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ý	QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
	ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period (12 weeks) ended December 4, 2010.

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	ACT OF 1934		
For	the transition period from	to	

Commission File Number: 1-5418 SUPERVALU INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 41-0617000

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

7075 FLYING CLOUD DRIVE EDEN PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA

55344

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(952) 828-4000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes x No o

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

Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes o No x

As of January 7, 2011, there were 212,178,176 shares of the issuer s common stock outstanding.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED SEGMENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Unaudited)

(In millions, except percent data)

	Third Qu	arter l	Ended	Year-to-I	Date Ended			
	December December		December	December				
	4,		5,	4,		5,		
	2010		2009	2010		2009		
Net sales								
Retail food	\$ 6,573	\$	7,120	\$ 22,217	\$	24,431		
% of total	75.8%		77.3%	76.9%		77.8%		
Supply chain services	2,100		2,096	6,657		6,961		
% of total	24.2%		22.7%	23.1%		22.2%		
Total net sales	\$ 8,673	\$	9,216	\$ 28,874	\$	31,392		
	100.0%		100.0%	100.0%		100.0%		
Operating earnings (loss)								
Retail food (1)	\$ (153)	\$	269	\$ (1,343)	\$	768		
% of sales	(2.3)%		3.8%	(6.0)%		3.1%		
Supply chain services	69		64	217		209		
% of sales	3.3%		3.1%	3.3%		3.0%		
Corporate	(15)		(25)	(69)		(62)		
Total operating earnings (loss)	(99)		308	(1,195)		915		
% of sales	(1.1)%		3.3%	(4.1)%		2.9%		
Interest expense, net	124		131	427		439		
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(223)		177	(1,622)		476		
Income tax provision (benefit)	(21)		68	(17)		180		
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (202)	\$	109	\$ (1,605)	\$	296		

⁽¹⁾ Retail food operating loss for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 reflects goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$240 and \$1,840, respectively. Refer to Note 2 Goodwill and Intangible Assets in the accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information. The Company s business is classified by management into two reportable segments: Retail food and Supply chain services. These reportable segments are two distinct businesses, one retail and one wholesale, each with a different customer base, marketing strategy and management structure. The Retail food reportable segment is an aggregation of the Company s retail operating segments, which are organized based on format (traditional retail food stores and hard-discount food stores). The Retail food reportable segment derives revenues from the sale of groceries at retail locations operated by the Company (both the Company s own stores and stores licensed by the Company). The Supply chain services reportable segment derives revenues from wholesale distribution to independently-owned retail food stores, mass merchants and other customers (collectively referred to as independent retail customers) and logistics support services. Substantially all of the Company s operations are domestic.

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

(In millions, except percent and per share data)

		% of			
	December		De	ecember	
	4, 2010	Net sales		5, 2009	Net sales
Net sales	\$ 8,673	100.0%	\$	9,216	100.0%
Cost of sales	6,808	78.5		7,156	77.6
Gross profit	1,865	21.5		2,060	22.4
Selling and administrative expenses	1,724	19.9		1,752	19.0
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges	240	2.8			
Operating earnings (loss)	(99)	(1.1)		308	3.3
Interest expense, net	124	1.4		131	1.4
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(223)	(2.6)		177	1.9
Income tax provision (benefit)	(21)	(0.2)		68	0.7
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (202)	(2.3)%	\$	109	1.2%
Net earnings (loss) per share basic	\$ (0.95)		\$	0.51	
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted	\$ (0.95)		\$	0.51	
Dividends declared per share	\$		\$	0.1750	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:					
Basic	212			212	
Diluted	212			213	
See Notes to Condensed Co	onsolidated Fina	ncial Statemen	nts.		

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SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS (Unaudited)

(In millions, except percent and per share data)

	Year-to-Date Ended						
		% of					
	December		De	ecember			
	4, 2010	Net sales		5, 2009	Net sales		
Net sales	\$ 28,874	100.0%	\$	31,392	100.0%		
Cost of sales	22,480	77.9		24,396	77.7		
Gross profit	6,394	22.1		6,996	22.3		
Selling and administrative expenses	5,749	19.9		6,081	19.4		
Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges	1,840	6.4					
Operating earnings (loss)	(1,195)	(4.1)		915	2.9		
Interest expense, net	427	1.5		439	1.4		
Earnings (loss) before income taxes	(1,622)	(5.6)		476	1.5		
Income tax provision (benefit)	(17)	(0.1)		180	0.6		
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (1,605)	(5.6)%	\$	296	0.9%		
Net earnings (loss) per share basic	\$ (7.58)		\$	1.39			
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted	\$ (7.58)		\$	1.39			
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.2625		\$	0.5225			
Weighted average number of shares outstanding:							
Basic	212			212			
Diluted	212			213			
See Notes to Condensed Co	onsolidated Fina	ncial Statemen	ts.				

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SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (In millions, except par value data)

		cember 4, 2010 audited)	Fo	ebruary 27, 2010
ASSETS	`	,		
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	186	\$	211
Receivables, net		821		814
Inventories		2,613		2,342
Other current assets		367		344
Total current assets		3,987		3,711
Property, plant and equipment, net		6,679		7,026
Goodwill		1,998		3,698
Intangible assets, net		1,215		1,493
Other assets		574		508
Total assets	\$	14,453	\$	16,436
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY				
Current liabilities	4	• • • •		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	2,836	\$	2,775
Current maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations		430		613
Other current liabilities		757		779
Total current liabilities		4,023		4,167
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations		6,901		7,022
Other liabilities		2,268		2,360
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders equity				
Common stock, \$1.00 par value: 400 shares authorized; 230 shares issued		230		230
Capital in excess of par value		2,855		2,857
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(449)		(478)
Retained earnings (deficit)		(855)		806
Treasury stock, at cost, 18 and 18 shares, respectively		(520)		(528)
Total stockholders equity		1,261		2,887
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$	14,453	\$	16,436
See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial States	nents.			

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (In millions)

	Year-to- December 4, 2010	Dec	nded ember 5, 009
Cash flows from operating activities	¢ (1, 605)	ф	207
Net earnings (loss)	\$ (1,605)	\$	296
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities: Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges	1,840		
Depreciation and amortization	714		735
LIFO charge	18		733 29
Asset impairment and other charges	40		29 25
Loss (gain) on sale of assets	5		(41)
Deferred income taxes	(42)		123
Stock-based compensation	12		25
Other	28		23 19
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	(359)		(413)
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Net cash provided by operating activities	651		798
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of assets	137		193
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(454)		(552)
Other	7		2
Net cash used in investing activities	(310)		(357)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	325		963
Payment of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	(627)		(1,293)
Dividends paid	(56)		(110)
Other	(8)		(9)
Net cash used in financing activities	(366)		(449)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(25)		(8)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	211		240
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of period	\$ 186	\$	232

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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SUPERVALU INC. and Subsidiaries NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

(Dollars and shares in millions, except per share data)

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of Registrant

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of the Company for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009 are unaudited and, in the opinion of management, contain all adjustments that are of a normal and recurring nature necessary to present fairly the financial condition and results of operations for such periods. The condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010. The results of operations for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full year. The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of February 27, 2010 has been derived from the audited Consolidated Balance Sheet as of that date.

Accounting Policies

The summary of significant accounting policies is included in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements set forth in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010. *Fiscal Year*

The Company s fiscal year ends on the last Saturday in February. The Company s first quarter consists of 16 weeks, while the second, third and fourth quarters each consist of 12 weeks. Because of differences in the accounting calendars of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, New Albertson s, Inc., the accompanying December 4, 2010 and February 27, 2010 Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets include the assets and liabilities related to New Albertson s, Inc. as of December 2, 2010 and February 25, 2010, respectively.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Company s condensed consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect 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.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase to be cash equivalents. The Company s banking arrangements allow the Company to fund outstanding checks when presented to the financial institution for payment, resulting in book overdrafts. Book overdrafts are recorded in Accounts payable and accrued liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets and are reflected as an operating activity in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. As of December 4, 2010 and February 27, 2010, the Company had net book overdrafts of \$350 and \$330, respectively.

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Net Earnings (Loss) Per Share

Basic net earnings (loss) per share is calculated using net earnings (loss) available to common stockholders divided by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. Diluted net earnings (loss) per share is similar to basic net earnings (loss) per share except that the weighted average number of shares outstanding is after giving effect to the dilutive impacts of stock options, restricted stock awards and other dilutive securities. In addition, for the calculation of diluted net earnings (loss) per share, net earnings (loss) is adjusted to eliminate the after-tax interest expense recognized during the period related to contingently convertible debentures. As a result of the net loss for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, all potentially dilutive shares were antidilutive and therefore excluded from the calculation of diluted net loss per share.

The following table reflects the calculation of basic and diluted net earnings (loss) per share:

	Third Qu	ıarter Ended	Year-to-Date Ended			
	December	December	December	December		
	4,	5,	4,	5,		
	2010	2009	2010	2009		
Net earnings (loss) per share basic						
Net earnings (loss) available to common						
stockholders	\$ (202)	\$ 109	\$ (1,605)	\$ 296		
Weighted average shares outstanding basic	212	212	212	212		
Net earnings (loss) per share basic	\$ (0.95)	\$ 0.51	\$ (7.58)	\$ 1.39		
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted						
Net earnings (loss) available to common						
stockholders	\$ (202)	\$ 109	\$ (1,605)	\$ 296		
Weighted average shares outstanding basic	212	212	212	212		
Dilutive impact of options and restricted stock						
outstanding		1		1		
Weighted average shares outstanding diluted	212	213	212	213		
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted	\$ (0.95)	\$ 0.51	\$ (7.58)	\$ 1.39		

Options and restricted stock of 24 shares were outstanding during the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, respectively, but were excluded from the calculation of diluted net loss per share as the effect of their inclusion would be antidilutive when applied to a net loss. Options of 22 shares were outstanding during the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 5, 2009, respectively, but were excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because they were antidilutive.

Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Comprehensive income (loss) consisted of the following:

	Third	Quarte	r Ended	Year-to-Date Ended			
	December 4, 2010	r D	ecember 5, 2009	December 4, 2010	December 5, 2009		
Net earnings (loss) Pension and other postretirement activity, net of tax	\$ (202) 9	\$	109	\$ (1,605) 29	\$	296 7	
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (193)	\$	109	\$ (1,576)	\$	303	
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NOTE 2 GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Changes in the Company s Goodwill and Intangible assets consisted of the following:

	February 27, 2010		Additions	Imp	airments	Other net adjustments		De	4, 2010
Goodwill: Retail food goodwill Accumulated impairment losses	\$	6,114 (3,223)	\$	\$	(1,619)	\$	2	\$	6,116 (4,842)
Total Retail food goodwill, net Supply chain services goodwill		2,891 807			(1,619)		2 (83)		1,274 724
Total goodwill	\$	3,698	\$	\$	(1,619)	\$	(81)	\$	1,998

	bruary 27, 2010	tions/ tization	Impa	irments	1	ther net stments	cember 4, 2010
Intangible assets: Trademarks and tradenames indefinite							
useful lives	\$ 1,049	\$	\$	(221)	\$	(19)	\$ 809
Favorable operating leases, customer lists, customer relationships and other (accumulated amortization of \$272 and \$238 as of December 4, 2010 and							
February 27, 2010, respectively)	674	10				(14)	670
Non-compete agreements (accumulated amortization of \$4 and \$5 as of December 4, 2010 and February 27, 2010,							
respectively)	13	1				(2)	12
Total intangible assets Accumulated amortization	1,736 (243)	11 (44)		(221)		(35) 11	1,491 (276)
Total intangible assets, net	\$ 1,493						\$ 1,215

The Company applies a fair value based impairment test to the net book value of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives on an annual basis and on an interim basis if certain events or circumstances indicate that an impairment loss may have occurred. For the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the stock price. As a result, the Company performed an interim impairment test of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011. Although this analysis had not been completed due to its complexity, the Company recorded a preliminary estimate of impairment charges in the second quarter of fiscal 2011 of \$1,600, comprised of \$1,450 to goodwill and \$150 to intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. In the third quarter of fiscal 2011, the Company finalized the impairment analysis and recorded additional impairment charges of \$240, comprised of \$169 to goodwill and \$71 to intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. The impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived

intangible assets reflects the significant decline in the market price of the Company s common stock as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011.

As a result of the planned sale of Total Logistic Control, a wholly-owned subsidiary providing logistics and supply chain management solutions, the Company reclassified \$83 of Goodwill and \$51 of Property, plant and equipment and other intangible assets to assets held for sale as of December 4, 2010. Assets held for sale is a component of Other current assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The Company finalized the sale on December 31, 2010 and will record the transaction in the fourth quarter ending February 26, 2011.

Amortization expense of intangible assets with definite useful lives was \$44 and \$46 for the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009, respectively. Future amortization expense will be approximately \$41 per fiscal year for each of the next five fiscal years.

NOTE 3 RESERVES FOR CLOSED PROPERTIES

The Company maintains reserves for costs associated with closures of retail stores, distribution centers and other properties that are no longer being utilized in current operations. The Company provides for closed property operating lease liabilities using a discount rate to calculate the present value of the remaining noncancellable lease payments after the closing date, reduced by estimated subtenant rentals that could be reasonably obtained for the property. Adjustments to closed property reserves primarily relate to changes in subtenant income or actual exit costs differing from original estimates. Adjustments are made for changes in estimates in the period in which the changes become known.

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Changes in the Company s reserves for closed properties consisted of the following:

Reserves for closed properties at beginning of fiscal year Additions Payments Adjustments	December 4, 2010		
	\$	128 30 (29) 3	
Reserves for closed properties at end of period	\$	132	

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Assets and liabilities recorded at fair value are categorized using defined hierarchical levels directly related to the amount of subjectivity associated with the inputs to fair value measurements, as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable;
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs in which little or no market activity exists, requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions that market participants would use to value the asset or liability.

Goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges recorded during the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and discussed in Note 2 Goodwill and Intangible Assets were measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs.

During the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, the Company recorded \$3 and \$16, respectively, of property, plant and equipment-related impairment charges, which were measured at fair value using Level 3 inputs. Property, plant and equipment-related impairment charges are a component of Selling and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings.

Financial Instruments

For certain of the Company s financial instruments, including cash and cash equivalents, receivables and accounts payable, the fair values approximate book values due to their short maturities.

The estimated fair value of notes receivable was greater than the book value by approximately \$2 as of December 4, 2010 and was less than the book value by approximately \$1 as of February 27, 2010. Notes receivable are valued based on a discounted cash flow approach applying a market rate for similar instruments.

The estimated fair value of the Company s long-term debt (including current maturities) was less than the book value by approximately \$272 and \$54 as of December 4, 2010 and February 27, 2010, respectively. The estimated fair value was based on market quotes, where available, or market values for similar instruments.

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NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT

The Company s long-term debt and capital lease obligations consisted of the following:

	December 4, 2010		February 27, 2010	
1.13% to 4.50% Revolving Credit Facility and Variable Rate Notes due				
June 2011 October 2015	\$	1,528	\$	1,415
8.00% Notes due May 2016		1,000		1,000
7.45% Debentures due August 2029		650		650
7.50% Notes due November 2014		490		490
6.34% to 7.15% Medium Term Notes due July 2012 June 2028		440		440
8.00% Debentures due May 2031		400		400
7.50% Notes due February 2011		392		679
7.50% Notes due May 2012		300		300
8.00% Debentures due June 2026		272		272
8.70% Debentures due May 2030		225		225
7.75% Debentures due June 2026		200		200
7.25% Notes due May 2013		200		200
Accounts Receivable Securitization Facility		120		
7.90% Debentures due May 2017		96		96
8.35% Notes due May 2010				155
Other		103		104
Net discount on debt, using an effective interest rate of 6.28% to 8.97%		(252)		(258)
Capital lease obligations		1,167		1,267
Total debt and capital lease obligations		7,331		7,635
Less current maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations		(430)		(613)
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations	\$	6,901	\$	7,022

Certain of the Company s credit facilities and long-term debt agreements have restrictive covenants and cross-default provisions which generally provide, subject to the Company s right to cure, for the acceleration of payments due in the event of a breach of the covenant or a default in the payment of a specified amount of indebtedness due under certain other debt agreements. The Company was in compliance with all such covenants and provisions for all periods presented.

During fiscal 2007, the Company entered into senior secured credit facilities provided by a group of lenders consisting of a five-year revolving credit facility (the Revolving Credit Facility), a five-year term loan (Term Loan A) and a six-year term loan (Term Loan B). On April 5, 2010, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement), which provides for an extension of the maturity of portions of the senior secured credit facilities provided under the original credit agreement. Specifically, \$1,500 of the Revolving Credit Facility was extended until April 5, 2015 and \$500 of Term Loan B was extended until October 5, 2015. The remaining \$600 of the Revolving Credit Facility will expire on June 2, 2011 and the remaining \$502 of Term Loan B will mature on June 2, 2012. The maturity date of Term Loan A was not extended and will mature on June 2, 2011.

As of December 4, 2010, there was \$221 of outstanding borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility at rates ranging from LIBOR plus 1.00 percent to Prime plus 1.25 percent, Term Loan A had a remaining principal balance of \$309 at LIBOR plus 0.875 percent, all of which was classified as current, the non-extended portion of Term Loan B had a remaining principal balance of \$500 at LIBOR plus 1.25 percent, of which \$5 was classified as current, and the

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extended portion of Term Loan B had a remaining principal balance of \$498 at LIBOR plus 2.75 percent, of which \$5

was classified as current. Letters of credit outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility were \$316 and the unused available credit under the Revolving Credit Facility was \$1,563. These letters of credit primarily support workers compensation and payment obligations.

The Credit Agreement reset covenants which are generally less restrictive than the covenants that existed prior to April 5, 2010. Specifically, the Company must maintain a leverage ratio no greater than 4.25 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 4.0 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 3.75 to 1.0 thereafter. Additionally, the Company must maintain an interest expense coverage ratio of not less than 2.20 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 2.25 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 2.30 to 1.0 thereafter. In May 2010, the Company amended and extended its accounts receivable securitization program until May 2013. The Company can borrow up to \$200 on a revolving basis, with borrowings secured by eligible accounts receivable, which remain under the Company s control. The facility fee currently in effect based on the Company s current credit ratings is 1.00 percent. As of December 4, 2010, there were \$310 of accounts receivable pledged as collateral, classified in Receivables in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

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As of December 4, 2010, the Company had \$423 of debt with current maturities that are classified in Long-term debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets due to the Company s intent to refinance such obligations with the Revolving Credit Facility or other long-term debt.

NOTE 6 INCOME TAXES

During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 there were no material changes to the unrecognized tax benefits disclosed in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010. The Company does not anticipate that its total unrecognized tax benefits will change significantly in the next 12 months.

NOTE 7 STOCK-BASED AWARDS

The Company recognized pre-tax stock-based compensation expense (included primarily in Selling and administrative expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Earnings) related to stock-based awards of \$3 and \$12 for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, respectively, compared to \$6 and \$25 for the third quarter and year-to-date ended December 5, 2009, respectively.

During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009, the Company granted 3 shares under stock options. To calculate the fair value of stock options, the Company uses the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The significant weighted average assumptions relating to the valuation of the Company s stock options consisted of the following:

	December 4,	December 5, 2009		
	2010			
Dividend yield	2.0 %	2.0 %		
Volatility rate	42.8 45.1 %	38.4 42.2 %		
Risk-free interest rate	1.1 1.6 %	1.9 2.8 %		
	4.0 5.4	4.0 5.4		
Expected option life	years	vears		

The weighted average grant date fair value of the stock options granted during the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009 was \$4.00 and \$4.93, respectively.

NOTE 8 TREASURY STOCK PURCHASE PROGRAM

On June 24, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted and announced a new annual share purchase program authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$70 of the Company's common stock. Stock purchases will be made primarily from the cash generated from the settlement of stock options. This annual authorization program replaced the previously existing share purchase program and continues through June 2011. The Company did not purchase any shares during the third quarter or year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 under the new annual share purchase program. During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, the Company purchased 0.2 shares under the previously existing share purchase program at an average cost of \$12.97 per share. The Company did not purchase any shares under any share purchase programs during the third quarter or year-to-date ended December 5, 2009.

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NOTE 9 BENEFIT PLANS

Substantially all employees of the Company are covered by various contributory and non-contributory pension, profit sharing or 401(k) plans. Union employees participate in multi-employer retirement plans under collective bargaining agreements, unless the collective bargaining agreement provides for participation in plans sponsored by the Company. In addition to sponsoring both defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans, the Company provides healthcare and life insurance benefits for eligible retired employees under postretirement benefit plans and short-term and long-term disability benefits to former and inactive employees prior to retirement under post-employment benefit plans. The terms of the postretirement benefit plans vary based on employment history, age and date of retirement. For most retirees, the Company provides a fixed dollar contribution and retirees pay contributions to fund the remaining cost.

Net periodic benefit expense for defined benefit pension plans and other postretirement benefit plans consisted of the following:

	Third Quarter Ended							
		Pension	ı Benef	Other Postretirement Benefits				
Service cost	December 4, 2010		December 5, 2009		December 4, 2010		December 5, 2009	
	\$	2	\$	1	\$		\$	
Interest cost		31		32		2		2
Expected return on assets		(28)		(29)				
Amortization of prior service benefit						(1)		(1)
Amortization of net actuarial loss		15		2		1		
Net periodic benefit expense	\$	20	\$	6	\$	2	\$	1

	Year-to-Date Ended Other Postretirement									
	Pension Benefits				Benefits					
	December 4, 2010		December 5, 2009		December 4, 2010		December 5, 2009			
Service cost										
	\$	6	\$	4	\$	1	\$	1		
Interest cost		105		106		6		6		
Expected return on assets		(94)		(97)						
Amortization of prior service benefit						(4)		(4)		
Amortization of net actuarial loss		50		7		2		1		
Net periodic benefit expense	\$	67	\$	20	\$	5	\$	4		

During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010, the Company made contributions of \$88 to its pension plans and \$5 to its other postretirement benefit plans.

Multi-Employer Plans

The Company contributes to various multi-employer pension plans under collective bargaining agreements, primarily defined benefit pension plans. These plans generally provide retirement benefits to participants based on their service to contributing employers. Based on available information, the Company believes that some of the multi-employer plans to which it contributes are underfunded. Company contributions to these plans could increase in the near term.

However, the amount of any increase or decrease in contributions will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of the Company's collective bargaining efforts, investment returns on the assets held in the plans, actions taken by the trustees who manage the plans and requirements under the Pension Protection Act and Section 412(e) of the Internal Revenue Code. Furthermore, if the Company was to significantly reduce contributions, exit certain markets or otherwise cease making contributions to these plans, it could trigger a partial or complete withdrawal that would require the Company to fund its proportionate share of a plan's unfunded vested benefits. During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009, the Company contributed \$105 and \$112 to these plans, respectively. The Company also makes contributions to multi-employer health and welfare plans in amounts set forth in the related collective bargaining agreements. A small minority of collective bargaining agreements contain reserve requirements that may trigger unanticipated contributions resulting in increased healthcare expenses. If these healthcare provisions cannot be renegotiated in a manner that reduces the prospective healthcare cost as the Company intends, the Company's Selling and administrative expenses could increase in the future.

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NOTE 10 COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

Guarantees

The Company has guaranteed certain leases, fixture financing loans and other debt obligations of various retailers as of December 4, 2010. These guarantees were generally made to support the business growth of independent retail customers. The guarantees are generally for the entire terms of the leases or other debt obligations with remaining terms that range from less than one year to 19 years, with a weighted average remaining term of approximately eight years. For each guarantee issued, if the independent retail customer defaults on a payment, the Company would be required to make payments under its guarantee. Generally, the guarantees are secured by indemnification agreements or personal guarantees of the independent retail customer. The Company reviews performance risk related to its guarantees of independent retail customers based on internal measures of credit performance. As of December 4, 2010, the maximum amount of undiscounted payments the Company would be required to make in the event of default of all of these guarantees was \$125 and represented \$93 on a discounted basis. Based on the indemnification agreements, personal guarantees and results of the reviews of performance risk, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote. Accordingly, no amount has been recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets for these contingent obligations under the Company s guarantee arrangements.

The Company is contingently liable for leases that have been assigned to various third parties in connection with facility closings and dispositions. The Company could be required to satisfy the obligations under the leases if any of the assignees are unable to fulfill their lease obligations. Due to the wide distribution of the Company s assignments among third parties, and various other remedies available, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into supply contracts to purchase products for resale. These contracts typically include volume commitments or fixed expiration dates, termination provisions and other standard contractual considerations. As of December 4, 2010, the Company had \$1,046 of non-cancelable future purchase obligations primarily related to supply contracts.

The Company is a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which the Company may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters, which indemnities may be secured by operation of law or otherwise, in the ordinary course of business. These contracts primarily relate to the Company s commercial contracts, operating leases and other real estate contracts, financial agreements, agreements to provide services to the Company and agreements to indemnify officers, directors and employees in the performance of their work. While the Company s aggregate indemnification obligation could result in a material liability, the Company is not aware of any matters that are expected to result in a material liability.

Legal Proceedings

The Company is subject to various lawsuits, claims and other legal matters that arise in the ordinary course of conducting business, none of which, in management s opinion, is expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2008, a class action complaint was filed against the Company, as well as International Outsourcing Services, LLC (IOS), Inmar, Inc., Carolina Manufacturer s Services, Inc., Carolina Coupon Clearing, Inc. and Carolina Services, in the United States District Court in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. The plaintiffs in the case are a consumer goods manufacturer, a grocery co-operative and a retailer marketing services company who allege on behalf of a purported class that the Company and the other defendants (i) conspired to restrict the markets for coupon processing services under the Sherman Act and (ii) were part of an illegal enterprise to defraud the plaintiffs under the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. The plaintiffs seek monetary damages, attorneys fees and injunctive relief. The Company intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit, however all proceedings have been stayed in the case pending the result of the criminal prosecution of certain former officers of IOS. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2008, a class action complaint was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin against the Company alleging that a 2003 transaction between the Company and C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. (C&S) was a conspiracy to restrain trade and allocate markets. In the 2003 transaction, the Company purchased certain assets of the Fleming Corporation as part of Fleming Corporation s bankruptcy proceedings and sold certain assets of the Company to C&S which were located in New England. Since December 2008, three other retailers have filed similar complaints in other jurisdictions. The cases have been consolidated and are proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. The complaints allege that the conspiracy was concealed and continued through the use of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements and the closing down of the distribution facilities that the Company and C&S purchased from the other. Plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages, injunctive relief and attorneys fees. The Company is vigorously defending these lawsuits. On September 14, 2009, the United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued a subpoena to the Company requesting documents related to the C&S transaction as part of the FTC s investigation into whether the Company and C&S engaged in unfair methods of competition. The Company is cooperating with the FTC. Although this matter is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently

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available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit or the FTC investigation will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

On January 7, 2010, the Company received a subpoena from the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services Milwaukee Field Office in connection with an investigation of possible false or otherwise improper claims for payment under the Medicaid program. The subpoena requests retail pharmacy claims data for dual eligible customers (i.e., customers with both Medicaid and private insurance coverage), information concerning the Company s retail pharmacy claims processing systems, copies of pharmacy payor contracts and other documents and records. The Company is cooperating with the Office of Inspector General. Management cannot predict with certainty the timing or outcome of any review by the government of such information.

The Company is also involved in routine legal proceedings incidental to its operations. Some of these routine proceedings involve class allegations, many of which are ultimately dismissed. Management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of these legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The statements above reflect management s current expectations based on the information presently available to the Company, however, predicting the outcomes of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and exposures involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes, costs and exposures to vary materially from current expectations. In addition, the Company regularly monitors its exposure to the loss contingencies associated with these matters and may from time to time change its predictions with respect to outcomes and its estimates with respect to related costs and exposures and believes recorded reserves are adequate. It is possible, although management believes it is remote, that material differences in actual outcomes, costs and exposures relative to current predictions and estimates, or material changes in such predictions or estimates, could have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

NOTE 11 SEGMENT INFORMATION

Refer to page 2 for the Company s segment information.

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

(Dollars and shares in millions, except per share data)

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

In the third quarter of fiscal 2011, Net sales were \$8,673 and Net loss was \$202, or \$0.95 per basic and diluted share. Results for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 include charges of \$303 before tax (\$252 after tax, or \$1.19 per diluted share) comprised of the finalization of second quarter non-cash goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$240 before tax (\$210 after tax, or \$0.99 per diluted share), store closure and exit costs of \$42 before tax (\$29 after tax, or \$0.14 per diluted share) and employee-related expenses, primarily severance and labor buyout costs of \$21 before tax (\$13 after tax, or \$0.06 per diluted share). In the third quarter of fiscal 2010, Net sales were \$9,216 and Net earnings were \$109, or \$0.51 per basic and diluted share.

Weakness in the economy continued to negatively impact consumer confidence during the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and, as a result, consumers continue to spend less. In addition, low levels of inflation and continued value-focused competitive activity in fiscal 2011 pressured sales growth. If these consumer spending, inflationary and competitive trends continue, they could further impact the Company s sales and financial results for the remainder of fiscal 2011.

THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

Net Sales

Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 were \$8,673 compared with \$9,216 last year, primarily reflecting decreased sales in the Retail food segment. Retail food sales were 75.8 percent of Net sales and Supply chain services sales were 24.2 percent of Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, compared with 77.3 percent and 22.7 percent, respectively, last year.

Retail food net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 were \$6,573 compared with \$7,120 last year, a decrease of 7.7 percent. The decrease primarily reflects the change in retail sales of identical stores (defined as stores operating for four full quarters, including store expansions and excluding fuel and planned store closures) of negative 4.9 percent and the impact of market exits. The identical store retail sales performance was primarily the result of the challenging economic environment and heightened competitive activity.

Total retail square footage at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was 65 million, a decrease of 4.1 percent from the third quarter of fiscal 2010. Total retail square footage, excluding previously announced retail market exits and other store closures, increased 1.0 percent over the third quarter of fiscal 2010.

Supply chain services net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 were \$2,100 compared with \$2,096 last year.

Gross Profit

Gross profit, as a percent of Net sales, was 21.5 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 compared to 22.4 percent last year. The decrease is primarily attributable to the unfavorable impact of business segment mix and increased promotional spending.

Selling and Administrative Expenses

Selling and administrative expenses, as a percent of Net sales, were 19.9 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 2011, compared with 19.0 percent last year. The increase primarily reflects increased store closure and exit costs, increased employee-related expenses and reduced sales leverage, partially offset by the favorable impact from the change in business segment mix and savings achieved from ongoing cost reduction initiatives.

Goodwill and Intangible Asset Impairment Charges

The Company applies a fair value based impairment test to the net book value of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives on an annual basis and on an interim basis if certain events or circumstances indicate that an impairment loss may have occurred. For the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the stock price. As a result, the Company performed an interim impairment test of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011. Although this analysis had not been completed due to its complexity, the Company recorded a preliminary estimate of impairment charges in the second quarter of fiscal 2011 of \$1,600, comprised of \$1,450 to goodwill and \$150 to intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. In the third quarter of fiscal 2011, the Company finalized the impairment analysis and recorded additional impairment charges of \$240, comprised of \$169

to goodwill and \$71 to intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. The impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets reflects the

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significant decline in the market price of the Company s common stock as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011.

Operating Earnings (Loss)

Operating loss for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was \$99 compared with operating earnings of \$308 last year. Retail food operating loss for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was \$153, or negative 2.3 percent of Retail food net sales, compared with operating earnings of \$269, or 3.8 percent of Retail food net sales last year. The decrease reflects goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$240, or 3.7 percent of Retail food sales, store closure costs of \$42, or 0.6 percent of Retail food sales, and severance and labor buyout costs of \$17, or 0.3 percent of Retail food sales. The remaining decrease of \$123, or 150 basis points, is primarily attributable to increased promotional spending and reduced sales leverage.

Supply chain services operating earnings for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 were \$69, or 3.3 percent of Supply chain services net sales, compared with \$64, or 3.1 percent of Supply chain services net sales last year. The increase in Supply chain services operating earnings as a percent of Supply chain services net sales is primarily attributable to improved productivity.

Net Interest Expense

Net interest expense was \$124 in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 compared with \$131 last year.

Income Tax Provision (Benefit)

The income tax benefit for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was \$21, or 9.2 percent of loss before income taxes, compared with income tax expense of \$68, or 38.8 percent of earnings before income taxes, last year. The tax rate for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 reflects the impact of goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, the majority of which are non-deductible for income tax purposes.

Net Earnings (Loss)

Net loss was \$202, or \$0.95 per basic and diluted share, in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 compared with net earnings of \$109, or \$0.51 per basic and diluted share, last year. Net loss for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 includes the finalization of second quarter goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, store closure and exit costs and employee-related expenses, primarily severance and labor buyout costs of \$303 before tax (\$252 after tax, or \$1.19 per diluted share).

YEAR-TO-DATE RESULTS

Net Sales

Net sales for fiscal 2011 year-to-date were \$28,874 compared with \$31,392 last year, reflecting decreased sales in both the Retail food and Supply chain services segments. Retail food sales were 76.9 percent of Net sales and Supply chain services sales were 23.1 percent of Net sales for fiscal 2011 year-to-date, compared with 77.8 percent and 22.2 percent, respectively, last year.

Retail food net sales for fiscal 2011 year-to-date were \$22,217 compared with \$24,431 last year, a decrease of 9.1 percent. The decrease primarily reflects the change in retail sales of identical stores (defined as stores operating for four full quarters, including store expansions and excluding fuel and planned store closures) of negative 6.2 percent and the impact of market exits. The year-to-date identical store retail sales performance was primarily the result of the challenging economic environment, heightened competitive activity and the impact of a labor dispute settled early in the second quarter. Excluding the stores impacted by the labor dispute, the change in retail sales of the remaining identical stores was negative 5.8 percent.

Supply chain services net sales for fiscal 2011 year-to-date were \$6,657 compared with \$6,961 last year, a decrease of 4.4 percent, primarily reflecting the completion of a national retail customer s previously announced plans to transition certain volume to self-distribution and the loss of a customer due to acquisition by a competitor.

Gross Profit

Gross profit, as a percent of Net sales, was 22.1 percent for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared to 22.3 percent last year. The decrease is primarily attributable to the unfavorable impact of business segment mix and increased promotional spending.

Selling and Administrative Expenses

Selling and administrative expenses, as a percent of Net sales, were 19.9 percent for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared to 19.4 percent

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last year. The increase primarily reflects increased store closure and exit costs, increased employee-related expenses and reduced sales leverage, partially offset by the favorable impact from the change in business segment mix and savings achieved from ongoing cost reduction initiatives.

Goodwill and Intangible Asset Impairment Charges

The Company applies a fair value based impairment test to the net book value of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives on an annual basis and on an interim basis if certain events or circumstances indicate that an impairment loss may have occurred. For the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the stock price. As a result, the Company performed an interim impairment test of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011 and recorded year-to-date impairment charges of \$1,840, comprised of \$1,619 to goodwill and \$221 to intangible assets with indefinite useful lives. The impairment of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets reflects the significant decline in the market price of the Company s common stock as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011.

Operating Earnings (Loss)

Operating loss for fiscal 2011 year-to-date was \$1,195 compared with operating earnings of \$915 last year. Retail food operating loss for fiscal 2011 year-to-date was \$1,343, or negative 6.0 percent of Retail food net sales compared with operating earnings of \$768 or 3.1 percent of Retail food net sales last year. The decrease reflects goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges of \$1,840, or 8.3 percent of Retail food sales, store closure and exit costs of \$46, or 0.2 percent of Retail food sales, and certain other costs primarily related to the impact of a labor dispute and other employee-related expenses of \$52, or 0.2 percent of Retail food sales. The remaining decrease of \$173, or 40 basis points, is primarily attributable to increased promotional spending and reduced sales leverage.

Supply chain services operating earnings for fiscal 2011 year-to-date were \$217, or 3.3 percent of Supply chain services net sales, compared with \$209, or 3.0 percent of Supply chain services net sales last year. The increase in Supply chain services operating earnings as a percent of Supply chain services net sales is primarily attributable to improved productivity.

Net Interest Expense

Net interest expense was \$427 for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with \$439 last year.

Income Tax Provision (Benefit)

The income tax benefit was \$17, or 1.0 percent of loss before income taxes, for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with income tax expense of \$180, or 37.9 percent of earnings before income taxes, last year. The tax rate for fiscal 2011 year-to-date reflects the impact of the goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, the majority of which are non-deductible for income tax purposes.

Net Earnings (Loss)

Net loss was \$1,605, or \$7.58 per basic and diluted share, for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with Net earnings of \$296, or \$1.39 per basic and diluted share, last year. Net loss for fiscal 2011 year-to-date includes goodwill and intangible asset impairment charges, store closure and exit costs and certain other costs primarily related to the impact of a labor dispute and other employee-related expenses of \$1,945 before tax (\$1,806 after tax, or \$8.53 per diluted share).

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$651 for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with \$798 last year, primarily reflecting decreased earnings and the change in deferred income taxes.

Net cash used in investing activities was \$310 for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with \$357 last year. The decrease primarily reflects lower capital spending partially offset by lower proceeds from the sale of assets compared to last year.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$366 for fiscal 2011 year-to-date compared with \$449 last year. The decrease in cash used in financing activities is primarily attributable to lower dividends paid compared to last year.

Management expects that the Company will continue to replenish operating assets with internally generated funds. There can be no assurance, however, that the Company s business will continue to generate cash flow at current levels. The Company will continue to obtain short-term or long-term financing from its credit facilities. Long-term financing

will be maintained through existing and new debt issuances and its credit facilities. The Company s short-term and long-term financing abilities are believed to be adequate as a supplement to internally generated cash flows to fund capital expenditures and acquisitions as opportunities arise. Maturities of debt

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issued will depend on management s views with respect to the relative attractiveness of interest rates at the time of issuance and other debt maturities.

Certain of the Company s credit facilities and long-term debt agreements have restrictive covenants and cross-default provisions which generally provide, subject to the Company s right to cure, for the acceleration of payments due in the event of a breach of the covenant or a default in the payment of a specified amount of indebtedness due under certain other debt agreements. The Company was in compliance with all such covenants and provisions for all periods presented.

On April 5, 2010, the Company entered into an Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement). The Credit Agreement provides for an extension of the maturity of portions of the senior secured credit facilities provided under the original credit agreement, which included a five-year revolving credit facility (the Revolving Credit Facility), a five-year term loan (Term Loan A) and a six-year term loan (Term Loan B). Under the Credit Agreement, \$1,500 of the Revolving Credit Facility was extended until April 5, 2015 and \$500 of Term Loan B was extended until October 5, 2015. The remaining \$600 of the Revolving Credit Facility will expire on June 2, 2011 and the remaining \$502 of Term Loan B will mature on June 2, 2012. The maturity date of Term Loan A was not extended and will mature on June 2, 2011.

The fees and rates in effect on outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement are based on the Company s current credit ratings. Borrowings under the non-extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility, if any, carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.00 percent, borrowings under Term Loan A carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 0.875 percent and borrowings under the non-extended portion of Term Loan B carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 1.25 percent. Borrowings under the extended portion of the Revolving Credit Facility, if any, carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 2.25 percent for revolving advances and Prime Rate plus 1.25 percent for base rate advances and borrowings under the extended portion of Term Loan B carry an interest rate of LIBOR plus 2.75 percent. Facility fees under the non-extended and extended portions of the Revolving Credit Facility are 0.20 percent and 0.50 percent, respectively. The Company pays fees of up to 2.50 percent on the outstanding balance of the letters of credit issued under the extended Revolving Credit Facility. Borrowings under the extended and non-extended term loans may be repaid, in full or in part, at any time without penalty.

The Credit Agreement reset covenants which are generally less restrictive than the covenants that existed prior to April 5, 2010. Specifically, the Company must maintain a leverage ratio no greater than 4.25 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 4.0 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 3.75 to 1.0 thereafter. Additionally, the Company must maintain an interest expense coverage ratio of not less than 2.20 to 1.0 through December 30, 2011, 2.25 to 1.0 from December 31, 2011 through December 30, 2012 and 2.30 to 1.0 thereafter. All obligations under the senior secured credit facilities are guaranteed by each material subsidiary of the Company. The obligations are also secured by a pledge of the equity interests in those same material subsidiaries, limited as required by the existing public indentures of the Company, such that the respective debt issued need not be equally and ratably secured.

In May 2010, the Company amended and extended its accounts receivable securitization program until May 2013. The Company can borrow up to \$200 on a revolving basis, with borrowings secured by eligible accounts receivable, which remain under the Company s control. The facility fee currently in effect based on the Company s current credit ratings is 1.00 percent. As of December 4, 2010, there were \$310 of accounts receivable pledged as collateral, classified in Receivables in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

As of December 4, 2010, the Company had \$423 of debt with current maturities that are classified in Long-term debt in the Consolidated Balance Sheets due to the Company s intent to refinance such obligations with the Revolving Credit Facility or other long-term debt.

Capital spending during the third quarter of fiscal 2011 was \$142. Capital spending year-to-date for fiscal 2011 was \$454. Capital spending primarily included store remodeling activity and technology expenditures. The Company s capital spending for fiscal 2011 is projected to be approximately \$700, including capital leases.

Fiscal 2011 total debt reduction is estimated to be approximately \$850, including approximately \$200 in after-tax net proceeds from the sale of Total Logistic Control in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011.

COMMITMENTS, CONTINGENCIES AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

Guarantees

The Company has guaranteed certain leases, fixture financing loans and other debt obligations of various retailers as of December 4, 2010. These guarantees were generally made to support the business growth of independent retail customers. The guarantees are generally for the entire terms of the leases or other debt obligations with remaining terms that range from less than one year to 19 years, with a weighted average remaining term of approximately eight years. For each guarantee issued, if the independent retail customer defaults on a payment, the Company would be required to make payments under its guarantee. Generally, the guarantees are secured by indemnification agreements or personal guarantees of the independent retail customer. The Company reviews performance risk related to its guarantees of independent retail customers based on internal measures of credit performance. As of December 4,

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2010, the maximum amount of undiscounted payments the Company would be required to make in the event of default of all of these guarantees was \$125 and represented \$93 on a discounted basis. Based on the indemnification agreements, personal guarantees and results of the reviews of performance risk, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote. Accordingly, no amount has been recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets for these contingent obligations under the Company s guarantee arrangements.

The Company is contingently liable for leases that have been assigned to various third parties in connection with facility closings and dispositions. The Company could be required to satisfy the obligations under the leases if any of the assignees are unable to fulfill their lease obligations. Due to the wide distribution of the Company s assignments among third parties, and various other remedies available, the Company believes the likelihood that it will be required to assume a material amount of these obligations is remote.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into supply contracts to purchase products for resale. These contracts typically include volume commitments or fixed expiration dates, termination provisions and other standard contractual considerations. As of December 4, 2010, the Company had \$1,046 of non-cancelable future purchase obligations primarily related to supply contracts.

The Company is a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which the Company may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters, which indemnities may be secured by operation of law or otherwise, in the ordinary course of business. These contracts primarily relate to the Company s commercial contracts, operating leases and other real estate contracts, financial agreements, agreements to provide services to the Company and agreements to indemnify officers, directors and employees in the performance of their work. While the Company s aggregate indemnification obligation could result in a material liability, the Company is not aware of any matters that are expected to result in a material liability.

Legal Proceedings

The Company is a party to various legal proceedings arising from the normal course of business as described in Part II Other Information, Item 1, under the caption Legal Proceedings and in Note 10 Commitments, Contingencies and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements, none of which, in management s opinion, is expected to have a material adverse impact on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Multi-Employer Plans

The Company contributes to various multi-employer pension plans under collective bargaining agreements, primarily defined benefit pension plans. These plans generally provide retirement benefits to participants based on their service to contributing employers. Based on available information, the Company believes that some of the multi-employer plans to which it contributes are underfunded. Company contributions to these plans could increase in the near term. However, the amount of any increase or decrease in contributions will depend on a variety of factors, including the results of the Company s collective bargaining efforts, investment returns on the assets held in the plans, actions taken by the trustees who manage the plans and requirements under the Pension Protection Act and Section 412(e) of the Internal Revenue Code. Furthermore, if the Company was to significantly reduce contributions, exit certain markets or otherwise cease making contributions to these plans, it could trigger a partial or complete withdrawal that would require the Company to fund its proportionate share of a plan s unfunded vested benefits. During the year-to-date ended December 4, 2010 and December 5, 2009, the Company contributed \$105 and \$112 to these plans, respectively. The Company also makes contributions to multi-employer health and welfare plans in amounts set forth in the related collective bargaining agreements. A small minority of collective bargaining agreements contain reserve requirements that may trigger unanticipated contributions resulting in increased healthcare expenses. If these healthcare provisions cannot be renegotiated in a manner that reduces the prospective healthcare cost as the Company intends, the Company s Selling and administrative expenses could increase in the future.

Contractual Obligations

There have been no material changes in the Company s contractual obligations since the end of fiscal 2010. Refer to Item 7 of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010 for additional information regarding the Company s contractual obligations.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The description of critical accounting policies is included in Item 7 of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010, and is updated for the following: *Goodwill*

The Company reviews goodwill for impairment during the fourth quarter of each year and also if an event occurs or circumstances change that more-likely-than-not would reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. For the second quarter of fiscal 2011 the Company s stock price had a significant and sustained decline and book value per share substantially exceeded the

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stock price. As a result, the Company performed an interim impairment test of goodwill as of the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2011. The analysis indicated that the fair value of one reporting unit with \$2,756 of goodwill was less than the carrying value and, accordingly, the Company recorded a goodwill impairment charge of \$1,619. The analysis indicated that the fair value of another reporting unit with \$807 of goodwill exceeded the carrying value by greater than 10 percent and the remaining \$137 of goodwill is at a reporting unit with fair value that substantially exceeds the carrying value. If the Company s stock price continues to experience further significant and sustained declines, the Company would reassess the fair value of the implied goodwill compared to the carrying value.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF THE SAFE HARBOR PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES LITIGATION REFORM ACT

Any statements contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q regarding the outlook for the Company s businesses and their respective markets, such as projections of future performance, guidance, statements of the Company s plans and objectives, forecasts of market trends and other matters, are forward-looking statements based on the Company s assumptions and beliefs. Such statements may be identified by such words or phrases as will likely result, expected to. will continue. will benefit. is anticipated, outlook. estimate. project, management believes o expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in such statements and no assurance can be given that the results in any forward-looking statement will be achieved. For these statements, SUPERVALU INC. claims the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and we disclaim any obligation to subsequently revise any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after such date or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

Certain factors could cause the Company s future results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statements contained in this report. These factors include the factors discussed in Part I, Item 1A of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010 under the heading Risk Factors, Part II, Item 1A of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 11, 2010 under the heading Risk Factors, the factors discussed below and any other cautionary statements, written or oral, which may be made or referred to in connection with any such forward-looking statements. Since it is not possible to foresee all such factors, these factors should not be considered as complete or exhaustive.

Economic Conditions

Continued weakness in the economy or further adverse changes in economic conditions that affect consumer spending or buying habits

Increases in unemployment, healthcare costs, energy costs and commodity prices, which could impact consumer spending or buying habits and the cost of doing business

Changes in interest rates

Food and drug inflation or deflation

The outcome of negotiations with partners, governments, suppliers, unions or customers

Execution of Initiatives

The Company s ability to execute customer-focused initiatives designed to support the Company s vision of becoming America s Neighborhood Grocer

The effectiveness of cost reduction strategies

The adequacy of the Company s capital resources to fund new store growth and remodeling activities that achieve appropriate returns on capital investment

Competitive Practices

The Company s ability to attract and retain customers

The Company s ability to hire, train or retain employees

Competition from other food or drug retail chains, supercenters, non-traditional competitors and emerging alternative formats in the Company s markets

Declines in the Company s Supply chain services sales due to increased wholesaler competition or increased customer self-distribution

Changes in demographics or consumer preferences that affect consumer spending habits

The impact of consolidation in the Retail food and Supply chain services industries

The success of the Company s promotional and sales programs and the Company s ability to respond to the promotional and pricing practices of competitors

Food Safety

Events that give rise to actual or potential food contamination, drug contamination or food-borne illness or any adverse publicity relating to these types of concerns, whether or not valid

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Liquidity

The Company s substantial indebtedness and its potential effect on the operation of the Company s business

The Company s ability to comply with debt covenants or to refinance the Company s debt obligations

A downgrade in the Company s debt ratings, which may increase the cost of borrowing or adversely affect the Company s ability to access one or more financial markets

The availability of favorable credit and trade terms

Labor Relations

Potential work disruptions resulting from labor disputes

Ability to negotiate labor contracts with acceptable terms

Employee Benefit Costs

Increased operating costs resulting from rising employee benefit costs or pension funding obligations

Regulatory Matters

The ability to timely obtain permits, comply with government regulations or make capital expenditures required to maintain compliance with government regulations

Changes in applicable laws and regulations that impose additional requirements or restrictions on the operation of the Company s businesses

Self-Insurance

Variability in actuarial projections regarding workers compensation and general and automobile liability

Potential increase in the number or severity of claims for which the Company is self-insured

Legal and Administrative Proceedings

Unfavorable outcomes in litigation, governmental or administrative proceedings or other disputes

Adverse publicity related to such unfavorable outcomes

Information Technology

Difficulties in developing, maintaining or upgrading information technology systems

Business disruptions or losses resulting from data theft, information espionage, or other criminal activity directed at the Company s computer or communications systems

Severe Weather, Natural Disasters and Adverse Climate Changes

Property damage or business disruption resulting from severe weather conditions and natural disasters that affect the Company, and the Company s customers or suppliers

Unseasonably adverse climate conditions that impact the availability or cost of certain products in the grocery supply chain

Accounting Matters

Changes in accounting standards that impact the Company s financial statements

Goodwill and Intangible Asset Impairment Charges

Unfavorable changes in the Company s industry, the broader economy, market conditions, business operations, competition or the Company s stock price and market capitalization

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

There were no material changes in market risk for the Company in the period covered by this report. See the discussion of market risk in Item 7A of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Management of the Company, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) as of December 4, 2010. Based on this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company s disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is (1) recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified by the Securities and Exchange Commission s rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to the Company s management, including the Company s Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, in a manner that allows timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

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In connection with the evaluation described above, there were no changes in the Company s internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company s most recently completed fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company s internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Company is subject to various lawsuits, claims and other legal matters that arise in the ordinary course of conducting business, none of which, in management s opinion, is expected to have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In September 2008, a class action complaint was filed against the Company, as well as International Outsourcing Services, LLC (IOS), Inmar, Inc., Carolina Manufacturer s Services, Inc., Carolina Coupon Clearing, Inc. and Carolina Services, in the United States District Court in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. The plaintiffs in the case are a consumer goods manufacturer, a grocery co-operative and a retailer marketing services company who allege on behalf of a purported class that the Company and the other defendants (i) conspired to restrict the markets for coupon processing services under the Sherman Act and (ii) were part of an illegal enterprise to defraud the plaintiffs under the Federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act. The plaintiffs seek monetary damages, attorneys fees and injunctive relief. The Company intends to vigorously defend this lawsuit, however all proceedings have been stayed in the case pending the result of the criminal prosecution of certain former officers of IOS. Although this lawsuit is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

In December 2008, a class action complaint was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin against the Company alleging that a 2003 transaction between the Company and C&S Wholesale Grocers, Inc. (C&S) was a conspiracy to restrain trade and allocate markets. In the 2003 transaction, the Company purchased certain assets of the Fleming Corporation as part of Fleming Corporation s bankruptcy proceedings and sold certain assets of the Company to C&S which were located in New England. Since December 2008, three other retailers have filed similar complaints in other jurisdictions. The cases have been consolidated and are proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. The complaints allege that the conspiracy was concealed and continued through the use of non-compete and non-solicitation agreements and the closing down of the distribution facilities that the Company and C&S purchased from the other. Plaintiffs are seeking monetary damages, injunctive relief and attorneys fees. The Company is vigorously defending these lawsuits. On September 14, 2009, the United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) issued a subpoena to the Company requesting documents related to the C&S transaction as part of the FTC s investigation into whether the Company and C&S engaged in unfair methods of competition. The Company is cooperating with the FTC. Although this matter is subject to the uncertainties inherent in the litigation process, based on the information presently available to the Company, management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of this lawsuit or the FTC investigation will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

On January 7, 2010, the Company received a subpoena from the Office of Inspector General for the Department of Health and Human Services Milwaukee Field Office in connection with an investigation of possible false or otherwise improper claims for payment under the Medicaid program. The subpoena requests retail pharmacy claims data for dual eligible customers (i.e., customers with both Medicaid and private insurance coverage), information concerning the Company s retail pharmacy claims processing systems, copies of pharmacy payor contracts and other documents and records. The Company is cooperating with the Office of Inspector General. Management cannot predict with certainty the timing or outcome of any review by the government of such information.

The Company is also involved in routine legal proceedings incidental to its operations. Some of these routine proceedings involve class allegations, many of which are ultimately dismissed. Management does not expect that the ultimate resolution of these legal proceedings will have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

The statements above reflect management s current expectations based on the information presently available to the Company, however, predicting the outcomes of claims and litigation and estimating related costs and exposures involves substantial uncertainties that could cause actual outcomes, costs and exposures to vary materially from current expectations. In addition, the Company regularly monitors its exposure to the loss contingencies associated with these matters and may from time to time change its predictions with respect to outcomes and its estimates with

respect to related costs and exposures and believes recorded reserves are adequate. It is possible, although management believes it is remote, that material differences in actual outcomes, costs and exposures relative to current predictions and estimates, or material changes in such predictions or estimates, could have a material adverse effect on the Company s financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

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ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There were no material changes in risk factors for the Company in the period covered by this report. See the discussion of risk factors in Part I, Item 1A of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 27, 2010, and Part II, Item 1A of the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended September 11, 2010.

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

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(in millions, except shares and per share	Total Number	A	verage	Treasury Stock		Treasury Stock	
amounts)	of Shares Purchased	Price Paid Per		Purchase Program	Purchase Program		
Period (1)	(2)	Share		(3)		(3)	
First four weeks September 12, 2010 to October 9, 2010 Second four weeks		\$			\$	70	
October 10, 2010 to November 6, 2010	20	\$	12.21		\$	70	
Third four weeks	2.62		0.06		Φ.	- 0	
November 7, 2010 to December 4, 2010	362	\$	9.86		\$	70	
Totals	382	\$	9.98		\$	70	

- (1) The reported periods conform to the Company s fiscal calendar composed of thirteen 28-day periods. The third quarter of fiscal 2011 contains three 28-day periods.
- (2) These amounts include the deemed surrender by participants in the Company's compensatory stock plans of 382 shares of previously issued common stock. These are in payment of the purchase price for shares acquired pursuant to the exercise of stock options and satisfaction of tax obligations arising from such exercises, as well as from the vesting of restricted stock awards granted under such plans.
- (3) On June 24, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company adopted and announced a new annual share purchase program authorizing the Company to purchase up to \$70 of the Company s common stock. Stock purchases will be made primarily from the cash generated from the settlement of stock options. This annual authorization program replaced the previously existing share purchase program and continues through June 2011. As of December 4, 2010, there remained \$70 available to purchase the Company s common stock under the existing share purchase program.

ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

ITEM 4. (REMOVED AND RESERVED)

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

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ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- 10.1 Separation Agreement and General Release, dated November 18, 2010, between SUPERVALU INC. and David Boehnen, is incorporated herein by reference to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed November 24, 2010.*
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 - * Indicates management contract, compensatory plan or arrangement required to be filed pursuant to Item 601(b)(10)(iii)(A) of Regulation S-K.

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SIGNATURES

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

SUPERVALU INC. (Registrant)

Dated: January 12, 2011

/s/ SHERRY M. SMITH
Sherry M. Smith
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial
Officer
(principal accounting officer)

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