

CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

Form 10-Q

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended August 31, 2011

**OR**

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Commission File Number 001-08495  
CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**16-0716709**

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

**207 High Point Drive, Building 100, Victor, New York**

**14564**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

**(585) 678-7100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§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  No

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

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

The number of shares outstanding with respect to each of the classes of common stock of Constellation Brands, Inc., as of September 30, 2011, is set forth below:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number of Shares Outstanding</u>
Class A Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	178,838,531
Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	23,589,202
Class 1 Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	11,633

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*This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the Company's control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in, or implied by, such forward-looking statements. For further information regarding such forward-looking statements, risks and uncertainties, please see Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements under Part I - Item 2 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.*

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CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
 CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
 (in millions, except share and per share data)  
 (unaudited)

	August 31, 2011	February 28, 2011
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash investments	\$ 10.0	\$ 9.2
Accounts receivable, net	501.7	417.4
Inventories	1,259.2	1,369.3
Prepaid expenses and other	148.7	287.1
Total current assets	1,919.6	2,083.0
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, net	1,241.0	1,219.6
GOODWILL	2,632.7	2,619.8
INTANGIBLE ASSETS, net	895.4	886.3
OTHER ASSETS, net	346.0	358.9
Total assets	\$ 7,034.7	\$ 7,167.6
<b><u>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</u></b>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Notes payable to banks	\$ 198.0	\$ 83.7
Current maturities of long-term debt	13.7	15.9
Accounts payable	138.7	129.2
Accrued excise taxes	26.4	14.2
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	410.0	419.9
Total current liabilities	786.8	662.9
LONG-TERM DEBT, less current maturities	2,734.7	3,136.7
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	596.9	583.1
OTHER LIABILITIES	217.2	233.0
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 12)		
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY:		
Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value-Authorized, 322,000,000 shares; Issued, 232,894,647 shares at August 31, 2011, and 230,290,798 shares at February 28, 2011	2.3	2.3
Class B Convertible Common Stock, \$.01 par value-Authorized, 30,000,000 shares; Issued, 28,597,102 shares at August 31, 2011, and 28,617,758 shares at February 28, 2011	0.3	0.3

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Additional paid-in capital	1,655.0	1,602.4
Retained earnings	1,899.5	1,662.3
Accumulated other comprehensive income	216.8	188.8
	3,773.9	3,456.1
Less: Treasury stock - Class A Common Stock, 51,625,074 shares at August 31, 2011, and 42,739,831 shares at February 28, 2011, at cost	(1,072.6)	(902.0)
Class B Convertible Common Stock, 5,005,800 shares at August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, at cost	(2.2)	(2.2)
	(1,074.8)	(904.2)
Total stockholders' equity	2,699.1	2,551.9
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 7,034.7	\$ 7,167.6

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS  
(in millions, except per share data)  
(unaudited)

	For the Six Months Ended August 31,		For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
SALES	\$ 1,481.1	\$ 2,033.1	\$ 770.4	\$ 1,056.9
Less - excise taxes	(155.6)	(382.8)	(80.2)	(194.1)
Net sales	1,325.5	1,650.3	690.2	862.8
COST OF PRODUCT SOLD	(791.5)	(1,066.1)	(407.2)	(548.6)
Gross profit	534.0	584.2	283.0	314.2
SELLING, GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	(276.4)	(336.1)	(138.2)	(167.3)
RESTRUCTURING CHARGES	(10.8)	(18.6)	0.3	(13.7)
Operating income	246.8	229.5	145.1	133.2
EQUITY IN EARNINGS OF EQUITY METHOD INVESTEES	126.2	120.9	64.0	66.4
INTEREST EXPENSE, net	(86.8)	(98.8)	(42.5)	(50.3)
Income before income taxes	286.2	251.6	166.6	149.3
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	(49.0)	(111.2)	(3.9)	(58.0)
NET INCOME	\$ 237.2	\$ 140.4	\$ 162.7	\$ 91.3
 SHARE DATA:				
Earnings per common share:				
Basic - Class A Common Stock	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.44
Basic - Class B Convertible Common Stock	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.40
Diluted - Class A Common Stock	\$ 1.11	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.43
Diluted - Class B Convertible Common Stock	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.40



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Weighted average common  
shares outstanding:

Basic - Class A Common Stock	186.837	189.084	186.629	185.455
Basic - Class B Convertible Common Stock	23.599	23.719	23.593	23.712
Diluted - Class A Common Stock	214.406	215.136	213.645	211.149
Diluted - Class B Convertible Common Stock	23.599	23.719	23.593	23.712

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CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(in millions)

(unaudited)

	For the Six Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income	\$ 237.2	\$ 140.4
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	46.0	61.0
Deferred tax provision	24.7	50.6
Stock-based compensation expense	24.2	25.7
Equity in earnings of equity method investees, net of distributed earnings	10.0	36.5
Amortization of intangible and other assets	6.3	7.3
Loss on disposal or impairment of long-lived assets, net	0.1	4.8
Gain on business sold, net	(0.8)	-
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable, net	(84.5)	(204.5)
Inventories	118.7	157.2
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	7.7	5.3
Accounts payable	12.8	(10.7)
Accrued excise taxes	12.1	13.2
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	83.0	40.1
Other, net	19.9	(20.8)
Total adjustments	280.2	165.7
Net cash provided by operating activities	517.4	306.1
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(39.2)	(43.2)
Payments related to sale of business	(28.8)	(1.6)
Investments in equity method investees	(0.1)	(29.7)
Proceeds from note receivable	1.0	60.0
Proceeds from sales of assets	0.3	3.1
Other investing activities	(6.4)	0.5
Net cash used in investing activities	(73.2)	(10.9)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Principal payments of long-term debt	(419.9)	(24.5)
Purchases of treasury stock	(187.5)	(300.0)
Payment of minimum tax withholdings on stock-based payment awards	(2.2)	(0.4)

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Net proceeds from (repayment of) notes payable	113.3	(24.1)
Proceeds from exercises of employee stock options	39.0	18.0
Proceeds from excess tax benefits from stock-based payment awards	10.6	4.7
Proceeds from employee stock purchases	2.4	2.1
Payment of financing costs of long-term debt	-	(0.2)
Net cash used in financing activities	(444.3)	(324.4)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash investments	0.9	(0.4)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS	0.8	(29.6)
CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS, beginning of period	9.2	43.5
CASH AND CASH INVESTMENTS, end of period	\$ 10.0	\$ 13.9
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Property, plant and equipment acquired under financing arrangements	\$ 15.0	\$ 4.8

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these statements.

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CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES  
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
AUGUST 31, 2011  
(unaudited)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by Constellation Brands, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the Company), without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission applicable to quarterly reporting on Form 10-Q and reflect, in the opinion of the Company, all adjustments necessary to present fairly the financial information for the Company. All such adjustments are of a normal recurring nature. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, have been condensed or omitted as permitted by such rules and regulations. These consolidated financial statements and related notes should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2011. Results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of annual results.

2. RECENTLY ADOPTED ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE:

*Fair value measurements and disclosures*

In January 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued amended guidance for fair value measurements and disclosures. This guidance requires an entity to (i) disclose separately the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and the reasons for the transfers, and (ii) present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements on a gross basis in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). This guidance also clarifies existing disclosures requiring an entity to provide fair value measurement disclosures for each class of assets and liabilities and, for Level 2 or Level 3 fair value measurements, disclosures about the valuation techniques and inputs used to measure fair value for both recurring and nonrecurring fair value measurements. Effective March 1, 2010, the Company adopted the additional disclosure requirements and clarifications of existing disclosures of this guidance, except for the disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). Effective March 1, 2011, the Company adopted the additional disclosure requirement to present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements on a gross basis in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3). The adoption of the remaining provision of this guidance on March 1, 2011, did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

*Intangibles goodwill and other*

Effective March 1, 2011, the Company adopted amended guidance for when to perform Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test for reporting units with zero or negative carrying amounts. The amended guidance modifies Step 1 of the goodwill impairment test for reporting units with zero or negative carrying amounts. For those reporting units, an entity is required to perform Step 2 of the goodwill impairment test if it is more likely than not that a goodwill impairment exists. In determining whether it is more likely than not that a goodwill impairment exists, an entity should consider whether there are any adverse qualitative factors indicating that an impairment may exist. Any resulting goodwill impairment upon adoption should be recorded as a cumulative-effect adjustment to beginning retained earnings in the period of adoption. The adoption of this amended guidance on March 1, 2011, did not have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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Inventories are stated at the lower of cost (computed in accordance with the first-in, first-out method) or market. Elements of cost include materials, labor and overhead and consist of the following:

	August 31, 2011	February 28, 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
Raw materials and supplies	\$ 46.6	\$ 38.2
In-process inventories	902.2	1,012.1
Finished case goods	310.4	319.0
	\$ 1,259.2	\$ 1,369.3

**4. PREPAID EXPENSES AND OTHER:**

The major components of prepaid expenses and other are as follows:

	August 31, 2011	February 28, 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
Income taxes receivable	\$ 56.9	\$ 193.8
Deferred tax assets	40.8	42.1
Other	51.0	51.2
	\$ 148.7	\$ 287.1

**5. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS:**

As a multinational company, the Company is exposed to market risk from changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates that could affect the Company's results of operations and financial condition. The amount of volatility realized will vary based upon the effectiveness and level of derivative instruments outstanding during a particular period of time, as well as the currency and interest rate market movements during that same period.

The Company enters into derivative instruments, primarily interest rate swaps and foreign currency forward and option contracts, to manage interest rate and foreign currency risks. In accordance with the FASB guidance for derivatives and hedging, the Company recognizes all derivatives as either assets or liabilities on the balance sheet and measures those instruments at fair value (see Note 6). The fair values of the Company's derivative instruments change with fluctuations in interest rates and/or currency rates and are expected to offset changes in the values of the underlying exposures. The Company's derivative instruments are held solely to hedge economic exposures. The Company follows strict policies to manage interest rate and foreign currency risks, including prohibitions on derivative market-making or other speculative activities.

To qualify for hedge accounting treatment under the FASB guidance for derivatives and hedging, the details of the hedging relationship must be formally documented at inception of the arrangement, including the risk management objective, hedging strategy, hedged item, specific risk that is being hedged, the derivative instrument, how effectiveness is being assessed and how ineffectiveness will be measured. The derivative must be highly effective in offsetting either changes in the fair value or cash flows, as appropriate, of the risk being hedged. Effectiveness is evaluated on a retrospective and prospective basis based on quantitative measures.

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Certain of the Company's derivative instruments do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment under the FASB guidance for derivatives and hedging; for others, the Company chooses not to maintain the required documentation to apply hedge accounting treatment. These undesignated instruments are used to economically hedge the Company's exposure to fluctuations in the value of foreign currency denominated receivables and payables; foreign currency investments, primarily consisting of loans to subsidiaries; and cash flows related primarily to repatriation of those loans or investments. Foreign currency contracts, generally less than 12 months in duration, are used to hedge some of these risks. The Company's derivative policy permits the use of undesignated derivatives when the derivative instrument is settled within the fiscal quarter or offsets a recognized balance sheet exposure. In these circumstances, the mark to fair value is reported currently through earnings in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the Company had undesignated foreign currency contracts outstanding with a notional value of \$331.8 million and \$160.0 million, respectively. The Company had no undesignated interest rate swap agreements outstanding as of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011.

Furthermore, when the Company determines that a derivative instrument which qualified for hedge accounting treatment has ceased to be highly effective as a hedge, the Company discontinues hedge accounting prospectively. The Company also discontinues hedge accounting prospectively when (i) a derivative expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised; (ii) it is no longer probable that the forecasted transaction will occur; or (iii) management determines that designating the derivative as a hedging instrument is no longer appropriate.

*Cash flow hedges:*

The Company is exposed to foreign denominated cash flow fluctuations in connection with third party and intercompany sales and purchases and, historically, third party financing arrangements. The Company primarily uses foreign currency forward and option contracts to hedge certain of these risks. In addition, the Company utilizes interest rate swaps to manage its exposure to changes in interest rates. Derivatives managing the Company's cash flow exposures generally mature within three years or less, with a maximum maturity of five years. Throughout the term of the designated cash flow hedge relationship, but at least quarterly, a retrospective evaluation and prospective assessment of hedge effectiveness is performed. All components of the Company's derivative instruments' gains or losses are included in the assessment of hedge effectiveness. In the event the relationship is no longer effective, the Company recognizes the change in the fair value of the hedging derivative instrument from the date the hedging derivative instrument became no longer effective immediately in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. In conjunction with its effectiveness testing, the Company also evaluates ineffectiveness associated with the hedge relationship. Resulting ineffectiveness, if any, is recognized immediately in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations in selling, general and administrative expenses.

The Company records the fair value of its foreign currency and interest rate swap contracts qualifying for cash flow hedge accounting treatment in its consolidated balance sheet with the effective portion of the related gain or loss on those contracts deferred in stockholders' equity (as a component of AOCI (as defined in Note 15)). These deferred gains or losses are recognized in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations in the same period in which the underlying hedged items are recognized and on the same line item as the underlying hedged items. However, to the extent that any derivative instrument is not considered to be highly effective in offsetting the change in the value of the hedged item, the hedging relationship is terminated and the amount related to the ineffective portion of this derivative instrument is immediately recognized in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations in selling, general and administrative expenses.

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As of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the Company had cash flow designated foreign currency contracts outstanding with a notional value of \$357.3 million and \$166.4 million, respectively. In addition, as of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the Company had cash flow designated interest rate swap agreements outstanding with a notional value of \$500.0 million (see Note 10). The Company expects \$4.3 million of net gains, net of income tax effect, to be reclassified from AOCI to earnings within the next 12 months.

*Fair value hedges:*

Fair value hedges are hedges that offset the risk of changes in the fair values of recorded assets and liabilities, and firm commitments. The Company records changes in fair value of derivative instruments which are designated and deemed effective as fair value hedges, in earnings offset by the corresponding changes in the fair value of the hedged items. The Company did not designate any derivative instruments as fair value hedges for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010.

*Net investment hedges:*

Net investment hedges are hedges that use derivative instruments or non-derivative instruments to hedge the foreign currency exposure of a net investment in a foreign operation. Historically, the Company has managed currency exposures resulting from certain of its net investments in foreign subsidiaries principally with debt denominated in the related foreign currency. Accordingly, gains and losses on these instruments were recorded as foreign currency translation adjustments in AOCI. The Company did not designate any derivative or non-derivative instruments as net investment hedges for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010.

*Fair values of derivative instruments:*

The fair value and location of the Company's derivative instruments on its Consolidated Balance Sheets are as follows:

Balance Sheet Location (in millions)	August 31, 2011	February 28, 2011
<b>Derivative instruments designated as hedging instruments</b>		
<u>Foreign currency contracts</u>		
Prepaid expenses and other	\$ 16.3	\$ 11.0
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	\$ 1.5	\$ 3.4
Other assets, net	\$ 6.5	\$ 2.8
Other liabilities	\$ 1.3	\$ 0.9
<u>Interest rate swap contracts</u>		
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	\$ 12.6	\$ 6.1
Other assets, net	\$ -	\$ 1.7
Other liabilities	\$ 28.9	\$ -
<b>Derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments</b>		
<u>Foreign currency contracts</u>		
Prepaid expenses and other	\$ 4.9	\$ 3.2
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	\$ 1.2	\$ 1.0
Other assets, net	\$ 0.1	\$ -
Other liabilities	\$ 0.1	\$ -

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The effect of the Company's derivative instruments designated in cash flow hedging relationships on its Consolidated Statements of Operations, as well as its Other Comprehensive Income (OCI), net of income tax effect, is as follows:

Derivative Instruments in Designated Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Net Gain (Loss)  Recognized  in OCI  (Effective portion)	Location of Net Gain (Loss) Reclassified from AOCI to Income (Effective portion)	Net Gain (Loss)  Reclassified from AOCI to  Income  (Effective portion)
<i>(in millions)</i>			
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>			
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 7.0	Sales	\$ 2.7
Foreign currency contracts	6.2	Cost of product sold	0.6
Interest rate swap contracts	(22.6)	Interest expense, net	-
Total	\$ (9.4)	Total	\$ 3.3
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>			
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 0.1	Sales	\$ 7.9
Foreign currency contracts	(2.1)	Cost of product sold	1.3
Interest rate swap contracts	(12.0)	Interest expense, net	-
Total	\$ (14.0)	Total	\$ 9.2
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>			
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 3.3	Sales	\$ 1.7
Foreign currency contracts	2.3	Cost of product sold	0.6
Interest rate swap contracts	(13.0)	Interest expense, net	-
Total	\$ (7.4)	Total	\$ 2.3
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>			
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 1.2	Sales	\$ 4.3
Foreign currency contracts	1.2	Cost of product sold	(0.9)
Interest rate swap contracts	(12.0)	Interest expense, net	-
Total	\$ (9.6)	Total	\$ 3.4



Derivative Instruments in Designated Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Location of Net Gain Recognized in Income (Ineffective portion)	Net Gain Recognized in Income (Ineffective portion)
<i>(in millions)</i>		
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 0.8
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 0.7
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 0.2
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 0.4

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The effect of the Company's undesignated derivative instruments on its Consolidated Statements of Operations is as follows:

Derivative Instruments not Designated as Hedging Instruments <i>(in millions)</i>	Location of Net Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income	Net Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 4.8
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ (1.0)
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 1.7
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>		
Foreign currency contracts	Selling, general and administrative expenses	\$ 3.3

*Credit risk:*

The Company enters into master agreements with its bank derivative trading counterparties that allow netting of certain derivative positions in order to manage credit risk. The Company's derivative instruments are not subject to credit rating contingencies or collateral requirements. As of August 31, 2011, the fair value of derivative instruments in a net liability position due to counterparties was \$41.9 million. If the Company were required to settle the net liability position under these derivative instruments on August 31, 2011, the Company would have had sufficient availability under its revolving credit facility to satisfy this obligation.

*Counterparty credit risk:*

Counterparty credit risk relates to losses the Company could incur if a counterparty defaults on a derivative contract. The Company manages exposure to counterparty credit risk by requiring specified minimum credit standards and diversification of counterparties. The Company enters into master agreements with its bank derivative trading counterparties that allow netting of certain derivative positions in order to manage counterparty credit risk. As of August 31, 2011, all of the Company's counterparty exposures are with financial institutions which have investment grade ratings. The Company has procedures to monitor counterparty credit risk for both current and future potential credit exposures. As of August 31, 2011, the fair value of derivative instruments in a net receivable position due from counterparties was \$24.1 million.

**6. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS:**

The Company calculates the fair value of financial instruments using quoted market prices whenever available. When quoted market prices are not available, the Company uses standard pricing models for various types of financial instruments (such as forwards, options, swaps, etc.) which take into account the present value of estimated future cash

flows.

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The carrying amount and estimated fair value of the Company's financial instruments are summarized as follows:

	August 31, 2011		February 28, 2011	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<u>Assets:</u>				
Cash and cash investments	\$ 10.0	\$ 10.0	\$ 9.2	\$ 9.2
Accounts receivable	\$ 501.7	\$ 501.7	\$ 417.4	\$ 417.4
Available-for-sale debt securities	\$ 43.7	\$ 43.7	\$ 40.8	\$ 40.8
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 27.8	\$ 27.8	\$ 17.0	\$ 17.0
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1.7	\$ 1.7
Notes receivable	\$ 3.4	\$ 3.4	\$ 4.8	\$ 4.8
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Notes payable to banks	\$ 198.0	\$ 195.1	\$ 83.7	\$ 83.8
Accounts payable	\$ 138.7	\$ 138.7	\$ 129.2	\$ 129.2
Long-term debt, including current portion	\$ 2,748.4	\$ 2,882.9	\$ 3,152.6	\$ 3,298.2
Foreign currency contracts	\$ 4.1	\$ 4.1	\$ 5.3	\$ 5.3
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ 41.5	\$ 41.5	\$ 6.1	\$ 6.1

The following methods and assumptions are used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments:

*Cash and cash investments, accounts receivable and accounts payable:* The carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments.

*Available-for-sale ( AFS ) debt securities:* The fair value is estimated by discounting cash flows using market-based inputs (see Fair value measurements below).

*Foreign currency contracts:* The fair value is estimated using market-based inputs, obtained from independent pricing services, into valuation models (see Fair value measurements below).

*Interest rate swap contracts:* The fair value is estimated based on quoted market prices from respective counterparties (see Fair value measurements below).

*Notes receivable:* These instruments are fixed interest rate bearing notes. The fair value is estimated by discounting cash flows using market-based inputs, including counterparty credit risk.

*Notes payable to banks:* The revolving credit facility under the 2006 Credit Agreement (as defined in Note 10) is a variable interest rate bearing note which includes a fixed margin which is adjustable based upon the Company's debt ratio (as defined in the 2006 Credit Agreement). The fair value of the revolving credit facility is estimated by discounting cash flows using LIBOR plus a margin reflecting current market conditions obtained from participating member financial institutions. The remaining instruments are variable interest rate bearing notes for which the carrying value approximates the fair value.

*Long-term debt:* The tranche B term loan facility under the 2006 Credit Agreement is a variable interest rate bearing note which includes a fixed margin. The fair value of the tranche B term loan facility is estimated by discounting cash flows using LIBOR plus a margin reflecting current market conditions obtained from participating member financial institutions. The fair value of the remaining long-term debt, which is all fixed rate, is estimated by discounting cash flows using interest rates currently available for debt with similar terms and maturities.

**Table of Contents***Fair value measurements*

The FASB guidance on fair value measurements and disclosures defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value under generally accepted accounting principles, and requires disclosures about fair value measurements. This guidance emphasizes that fair value is a market-based measurement, not an entity-specific measurement, and states that a fair value measurement should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The fair value measurement guidance establishes a hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. The hierarchy is broken down into three levels: Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities; Level 2 inputs include data points that are observable such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical assets or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, and inputs (other than quoted prices) such as interest rates and yield curves that are observable for the asset and liability, either directly or indirectly; Level 3 inputs are unobservable data points for the asset or liability, and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability.

The following table presents the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<u>August 31, 2011</u>				
Assets:				
AFS debt securities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43.7	\$ 43.7
Foreign currency contracts	\$ -	\$ 27.8	\$ -	\$ 27.8
Liabilities:				
Foreign currency contracts	\$ -	\$ 4.1	\$ -	\$ 4.1
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ -	\$ 41.5	\$ -	\$ 41.5
<u>February 28, 2011</u>				
Assets:				
AFS debt securities	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40.8	\$ 40.8
Foreign currency contracts	\$ -	\$ 17.0	\$ -	\$ 17.0
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ -	\$ 1.7	\$ -	\$ 1.7
Liabilities:				
Foreign currency contracts	\$ -	\$ 5.3	\$ -	\$ 5.3
Interest rate swap contracts	\$ -	\$ 6.1	\$ -	\$ 6.1

The Company's foreign currency contracts consist of foreign currency forward and option contracts which are valued using market-based inputs, obtained from independent pricing services, into valuation models. These valuation models require various inputs, including contractual terms, market foreign exchange prices, interest-rate yield curves and currency volatilities. Interest rate swap fair values are based on quotes from respective counterparties. Quotes are corroborated by the Company using discounted cash flow calculations based upon forward interest-rate yield curves, which are obtained from independent pricing services. AFS debt securities are valued using market-based inputs into discounted cash flow models.

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The following table represents a reconciliation of the changes in fair value of financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3).

	AFS Debt Securities
<i>(in millions)</i>	
Balance at February 28, 2011	\$ 40.8
Total gains (losses):	
Included in earnings (interest expense, net)	3.1
Included in other comprehensive income (net unrealized losses on AFS debt securities)	(0.2)
Total net gains	2.9
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	-
Balance at August 31, 2011	\$ 43.7

## 7. GOODWILL:

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill are as follows:

	Constellation Wines North America ( CWNA )	Constellation Wines Australia and Europe ( CWAE )	Crown Imports LLC	Consolidations and Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Balance, February 28, 2010					
Goodwill	\$ 2,570.6	\$ 852.6	\$ 13.0	\$ (13.0)	\$ 3,423.2
Accumulated impairment losses	-	(852.6)	-	-	(852.6)
	2,570.6	-	13.0	(13.0)	2,570.6
Foreign currency translation adjustments	49.2	-	-	-	49.2
Divestiture of business					
Goodwill	-	(852.6)	-	-	(852.6)
Accumulated impairment losses	-	852.6	-	-	852.6
Balance, February 28, 2011					
Goodwill	2,619.8	-	13.0	(13.0)	2,619.8
Accumulated impairment losses	-	-	-	-	-
	2,619.8	-	13.0	(13.0)	2,619.8
Foreign currency translation adjustments	12.9	-	-	-	12.9
Balance, August 31, 2011					
Goodwill	2,632.7	-	13.0	(13.0)	2,632.7
Accumulated impairment losses	-	-	-	-	-

\$ 2,632.7 \$ - \$ 13.0 \$ (13.0) \$ 2,632.7

**Table of Contents***Divestiture of the Australian and U.K. Business*

In January 2011, the Company sold 80.1% of its Australian and U.K. business (the CWAE Divestiture) at a transaction value of \$266.2 million. As of August 31, 2011, the Company has received cash proceeds of \$192.5 million, net of cash divested of \$15.8 million, direct costs paid of \$11.2 million and post-closing adjustments paid of \$19.9 million. The Company has retained a less than 20% interest in its previously owned Australian and U.K. business, Accolade Wines (Accolade) (see Note 9). The following table summarizes the net gain recognized and the net cash proceeds received in connection with this divestiture.

<i>(in millions)</i>	
Net assets sold	\$ (734.1)
Cash received from buyer, net of cash divested and post-closing adjustments paid	203.7
Retained interest in Accolade	48.2
Foreign currency reclassification	678.8
Indemnification liabilities (see Note 12)	(25.4)
Direct costs to sell, paid and accrued	(13.2)
Other	7.9
Net gain on sale	165.9
Loss on settlement of pension	(109.9)
Net gain	\$ 56.0

Of the \$56.0 million net gain, \$55.2 million was recognized for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. The Company recognized an \$0.8 million net gain and a \$0.6 million net loss for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, respectively. In addition, the Company's CWAE segment recorded an additional net gain of \$28.5 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, primarily associated with a net gain on derivative instruments of \$20.8 million, related to this divestiture. For the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, the Company recorded an additional net loss of \$0.7 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, related to this divestiture. Total net gains associated with this divestiture of \$83.8 million are included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. Of this amount, \$83.7 million of net gains was recognized for the year ended February 28, 2011, \$0.1 million of net gains was recognized for the six months ended August 31, 2011, and \$0.7 million of net losses was recognized for the three months ended August 31, 2011.

## 8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS:

The major components of intangible assets are as follows:

	August 31, 2011		February 28, 2011	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Net Carrying Amount	Gross Carrying Amount	Net Carrying Amount
<i>(in millions)</i>				
Amortizable intangible assets:				
Customer relationships	\$ 83.1	\$ 61.6	\$ 83.2	\$ 64.1
Other	3.9	1.3	2.6	-
Total	\$ 87.0	62.9	\$ 85.8	64.1

Nonamortizable intangible assets:



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Trademarks	826.8	816.5
Other	5.7	5.7
Total	832.5	822.2
Total intangible assets, net	\$ 895.4	\$ 886.3

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The Company did not incur costs to renew or extend the term of acquired intangible assets during the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010. The difference between the gross carrying amount and net carrying amount for each item presented is attributable to accumulated amortization. Amortization expense for intangible assets was \$2.5 million and \$2.8 million for the six months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively, and \$1.3 million and \$1.4 million for the three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively. Estimated amortization expense for the remaining six months of fiscal 2012 and for each of the five succeeding fiscal years and thereafter is as follows:

	<i>(in millions)</i>	
2012		\$ 2.5
2013		\$ 4.9
2014		\$ 4.9
2015		\$ 4.9
2016		\$ 5.0
2017		\$ 4.7
Thereafter		\$ 36.0

## 9. INVESTMENTS:

*Investments in equity method investees**Crown Imports:*

Constellation Beers Ltd. ( Constellation Beers ) (previously known as Barton Beers, Ltd.), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, and Dablo, S.A. de C.V. ( Dablo ), an entity owned 76.75% by Grupo Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V. ( Modelo ) and 23.25% by Anheuser-Busch Companies, Inc., each have, directly or indirectly, equal interests in a joint venture, Crown Imports LLC ( Crown Imports ). Crown Imports has the exclusive right to import, market and sell Modelo s Mexican beer portfolio (the Modelo Brands ) in the U.S. and Guam. In addition, Crown Imports also has the exclusive rights to import, market and sell the Tsingtao and St. Pauli Girl brands in the U.S.

The Company accounts for its investment in Crown Imports under the equity method. Accordingly, the results of operations of Crown Imports are included in equity in earnings of equity method investees on the Company s Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the Company s investment in Crown Imports was \$171.3 million and \$183.3 million, respectively. The carrying amount of the investment is greater than the Company s equity in the underlying assets of Crown Imports by \$13.6 million due to the difference in the carrying amounts of the indefinite-lived intangible assets contributed to Crown Imports by each party. The Company received \$134.5 million and \$156.0 million of cash distributions from Crown Imports for the six months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively, all of which represent distributions of earnings.

Constellation Beers provides certain administrative services to Crown Imports. Amounts related to the performance of these services for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, were not material. In addition, as of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, amounts receivable from Crown Imports were not material.

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The following table presents summarized financial information for the Company's Crown Imports equity method investment. The amounts shown represent 100% of this equity method investment's results of operations.

	Crown Imports
<i>(in millions)</i>	
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>	
Net sales	\$ 1,404.5
Gross profit	\$ 409.9
Income from continuing operations	\$ 245.0
Net income	\$ 245.0
 <u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>	
Net sales	\$ 1,300.9
Gross profit	\$ 368.0
Income from continuing operations	\$ 239.2
Net income	\$ 239.2
 <u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>	
Net sales	\$ 727.0
Gross profit	\$ 210.3
Income from continuing operations	\$ 125.4
Net income	\$ 125.4
 <u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>	
Net sales	\$ 679.4
Gross profit	\$ 191.8
Income from continuing operations	\$ 130.7
Net income	\$ 130.7

**Table of Contents***Ruffino:*

In connection with the Company's December 2004 investment in Ruffino S.r.l. ( Ruffino ), the Company granted separate irrevocable and unconditional options to the two other shareholders of Ruffino to put to the Company all of the ownership interests held by these shareholders for a price as calculated in the joint venture agreement. Each option was exercisable during the period starting from January 1, 2010, and ending on December 31, 2010. For the year ended February 28, 2010, in connection with the notification by the 9.9% shareholder of Ruffino to exercise its option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company for the specified minimum value of 23.5 million, the Company recognized a loss of \$34.3 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2010 on the contractual obligation created by this notification. In May 2010, the Company settled this put option through a cash payment of 23.5 million (\$29.6 million) to the 9.9% shareholder of Ruffino, thereby increasing the Company's equity interest in Ruffino from 40.0% to 49.9%. In December 2010, the Company received notification from the 50.1% shareholder of Ruffino that it was exercising its option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company for 55.9 million. Prior to this notification, the Company had initiated arbitration proceedings against the 50.1% shareholder alleging various matters which should affect the validity of the put option. However, subsequent to the initiation of the arbitration proceedings, the Company began discussions with the 50.1% shareholder on a framework for settlement of all legal actions. The framework of the settlement would include the Company's purchase of the 50.1% shareholder's entire equity interest in Ruffino on revised terms to be agreed upon by both parties. As a result, the Company recognized a loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 of 43.4 million (\$60.0 million) on the contingent obligation. During the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, the Company recognized a net foreign currency (loss) gain of (\$2.1) million and \$0.1 million, respectively, on the contractual obligation recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 in connection with the potential settlement created by the notification by the 50.1% shareholder of Ruffino to exercise the option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company. This net (loss) gain is included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the Company's investment in Ruffino was \$10.3 million and \$7.4 million, respectively.

On October 5, 2011, the Company acquired the 50.1% shareholder's entire equity interest in Ruffino for 50.3 million (\$68.6 million). In conjunction with this acquisition, all of the aforementioned legal actions were settled. As a result of this acquisition, the Company assumed indebtedness of Ruffino, net of cash acquired, of 54.7 million (\$73.0 million). The purchase price was financed with revolver borrowings under the 2006 Credit Agreement. In accordance with the acquisition method of accounting, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed will be measured at their acquisition-date fair values. The results of operations of the Ruffino business will be reported in the Company's CWNA segment and will be included in the consolidated results of operations of the Company from the date of acquisition.

**Table of Contents***Investment in Accolade*

In connection with the Company's CWAE Divestiture, the Company retained a less than 20% interest in Accolade, its previously owned Australian and U.K. business, which consists of equity securities and AFS debt securities. The investment in the equity securities is accounted for under the cost method. Accordingly, the Company recognizes earnings only upon the receipt of a dividend from Accolade. Dividends received in excess of net accumulated earnings since the date of investment are considered a return of investment and are recorded as a reduction of the cost of the investment. No dividends were received for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011. The AFS debt securities are measured at fair value on a recurring basis with unrealized holding gains and losses, including foreign currency gains and losses, reported in AOCI until realized. Interest income is recognized based on the interest rate implicit in the AFS debt securities' fair value and is reported in interest expense, net, on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. Interest income recognized in connection with the AFS debt securities was not material for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011. The AFS debt securities have a contractual maturity of twelve years from the date of issuance and can be settled, at the option of the issuer, in cash, equity shares of the issuer, or a combination thereof.

10. **BORROWINGS:**

Borrowings consist of the following:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Current	August 31, 2011 Long-term	Total	February 28, 2011 Total
<u>Notes Payable to Banks</u>				
Senior Credit Facility				
Revolving Credit Loans	\$ 189.8	\$ -	\$ 189.8	\$ 74.9
Other	8.2	-	8.2	8.8
	\$ 198.0	\$ -	\$ 198.0	\$ 83.7
<u>Long-term Debt</u>				
Senior Credit Facility - Term Loans	\$ 0.9	\$ 825.7	\$ 826.6	\$ 1,228.0
Senior Notes	-	1,894.2	1,894.2	1,893.6
Other Long-term Debt	12.8	14.8	27.6	31.0
	\$ 13.7	\$ 2,734.7	\$ 2,748.4	\$ 3,152.6

*Senior credit facility*

The Company and certain of its U.S. subsidiaries, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as a lender and administrative agent, and certain other agents, lenders, and financial institutions are parties to a credit agreement, as amended (the 2006 Credit Agreement). The 2006 Credit Agreement provides for aggregate credit facilities of \$3,842.0 million, consisting of (i) a \$1,200.0 million tranche A term loan facility with an original final maturity in June 2011, fully repaid as of February 28, 2011, (ii) a \$1,800.0 million tranche B term loan facility, of which \$1,500.0 million has a final maturity in June 2013 (the 2013 Tranche B Term Loans) and \$300.0 million has a final maturity in June 2015 (the 2015 Tranche B Term Loans), and (iii) an \$842.0 million revolving credit facility (including a sub-facility for letters of credit of up to \$200.0 million), of which \$192.0 million terminated in June 2011 and \$650.0 million terminates in June 2013 (the 2013 Revolving Facility). The Company uses its revolving credit facility under the 2006 Credit Agreement for general corporate purposes.



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As of August 31, 2011, following the prepayment of \$400.0 million of the tranche B term loan facility during the first quarter of fiscal 2012, under the 2006 Credit Agreement, the Company had outstanding 2013 Tranche B Term Loans of \$624.7 million bearing an interest rate of 1.8%, 2015 Tranche B Term Loans of \$201.9 million bearing an interest rate of 3.0%, 2013 Revolving Facility of \$189.8 million bearing an interest rate of 2.7%, outstanding letters of credit of \$12.8 million, and \$447.4 million in revolving loans available to be drawn.

As of August 31, 2011, the required principal repayments of the tranche B term loan facility for the remaining six months of fiscal 2012 and for each of the four succeeding fiscal years are as follows:

	Tranche B Term Loan Facility
<i>(in millions)</i>	
2012	\$ -
2013	314.1
2014	314.1
2015	99.7
2016	98.7
	\$ 826.6

Through February 28, 2010, the Company had outstanding interest rate swap agreements which were designated as cash flow hedges of \$1,200.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt. The designated cash flow hedges fixed the Company's interest rates on \$1,200.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt through February 28, 2010. In addition, the Company had offsetting undesignated interest rate swap agreements with an absolute notional amount of \$2,400.0 million outstanding as of February 28, 2010. On March 1, 2010, the Company paid \$11.9 million in connection with the maturity of these outstanding interest rate swap agreements, which is reported in other, net in cash flows from operating activities in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. In June 2010, the Company entered into a new five year delayed start interest rate swap agreement effective September 1, 2011, which was designated as a cash flow hedge for \$500.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt. Accordingly, the Company fixed its interest rates on \$500.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt at an average rate of 2.9% (exclusive of borrowing margins) through September 1, 2016. The Company did not reclassify any amount from AOCI to interest expense, net on its Consolidated Statements of Operations for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010.

#### 11. INCOME TAXES:

The Company's effective tax rate for the six months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, was 17.1% and 44.2%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate for the six months ended August 31, 2011, was substantially impacted by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during the six months ended August 31, 2011. The Company's effective tax rate for the six months ended August 31, 2010, includes the recognition of a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets in the U.K. of \$30.1 million, partially offset by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during the six months ended August 31, 2010.

The Company's effective tax rate for the three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, was 2.3% and 38.8%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate for the three months ended August 31, 2011, was substantially impacted by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during the three months ended August 31, 2011.

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## 12. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES:

*Indemnification liabilities*

In connection with the CWAE Divestiture, the Company indemnified respective parties against certain liabilities that may arise related to certain contracts with certain investees of Accolade, a certain facility in the U.K. and a certain income tax matter. As a result, the Company recorded liabilities with a fair value of \$26.1 million at January 31, 2011. During the first quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company was released from one of its guarantees related to a contract with a certain investee of Accolade. In connection with this release, the Company recognized a gain of \$0.7 million, which is included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations for the six months ended August 31, 2011. As of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the carrying amount of these indemnification liabilities was \$25.4 million and \$26.1 million, respectively. If the indemnified party were to incur a liability, pursuant to the terms of the indemnification, the Company would be required to reimburse the indemnified party. As of August 31, 2011, the Company estimates that these indemnifications could require the Company to make potential future payments of up to \$330.9 million under these indemnifications with \$282.1 million of this amount subject to recovery by the Company from third parties under recourse provisions. The Company does not expect to be required to make material payments under the indemnifications and the Company believes that the likelihood is remote that the indemnifications could have a significant adverse effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations, cash flows or liquidity.

## 13. STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY:

In April 2011, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$500.0 million of the Company's Class A Common Stock and Class B Convertible Common Stock. The Board of Directors did not specify a date upon which this authorization would expire. Share repurchases under this authorization are expected to be accomplished from time to time based on market conditions, the Company's cash and debt position, and other factors as determined by management. Shares may be repurchased through open market or privately negotiated transactions, and management currently expects that the repurchases under this authorization will be implemented over a multi-year period. The Company may fund share repurchases with cash generated from operations or proceeds of borrowings under its senior credit facility. Any repurchased shares will become treasury shares.

During the six months ended August 31, 2011, the Company repurchased 9,766,888 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$187.5 million, or an average cost of \$19.20 per share, through open market transactions. Subsequent to August 31, 2011, and through October 11, 2011, the Company repurchased an additional 4,751,600 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$85.7 million, or an average cost of \$18.02 per share, through open market transactions. In total, the Company has repurchased 14,518,488 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$273.2 million, or an average cost of \$18.82 per share. The Company used revolver borrowings under the 2006 Credit Agreement and cash flows from operating activities to pay the purchase price for the repurchased shares. The repurchased shares have become treasury shares.



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## 14. EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:

The Company has two classes of outstanding common stock: Class A Common Stock and Class B Convertible Common Stock. Earnings per common share basic excludes the effect of common stock equivalents and is computed using the two-class computation method. Earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock reflects the potential dilution that could result if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock. Earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock has been computed using the more dilutive of the if-converted or two-class computation method. Using the if-converted method, earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock assumes the exercise of stock options using the treasury stock method and the conversion of Class B Convertible Common Stock. Using the two-class computation method, earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock assumes the exercise of stock options using the treasury stock method and no conversion of Class B Convertible Common Stock. For the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock has been calculated using the if-converted method. For the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, earnings per common share diluted for Class B Convertible Common Stock is presented without assuming conversion into Class A Common Stock and is computed using the two-class computation method.

The computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share is as follows:

	For the Six Months Ended August 31,		For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
<i>(in millions, except per share data)</i>				
Income available to common stockholders	\$ 237.2	\$ 140.4	\$ 162.7	\$ 91.3
Weighted average common shares outstanding basic:				
Class A Common Stock	186.837	189.084	186.629	185.455
Class B Convertible Common Stock	23.599	23.719	23.593	23.712
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted:				
Class A Common Stock	186.837	189.084	186.629	185.455
Class B Convertible Common Stock	23.599	23.719	23.593	23.712
Stock-based awards, primarily stock options	3.970	2.333	3.423	1.982
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted	214.406	215.136	213.645	211.149
Earnings per common share basic:				
Class A Common Stock	\$ 1.14	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.78	\$ 0.44
Class B Convertible Common Stock	\$ 1.04	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.71	\$ 0.40
Earnings per common share diluted:				
Class A Common Stock	\$ 1.11	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.43
Class B Convertible Common Stock	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.40

For the six months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, stock-based awards, primarily stock options, which could result in the issuance of 9.0 million and 23.5 million shares, respectively, of Class A Common Stock were outstanding, but were not included in the computation of earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock because the effect of including such awards would have been antidilutive. For the three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, stock-based awards, primarily stock options, which could result in the issuance of 9.1 million and 25.3 million shares, respectively, of Class A Common Stock were outstanding, but were not included in the computation of earnings per common share diluted for Class A Common Stock because the effect of including such awards would have been antidilutive.

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## 15. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS):

Comprehensive income (loss) consists of net income, foreign currency translation adjustments, net unrealized losses on derivative instruments, net unrealized losses on AFS debt securities and pension/postretirement adjustments. The reconciliation of net income to comprehensive income is as follows:

<i>(in millions)</i>	Before Tax Amount	Tax (Expense) Benefit	Net of Tax Amount
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>			
Net income			\$ 237.2
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ 42.0	\$ (0.5)	41.5
Unrealized loss on cash flow hedges:			
Net derivative losses	(19.6)	10.2	(9.4)
Reclassification adjustments	(5.1)	1.0	(4.1)
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(24.7)	11.2	(13.5)
Net unrealized loss on AFS debt securities	(0.2)	-	(0.2)
Pension/postretirement adjustments:			
Net gains arising during the period	-	-	-
Reclassification adjustments	0.2	-	0.2
Net gain recognized in other comprehensive income	0.2	-	0.2
Other comprehensive income	\$ 17.3	\$ 10.7	28.0
Total comprehensive income			\$ 265.2
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>			
Net income			\$ 140.4
Other comprehensive (loss) income:			
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ (14.3)	\$ (1.6)	(15.9)
Unrealized loss on cash flow hedges:			
Net derivative losses	(19.1)	5.1	(14.0)
Reclassification adjustments	(13.3)	3.4	(9.9)
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(32.4)	8.5	(23.9)
Pension/postretirement adjustments:			
Net losses arising during the period	(0.7)	0.4	(0.3)
Reclassification adjustments	4.9	(1.4)	3.5
Net gain recognized in other comprehensive income	4.2	(1.0)	3.2
Other comprehensive loss	\$ (42.5)	\$ 5.9	(36.6)
Total comprehensive income			\$ 103.8

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Net income			\$	162.7	
Other comprehensive income (loss):					
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$	2.7	\$	0.3	3.0
Unrealized loss on cash flow hedges:					
Net derivative losses	(14.2)		6.8	(7.4)	
Reclassification adjustments	(3.1)		0.6	(2.5)	
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(17.3)		7.4	(9.9)	
Net unrealized loss on AFS debt securities	(0.2)		-	(0.2)	
Pension/postretirement adjustments:					
Net gains arising during the period	-		-	-	
Reclassification adjustments	0.2		-	0.2	
Net gain recognized in other comprehensive income	0.2		-	0.2	
Other comprehensive loss	\$	(14.6)	\$	7.7	(6.9)
Total comprehensive income			\$	155.8	

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	Before Tax Amount	Tax (Expense) Benefit	Net of Tax Amount
<i>(in millions)</i>			
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>			
Net income			\$ 91.3
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ 36.8	\$ 2.5	39.3
Unrealized loss on cash flow hedges:			
Net derivative losses	(14.1)	4.5	(9.6)
Reclassification adjustments	(5.3)	1.5	(3.8)
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(19.4)	6.0	(13.4)
Pension/postretirement adjustments:			
Net losses arising during the period	(6.7)	2.1	(4.6)
Reclassification adjustments	2.5	(0.7)	1.8
Net loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(4.2)	1.4	(2.8)
Other comprehensive income	\$ 13.2	\$ 9.9	23.1
Total comprehensive income			\$ 114.4

Accumulated other comprehensive income ( AOCI ), net of income tax effect, includes the following components:

	Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	Net Unrealized Gains (Losses) on Derivatives	Net Unrealized Gains (Losses) on AFS Debt Securities	Pension/ Postretirement Adjustments	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Balance, February 28, 2011	\$ 193.2	\$ 4.2	\$ 0.8	\$ (9.4)	\$ 188.8
Current period change	41.5	(13.5)	(0.2)	0.2	28.0
Balance, August 31, 2011	\$ 234.7	\$ (9.3)	\$ 0.6	\$ (9.2)	\$ 216.8

**16. RESTRUCTURING CHARGES:**

Restructuring charges consist of employee termination benefit costs, contract termination costs and other associated costs. Employee termination benefit costs are accounted for under the FASB guidance for compensation nonretirement postemployment benefits, as the Company has had several restructuring programs which have provided employee termination benefits in the past. The Company includes employee severance, related payroll benefit costs (such as costs to provide continuing health insurance) and outplacement services as employee termination benefit costs. Contract termination costs, and other associated costs including, but not limited to, facility consolidation and relocation costs, are accounted for under the FASB guidance for exit or disposal cost obligations. Contract termination costs are costs to terminate a contract that is not a capital lease, including costs to terminate the contract before the end

of its term or costs that will continue to be incurred under the contract for its remaining term without economic benefit to the Company. The Company includes costs to terminate certain operating leases for buildings, computer and IT equipment, and costs to terminate contracts, including distributor contracts and contracts for long-term purchase commitments, as contract termination costs. Other associated costs include, but are not limited to, costs to consolidate or close facilities and relocate employees. The Company includes employee relocation costs and equipment relocation costs as other associated costs.

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The Company's significant restructuring plans with current activity are as follows:

*Fiscal 2012 Initiative*

In May 2011, the Company committed to a plan (announced in June 2011) to streamline operations, gain efficiencies and reduce its cost structure following the CWAE Divestiture (the Fiscal 2012 Initiative). The Fiscal 2012 Initiative includes an approximate two to three percent reduction in the Company's global workforce. This initiative is part of the Company's ongoing efforts to maximize asset utilization, reduce costs and improve long-term return on invested capital throughout the Company's operations. The Company expects all costs and related cash expenditures associated with the Fiscal 2012 Initiative to be completed by February 28, 2013.

*Fiscal 2010 Global Initiative*

In April 2009, the Company announced its plan to simplify its business, increase efficiencies and reduce its cost structure on a global basis (the Global Initiative). The Global Initiative includes an approximate five percent reduction in the Company's global workforce and the closing of certain office, production and warehouse facilities. In addition, the Global Initiative includes the termination of certain contracts, and a streamlining of the Company's production footprint and sales and administrative organizations. Lastly, the Global Initiative includes other non-material restructuring activities primarily in connection with the consolidation of the Company's remaining spirits business into its North American wine business following the March 2009 divestiture of its value spirits business. This initiative is part of the Company's ongoing efforts to maximize asset utilization, reduce costs and improve long-term return on invested capital throughout the Company's operations. The Company expects all costs associated with the Global Initiative to be recognized in its Consolidated Statements of Operations by February 29, 2012, with the related cash expenditures to be substantially completed by February 28, 2013.

Details of each plan for which the Company expects to incur additional costs are presented separately in the following table. Plans for which exit activities were completed prior to March 1, 2011, are reported below under Other Plans.

	Fiscal 2012 Initiative	Global Initiative	Other Plans	Total
<i>(in millions)</i>				
Restructuring liability, February 28, 2011	\$ -	\$ 7.6	\$ 2.1	\$ 9.7
Restructuring charges:				
Employee termination benefit costs	11.0	0.1	-	11.1
Contract termination costs	-	-	-	-
Facility consolidation/relocation costs	-	-	-	-
Restructuring charges, May 31, 2011	11.0	0.1	-	11.1
Employee termination benefit costs	(0.2)	(0.2)	-	(0.4)
Contract termination costs	-	-	-	-
Facility consolidation/relocation costs	-	0.1	-	0.1
Restructuring charges, August 31, 2011	(0.2)	(0.1)	-	(0.3)
Total restructuring charges	10.8	-	-	10.8
Cash expenditures	(2.0)	(3.3)	(0.9)	(6.2)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	-	0.7	-	0.7

Restructuring liability, August 31, 2011	\$	8.8	\$	5.0	\$	1.2	\$	15.0
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The following table presents a summary of restructuring charges and other costs incurred, including a summary of amounts incurred by each of the Company's reportable segments, in connection with the Company's restructuring plans noted above.

	Fiscal 2012 Initiative	Global Initiative	Other Plans	Total
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>				
Restructuring charges	\$ 10.8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.8
Other costs:				
Accelerated depreciation (cost of product sold)	-	0.3	-	0.3
Asset write-down/other costs/acquisition-related integration costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)	3.5	0.7	-	4.2
Total other costs	3.5	1.0	-	4.5
Total costs	\$ 14.3	\$ 1.0	\$ -	\$ 15.3
Total Costs by Reportable Segment:				
CWNA				
Restructuring charges	\$ 5.3	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.3
Other costs	2.5	1.0	-	3.5
Total CWNA	\$ 7.8	\$ 1.0	\$ -	\$ 8.8
Corporate Operations and Other				
Restructuring charges	\$ 5.5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.5
Other costs	1.0	-	-	1.0
Total Corporate Operations and Other	\$ 6.5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6.5
<u>For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 12.2	\$ 6.4	\$ 18.6
Other costs:				
Accelerated depreciation (cost of product sold)	-	1.1	-	1.1
Asset write-down/other costs/acquisition-related integration costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)	-	2.7	0.2	2.9
Total other costs	-	3.8	0.2	4.0
Total costs	\$ -	\$ 16.0	\$ 6.6	\$ 22.6

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Total Costs by Reportable Segment:

CWNA

Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 1.7	\$ 0.1	\$ 1.8
Other costs	-	3.4	0.2	3.6
Total CWNA	\$ -	\$ 5.1	\$ 0.3	\$ 5.4

CWAE

Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 10.5	\$ 6.3	\$ 16.8
Other costs	-	0.3	-	0.3
Total CWAE	\$ -	\$ 10.8	\$ 6.3	\$ 17.1

Corporate Operations and Other

Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other costs	-	0.1	-	0.1
Total Corporate Operations and Other	\$ -	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ 0.1

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	Fiscal 2012 Initiative	Global Initiative	Other Plans	Total
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>				
Restructuring charges	\$ (0.2)	\$ (0.1)	\$ -	\$ (0.3)
Other costs:				
Accelerated depreciation (cost of product sold)	-	0.1	-	0.1
Asset write-down/other costs/acquisition-related integration costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)	2.5	0.6	-	3.1
Total other costs	2.5	0.7	-	3.2
Total costs	\$ 2.3	\$ 0.6	\$ -	\$ 2.9
Total Costs by Reportable Segment:				
CWNA				
Restructuring charges	\$ (0.2)	\$ (0.1)	\$ -	\$ (0.3)
Other costs	2.4	0.7	-	3.1
Total CWNA	\$ 2.2	\$ 0.6	\$ -	\$ 2.8
Corporate Operations and Other				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other costs	0.1	-	-	0.1
Total Corporate Operations and Other	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.1
<u>For the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 7.4	\$ 6.3	\$ 13.7
Other costs:				
Accelerated depreciation (cost of product sold)	-	0.1	-	0.1
Asset write-down/other costs/acquisition-related integration costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)	-	1.8	1.1	2.9
Total other costs	-	1.9	1.1	3.0
Total costs	\$ -	\$ 9.3	\$ 7.4	\$ 16.7
Total Costs by Reportable Segment:				
CWNA				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 1.0	\$ -	\$ 1.0

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Other costs	-	1.7	0.1	1.8
Total CWNA	\$ -	\$ 2.7	\$ 0.1	\$ 2.8
CWAE				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 6.4	\$ 6.3	\$ 12.7
Other costs	-	0.1	1.0	1.1
Total CWAE	\$ -	\$ 6.5	\$ 7.3	\$ 13.8
Corporate Operations and Other				
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other costs	-	0.1	-	0.1
Total Corporate Operations and Other	\$ -	\$ 0.1	\$ -	\$ 0.1

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A summary of restructuring charges and other costs incurred since inception for each of the Company's restructuring plans with current activity, as well as total expected costs for such plans, are presented in the following table.

<i>(in millions)</i>	Fiscal 2012 Initiative	Global Initiative
<b><u>Costs incurred to date</u></b>		
Restructuring charges:		
Employee termination benefit costs	\$ 10.8	\$ 35.4
Contract termination costs	-	8.7
Facility consolidation/relocation costs	-	2.7
 Total restructuring charges	 10.8	 46.8
Other costs:		
Accelerated depreciation/inventory write-down/other costs (cost of product sold)	-	13.8
Asset write-down/other costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)	3.5	41.0
 Total other costs	 3.5	 54.8
 Total costs incurred to date	 \$ 14.3	 \$ 101.6
 Total Costs Incurred to Date by Reportable Segment:		
CWNA		
Restructuring charges	\$ 5.3	\$ 23.0
Other costs	2.5	43.6
 Total CWNA	 \$ 7.8	 \$ 66.6
 CWAE		
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 19.5
Other costs	-	6.2
 Total CWAE	 \$ -	 \$ 25.7
 Corporate Operations and Other		
Restructuring charges	\$ 5.5	\$ 4.3
Other costs	1.0	5.0
 Total Corporate Operations and Other	 \$ 6.5	 \$ 9.3

**Total expected costs**

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Restructuring charges:			
Employee termination benefit costs	\$	12.4	\$ 35.4
Contract termination costs		-	8.7
Facility consolidation/relocation costs		0.1	2.7
Total restructuring charges		12.5	46.8
Other costs:			
Accelerated depreciation/inventory write-down/other costs (cost of product sold)		-	13.8
Asset write-down/other costs (selling, general and administrative expenses)		14.1	41.5
Total other costs		14.1	55.3
Total expected costs	\$	26.6	\$ 102.1
Total Expected Costs by Reportable Segment:			
CWNA			
Restructuring charges	\$	5.7	\$ 23.0
Other costs		7.2	44.1
Total CWNA	\$	12.9	\$ 67.1

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	Fiscal 2012 Initiative	Global Initiative
<i>(in millions)</i>		
CWAE		
Restructuring charges	\$ -	\$ 19.5
Other costs	-	6.2
Total CWAE	\$ -	\$ 25.7
Corporate Operations and Other		
Restructuring charges	\$ 6.8	\$ 4.3
Other costs	6.9	5.0
Total Corporate Operations and Other	\$ 13.7	\$ 9.3

**17. CONDENSED CONSOLIDATING FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

The following information sets forth the condensed consolidating balance sheets as of August 31, 2011, and February 28, 2011, the condensed consolidating statements of operations for the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, and the condensed consolidating statements of cash flows for the six months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, for the Company, the parent company, the combined subsidiaries of the Company which guarantee the Company's senior notes (Subsidiary Guarantors) and the combined subsidiaries of the Company which are not Subsidiary Guarantors (primarily foreign subsidiaries) (Subsidiary Nonguarantors). The Subsidiary Guarantors are wholly-owned and the guarantees are full, unconditional, joint and several obligations of each of the Subsidiary Guarantors. Separate financial statements for the Subsidiary Guarantors of the Company are not presented because the Company has determined that such financial statements would not be material to investors. The accounting policies of the parent company, the Subsidiary Guarantors and the Subsidiary Nonguarantors are the same as those described for the Company in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in Note 1 to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2011, and include the recently adopted accounting guidance described in Note 2 herein. There are no restrictions on the ability of the Subsidiary Guarantors to transfer funds to the Company in the form of cash dividends, loans or advances.

	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
<u>Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet at</u>					
<u>August 31, 2011</u>					
Current assets:					
Cash and cash investments	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.0	\$ 8.7	\$ -	\$ 10.0
Accounts receivable, net	396.4	37.1	68.2	-	501.7
Inventories	129.1	843.8	292.3	(6.0)	1,259.2
Prepaid expenses and other	18.6	78.6	395.8	(344.3)	148.7
Intercompany (payable) receivable	(931.7)	796.9	134.8	-	-
Total current assets	(387.3)	1,757.4	899.8	(350.3)	1,919.6
Property, plant and equipment, net	113.0	771.8	356.2	-	1,241.0

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Investments in subsidiaries	6,415.5	155.3	-	(6,570.8)	-
Goodwill	-	1,987.4	645.3	-	2,632.7
Intangible assets, net	-	675.3	220.1	-	895.4
Other assets, net	28.3	239.2	82.7	(4.2)	346.0
Total assets	\$ 6,169.5	\$ 5,586.4	\$ 2,204.1	\$ (6,925.3)	\$ 7,034.7

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	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Current liabilities:					
Notes payable to banks	\$ 189.8	\$ -	\$ 8.2	\$ -	\$ 198.0
Current maturities of long-term debt	11.5	2.2	-	-	13.7
Accounts payable	7.2	108.8	22.7	-	138.7
Accrued excise taxes	12.8	9.0	4.6	-	26.4
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	472.4	128.3	155.2	(345.9)	410.0
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>693.7</b>	<b>248.3</b>	<b>190.7</b>	<b>(345.9)</b>	<b>786.8</b>
Long-term debt, less current maturities	2,721.3	13.4	-	-	2,734.7
Deferred income taxes	-	508.1	93.0	(4.2)	596.9
Other liabilities	55.4	70.3	91.5	-	217.2
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock	-	9.0	1,130.7	(1,139.7)	-
Class A and Class B Convertible					
Common Stock	2.6	100.7	24.0	(124.7)	2.6
Additional paid-in capital	1,655.0	1,394.6	1,620.5	(3,015.1)	1,655.0
Retained earnings (deficit)	1,899.5	3,224.9	(1,207.8)	(2,017.1)	1,899.5
Accumulated other comprehensive income	216.8	17.1	261.5	(278.6)	216.8
Treasury stock	(1,074.8)	-	-	-	(1,074.8)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>2,699.1</b>	<b>4,746.3</b>	<b>1,828.9</b>	<b>(6,575.2)</b>	<b>2,699.1</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 6,169.5</b>	<b>\$ 5,586.4</b>	<b>\$ 2,204.1</b>	<b>\$ (6,925.3)</b>	<b>\$ 7,034.7</b>

**Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet at February 28, 2011**

Current assets:					
Cash and cash investments	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.9	\$ 7.6	\$ -	\$ 9.2
Accounts receivable, net	322.8	32.3	62.3	-	417.4
Inventories	127.5	965.3	284.3	(7.8)	1,369.3
Prepaid expenses and other	23.1	118.2	370.9	(225.1)	287.1
Intercompany (payable) receivable	(522.3)	389.7	132.6	-	-
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>(48.2)</b>	<b>1,506.4</b>	<b>857.7</b>	<b>(232.9)</b>	<b>2,083.0</b>
Property, plant and equipment, net	110.3	764.8	344.5	-	1,219.6
Investments in subsidiaries	6,142.6	153.4	-	(6,296.0)	-
Goodwill	-	1,987.4	632.4	-	2,619.8
Intangible assets, net	-	672.1	214.2	-	886.3
Other assets, net	36.3	256.9	72.9	(7.2)	358.9
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 6,241.0</b>	<b>\$ 5,341.0</b>	<b>\$ 2,121.7</b>	<b>\$ (6,536.1)</b>	<b>\$ 7,167.6</b>

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Current liabilities:

Notes payable to banks	\$ 74.9	\$ -	\$ 8.8	\$ -	\$ 83.7
Current maturities of long-term debt	12.5	3.4	-	-	15.9
Accounts payable	9.7	97.1	22.4	-	129.2
Accrued excise taxes	10.2	1.8	2.2	-	14.2
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	354.6	137.2	155.0	(226.9)	419.9
Total current liabilities	461.9	239.5	188.4	(226.9)	662.9
Long-term debt, less current maturities	3,117.3	19.4	-	-	3,136.7
Deferred income taxes	-	509.0	81.3	(7.2)	583.1
Other liabilities	109.9	37.0	86.1	-	233.0

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	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
Stockholders' equity:					
Preferred stock	-	9.0	1,130.7	(1,139.7)	-
Class A and Class B Convertible Common Stock	2.6	100.7	24.0	(124.7)	2.6
Additional paid-in capital	1,602.4	1,394.6	1,620.5	(3,015.1)	1,602.4
Retained earnings (deficit)	1,662.3	2,991.6	(1,221.1)	(1,770.5)	1,662.3
Accumulated other comprehensive income	188.8	40.2	211.8	(252.0)	188.8
Treasury stock	(904.2)	-	-	-	(904.2)
Total stockholders' equity	2,551.9	4,536.1	1,765.9	(6,302.0)	2,551.9
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 6,241.0	\$ 5,341.0	\$ 2,121.7	\$ (6,536.1)	\$ 7,167.6

**Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011**

Sales	\$ 336.7	\$ 919.3	\$ 346.0	\$ (120.9)	\$ 1,481.1
Less excise taxes	(61.4)	(62.6)	(31.6)	-	(155.6)
Net sales	275.3	856.7	314.4	(120.9)	1,325.5
Cost of product sold	(142.2)	(529.9)	(191.1)	71.7	(791.5)
Gross profit	133.1	326.8	123.3	(49.2)	534.0
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(136.2)	(120.5)	(70.2)	50.5	(276.4)
Restructuring charges	(5.5)	(3.4)	(1.9)	-	(10.8)
Operating (loss) income	(8.6)	202.9	51.2	1.3	246.8
Equity in earnings of equity method investees and subsidiaries	281.8	126.7	2.6	(284.9)	126.2
Interest (expense) income, net	(118.2)	28.2	3.2	-	(86.8)
Income before income taxes	155.0	357.8	57.0	(283.6)	286.2
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes	82.2	(124.5)	(6.7)	-	(49.0)
Net income	\$ 237.2	\$ 233.3	\$ 50.3	\$ (283.6)	\$ 237.2

**Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010**

Sales	\$ 335.4	\$ 929.1	\$ 973.4	\$ (204.8)	\$ 2,033.1
Less excise taxes	(56.6)	(53.8)	(272.4)	-	(382.8)
Net sales	278.8	875.3	701.0	(204.8)	1,650.3

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Cost of product sold	(135.8)	(554.9)	(532.8)	157.4	(1,066.1)
Gross profit	143.0	320.4	168.2	(47.4)	584.2
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(146.6)	(120.2)	(118.6)	49.3	(336.1)
Restructuring charges	-	(1.8)	(16.8)	-	(18.6)
Operating (loss) income	(3.6)	198.4	32.8	1.9	229.5
Equity in earnings of equity method investees and subsidiaries	203.0	116.8	1.6	(200.5)	120.9
Interest (expense) income, net	(107.0)	6.8	1.4	-	(98.8)
Income before income taxes	92.4	322.0	35.8	(198.6)	251.6
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes	48.0	(128.4)	(29.4)	(1.4)	(111.2)
Net income	\$ 140.4	\$ 193.6	\$ 6.4	\$ (200.0)	\$ 140.4

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	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
<b><u>Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the Three Months Ended August 31, 2011</u></b>					
Sales	\$ 182.4	\$ 470.9	\$ 188.2	\$ (71.1)	\$ 770.4
Less excise taxes	(31.4)	(32.2)	(16.6)	-	(80.2)
Net sales	151.0	438.7	171.6	(71.1)	690.2
Cost of product sold	(79.3)	(270.7)	(103.7)	46.5	(407.2)
Gross profit	71.7	168.0	67.9	(24.6)	283.0
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(68.0)	(59.5)	(35.4)	24.7	(138.2)
Restructuring charges	-	0.1	0.2	-	0.3
Operating income	3.7	108.6	32.7	0.1	145.1
Equity in earnings of equity method investees and subsidiaries	149.7	65.0	1.0	(151.7)	64.0
Interest (expense) income, net	(61.0)	16.8	1.7	-	(42.5)
Income before income taxes	92.4	190.4	35.4	(151.6)	166.6
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes	70.3	(69.5)	(4.7)	-	(3.9)
Net income	\$ 162.7	\$ 120.9	\$ 30.7	\$ (151.6)	\$ 162.7
<b><u>Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the Three Months Ended August 31, 2010</u></b>					
Sales	\$ 167.1	\$ 497.2	\$ 499.5	\$ (106.9)	\$ 1,056.9
Less excise taxes	(27.8)	(29.6)	(136.7)	-	(194.1)
Net sales	139.3	467.6	362.8	(106.9)	862.8
Cost of product sold	(68.3)	(288.7)	(275.3)	83.7	(548.6)
Gross profit	71.0	178.9	87.5	(23.2)	314.2
Selling, general and administrative expenses	(73.2)	(62.1)	(56.6)	24.6	(167.3)
Restructuring charges	-	(1.3)	(12.4)	-	(13.7)
Operating (loss) income	(2.2)	115.5	18.5	1.4	133.2
Equity in earnings of equity method investees and subsidiaries	116.0	67.2	1.0	(117.8)	66.4
Interest (expense) income, net	(55.6)	4.7	0.6	-	(50.3)
Income before income taxes	58.2	187.4	20.1	(116.4)	149.3
Benefit from (provision for) income taxes	33.1	(73.5)	(16.3)	(1.3)	(58.0)

Net income	\$	91.3	\$	113.9	\$	3.8	\$	(117.7)	\$	91.3
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	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
<u>Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the Six Months Ended August 31, 2011</u>					
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$ (27.8)	\$ 457.4	\$ 87.8	\$ -	\$ 517.4
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(12.5)	(20.6)	(6.1)	-	(39.2)
Payments related to sale of business	(8.9)	-	(19.9)	-	(28.8)
Investment in equity method investees	-	(0.1)	-	-	(0.1)
Proceeds from note receivable	1.0	-	-	-	1.0
Proceeds from sales of assets	-	0.2	0.1	-	0.3
Other investing activities	-	(5.0)	(1.4)	-	(6.4)
Net cash used in investing activities	(20.4)	(25.5)	(27.3)	-	(73.2)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Intercompany financings, net	472.4	(415.9)	(56.5)	-	-
Principal payments of long-term debt	(405.7)	(14.2)	-	-	(419.9)
Purchases of treasury stock	(187.5)	-	-	-	(187.5)
Payment of minimum tax withholdings on stock-based payment awards	-	(1.7)	(0.5)	-	(2.2)
Net proceeds from (repayment of) notes payable	116.6	-	(3.3)	-	113.3
Proceeds from exercises of employee stock options	39.0	-	-	-	39.0
Proceeds from excess tax benefits from stock-based payment awards	10.6	-	-	-	10.6
Proceeds from employee stock purchases	2.4	-	-	-	2.4
Payment of financing costs of long-term debt	-	-	-	-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	47.8	(431.8)	(60.3)	-	(444.3)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash investments	-	-	0.9	-	0.9
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash investments	(0.4)	0.1	1.1	-	0.8
Cash and cash investments, beginning of period	0.7	0.9	7.6	-	9.2

Cash and cash investments, end of period	\$	0.3	\$	1.0	\$	8.7	\$	-	\$	10.0
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	Parent Company	Subsidiary Guarantors	Subsidiary Nonguarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<i>(in millions)</i>					
<u>Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the Six Months Ended August 31, 2010</u>					
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	\$ (170.9)	\$ 396.7	\$ 80.3	\$ -	\$ 306.1
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(23.2)	(13.4)	(6.6)	-	(43.2)
Payments related to sale of business	-	-	(1.6)	-	(1.6)
Investments in equity method investees	-	(0.1)	(29.6)	-	(29.7)
Proceeds from note receivable	60.0	-	-	-	60.0
Proceeds from sales of assets	-	0.5	2.6	-	3.1
Other investing activities	-	-	0.5	-	0.5
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	36.8	(13.0)	(34.7)	-	(10.9)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Intercompany financings, net	444.6	(385.2)	(59.4)	-	-
Principal payments of long-term debt	(22.9)	(0.6)	(1.0)	-	(24.5)
Purchases of treasury stock	(300.0)	-	-	-	(300.0)
Payment of minimum tax withholdings on stock-based payment awards	-	-	(0.4)	-	(0.4)
Net repayment of notes payable	(12.3)	-	(11.8)	-	(24.1)
Proceeds from exercises of employee stock options	18.0	-	-	-	18.0
Proceeds from excess tax benefits from stock-based payment awards	4.7	-	-	-	4.7
Proceeds from employee stock purchases	2.1	-	-	-	2.1
Payment of financing costs of long-term debt	(0.2)	-	-	-	(0.2)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	134.0	(385.8)	(72.6)	-	(324.4)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash investments	-	-	(0.4)	-	(0.4)

Net decrease in cash and cash investments	(0.1)	(2.1)	(27.4)	-	(29.6)
Cash and cash investments, beginning of period	0.3	3.3	39.9	-	43.5
Cash and cash investments, end of period	\$ 0.2	\$ 1.2	\$ 12.5	\$ -	\$ 13.9

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In connection with the Company's changes on June 1, 2011, within its internal management structure for its wine and spirits business, the Company changed its internal management financial reporting to consist of two business divisions: Constellation Wines North America and Crown Imports. Accordingly, beginning June 1, 2011, the Company began reporting its operating results in three segments: Constellation Wines North America (wine and spirits) (CWNA), Corporate Operations and Other, and Crown Imports (imported beer). Prior to the change in its internal management structure, the Company's internal management financial reporting consisted of three business divisions: Constellation Wines North America, Constellation Wines New Zealand and Crown Imports. Due to a number of factors, including the size of the Constellation Wines New Zealand segment's operations, the similarity of its economic characteristics and long-term financial performance with that of the Constellation Wines North America business, and the fact that the vast majority of the wine produced by the Constellation Wines New Zealand operating segment is sold in the U.S. and Canada, the Company had aggregated the results of this operating segment with its Constellation Wines North America operating segment to form one reportable segment. Accordingly, the June 1, 2011, organizational changes had no impact on the Company's previously reported financial information. The business segments reflect how the Company's operations are managed, how operating performance within the Company is evaluated by senior management and the structure of its internal financial reporting. Amounts included in the Corporate Operations and Other segment consist of costs of executive management, corporate development, corporate finance, human resources, internal audit, investor relations, legal, public relations and global information technology. Any costs incurred at the corporate office that are applicable to the segments are allocated to the appropriate segment. The amounts included in the Corporate Operations and Other segment are general costs that are applicable to the consolidated group and are therefore not allocated to the other reportable segments. All costs reported within the Corporate Operations and Other segment are not included in the chief operating decision maker's evaluation of the operating income performance of the other reportable segments.

In addition, the Company excludes restructuring charges and unusual items that affect comparability from its definition of operating income for segment purposes as these items are not reflective of normal continuing operations of the segments. The Company excludes these items as segment operating performance and segment management compensation is evaluated based upon a normalized segment operating income. As such, the performance measures for incentive compensation purposes for segment management do not include the impact of these items.

For the six months and three months ended August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, restructuring charges and unusual items included in operating income consist of:

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	For the Six Months Ended August 31,		For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<b><u>Cost of Product Sold</u></b>				
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1
Flow through of inventory step-up	-	1.6	-	0.6
Cost of Product Sold	0.3	2.7	0.1	0.7
<b><u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u></b>				
Net foreign currency loss (gain) on contractual obligation from put option of Ruffino shareholder	2.1	-	(0.1)	-
Net (gains) losses on CWAE Divestiture and related activities	(0.1)	-	0.7	-
Net gains on sale of nonstrategic assets	-	(1.0)	-	-
Acquisition-related integration costs	-	0.2	-	0.1
Other costs	4.2	3.7	3.1	2.8
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	6.2	2.9	3.7	2.9
Restructuring Charges	10.8	18.6	(0.3)	13.7
Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items	\$ 17.3	\$ 24.2	\$ 3.5	\$ 17.3

The Company evaluates performance based on operating income of the respective business units. The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described for the Company in the Summary of Significant Accounting Policies in Note 1 to the Company's consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2011, and include the recently adopted accounting guidance described in Note 2 herein.

Segment information is as follows:

	For the Six Months Ended August 31,		For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<b><u>CWNA:</u></b>				
Net sales	\$ 1,325.5	\$ 1,245.5	\$ 690.2	\$ 655.6
Operating income	\$ 303.9	\$ 313.7	\$ 167.3	\$ 181.2
Equity in earnings (losses) of equity method investees	\$ 3.7	\$ (0.2)	\$ 1.3	\$ (0.3)
Long-lived tangible assets	\$ 1,109.2	\$ 1,078.0	\$ 1,109.2	\$ 1,078.0
Investment in equity method investees	\$ 82.1	\$ 74.2	\$ 82.1	\$ 74.2
Total assets	\$ 6,601.8	\$ 6,442.7	\$ 6,601.8	\$ 6,442.7
Capital expenditures	\$ 25.9	\$ 22.6	\$ 12.2	\$ 8.8
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 42.4	\$ 44.4	\$ 21.2	\$ 21.6

**CWAE:**

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Net sales	\$	-	\$	404.8	\$	-	\$	207.2
Operating loss	\$	-	\$	(6.0)	\$	-	\$	(3.2)
Equity in earnings of equity method investees	\$	-	\$	2.1	\$	-	\$	1.5
Long-lived tangible assets	\$	-	\$	347.6	\$	-	\$	347.6
Investment in equity method investees	\$	-	\$	37.6	\$	-	\$	37.6
Total assets	\$	-	\$	1,151.9	\$	-	\$	1,151.9
Capital expenditures	\$	-	\$	2.1	\$	-	\$	0.7
Depreciation and amortization	\$	-	\$	15.3	\$	-	\$	7.5
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	For the Six Months Ended August 31,		For the Three Months Ended August 31,	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
<i>(in millions)</i>				
<b><u>Corporate Operations and Other:</u></b>				
Net sales	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Operating loss	\$ (39.8)	\$ (54.0)	\$ (18.7)	\$ (27.5)
Long-lived tangible assets	\$ 131.8	\$ 103.4	\$ 131.8	\$ 103.4
Total assets	\$ 261.6	\$ 151.7	\$ 261.6	\$ 151.7
Capital expenditures	\$ 13.3	\$ 18.5	\$ 6.0	\$ 8.1
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 9.9	\$ 8.6	\$ 4.2	\$ 4.6
<b><u>Crown Imports:</u></b>				
Net sales	\$ 1,404.5	\$ 1,300.9	\$ 727.0	\$ 679.4
Operating income	\$ 245.4	\$ 240.1	\$ 125.6	\$ 131.2
Long-lived tangible assets	\$ 6.2	\$ 4.5	\$ 6.2	\$ 4.5
Total assets	\$ 408.3	\$ 378.7	\$ 408.3	\$ 378.7
Capital expenditures	\$ 2.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 1.5	\$ 0.2
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 1.0	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.4
<b><u>Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items:</u></b>				
Operating loss	\$ (17.3)	\$ (24.2)	\$ (3.5)	\$ (17.3)
Equity in losses of equity method investees	\$ -	\$ (0.6)	\$ -	\$ (0.1)
<b><u>Consolidation and Eliminations:</u></b>				
Net sales	\$ (1,404.5)	\$ (1,300.9)	\$ (727.0)	\$ (679.4)
Operating income	\$ (245.4)	\$ (240.1)	\$ (125.6)	\$ (131.2)
Equity in earnings of Crown Imports	\$ 122.5	\$ 119.6	\$ 62.7	\$ 65.3
Long-lived tangible assets	\$ (6.2)	\$ (4.5)	\$ (6.2)	\$ (4.5)
Investment in equity method investees	\$ 171.3	\$ 130.8	\$ 171.3	\$ 130.8
Total assets	\$ (237.0)	\$ (247.9)	\$ (237.0)	\$ (247.9)
Capital expenditures	\$ (2.4)	\$ (0.4)	\$ (1.5)	\$ (0.2)
Depreciation and amortization	\$ (1.0)	\$ (0.9)	\$ (0.5)	\$ (0.4)
<b><u>Consolidated:</u></b>				
Net sales	\$ 1,325.5	\$ 1,650.3	\$ 690.2	\$ 862.8
Operating income	\$ 246.8	\$ 229.5	\$ 145.1	\$ 133.2
Equity in earnings of equity method investees	\$ 126.2	\$ 120.9	\$ 64.0	\$ 66.4
Long-lived tangible assets	\$ 1,241.0	\$ 1,529.0	\$ 1,241.0	\$ 1,529.0
Investment in equity method investees	\$ 253.4	\$ 242.6	\$ 253.4	\$ 242.6
Total assets	\$ 7,034.7	\$ 7,877.1	\$ 7,034.7	\$ 7,877.1
Capital expenditures	\$ 39.2	\$ 43.2	\$ 18.2	\$ 17.6
Depreciation and amortization	\$ 52.3	\$ 68.3	\$ 25.4	\$ 33.7

## 19. ACCOUNTING GUIDANCE NOT YET ADOPTED:

*Fair value measurement*

In May 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements under generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. and International Financial Reporting Standards. This amended guidance provides clarification about the application of existing fair value measurement and

disclosure requirements, and expands certain other disclosure requirements. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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*Presentation of comprehensive income*

In June 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance requiring an entity to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. This amended guidance eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of stockholders' equity. In addition, this amended guidance requires retrospective application. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

*Intangibles, goodwill and other*

In September 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance for goodwill impairment testing. The amended guidance allows an entity to assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test would be unnecessary. If an entity concludes otherwise, the entity would be required to complete the two-step impairment test by calculating the fair value of the reporting unit and then comparing the fair value with the carrying amount of the reporting unit. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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

**Overview**

The Company is the world's leading premium wine company with a broad portfolio of consumer-preferred premium wine brands complemented by premium spirits, imported beer and other select beverage alcohol products. The Company continues to supply imported beer in the United States ( U.S. ) through its investment in a joint venture with Grupo Modelo, S.A.B. de C.V. This imported beer's joint venture operates as Crown Imports LLC and is referred to hereinafter as Crown Imports. The Company is the leading premium wine company in the U.S.; the leading producer and marketer of wine in Canada; and a leading producer and exporter of wine from New Zealand. Prior to January 31, 2011, the Company had leading market positions in both Australia and the United Kingdom ( U.K. ) through its Australian and U.K. business. On January 31, 2011, the Company completed the sale of 80.1% of its Australian and U.K. business (the CWAE Divestiture ) as further discussed below under Divestiture in Fiscal 2011.



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In connection with the Company's changes on June 1, 2011, within its internal management structure for its wine and spirits business, the Company changed its internal management financial reporting to consist of two business divisions: Constellation Wines North America and Crown Imports. Accordingly, beginning June 1, 2011, the Company began reporting its operating results in three segments: Constellation Wines North America (wine and spirits) (CWNA), Corporate Operations and Other, and Crown Imports (imported beer). Prior to the change in its internal management structure, the Company's internal management financial reporting consisted of three business divisions: Constellation Wines North America, Constellation Wines New Zealand and Crown Imports. Due to a number of factors, including the size of the Constellation Wines New Zealand segment's operations, the similarity of its economic characteristics and long-term financial performance with that of the Constellation Wines North America business, and the fact that the vast majority of the wine produced by the Constellation Wines New Zealand operating segment is sold in the U.S. and Canada, the Company had aggregated the results of this operating segment with its Constellation Wines North America operating segment to form one reportable segment. Accordingly, the June 1, 2011, organizational changes had no impact on the Company's previously reported financial information. The business segments reflect how the Company's operations are managed, how operating performance within the Company is evaluated by senior management and the structure of its internal financial reporting. Amounts included in the Corporate Operations and Other segment consist of costs of executive management, corporate development, corporate finance, human resources, internal audit, investor relations, legal, public relations and global information technology. Any costs incurred at the corporate office that are applicable to the segments are allocated to the appropriate segment. The amounts included in the Corporate Operations and Other segment are general costs that are applicable to the consolidated group and are therefore not allocated to the other reportable segments. All costs reported within the Corporate Operations and Other segment are not included in the chief operating decision maker's evaluation of the operating income performance of the other reportable segments.

In addition, the Company excludes restructuring charges and unusual items that affect comparability from its definition of operating income for segment purposes as these items are not reflective of normal continuing operations of the segments. The Company excludes these items as segment operating performance and segment management compensation is evaluated based upon a normalized segment operating income. As such, the performance measures for incentive compensation purposes for segment management do not include the impact of these items.

The Company's business strategy in the CWNA segment is to remain focused on consumer-preferred premium wine brands, complemented by premium spirits. In this segment, the Company intends to continue to focus on growing premium product categories and expects to capitalize on its size and scale in the marketplace to profitably grow the business. During the year ended February 28, 2010 (Fiscal 2010), the Company began implementation of a strategic project to consolidate its U.S. distributor network in key markets and create a new go-to-market strategy designed to focus the full power of its U.S. wine and spirits portfolio in order to improve alignment of dedicated, selling resources which is expected to drive organic growth. In connection with this strategy, the Company negotiated long-term contracts with certain of its U.S. distributors who currently represent about 60% of the Company's branded wine and spirits volume in the U.S. During the second half of fiscal 2010 and throughout Fiscal 2011 (as defined below), the Company's net sales and operating income for its U.S. branded wine and spirits business benefited from these contracts as the Company's shipments to distributors exceeded distributor shipments to retailers. Throughout Fiscal 2012 (as defined below) and beyond, the Company expects distributor inventory levels related to the Company's branded wine and spirits products to remain stable as shipments on an annual basis to these distributors should essentially equal the distributors' shipments to retailers for the remainder of the terms of these contracts, which extend through the end of fiscal 2015.

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Historically, the Company's net sales and operating income in the U.S. for the third quarter of the Company's fiscal year reflected shipments of branded wine and spirits products to distributors in advance of the holiday season. The Company currently anticipates a shift in the timing of these shipments due to the contracts associated with the consolidation of its U.S. distributor network, as shipments to distributors should essentially equal the distributors' shipments to retailers. Accordingly, the Company currently anticipates that U.S. net sales and operating income will be down for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 as the timing of these pre-holiday season shipments is expected to shift to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012 when distributors are replenishing inventory levels after the holiday season.

With regard to the overall supply of wine in the U.S., although the calendar 2011 grape harvest is not yet complete, the Company currently expects this harvest to be lower than the calendar 2010 grape harvest. Although this may result in a tightening of supply within certain varietals, the Company continues to expect the overall supply of wine to remain generally in balance with demand within the U.S.

The Company remains committed to its long-term financial model of growing sales, including international expansion of its CWNA segment's branded portfolio, expanding margins, increasing cash flow and reducing borrowings to achieve earnings per share growth and improve return on invested capital.

Sales and distribution of the Company's products are managed on a geographic basis in order to fully leverage leading market positions within each core market. Market dynamics and consumer trends vary significantly across the Company's three core markets (U.S., Canada and New Zealand) within the Company's two geographic regions (North America and New Zealand). Within North America, the Company offers a range of beverage alcohol products across the branded wine and spirits and, through Crown Imports, imported beer categories in the U.S. Within New Zealand, the Company primarily offers branded wine. The environment for the Company's products is competitive in each of the Company's core markets.

For the three months ended August 31, 2011 ( Second Quarter 2012 ), the Company's net sales decreased 20% over the three months ended August 31, 2010 ( Second Quarter 2011 ), primarily due to the CWAE Divestiture. Operating income increased 9% over the comparable prior year period primarily due to a decrease in restructuring charges and unusual items for Second Quarter 2012 compared to Second Quarter 2011. Net income increased 78% over the comparable prior year period primarily due to the items discussed above combined with a reduction in the Company's provision for income taxes.

For the six months ended August 31, 2011 ( Six Months 2012 ), the Company's net sales decreased 20% over the six months ended August 31, 2010 ( Six Months 2011 ), primarily due to the CWAE Divestiture. Operating income increased 8% over the comparable prior year period primarily due to a decrease in Corporate Operations and Other general and administrative expenses for Six Months 2012 compared to Six Months 2011. Net income increased 69% over the comparable prior year period primarily due to the items discussed above combined with a reduction in the Company's provision for income taxes and lower interest expense.

The following discussion and analysis summarizes the significant factors affecting (i) consolidated results of operations of the Company for Second Quarter 2012 compared to Second Quarter 2011 and Six Months 2012 compared to Six Months 2011, and (ii) financial liquidity and capital resources for Six Months 2012. This discussion and analysis also identifies certain restructuring charges and unusual items expected to affect consolidated results of operations of the Company for the year ending February 29, 2012 ( Fiscal 2012 ). References to U.S. base branded wine exclude the impact of branded wine for the CWNA segment previously sold through the Company's CWAE segment. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the Company's consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included herein and in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2011 ( Fiscal 2011 ).

**Table of Contents****Recent Development**

In connection with the Company's December 2004 investment in Ruffino S.r.l. ( Ruffino ), the Company granted separate irrevocable and unconditional options to the two other shareholders of Ruffino to put to the Company all of the ownership interests held by these shareholders for a price as calculated in the joint venture agreement. Each option was exercisable during the period starting from January 1, 2010, and ending on December 31, 2010. For Fiscal 2010, in connection with the notification by the 9.9% shareholder of Ruffino to exercise its option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company for the specified minimum value of 23.5 million, the Company recognized a loss of \$34.3 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2010 on the contractual obligation created by this notification. In May 2010, the Company settled this put option through a cash payment of 23.5 million (\$29.6 million) to the 9.9% shareholder of Ruffino, thereby increasing the Company's equity interest in Ruffino from 40.0% to 49.9%. In December 2010, the Company received notification from the 50.1% shareholder of Ruffino that it was exercising its option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company for 55.9 million. Prior to this notification, the Company had initiated arbitration proceedings against the 50.1% shareholder alleging various matters which should affect the validity of the put option. However, subsequent to the initiation of the arbitration proceedings, the Company began discussions with the 50.1% shareholder on a framework for settlement of all legal actions. The framework of the settlement would include the Company's purchase of the 50.1% shareholder's entire equity interest in Ruffino on revised terms to be agreed upon by both parties. As a result, the Company recognized a loss for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 of 43.4 million (\$60.0 million) on the contingent obligation. During Six Months 2012 and Second Quarter 2012, the Company recognized a net foreign currency (loss) gain of (\$2.1) million and \$0.1 million, respectively, on the contractual obligation recorded in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 in connection with the potential settlement created by the notification by the 50.1% shareholder of Ruffino to exercise the option to put its entire equity interest in Ruffino to the Company. This net (loss) gain is included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations. As of August 31, 2011, the Company's investment in Ruffino was \$10.3 million.

On October 5, 2011, the Company acquired the 50.1% shareholder's entire equity interest in Ruffino for 50.3 million (\$68.6 million). In conjunction with this acquisition, all of the aforementioned legal actions were settled. As a result of this acquisition, the Company assumed indebtedness of Ruffino, net of cash acquired, of 54.7 million (\$73.0 million). The purchase price was financed with revolver borrowings under the 2006 Credit Agreement (as defined below). The results of operations of the Ruffino business will be reported in the Company's CWNA segment and will be included in the consolidated results of operations of the Company from the date of acquisition.

**Table of Contents****Divestiture in Fiscal 2011*****Australian and U.K. Business***

In January 2011, the Company sold 80.1% of its Australian and U.K. business (the CWAE Divestiture ) at a transaction value of \$266.2 million. As of August 31, 2011, the Company has received cash proceeds of \$192.5 million, net of cash divested of \$15.8 million, direct costs paid of \$11.2 million and post-closing adjustments paid of \$19.9 million. The Company has retained a less than 20% interest in its previously owned Australian and U.K. business, Accolade Wines ( Accolade ). This transaction is consistent with the Company s strategic focus on premiumizing the Company s portfolio and improving margins and return on invested capital. The following table summarizes the net gain recognized and the net cash proceeds received in connection with this divestiture.

<i>(in millions)</i>	
Net assets sold	\$ (734.1)
Cash received from buyer, net of cash divested and post-closing adjustments paid	203.7
Retained interest in Accolade	48.2
Foreign currency reclassification	678.8
Indemnification liabilities	(25.4)
Direct costs to sell, paid and accrued	(13.2)
Other	7.9
Net gain on sale	165.9
Loss on settlement of pension	(109.9)
Net gain	\$ 56.0

Of the \$56.0 million net gain, \$55.2 million was recognized for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. The Company recognized an \$0.8 million net gain and a \$0.6 million net loss for Six Months 2012 and Second Quarter 2012, respectively. In addition, the Company s CWAE segment recorded an additional net gain of \$28.5 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, primarily associated with a net gain on derivative instruments of \$20.8 million, related to this divestiture. For Six Months 2012 and Second Quarter 2012, the Company recorded an additional net loss of \$0.7 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, related to this divestiture. Total net gains associated with this divestiture of \$83.8 million are included in selling, general and administrative expenses on the Company s Consolidated Statements of Operations. Of this amount, \$83.7 million of net gains was recognized for Fiscal 2011, \$0.1 million of net gains was recognized for Six Months 2012 and \$0.7 million of net losses was recognized for Second Quarter 2012.

**Table of Contents****Results of Operations****Second Quarter 2012 Compared to Second Quarter 2011***Net Sales*

The following table sets forth the net sales by reportable segment of the Company for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011.

	Second Quarter 2012	Second Quarter 2011	% Increase (Decrease)
<i>(in millions)</i>			
CWNA net sales	\$ 690.2	\$ 655.6	5%
CWAE net sales	-	207.2	(100)%
Crown Imports net sales	727.0	679.4	7%
Consolidations and eliminations	(727.0)	(679.4)	(7)%
Consolidated Net Sales	\$ 690.2	\$ 862.8	(20)%

Net sales for Second Quarter 2012 decreased to \$690.2 million from \$862.8 million for Second Quarter 2011, a decrease of \$172.6 million, or (20%). This decrease resulted primarily from the CWAE Divestiture of \$180.3 million, partially offset by a favorable year-over-year foreign currency translation impact of \$10.9 million.

*Constellation Wines North America*

Net sales for CWNA increased to \$690.2 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$655.6 million for Second Quarter 2011, an increase of \$34.6 million, or 5%. This increase is primarily due to (i) a benefit of \$26.9 million from wine net sales to Europe, Australia and Japan which were previously sold through the Company's CWAE segment, (ii) favorable product mix shift in the U.S. base branded wine portfolio and (iii) a favorable year-over-year foreign currency translation impact of \$10.9 million; partially offset by lower U.S. base branded wine volume.

*Constellation Wines Australia and Europe*

Net sales for CWAE decreased \$207.2 million, or (100%), from Second Quarter 2011 due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture.

*Crown Imports*

As this segment is eliminated in consolidation, see *Equity in Earnings of Equity Method Investees* below for a discussion of Crown Imports' net sales, gross profit, selling, general and administrative expenses, and operating income.

**Table of Contents*****Gross Profit***

The Company's gross profit decreased to \$283.0 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$314.2 million for Second Quarter 2011, a decrease of \$31.2 million, or (10%). This decrease is primarily due to a decrease in CWAE's gross profit of \$27.3 million combined with a decrease in CWNA's gross profit of \$4.5 million. The decrease in CWAE's gross profit is due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture. The decrease in CWNA's gross profit is primarily due to (i) lower U.S. base branded wine volume, (ii) higher U.S. promotional spend and (iii) higher cost of product sold in the U.S. (due largely to higher transportation costs in the Company's wine and spirits portfolio); partially offset by favorable product mix shift in the U.S. base branded wine portfolio. In addition, unusual items, which consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment, were lower by \$0.6 million in Second Quarter 2012 versus Second Quarter 2011. Gross profit as a percent of net sales increased to 41.0% for Second Quarter 2012 from 36.4% for Second Quarter 2011 primarily due to the factors discussed above.

***Selling, General and Administrative Expenses***

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased to \$138.2 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$167.3 million for Second Quarter 2011, a decrease of \$29.1 million, or (17%). This decrease is due to decreases in the CWAE segment of \$30.5 million and the Corporate Operations and Other segment of \$8.8 million, partially offset by increases in the CWNA segment of \$9.4 million and unusual items, which consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment, of \$0.8 million. The decrease in CWAE's selling, general and administrative expenses is due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture. The decrease in Corporate Operations and Other's selling, general and administrative expenses is due to a decrease in general and administrative expenses primarily relating to lower annual management incentive compensation expense, lower expenses incurred in connection with the Company's initiative to implement a comprehensive multi-year program to strengthen and enhance the Company's global business capabilities and processes through the creation of an integrated technology platform ( Project Fusion ) and lower stock-based compensation expense. The increase in CWNA's selling, general and administrative expenses is primarily due to an increase in advertising expenses (on a constant currency basis) of \$6.7 million due largely to the launch of several new products in the segment's U.S. branded wine portfolio. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percent of net sales increased to 20.0% for Second Quarter 2012 as compared to 19.4% for Second Quarter 2011 primarily due to the factors discussed above.

***Restructuring Charges***

The Company recorded a credit of \$0.3 million of restructuring charges for Second Quarter 2012 associated primarily with the Company's plan (committed to in May 2011, announced in June 2011) to streamline operations, gain efficiencies and reduce its cost structure following the CWAE Divestiture (the Fiscal 2012 Initiative ). Restructuring charges consisted of a credit of \$0.4 million of employee termination benefit costs, partially offset by \$0.1 million of facility consolidation/relocation costs. The Company recorded \$13.7 million of restructuring charges for Second Quarter 2011 associated with the Company's plan (announced in April 2009) to simplify its business, increase efficiencies and reduce its cost structure on a global basis (the Global Initiative ) and the Company's plan (announced in August 2008) to sell certain assets and implement operational changes designed to improve the efficiencies and returns associated with the Australian business, primarily by consolidating certain winemaking and packaging operations and reducing the Company's overall grape supply due to reduced capacity needs resulting from a streamlining of the Company's product portfolio (the Australian Initiative ).

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In addition, the Company incurred additional costs for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011 in connection with the Company's restructuring and acquisition-related integration plans. Total costs incurred in connection with these plans for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011 are as follows:

	Second Quarter 2012	Second Quarter 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
<u>Cost of Product Sold</u>		
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1
<u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u>		
Acquisition-related integration costs	\$ -	\$ 0.1
Other costs	\$ 3.1	\$ 2.8
Restructuring Charges	\$ (0.3)	\$ 13.7

For a discussion of costs expected to be incurred for Fiscal 2012 in connection with the Company's restructuring and acquisition-related integration plans, see Six Months 2012 Compared to Six Months 2011 Restructuring Charges below.

**Operating Income**

The following table sets forth the operating income (loss) by reportable segment of the Company for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011.

	Second Quarter 2012	Second Quarter 2011	% (Decrease) Increase
<i>(in millions)</i>			
CWNA	\$ 167.3	\$ 181.2	(8)%
CWAE	-	(3.2)	(100)%
Corporate Operations and Other	(18.7)	(27.5)	32%
Crown Imports	125.6	131.2	(4)%
Consolidations and eliminations	(125.6)	(131.2)	4%
Total Reportable Segments	148.6	150.5	(1)%
Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items	(3.5)	(17.3)	NM
Consolidated Operating Income	\$ 145.1	\$ 133.2	9%

NM = Not Meaningful

As a result of the factors discussed above, consolidated operating income increased to \$145.1 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$133.2 million for Second Quarter 2011, an increase of \$11.9 million, or 9%. Restructuring charges and unusual items of \$3.5 million and \$17.3 million for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011, respectively, consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment. These amounts include:

	Second Quarter 2012	Second Quarter 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		

Cost of Product Sold

Accelerated depreciation	\$	0.1	\$	0.1
Flow through of inventory step-up		-		0.6

Cost of Product Sold		0.1		0.7
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	Second Quarter 2012	Second Quarter 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
<b><u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u></b>		
Net losses on CWAE Divestiture and related activities	0.7	-
Net foreign currency gain on contractual obligation from put option of Ruffino shareholder	(0.1)	-
Acquisition-related integration costs	-	0.1
Other costs	3.1	2.8
<b>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<b>Restructuring Charges</b>	<b>(0.3)</b>	<b>13.7</b>
<b>Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items</b>	<b>\$ 3.5</b>	<b>\$ 17.3</b>

***Equity in Earnings of Equity Method Investees***

The Company's equity in earnings of equity method investees decreased to \$64.0 million in Second Quarter 2012 from \$66.4 million in Second Quarter 2011, a decrease of \$2.4 million, or (4%). This decrease is primarily due to lower equity in earnings of Crown Imports.

Net sales for Crown Imports increased to \$727.0 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$679.4 million for Second Quarter 2011, an increase of \$47.6 million, or 7%. This increase resulted primarily from volume growth combined with lower promotional spend and a favorable product mix shift within the Crown Imports Mexican beer portfolio. Second Quarter 2012 volume growth was primarily due to existing product portfolio growth in connection with recent summer advertising spend and product line extensions for certain brands within the Crown Imports Mexican beer portfolio combined with an overlap of unfavorable volumes for Second Quarter 2011 in connection with a brewery strike in Mexico and the June 2010 Hurricane Alex, both of which disrupted product distribution into the U.S. Crown Imports gross profit increased \$18.5 million, or 10%, primarily due to these factors. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$24.1 million, or 40%, primarily due to a planned increase in advertising spend. Operating income decreased \$5.6 million, or (4%), primarily due to these factors.

The Company currently anticipates that Crown Imports net sales and operating income for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 will be lower than the third quarter of fiscal 2011. The Crown Imports net sales and operating income both benefitted in the third quarter of fiscal 2011 from the return of wholesaler inventories in the U.S. to more normal levels following the disruption of product distribution during Second Quarter 2011. In addition, Crown Imports operating income for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 will be negatively impacted from the planned increase in advertising spend for Fiscal 2012.

***Interest Expense, Net***

Interest expense, net of interest income of \$1.7 million and \$0.5 million, for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011, respectively, decreased to \$42.5 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$50.3 million for Second Quarter 2011, a decrease of \$7.8 million, or (16%). The decrease resulted from lower average borrowings in total, partially offset by a higher weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings resulting primarily from the repayment of the lower interest rate tranche B term loan facility.

**Table of Contents****Provision for Income Taxes**

The Company's effective tax rate for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011 was 2.3% and 38.8%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate for Second Quarter 2012 was substantially impacted by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during Second Quarter 2012.

**Net Income**

As a result of the above factors, net income increased to \$162.7 million for Second Quarter 2012 from \$91.3 million for Second Quarter 2011, an increase of \$71.4 million, or 78%.

**Six Months 2012 Compared to Six Months 2011****Net Sales**

The following table sets forth the net sales by reportable segment of the Company for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011.

	Six Months 2012	Six Months 2011	% Increase (Decrease)
<i>(in millions)</i>			
CWNA net sales	\$ 1,325.5	\$ 1,245.5	6%
CWAE net sales	-	404.8	(100)%
Crown Imports net sales	1,404.5	1,300.9	8%
Consolidations and eliminations	(1,404.5)	(1,300.9)	(8)%
Consolidated Net Sales	\$ 1,325.5	\$ 1,650.3	(20)%

Net sales for Six Months 2012 decreased to \$1,325.5 million from \$1,650.3 million for Six Months 2011, a decrease of \$324.8 million, or (20%). This decrease resulted primarily from the CWAE Divestiture of \$350.4 million, partially offset by an increase in U.S. base branded wine net sales of \$22.5 million.

**Constellation Wines North America**

Net sales for CWNA increased to \$1,325.5 million for Six Months 2012 from \$1,245.5 million for Six Months 2011, an increase of \$80.0 million, or 6%. This increase is primarily due to favorable product mix shift in the U.S. base branded wine portfolio combined with a benefit of \$54.4 million from wine net sales to Europe, Australia and Japan which were previously sold through the Company's CWAE segment, partially offset by lower U.S. base branded wine volume.

**Constellation Wines Australia and Europe**

Net sales for CWAE decreased \$404.8 million, or (100%), from Six Months 2011 due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture.

**Crown Imports**

As this segment is eliminated in consolidation, see *Equity in Earnings of Equity Method Investees* below for a discussion of Crown Imports' net sales, gross profit, selling, general and administrative expenses, and operating income.

**Table of Contents*****Gross Profit***

The Company's gross profit decreased to \$534.0 million for Six Months 2012 from \$584.2 million for Six Months 2011, a decrease of \$50.2 million, or (9%). This decrease is primarily due to a decrease in CWAE's gross profit of \$55.5 million, partially offset by an increase in CWNA's gross profit of \$2.9 million. The decrease in CWAE's gross profit is due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture. The increase in CWNA's gross profit is primarily due to favorable product mix shift in the U.S. base branded wine portfolio and a benefit of \$9.7 million from lower-margin wine net sales to Europe, Australia and Japan which were previously sold through the Company's CWAE segment, partially offset by lower U.S. base branded wine volume and higher cost of product sold in the U.S. (due largely to higher costs for transportation and imported products in the Company's wine and spirits portfolio). In addition, unusual items, which consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment, were lower by \$2.4 million in Six Months 2012 versus Six Months 2011. Gross profit as a percent of net sales increased to 40.3% for Six Months 2012 from 35.4% for Six Months 2011 primarily due to the factors discussed above.

***Selling, General and Administrative Expenses***

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased to \$276.4 million for Six Months 2012 from \$336.1 million for Six Months 2011, a decrease of \$59.7 million, or (18%). This decrease is due to decreases in the CWAE segment of \$61.5 million and the Corporate Operations and Other segment of \$14.2 million, partially offset by increases in the CWNA segment of \$12.7 million and unusual items, which consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment, of \$3.3 million. The decrease in CWAE's selling, general and administrative expenses is due to the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture. The decrease in Corporate Operations and Other's selling, general and administrative expenses is due to a decrease in general and administrative expenses primarily relating to lower expenses incurred in connection with Project Fusion and lower annual management incentive compensation expense. The increase in CWNA's selling, general and administrative expenses is primarily due to an increase in advertising expenses (on a constant currency basis) of \$7.5 million and an unfavorable year-over-year foreign currency translation impact of \$4.3 million. The increase in advertising expenses is due largely to the launch of several new products in the segment's U.S. branded wine portfolio. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percent of net sales increased to 20.9% for Six Months 2012 as compared to 20.4% for Six Months 2011 primarily due to the factors discussed above.

***Restructuring Charges***

The Company recorded \$10.8 million of restructuring charges for Six Months 2012 associated primarily with the Fiscal 2012 Initiative. Restructuring charges consisted of \$10.7 million of employee termination benefit costs and \$0.1 million of facility consolidation/relocation costs. The Company recorded \$18.6 million of restructuring charges for Six Months 2011 associated primarily with the Company's Global Initiative and Australian Initiative.

In addition, the Company incurred additional costs for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011 in connection with the Company's restructuring and acquisition-related integration plans. Total costs incurred in connection with these plans for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011 are as follows:

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	Six Months 2012	Six Months 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
<u>Cost of Product Sold</u>		
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.1
<u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u>		
Net gain on sale of nonstrategic assets	\$ -	\$ (1.0)
Acquisition-related integration costs	\$ -	\$ 0.2
Other costs	\$ 4.2	\$ 3.7
Restructuring Charges	\$ 10.8	\$ 18.6

The Company expects to incur the following costs in connection with its restructuring and acquisition-related integration plans for Fiscal 2012.

	Expected Fiscal 2012
<i>(in millions)</i>	
<u>Cost of Product Sold</u>	
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 0.3
<u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u>	
Other costs	\$ 11.4
Restructuring Charges	\$ 11.8

**Operating Income**

The following table sets forth the operating income (loss) by reportable segment of the Company for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011.

	Six Months 2012	Six Months 2011	% (Decrease) Increase
<i>(in millions)</i>			
CWNA	\$ 303.9	\$ 313.7	(3)%
CWAE	-	(6.0)	(100)%
Corporate Operations and Other	(39.8)	(54.0)	26%
Crown Imports	245.4	240.1	2%
Consolidations and eliminations	(245.4)	(240.1)	(2)%
Total Reportable Segments	264.1	253.7	4%
Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items	(17.3)	(24.2)	NM
Consolidated Operating Income	\$ 246.8	\$ 229.5	8%

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As a result of the factors discussed above, consolidated operating income increased to \$246.8 million for Six Months 2012 from \$229.5 million for Six Months 2011, an increase of \$17.3 million, or 8%. Restructuring charges and unusual items of \$17.3 million and \$24.2 million for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011, respectively, consist of certain amounts that are excluded by management in their evaluation of the results of each operating segment. These amounts include:

	Six Months 2012	Six Months 2011
<i>(in millions)</i>		
<b><u>Cost of Product Sold</u></b>		
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.1
Flow through of inventory step-up	-	1.6
Cost of Product Sold	0.3	2.7
<b><u>Selling, General and Administrative Expenses</u></b>		
Net foreign currency loss on contractual obligation from put option of Ruffino shareholder		
	2.1	-
Net gains on CWAE Divestiture and related activities		
	(0.1)	-
Net gain on sale of nonstrategic assets		
	-	(1.0)
Acquisition-related integration costs		
	-	0.2
Other costs		
	4.2	3.7
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses	6.2	2.9
Restructuring Charges	10.8	18.6
Restructuring Charges and Unusual Items	\$ 17.3	\$ 24.2

***Equity in Earnings of Equity Method Investees***

The Company's equity in earnings of equity method investees increased to \$126.2 million in Six Months 2012 from \$120.9 million in Six Months 2011, an increase of \$5.3 million, or 4%. This increase is primarily due to higher equity in earnings from the Company's Ruffino and Crown Imports equity method investments. The increase in equity in earnings of Ruffino is due largely to favorable product mix shift and an overlap of prior year losses on foreign currency transactions. The increase in equity in earnings of Crown Imports is primarily due to volume growth within the Crown Imports Mexican beer portfolio, partially offset by a planned increase in advertising spend, as further discussed below.

Net sales for Crown Imports increased to \$1,404.5 million for Six Months 2012 from \$1,300.9 million for Six Months 2011, an increase of \$103.6 million, or 8%. This increase resulted primarily from volume growth within the Crown Imports Mexican beer portfolio. Six Months 2012 volume growth was primarily due to the overlap of unfavorable volumes for Six Months 2011 in connection with a brewery strike in Mexico and the June 2010 Hurricane Alex, both of which disrupted product distribution into the U.S., coupled with the continuing launch of the Victoria brand which began during the Company's fourth quarter of fiscal 2011. Crown Imports gross profit increased \$41.9 million, or 11%, primarily due to the volume growth combined with lower promotional spend and a favorable product mix shift within the Crown Imports Mexican beer portfolio. Selling, general and administrative expenses increased \$36.6 million, or 29%, primarily due to a planned increase in advertising spend. Operating income increased \$5.3 million, or 2%, primarily due to these factors.



**Table of Contents*****Interest Expense, Net***

Interest expense, net of interest income of \$3.4 million and \$1.7 million, for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011, respectively, decreased to \$86.8 million for Six Months 2012 from \$98.8 million for Six Months 2011, a decrease of \$12.0 million, or (12%). The decrease resulted from lower average borrowings in total, partially offset by a higher weighted average interest rate on outstanding borrowings resulting primarily from the repayment of the lower interest rate tranche B term loan facility.

***Provision for Income Taxes***

The Company's effective tax rate for Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011 was 17.1% and 44.2%, respectively. The Company's effective tax rate for Six Months 2012 was substantially impacted by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during Six Months 2012. The Company's effective tax rate for Six Months 2011 includes the recognition of a valuation allowance against deferred tax assets in the U.K. of \$30.1 million, partially offset by a decrease in uncertain tax positions in connection with the completion of various income tax examinations during Six Months 2011.

***Net Income***

As a result of the above factors, net income increased to \$237.2 million for Six Months 2012 from \$140.4 million for Six Months 2011, an increase of \$96.8 million, or 69%.

**Financial Liquidity and Capital Resources****General**

The Company's principal use of cash in its operating activities is for purchasing and carrying inventories and carrying seasonal accounts receivable. The Company's primary source of liquidity has historically been cash flow from operations, except during annual grape harvests when the Company has relied on short-term borrowings. In the U.S. and Canada, the annual grape crush normally begins in August and runs through October. In New Zealand, the annual grape crush normally begins in February and runs through May. The Company generally begins taking delivery of grapes at the beginning of the crush season with the majority of payments for such grapes coming due within 90 days. The Company's short-term borrowings to support such purchases generally reach their highest levels one to two months after the crush season has ended. Historically, the Company has used cash flow from operating activities to repay its short-term borrowings and fund capital expenditures. The Company will continue to use its short-term borrowings to support its working capital requirements.

The Company has maintained adequate liquidity to meet current working capital requirements, fund capital expenditures and repay scheduled principal and interest payments on debt. Absent deterioration of market conditions, the Company believes that cash flows from operating activities and its financing activities, primarily short-term borrowings, will provide adequate resources to satisfy its working capital, scheduled principal and interest payments on debt, and anticipated capital expenditure requirements for both its short-term and long-term capital needs.

As of September 30, 2011, the Company had \$631.9 million in revolving loans available to be drawn under its 2006 Credit Agreement. The member financial institutions participating in the Company's 2006 Credit Agreement have complied with prior funding requests and the Company believes the member financial institutions will comply with ongoing funding requests. However, there can be no assurances that any particular financial institution will continue to do so in the future.

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**Six Months 2012 Cash Flows**

***Operating Activities***

Net cash provided by operating activities for Six Months 2012 was \$517.4 million, which resulted primarily from net income of \$237.2 million, plus net noncash items charged to the Consolidated Statements of Operations of \$110.5 million and net cash provided by the net change in the Company's operating assets and liabilities of \$149.8 million.

The net noncash items consisted primarily of depreciation expense, deferred tax provision and stock-based compensation expense. The net cash provided by the net change in the Company's operating assets and liabilities resulted primarily from a decrease in inventories of \$118.7 million and an increase in other accrued expenses and liabilities of \$83.0 million, partially offset by an increase in accounts receivable, net, of \$84.5 million. The decrease in inventories and the increase in accounts receivable, net, were both due largely to seasonality as January and February are typically the Company's lowest selling months. The increase in other accrued expenses and liabilities is due largely to an increase in current income taxes payable due primarily to a refund of \$85.5 million received in the first quarter of fiscal 2012 associated with the recognition of income tax benefits in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011 in connection with the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture.

***Investing Activities***

Net cash used in investing activities for Six Months 2012 was \$73.2 million, which resulted primarily from capital expenditures of \$39.2 million and payments of post-closing adjustments and direct costs associated with the January 2011 CWAE Divestiture of \$28.8 million.

***Financing Activities***

Net cash used in financing activities for Six Months 2012 was \$444.3 million resulting primarily from principal payments of long-term debt of \$419.9 million and purchases of treasury stock of \$187.5 million (see "Share Repurchase" below), partially offset by net proceeds from notes payable of \$113.3 million and proceeds from exercises of employee stock options of \$39.0 million.

**Share Repurchase**

In April 2011, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the repurchase of up to \$500.0 million of the Company's Class A Common Stock and Class B Convertible Common Stock. The Board of Directors did not specify a date upon which this authorization would expire. Share repurchases under this authorization are expected to be accomplished from time to time based on market conditions, the Company's cash and debt position, and other factors as determined by management. Shares may be repurchased through open market or privately negotiated transactions, and management currently expects that the repurchases under this authorization will be implemented over a multi-year period. The Company may fund share repurchases with cash generated from operations or proceeds of borrowings under its senior credit facility. Any repurchased shares will become treasury shares.



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During Six Months 2012, the Company repurchased 9,766,888 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$187.5 million, or an average cost of \$19.20 per share, through open market transactions. Subsequent to August 31, 2011, and through October 11, 2011, the Company repurchased an additional 4,751,600 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$85.7 million, or an average cost of \$18.02 per share, through open market transactions. In total, the Company has repurchased 14,518,488 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to this authorization at an aggregate cost of \$273.2 million, or an average cost of \$18.82 per share. The Company used revolver borrowings under the 2006 Credit Agreement and cash flows from operating activities to pay the purchase price for the repurchased shares. The repurchased shares have become treasury shares.

**Debt**

Total debt outstanding as of August 31, 2011, amounted to \$2,946.4 million, a decrease of \$289.9 million from February 28, 2011.

**Senior Credit Facility**2006 Credit Agreement

The Company and certain of its U.S. subsidiaries, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as a lender and administrative agent, and certain other agents, lenders, and financial institutions are parties to a credit agreement, as amended (the 2006 Credit Agreement ). The 2006 Credit Agreement provides for aggregate credit facilities of \$3,842.0 million, consisting of (i) a \$1,200.0 million tranche A term loan facility with an original final maturity in June 2011, fully repaid as of February 28, 2011, (ii) a \$1,800.0 million tranche B term loan facility, of which \$1,500.0 million has a final maturity in June 2013 (the 2013 Tranche B Term Loans ) and \$300.0 million has a final maturity in June 2015 (the 2015 Tranche B Term Loans ), and (iii) an \$842.0 million revolving credit facility (including a sub-facility for letters of credit of up to \$200.0 million), of which \$192.0 million terminated in June 2011 and \$650.0 million terminates in June 2013 (the 2013 Revolving Facility ). The Company uses its revolving credit facility under the 2006 Credit Agreement for general corporate purposes.

As of August 31, 2011, following the prepayment of \$400.0 million of the tranche B term loan facility during the first quarter of fiscal 2012, under the 2006 Credit Agreement, the Company had outstanding 2013 Tranche B Term Loans of \$624.7 million bearing an interest rate of 1.8%, 2015 Tranche B Term Loans of \$201.9 million bearing an interest rate of 3.0%, 2013 Revolving Facility of \$189.8 million bearing an interest rate of 2.7%, outstanding letters of credit of \$12.8 million, and \$447.4 million in revolving loans available to be drawn.

As of August 31, 2011, the required principal repayments of the tranche B term loan facility for the remaining six months of fiscal 2012 and for each of the four succeeding fiscal years are as follows:

	Tranche B Term Loan Facility
<i>(in millions)</i>	
2012	\$ -
2013	314.1
2014	314.1
2015	99.7
2016	98.7
	\$ 826.6

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As of September 30, 2011, under the 2006 Credit Agreement, the Company had outstanding 2013 Tranche B Term Loans of \$624.7 million bearing an interest rate of 1.9%, 2015 Tranche B Term Loans of \$201.9 million bearing an interest rate of 3.0%, 2013 Revolving Facility of \$5.4 million bearing an interest rate of 2.1%, outstanding letters of credit of \$12.7 million, and \$631.9 million in revolving loans available to be drawn.

In June 2010, the Company entered into a five year delayed start interest rate swap agreement effective September 1, 2011, which was designated as a cash flow hedge for \$500.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt. Accordingly, the Company fixed its interest rates on \$500.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt at an average rate of 2.9% (exclusive of borrowing margins) through September 1, 2016. For Six Months 2012 and Six Months 2011, and for Second Quarter 2012 and Second Quarter 2011, the Company did not reclassify any amount from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income to interest expense, net on its Consolidated Statements of Operations.

**Accounting Guidance Not Yet Adopted***Fair value measurement*

In May 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance to achieve common fair value measurement and disclosure requirements under generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S. and International Financial Reporting Standards. This amended guidance provides clarification about the application of existing fair value measurement and disclosure requirements, and expands certain other disclosure requirements. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

*Presentation of comprehensive income*

In June 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance requiring an entity to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. This amended guidance eliminates the option to present the components of other comprehensive income as part of the statement of stockholders' equity. In addition, this amended guidance requires retrospective application. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

*Intangibles goodwill and other*

In September 2011, the FASB issued amended guidance for goodwill impairment testing. The amended guidance allows an entity to assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test would be unnecessary. If an entity concludes otherwise, the entity would be required to complete the two-step impairment test by calculating the fair value of the reporting unit and then comparing the fair value with the carrying amount of the reporting unit. The Company is required to adopt this amended guidance for its annual and interim periods beginning March 1, 2012. The Company does not expect the adoption of this amended guidance to have a material impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

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**Information Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the Company's control, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in, or implied by, such forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, including without limitation the statements under Part I - Item 2 Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation regarding (i) the Company's business strategy, future financial position, prospects, plans and objectives of management, (ii) the Company's expected restructuring charges, accelerated depreciation and other costs, (iii) information concerning expected or potential actions of third parties, (iv) information concerning the future expected balance of supply and demand for wine, (v) information regarding net sales and operating income for the U.S. and for Crown Imports, and (vi) the duration of the share repurchase implementation are forward-looking statements. When used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, the words anticipate, intend, expect, and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Although the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. In addition to the risks and uncertainties of ordinary business operations and conditions in the general economy and markets in which the Company competes, the forward-looking statements of the Company contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q are also subject to the risk and uncertainty that (i) the actual balance of supply and demand for wine products will vary from current expectations due to, among other reasons, actual consumer demand, (ii) the Company's restructuring charges, accelerated depreciation and other costs may vary materially from current expectations due to, among other reasons, variations in anticipated headcount reductions, contract terminations or modifications, equipment relocation, proceeds from the sale of assets identified for sale, product portfolio rationalizations, production footprint, and/or other costs of implementation, (iii) the net sales and operating income for the U.S. and for Crown Imports may vary materially from current expectations due to actual sales experience and actual advertising spend for Crown Imports, and (iv) the amount and timing of any share repurchases may vary due to market conditions, the Company's cash and debt position, and other factors as determined by management from time to time. For additional information about risks and uncertainties that could adversely affect the Company's forward-looking statements, please refer to Item 1A Risk Factors of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2011.

**Table of Contents****Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

The Company, as a result of its global operating, acquisition and financing activities, is exposed to market risk associated with changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. To manage the volatility relating to these risks, the Company periodically purchases and/or sells derivative instruments including foreign currency forward and option contracts and interest rate swap agreements. The Company uses derivative instruments solely to reduce the financial impact of these risks and does not use derivative instruments for trading purposes.

Foreign currency derivative instruments are or may be used to hedge existing foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities, forecasted foreign currency denominated sales/purchases to/from third parties as well as intercompany sales/purchases, intercompany principal and interest payments, and in connection with acquisitions or joint venture investments outside the U.S. As of August 31, 2011, the Company had exposures to foreign currency risk primarily related to the euro, New Zealand dollar, and Canadian dollar.

As of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, the Company had outstanding foreign currency derivative instruments with a notional value of \$689.1 million and \$1,290.4 million, respectively. As of August 31, 2011, approximately 80.3% of the Company's balance sheet exposures and forecasted transactional exposures for the remaining six months of fiscal 2012 were hedged. The estimated fair value of the Company's foreign currency derivative instruments was a net asset of \$23.7 million and \$14.7 million as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively. Using a sensitivity analysis based on estimated fair value of open contracts using forward rates, if the contract base currency had been 10% weaker as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, the fair value of open foreign currency contracts would have been increased by \$1.9 million and decreased by \$9.9 million, respectively. Losses or gains from the revaluation or settlement of the related underlying positions would substantially offset such gains or losses on the derivative instruments.

The fair value of fixed rate debt is subject to interest rate risk, credit risk and foreign currency risk. The estimated fair value of the Company's total fixed rate debt, including current maturities, was \$2,078.7 million and \$2,031.1 million as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively. A hypothetical 1% increase from prevailing interest rates as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, would have resulted in a decrease in the fair value of the fixed interest rate long-term debt by \$84.9 million and \$95.8 million, respectively.

As of August 31, 2011, the Company had outstanding cash flow designated interest rate swap agreements to minimize interest rate volatility. As of August 31, 2011, the swap agreements fix LIBOR interest rates on \$500.0 million of the Company's floating LIBOR rate debt at an average rate of 2.9% (exclusive of borrowing margins) through September 1, 2016. The estimated fair value of the Company's interest rate swap agreements was a net liability of \$41.5 million as of August 31, 2011. A hypothetical 1% increase from prevailing interest rates as of August 31, 2011, would have favorably increased the fair value of the interest rate swap agreements by \$25.5 million.

In addition to the \$2,078.7 million and \$2,031.1 million estimated fair value of fixed rate debt outstanding as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, respectively, the Company also had variable rate debt outstanding (primarily LIBOR-based), certain of which includes a fixed margin. As of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, the estimated fair value of the Company's total variable rate debt, including current maturities, was \$999.3 million and \$1,789.1 million, respectively. A hypothetical 1% increase from prevailing interest rates as of August 31, 2011, and August 31, 2010, would have resulted in a decrease in the fair value of the variable interest rate long-term debt by \$18.2 million and \$39.2 million, respectively.

**Table of Contents****Item 4. Controls and Procedures.****Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Company's Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer have concluded, based on their evaluation as of the end of the period covered by this report, that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and (ii) is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In connection with the foregoing evaluation by the Company's Chief Executive Officer and its Chief Financial Officer, no changes were identified in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) that occurred during the Company's fiscal quarter ended August 31, 2011, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**PART II - OTHER INFORMATION****Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.****ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES**

Period		Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of a Publicly Announced Program	Approximate Dollar Value of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program <sup>(1)</sup>
June 1	30, 2011	-	\$ -	-	\$ 500,000,000
July 1	31, 2011	1,522,809	20.72	1,522,809	\$ 468,446,140
August 1	31, 2011	8,244,079	18.92	8,244,079	\$ 312,473,533
Total		9,766,888	\$ 19.20	9,766,888	\$ 312,473,533 <sup>(2)</sup>

(1) On April 7, 2011, the Company announced that its Board of Directors had authorized the repurchase from time to time of up to an aggregate amount of \$500.0 million of the Company's Class A Common Stock and Class B Convertible Common Stock (the 2012 Authorization). The Board of Directors did not specify a date upon which the 2012 Authorization would expire.

(2) Subsequent to August 31, 2011 and through October 11, 2011, the Company repurchased an additional 4,751,600 shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to the 2012 Authorization at an aggregate cost of \$85.7 million, or an average cost of \$18.02 per share, through open market transactions, thereby reducing the approximate dollar value of shares that may yet be purchased under the 2012 Authorization subsequent to October 11, 2011 to \$226.8 million.

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**Item 6. Exhibits.**

Exhibits required to be filed by Item 601 of Regulation S-K.

For the exhibits that are filed herewith or incorporated herein by reference, see the Index to Exhibits located on page 59 of this report. The Index to Exhibits is incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

**CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.**

Dated: October 11, 2011

By: /s/ David M. Thomas  
David M. Thomas, Senior  
Vice President,  
Finance and Controller

Dated: October 11, 2011

By: /s/ Robert Ryder  
Robert Ryder, Executive Vice President  
and  
Chief Financial Officer (principal  
financial  
officer and principal accounting officer)

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**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

**Exhibit No.**

- 2.1 Share Subscription Agreement, dated December 23, 2010 among Constellation Brands, Inc., Vincor U.K. Limited, CBI Australia Holding Pty Limited, Perpetual Trustee Company Limited as trustee of the CHAMP Buyout III Trust, Perpetual Corporate Trust Limited as trustee of the CHAMP Buyout III (SWF) Trust, CHAMP Buyout III Pte Ltd, and Canopus Holdco Limited (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 23, 2010, filed December 28, 2010 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 2.2 Deed of Amendment and Restatement dated January 31, 2011 to the Share Subscription Agreement dated December 23, 2010 among Constellation Brands, Inc., Vincor U.K. Limited, CBI Australia Holding Pty Limited, Perpetual Trustee Company Limited as trustee of the CHAMP Buyout III Trust, Perpetual Corporate Trust Limited as trustee of the CHAMP Buyout III (SWF) Trust, CHAMP Buyout III Pte Ltd. and Canopus Holdco Limited (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 31, 2011, filed February 4, 2011 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended August 31, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.2 Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended August 31, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 3.3 Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Company (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 6, 2007, filed December 12, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.1 Indenture, with respect to 7.25% Senior Notes due 2016, dated as of August 15, 2006, by and among the Company, as Issuer, certain subsidiaries, as Guarantors and BNY Midwest Trust Company, as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 15, 2006, filed August 18, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.2 Supplemental Indenture No. 1, dated as of August 15, 2006, among the Company, as Issuer, certain subsidiaries, as Guarantors, and BNY Midwest Trust Company, as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 15, 2006, filed August 18, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).#



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- 4.3 Supplemental Indenture No. 2, dated as of November 30, 2006, by and among the Company, Vincor International Partnership, Vincor International II, LLC, Vincor Holdings, Inc., R.H. Phillips, Inc., The Hogue Cellars, Ltd., Vincor Finance, LLC, and BNY Midwest Trust Company, as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.28 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended November 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.4 Supplemental Indenture No. 3, dated as of May 4, 2007, by and among the Company, Barton SMO Holdings LLC, ALCOFI INC., and Spirits Marque One LLC, and BNY Midwest Trust Company, as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.32 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended May 31, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.5 Supplemental Indenture No. 4, with respect to 8 3/8% Senior Notes due 2014, dated as of December 5, 2007, by and among the Company, as Issuer, certain subsidiaries, as Guarantors, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., (as successor to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 5, 2007, filed December 11, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.6 Supplemental Indenture No. 5, dated as of January 22, 2008, by and among the Company, BWE, Inc., Atlas Peak Vineyards, Inc., Buena Vista Winery, Inc., Clos du Bois Wines, Inc., Gary Farrell Wines, Inc., Peak Wines International, Inc., and Planet 10 Spirits, LLC, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. (successor trustee to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.37 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 29, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.7 Supplemental Indenture No. 6, dated as of February 27, 2009, by and among the Company, Constellation Services LLC, and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company National Association (successor trustee to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.31 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.8 Indenture, with respect to 7.25% Senior Notes due May 2017, dated May 14, 2007, by and among the Company, as Issuer, certain subsidiaries, as Guarantors, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 9, 2007, filed May 14, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.9 Supplemental Indenture No. 1, dated as of January 22, 2008, by and among the Company, BWE, Inc., Atlas Peak Vineyards, Inc., Buena Vista Winery, Inc., Clos du Bois Wines, Inc., Gary Farrell Wines, Inc., Peak Wines International, Inc., and Planet 10 Spirits, LLC, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. (successor trustee to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.39 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 29, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).

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- 4.10 Supplemental Indenture No. 2, dated as of February 27, 2009, by and among the Company, Constellation Services LLC, and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company National Association (successor trustee to BNY Midwest Trust Company), as Trustee (filed as Exhibit 4.34 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.11 Credit Agreement, dated as of June 5, 2006, among Constellation, the Subsidiary Guarantors party thereto, the Lenders party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, Citicorp North America, Inc., as Syndication Agent, J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Citigroup Global Markets Inc., as Joint Lead Arrangers and Bookrunners, and The Bank of Nova Scotia and SunTrust Bank, as Co-Documentation Agents (filed as Exhibit 4.11 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended May 31, 2010 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.12 Amendment No. 1, dated as of February 23, 2007, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of June 5, 2006, among Constellation, the subsidiary guarantors referred to on the signature pages to such Amendment No. 1, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as Administrative Agent (filed as Exhibit 99.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated and filed February 23, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.13 Amendment No. 2, dated as of November 19, 2007, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of June 5, 2006, among Constellation, the Subsidiary Guarantors referred to on the signature pages to such Amendment No. 2, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as Administrative Agent (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated and filed November 20, 2007, and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.14 Amendment No. 3, dated as of January 25, 2010, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of June 5, 2006, among Constellation Brands, Inc., the Subsidiary Guarantors referred to on the signature pages to such Amendment No. 3, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as Administrative Agent and Issuing Lender, Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as Swingline Lender, The Bank of Nova Scotia, in its capacity as Issuing Lender, JPMorgan Securities Inc., in its capacity as joint bookrunner, CoBank, ACB, in its capacity as joint bookrunner, Banc of America Securities LLC, in its capacity as joint bookrunner and Cooperatieve Centrale Raiffeisen-Boerenleenbank B.A., Rabobank Nederland, New York Branch in its capacity as joint bookrunner (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated January 25, 2010, filed January 26, 2010, and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.15 Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of August 11, 2006, by Constellation Leasing, LLC, in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, pursuant to the Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2006 (as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time) (filed as Exhibit 4.29 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended August 31, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).#

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- 4.16 Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2006, by Vincor International Partnership, Vincor International II, LLC, Vincor Holdings, Inc., R.H. Phillips, Inc., The Hogue Cellars, Ltd., and Vincor Finance, LLC in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, pursuant to the Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2006 (as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time) (filed as Exhibit 4.31 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended November 30, 2006 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.17 Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of May 4, 2007, by Barton SMO Holdings LLC, ALCOFI INC., and Spirits Marque One LLC in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, pursuant to the Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2006 (as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time) (filed as Exhibit 4.39 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended May 31, 2007 and incorporated herein by reference).#
- 4.18 Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of January 22, 2008, by BWE, Inc., Atlas Peak Vineyards, Inc., Buena Vista Winery, Inc., Clos du Bois Wines, Inc., Gary Farrell Wines, Inc., Peak Wines International, Inc., and Planet 10 Spirits, LLC in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, pursuant to the Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2006 (as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time) (filed as Exhibit 4.46 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 29, 2008 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.19 Guarantee Assumption Agreement, dated as of February 27, 2009, by Constellation Services LLC in favor of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent, pursuant to the Credit Agreement dated as of June 5, 2006 (as modified and supplemented and in effect from time to time) (filed as Exhibit 4.42 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 28, 2009 and incorporated herein by reference).
- 31.1 Certificate of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (filed herewith).
- 31.2 Certificate of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (filed herewith).
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 18 U.S.C. 1350 (filed herewith).
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 18 U.S.C. 1350 (filed herewith).

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- 101.1 The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended August 31, 2011, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language):
- (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets as of August 31, 2011 and February 28, 2011, (ii) Consolidated Statements of Operations for the six months and the three months ended August 31, 2011 and 2010, (iii) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six months ended August 31, 2011 and 2010, and (iv) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.\*

\* Pursuant to Rule 406T of Regulation S-T, the Interactive Data Files on Exhibit 101 hereto are deemed not filed or part of a registration statement or prospectus for purposes of Sections 11 or 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 ( Securities Act ), as amended, are deemed not filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 ( Exchange Act ), as amended, and otherwise not subject to liability under those sections. This exhibit shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except to the extent that the Registrant specifically incorporates this exhibit by reference.

# Company's Commission File No. 001-08495. For filings prior to October 4, 1999, use Commission File No. 000-07570.

The Company agrees, upon request of the Securities and Exchange Commission, to furnish copies of each instrument that defines the rights of holders of long-term debt of the Company or its subsidiaries that is not filed herewith pursuant to Item 601(b)(4)(iii)(A) because the total amount of long-term debt authorized under such instrument does not exceed 10% of the total assets of the Company and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.