining applicability) suggests that “a derivative is **a financial instrument or other contract** (emphasis added)”.

Unlike any number of financial instruments or other contracts covered by SFAS 133, the allocation interests in the company are a class of the company’s equity under the company’s governing operating agreement. In that regard, the allocation interests are comparable to preferred stock of a corporation that entitle the holder thereof, pursuant to a corporation’s governing documents, to a liquidation preference based on a formula tied to such corporation’s net profit or a distribution of cash flow or net income on a periodic or trigger event basis. We are not aware of any circumstances or situations where preferred stock or the distributions rights described in the preceding sentence have been characterized as a derivative or a financial instrument or other contract to be accounted for as a derivative. Indeed, profit-sharing rights are fundamentally equity in nature; they do not arise out of contract or creditor principles. In short, the allocation interests do not entitle the Manager to contractual rights akin to rights of the creditors of the Company.¹ In that regard, Section 18-607 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act provides that distributions in respect of equity interests, such as membership interests and the allocation interests, are effectively subordinate to the rights and claims of creditors of the company. The allocation interests simply carry the right to receive a profit allocation subject to the limitations of Section 18-607. As a result, we believe it is inappropriate to characterize the allocation interests as a contract or contractual obligation (i.e., a “financial instrument or other contract”) that would fall within the premise of SFAS 133.

However, beyond our fundamental determination that SFAS 133 does not apply to non-contractual equity interests such as the allocation interests, for further clarification, we also examined criteria (a) through (c) of Paragraph 6, keeping in mind that a derivative within the meaning of SFAS 133 must have “**all three** of the following characteristics...” In fact, we believe the allocation interests have none of the three characteristics, although failure to meet any of the three criteria individually would mean that the allocation interests would not be treated as a derivative under SFAS 133. We discuss each of the three criteria below:

¹ We also note that while the term “financial instrument” has broad applicability in financial accounting, we believe that the Board in Paragraph 6 intended to capture those financial instruments that are contracts or that contain contract-like features in light of the reference to “other” contracts (implying that the financial instruments covered are contracts themselves). We would further point to the Board’s use in paragraph 6(b) of the phrase “required for other types of contracts” as evidence of their intention.

- (a) *It has (1) one or more underlyings and (2) one or more notional amounts or payment provisions or both.*
- We believe the allocation interests do not have an underlying.
 - Specifically, an “underlying” is described as “a specified interest rate, security price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates or other variable (including the occurrence or nonoccurrence of a specified event such as a scheduled payment under a contract). An underlying may be a price or rate of an asset or liability **but is not the asset or liability itself.**”
 - The allocation interests are an equity interest in the Company that entitles the Manager to receive a share of the Company’s profit. While the amount of the profit share is determined by reference to a formula, such formula does not represent a tracking mechanism (i.e., the allocation interests are not a form of tracking stock). In this regard and in SFAS 133 terms, the allocation interests are not a rate or price, but rather a component of the asset or liability itself — that asset being the equity of the Company, which entitles the holder to directly receive a participation in the company’s profits. The allocation interests are not an index that is driven by the performance of the Company, but, rather, a class of equity entitling the holder to directly participate in the results of the Company based on the Company’s performance.
- (b) *It requires no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors.*
- Once again, we point here to the language “required for other types of contracts” as reflective of the Financial Accounting Standards Board’s intention to characterize only those instruments that are contracts or that have contract-like rights as derivatives. As discussed above, the allocation interests are comparable to shares of preferred stock and are not contracts or contract-like obligations. As a shareholder would be required to do with respect to shares of common or preferred stock, the Manager purchased its 1,000 allocation interests for \$100,000.
- (c) *Its terms require or permit net settlement, it can readily be settled net by a means outside the contract, or it provides for delivery of an asset that puts the recipient in a position not substantially different from net settlement.*
- Paragraph 9 comments on the notion of net settlement as follows:
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A contract fits the description in paragraph 6(c) if its settlement provisions meet one of the following criteria:

- a. *Neither party is required to deliver an asset that is associated with the underlying or that has a principal amount, stated amount, face value, number of shares, or other denomination that is equal to the notional amount (or the notional amount plus a premium or minus a discount). For example, most interest rate swaps do not require that either party deliver interest-bearing assets with a principal amount equal to the notional amount of the contract.*
 - We believe (a) is not applicable to the allocation interests. First, we believe there is no underlying, as the holder of the allocation interests has direct rights with respect to the assets of the Company — the Company's profits. While the amount of the profit sharing is determined by reference to a formula, such formula does not represent a tracking mechanism (i.e., the allocation interests are not a form of tracking stock). Second, by definition, the allocation interests specifically give the holder equity rights with respect to the Company and a right to share in the Company's profits; the allocation interests do not represent an interest derived from the Company's profits.
 - b. *One of the parties is required to deliver an asset of the type described in paragraph 9(a), but there is a market mechanism that facilitates net settlement, for example, an exchange that offers a ready opportunity to sell the contract or to enter into an offsetting contract.*
 - With respect to (b), there is no such market mechanism in the case of the allocation interests or the rights to directly participate in the Company's profits such interests carry, nor any opportunity for offsetting contracts with respect thereto. Again, we would note the reference to contract rights, as opposed to actual ownership of equity.
 - c. *One of the parties is required to deliver an asset of the type described in paragraph 9(a), but that asset is readily convertible to cash or is itself a derivative instrument. An example of that type of contract is a forward contract that requires delivery of an exchange-traded equity security. Even though the number of shares to be delivered is the same as the notional amount of the contract and the price of the shares is the underlying, an exchange-traded security is readily convertible to cash. Another example is a swaption—an option to require delivery of a swap contract, which is a derivative.*
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- We believe (c) does not apply to the allocation interests, as there is no delivery of assets in settlement or cancellation of a 'contract'; first, the allocation interests do not represent a contract and, second, the payment of profit allocation does not settle or cancel a contract. The allocation interests represent the right to share, by means of equity distributions, in the profits of the Company, which are calculated by reference to a specified formula. Like common or preferred stock that entitles the holder to receive dividends and other distributions, the allocation interests will remain outstanding (i.e., not settled or canceled) so long as they are not repurchased by the Company.

Beyond our determination that the allocation interests are neither contractual in nature nor meet any of the requirements under paragraph 6 (a) through (c), **all** of which must be met for derivative treatment, we also believe that SFAS 133 also contains at least two other exceptions that would place the allocation interests beyond the scope of coverage.

First, paragraph 10(e) exempts from the coverage of SFAS 133 derivatives that are not exchange-traded if the underlying on which the settlement is based is "the price or value of . . . a nonfinancial asset of one of the parties to the contract provided that the asset is not readily convertible to cash . . ." While we continue to believe that the allocation interests are not a contract and do not have an "underlying" as defined in SFAS 133, by definition any underlying that would exist would be based upon the value of the Company's initial businesses, the sale of any one of which would trigger a profit allocation, which are nonfinancial assets of the company not readily convertible to cash. As such, if SFAS 133 were to be otherwise applicable to the allocation interests, we believe that paragraph 10(e) would provide an exemption from coverage of SFAS 133.

Second, paragraph 11(a) of SFAS 133 provides that "the reporting entity shall *not* consider the following contracts to be derivative instruments for purposes of this Statement: a. Contracts issued or held by that reporting entity that are both (1) indexed to its own stock and (2) classified in stockholders' equity in its statement of financial position."

As with paragraph 10(e) above, we continue to believe that the allocation interests are not a contract, but specifically with regard to the exemption provided in 11(a), the value of the allocation interests is aligned with the value of the reporting entity's own stock (*i.e.*, the trust shares) in that the value of both classes of interests in the Company will move in tandem. In addition, the allocation interests are classified in stockholders equity in the Company's statement of financial position. As such, we believe that paragraph 11(a) also would provide an exemption from the coverage of SFAS 133 for the allocation interests.

In giving consideration to the above factors, we have determined that the allocation interests are appropriately not characterized as a derivative under SFAS 133.

15. Notwithstanding our above comment on whether the allocation interest is a derivative, you appear to have determined that the allocation interest in the Company represents a form of equity. Tell us the consideration given to EITF Topic D-98 and FAS 150.

The scope of EITF Topic D-98 and SFAS 150 are redeemable securities of various types. The allocation interests have no mandatory redemption provisions in and of themselves. There is, however, a supplemental put agreement that would require the Company to repurchase the allocation interests under certain conditions. We refer you to our response to comment #13 above in which we discuss the applicability of SFAS 150. With regard to EITF Topic D-98, while the Staff has not asked us to consider the applicability of this to the supplemental put agreement, we refer the Staff to paragraphs 22 — 24 of D-98 and our response to comment #13, in which we discuss the applicability of SFAS 150 to the supplemental put agreement.

16. We note your response to prior comment 38. While we understand that the profit allocation is based upon the occurrence of a trigger event, one of those events, the holding event, takes place based upon the passage of time. It remains unclear to us why you believe it appropriate to wait until such time as the event actually occurs before any amount is accrued for the payment of the profit allocation. Please provide us with a detailed analysis of the literature you are relying upon in reaching your conclusion.

Please see our response to comment #13. Because the liability recorded for the Supplemental Put Agreement includes a component related to profit allocation, we believe that liability recorded associated with the fair value of the Supplemental Put Agreement will also represent, at a minimum, the liability for profit allocation that may be accrued but is not yet payable to our Manager. As noted above, any amounts paid pursuant to the profit allocation provisions, reduces the fair value of the Supplemental Put Agreement, and the associated liability, commensurately. Conversely, should the put be exercised, the allocation interests would be transferred back to the company, and accordingly, any associated liability for profit allocation would be eliminated.

Our management's discussion and analysis has been revised to disclose the manner in which we will account for the Supplemental Put Agreement. We will include, in management's discussion and analysis in periodic reports filed with the Commission, a discussion of the liability associated with the Supplemental Put Agreement that clearly indicates that this liability represents an estimate of amounts to be paid to our Manager, whether through the occurrence of a trigger event or through the exercise of the Supplemental Put Agreement following termination of the Management Services Agreement.

With respect to both comment #13 and comment #16, we have revised the "Risk Factors" section of the Amended Registration Statement to include a risk factor discussion, as requested.

- 17. We are considering your response to comment 39. It appears Compass Group Diversified Holdings LLC may be a variable interest entity. Please provide us your analysis of the Company under FIN 46R, addressing its structure and contractual arrangements both prior to the initial public offering and after the acquisition of the initial businesses.**

Following this offering and acquisition of the initial businesses, it appears clear that the Company should be consolidated with the Trust. Upon completion of this offering, the Company's trust interests will be owned 100% by the Trust while the allocation interests will be owned by the Manager. The funding for the acquisition of the initial businesses is largely dependent upon the proceeds from the issuance of the Trust shares. The Company would not have sufficient equity to permit the Company to finance its activities or allow it to enter into its contemplated third party credit facility without this funding. Consolidation under the Trust is required since the Trust shareholders will have the right to elect a majority of the Company's board of directors who, in turn, control the Company. See the following response to comment #18 for a further discussion of the control issue.

In addition, paragraph 14 of Fin 46(R) states that, "an enterprise shall consolidate a variable interest entity if that enterprise has a variable interest that will absorb a majority of the entity's expected losses, receives a majority of the entity's expected residual returns, or both. An enterprise shall consider the rights and obligations conveyed by its variable interests and the relationship of its variable interests with variable interests held by other parties to determine whether its variable interests will absorb a majority of a variable interest expected losses, receive a majority of the entity's expected residual returns or both. If one enterprise will absorb a majority of a variable interest entity's expected losses and another enterprise will receive a majority of that entity's expected residual returns, the enterprise absorbing the majority of the losses shall consolidate the variable interest entity". Although residual returns are split with the Manager through its allocation interests, the Trust shareholders will fully absorb any losses sustained by the Company. The Manager is only at risk for its \$100,000 investment whereas the Trust shareholders are at risk for \$300 million (\$210 million or 70% of equity when excluding the investments by CGI and Pharos I LLC) thus further requiring consolidation under the Trust.

As explained in the response to comment #102 in our response letter dated February 2, 2006, we believe that it was prudent to reflect the consolidation of the Company under the Trust since this will be the structure upon the completion of the proposed offering and will be most transparent presentation to investors. We believe that a different presentation will create confusion for investors.

- 18. We note in the last paragraph of your response to comment 39 your explanation of the functions of the Board of Directors. In light of the inability of the board of directors to terminate the management services agreement except under the extraordinary**
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circumstances, as disclosed on page 186, we are unclear how the board “effectively controls” the Company. Explain to us the substantive powers of the Board of Directors to make operating decisions of the Company without the influence of or requiring the participation of the manager.

We have revised the terms of the management services agreement to provide that the Company may now terminate the management services agreement based on a majority vote by the board of directors and a vote by holders representing a majority of Trust shares, without the occurrence of any specific event or trigger. If the Company’s board of directors determines, for any reason whatsoever, to terminate the management services agreement, the Company’s board of directors is only required to vote on such termination of the management services agreement and seek ratification of such termination by the holders of Trust shares. Therefore, we believe that the Company exercises adequate and customary authority over the continued engagement of the Manager and with respect to the Company’s obligations under the management services agreement; we do not believe that the Company’s rights will be limited to “extraordinary circumstances”.

In addition, the Company’s board of directors is not limited in its right to direct the management and policies of the Company (i.e., its rights to exercise control over the Company). In this respect, while the Company’s board of directors may seek, or in certain limited circumstances be required to seek, a recommendation from or the advice of the Manager with respect to specified events (e.g., acquisition and disposition opportunities), these rights or activities of the Manager do not restrict or otherwise limit the board of directors’ ultimate ability or authority to direct the fundamental activities of the Company. Based upon the powers of the board, the entire board of directors, which is comprised of a majority of independent directors, have the responsibility for managing the business affairs of the Company, subject to fiduciary obligations under applicable law.

- 19. We note in your response to comment 7 that certain members of management will receive approximately \$6.0 million, of which a substantial portion represents profits payments. Revise the financial statements of the businesses to be acquired to reflect an accrual for this management compensation. We view this compensation to be paid to the manager as a cost of doing business incurred by CGI on behalf of its subsidiaries. Refer to the guidance in SAB Topic 1:B.1 and SAB Topic 5:T.***

We respectfully disagree with the Staff’s interpretation that the \$6 million payment is compensation to be paid to the Manager as a cost of doing business incurred by CGI on behalf of the initial businesses. In short, this payment represents a payment with respect to partnership interests owned by members of our management team in various partnerships. This payment does not represent a payment in respect of a sale of any direct interest in the initial businesses and does not otherwise relate to services provided with respect to any specific business. We discuss this structure in more detail below.

As disclosed in the Amended Registration Statement, each of the entities selling their controlling interest in the initial businesses is a partnership. For example, Compass Crosman Partners, LP is the entity selling its controlling interest in Crosman Acquisition Corporation. Each of these limited partnerships has a general partner, a sole limited partner and a special limited partner and can be summarized generally as follows: (i) the general partner is Navco Management, Inc. ("Navco", an affiliate of CGI), (ii) the sole limited partner is CGI, through an intermediate partnership, and (iii) the special limited partner is owned by the members of our management team. The structure for these partnerships was established by CGI and certain members of our management team in 1998 as a form of incentive equity compensation from CGI to our management team for the services provided by our management team to CGI, including sourcing, evaluation, screening, diligence, and negotiation of numerous transactions annually on behalf of CGI. Some of these transactions were consummated; most were not.

Since 1998, our management team has evaluated hundreds of transactions on behalf of CGI. In this regard, these partnership arrangements, by which our management team is rewarded for profits achieved by CGI on a cumulative basis, relates to our management teams' efforts on behalf of CGI generally and are not related to any one transaction specifically.

In calculating the amounts owned under the profit allocations, reference is made to the collective performance of CGI's acquisitions, which were sourced, evaluated, diligenced and negotiated by our management team. For example, as described above, the members of our management team are represented in Compass Crosman Partners, LP as a special limited partnership interest through a limited partnership that they own named Lighthouse Fund Investments II, LP ("Lighthouse"). A similar arrangement exists with respect to each of the eleven businesses that CGI has acquired pursuant to the services provided by our management team, including the initial businesses. These special limited partnership interests owned by our management team (through partnerships like Lighthouse that our management team controls) have provisions defining varying levels of partnership profit allocations to be paid to CGI, on the one hand, and the partnerships owned by our management team, on the other hand, which levels depend on the cumulative performance goals of all of CGI's investments. None of these provisions in the various partnership agreements describe or require any services to be performed for or on behalf of any of the businesses that CGI has acquired or create any sort of obligation for any of initial businesses to pay profit allocations or other distributions to our management team.

Furthermore, the sale of one business alone does not drive any specific partnership profit allocation. Rather, it is the accumulation of the performance of all the businesses owned by CGI, measured at any time there is a sale of any individual business, that determines the payment of any partnership profit allocation on the special limited partnership interest owned by our management team. For example, had prior businesses acquired by CGI and managed by The Compass Group on their behalf not performed as they have (either better or worse), this would have had a material impact on the amount of partnership

profit allocation due to members of our management team at this time. In this particular case, the high level of profits achieved by CGI upon sale of CPM Acquisition Corp., a company acquired by CGI in 2001 and sold in 2003 (as well as profits on the sale of other businesses owned by CGI, including Patriot Capital Funding, Inc. and Personnel Group of America, Inc.) were primarily responsible for positioning our management team to receive profit allocations for CGI following the sale of the initial businesses by CGI, pursuant to the various partnership agreements, which operate in the aggregate and not on any individual basis or with respect to any individual investment. In other words, while the sale of these four initial businesses by CGI triggers a calculation of partnership profit allocation, the amount of any particular partnership profit allocation is based solely on the cumulative profits achieved by CGI with respect to its investment pool of acquired businesses that has grown pursuant to the services provided by our management team.

We do not believe the payment of any partnership profit allocation reflects an expense that the parent incurred on behalf of the subsidiary as described in the guidance under SAB Topic 1:B.1 and SAB Topic 5:T.

The profit allocations are not in respect of services being provided to the initial businesses. They are in respect of services being provided to CGI by our management team prior to the acquisition of businesses, including sourcing, evaluation, diligence and negotiation of numerous opportunities. The goal of these activities is to identify and capture attractive acquisition opportunities to allow CGI to build its assets. In general, while some of the acquisitions pursued by our management team on behalf of CGI were consummated, the vast majority were not.

The individual management services agreements with each business owned by CGI (which are reflected on the underlying business' books) are in respect of ongoing services provided by our management team to each such business specifically. Importantly, should our management team cease to provide services for CGI or any of the businesses owned by CGI, it is likely that CGI or the businesses owned by CGI would terminate these management services, which they each have the right to do; however, there is no right on the part of either CGI or CGI's businesses to terminate or reduce the profit allocations that would be due to our management team upon the ultimate sale of any of CGI's businesses, as the profit allocations were earned pursuant to the identification process described above. Thus, payment of the partnership profit allocations do not relate to the management of any specific business or for services provided to any specific business by our management team; the partnership profit allocations are an obligation of CGI with respect to past services by our management team on its behalf.

In terms of obligation to pay, there is no obligation between any of the four initial businesses and any of the members of our management team, including in respect of the special limited partnership interests they own, or any other entity; the obligation for payment of partnership profit allocations resides solely with CGI, which obligation is set forth in the various partnership agreements relating to profits achieved with respect to CGI's investment pool of businesses acquired. If Navco, as general partner of this

partnership, were to fail to make the appropriate partnership profit allocation to the special limited partnership interest owned by our management team, neither that entity nor any of our management team would have any claim against any of the initial businesses; in such a case, our management team's claim would reside solely against Navco, as general partner in the selling partnership, and the other partner therein (*i.e.*, the sole limited partner owned by CGI).

Likewise, our management team would have no claim against the minority interest holders in each of the initial businesses, as they are not a party to the selling partnerships (*i.e.*, they are not a party to the relevant partnership agreements that give rise to the payment of profit allocations) with respect to each of the initial businesses. In this respect, the payment of any partnership profit allocation does not, in any way, impact the profits or proceeds that minority interest holders would be entitled to upon a sale of any of the initial businesses.

The recording of these profit allocations as expenses of the various initial businesses would improperly affect the operating results of the initial businesses as the relationship driving these partnership profit allocations exists between CGI and our management team and is related to services not provided to the initial businesses, but, rather, for CGI directly prior to the acquisition of businesses. Moreover, the inclusion of the profit allocation provisions of the various partnership agreements are predicated on the performance of a number of businesses owned by CGI, not any specific business, including the initial businesses or otherwise. The nature of this payment is substantially different than those described in the guidance under SAB Topic 1:B.1 and SAB Topic 5:T.

Finally, please note that the amount of partnership profit allocations themselves is not determinable in advance of a sale of CGI's interests in the initial businesses, as it is wholly dependent upon the successful sale any one of the businesses and will ultimately be determined by reference to the cumulative profits achieved by CGI with respect to its owned businesses subject to the partnership agreements in which our management team are partners, generally. If the proceeds from such sale, in combination with the prior performance of CGI's other owned businesses, yield profits to CGI above certain hurdles on their cumulative investments in these businesses, partnership profit allocations would be payable to our management team in respect of their special limited partnership interests in the selling partnerships. Therefore, the amount of partnership profit allocations is not estimable or probable until the completion of a sale of one of CGI's businesses.

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If you have any questions or additional comments concerning the foregoing, please contact Cynthia M. Krus at (202) 383-0218.

Sincerely,

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