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### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## **FORM 10-Q**

X	_	SUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) ( EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	<b>)</b> F
For the quarter	rly period ended <u>February 1, 2008</u>		
		OR	
<b></b>		SUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) ( EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	<b>)</b> F
For the transiti	on period from	to	
	Commission	file number <u>1-6357</u>	
		OLOGIES CORPORATION rant as specified in its charter)	
_	Delaware	13-259509	1
	(State or other Jurisdiction	(I.R.S. Emplo	yer
of	f incorporation or organization) 500 108th Avenue N.E	Identification I ., Bellevue, Washington 98004	No.)
	(Address of principal	executive offices)(Zip Code)	
	Registrant s telephone numb	per, including area code 425/453-9400	

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.

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Yes <u>X</u> No	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):	-
Large accelerated filer x Accelerated filer "	
Non-accelerated filer "(Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company "	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).	
Yes No X	

As of March 3, 2008, 29,406,376 shares of the issuer s common stock were outstanding.

## PART I FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## **Item 1. Financial Statements**

## ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As of February 1, 2008 and October 26, 2007

(In thousands, except share amounts)

ASSETS	ebruary 1, 2008 Unaudited)	O	October 26, 2007
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 106,509	\$	147,069
Accounts receivable, net of allowances			
of \$5,367 and \$5,378	232,225		262,087
Inventories			
Raw materials and purchased parts	119,459		111,997
Work in process	109,998		99,103
Finished goods	45,003		47,076
	274,460		258,176
	44 =0 =		44.500
Income tax refundable	11,795		11,580
Deferred income tax benefits	31,171		37,830
Prepaid expenses	15,658		13,256
Other current assets	298		
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Total Current Assets	672,116		729,998
Droporty, Dient and Equipment	425,315		418,788
Property, Plant and Equipment	•		•
Accumulated depreciation	210,278		201,367
	215,037		217,421
	213,037		217,421
Other Non-Current Assets			
Goodwill	655,887		656,865
Intangibles, net	351,535		365,317
Debt issuance costs, net of accumulated	331,333		303,317
amortization of \$5,028 and \$4,618	8,782		9,192
Deferred income tax benefits	43,576		43,670
Other assets	26,385		27,843
	20,000		27,013
	\$ 1,973,318	\$	2,050,306

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As of February 1, 2008 and October 26, 2007

(In thousands, except share amounts)

2008	O	ectober 26, 2007
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266,600		309,900
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2,990		2,968
5,881 479,432 523,514		5,873 475,816 493,269
121,544		146,868
\$ 1,130,371 1,973,318	\$	1,121,826 2,050,306
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## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Three Month Periods Ended February 1, 2008 and January 26, 2007

(Unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended			nded
	F	ebruary 1, 2008	Ja	nnuary 26, 2007
Net Sales Cost of Sales	\$	372,429 252,387	\$	257,244 182,675
Cost of Sales		·		
Expenses		120,042		74,569
Selling, general & administrative		61,602		42,375
Research, development & engineering		22,725		13,551
Total Expenses		84,327		55,926
Other Other income				(10)
Insurance recovery				(1,647)
Total Other				(1,657)
Operating Earnings		35,715		20,300
Interest income		(1,385)		(504)
Interest expense		7,906		5,524
Gain on derivative financial instrument		(1,850)		
Other Expense, Net		4,671		5,020
		21.044		1.7.200
Income Before Income Taxes Income Tax Expense		31,044 38		15,280 2,385
Income Before Minority Interest Minority Interest		31,006 (22)		12,895 (94)
Net Earnings	\$	30,984	\$	12,801

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Earnings Per Share:

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Basic	\$ 1.05	\$ .50
Diluted	\$ 1.04	\$ .49

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Three Month Periods Ended February 1, 2008 and January 26, 2007

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		
	February 1, Janua		
	2008	2007	
Cash Flows Provided (Used) by Operating Activities			
Net earnings	\$ 30,984	\$ 12,801	
Minority interest	22	94	
Depreciation and amortization	16,059	11,352	
Deferred income taxes	(4,515)	(483)	
Share-based compensation	1,916	1,595	
Working capital changes, net of effect of acquisitions			
Accounts receivable	27,847	19,429	
Inventories	(17,697)	(3,056)	
Prepaid expenses	(2,462)	(2,450)	
Other current assets	(304)		
Accounts payable	(1,641)	(6,626)	
Accrued liabilities	(10,678)	(19,777)	
Federal and foreign income taxes	(4,051)	(1,499)	
Other liabilities	(395)	731	
Other, net	451	(2,352)	
	35,536	9,759	
Cash Flows Provided (Used) by Investing Activities			
Purchases of capital assets	(9,584)	(7,384)	
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	362	525	
	(9,222)	(6,859)	

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Three Month Periods Ended February 1, 2008 and January 26, 2007

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		
	February 1, 2008	January 26, 2007	
Cash Flows Provided (Used) by Financing Activities Proceeds provided by stock issuance under			
employee stock plans  Evenes too benefits from stock entires evenesed	1,707	2,318 302	
Excess tax benefits from stock options exercised  Net change in credit facilities	1 (2,646)	(107)	
Repayment of long-term debt, net	(64,305)	(311)	
Dividends paid to minority interest	, , ,	(354)	
	(65,243)	1,848	
Effect of Foreign Exchange Rates on Cash	(1,631)	878	
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(40,560)	5,626	
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of Period	147,069	42,638	
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of Period	\$ 106,509	\$ 48,264	
Supplemental Cash Flow Information			
Cash Paid for Interest	\$ 8,686	\$ 8,670	
Cash Paid for Taxes	8,423	2,856	

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Three Month Periods Ended February 1, 2008 and January 26, 2007

- 1. The consolidated balance sheet as of February 1, 2008, the consolidated statement of operations for the three month periods ended February 1, 2008, and January 26, 2007, and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the three month periods ended February 1, 2008, and January 26, 2007, are unaudited but, in the opinion of management, all of the necessary adjustments, consisting of normal recurring accruals, have been made to present fairly the financial statements referred to above in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, the above statements do not include all of the footnotes required for complete financial statements. The results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of results that can be expected for the full year.
- 2. The notes to the consolidated financial statements in the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 26, 2007, provide a summary of significant accounting policies and additional financial information that should be read in conjunction with this Form 10-Q.
- 3. The timing of the Company s revenues is impacted by the purchasing patterns of customers and, as a result, revenues are not generated evenly throughout the year. Moreover, the Company s first fiscal quarter, November through January, includes significant holiday periods in both Europe and North America. The first fiscal quarter of 2008 was 14 weeks, while the first fiscal quarter of 2007 was 13 weeks.
- 4. Basic earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year. Diluted earnings per share includes the dilutive effect of stock options. Common shares issuable from stock options that are excluded from the calculation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive were 283,392 and 396,186 in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively. The weighted average number of shares outstanding used to compute basic earnings per share was 29,386,000 and 25,529,000 for the first fiscal quarter in 2008 and 2007, respectively. The weighted average number of shares outstanding used to compute diluted earnings per share was 29,811,000 and 25,930,000 for the first fiscal quarter in 2008 and 2007, respectively.

#### 5. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

On December 4, 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Financial Accounting Standard No. 141(R), Business Combinations, (Statement No. 141(R)) and Statement No. 160, Accounting and Reporting of Non-controlling Interest in Consolidated Financial Statements, an amendment of ARB No. 51, (Statement No. 160). These new standards will significantly change the accounting for and reporting of business combination transactions and non-controlling (minority) interests in consolidated financial statements. Statement No. 141(R) and Statement No. 160 are required to be adopted simultaneously and are effective for fiscal 2010.

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The significant changes in the accounting for business combination transactions under Statement No. 141(R) include:

Recognition, with certain exceptions, of 100% of the fair values of assets acquired, liabilities assumed, and non-controlling interests of acquired businesses.

Measurement of all acquirer shares issued in consideration for a business combination at fair value on the acquisition date. With the effectiveness of Statement No. 141(R), the agreement and announcement date measurement principles in EITF Issue 99-12 will be nullified.

Recognition of contingent consideration arrangements at their acquisition-date fair values, with subsequent changes in fair value generally reflected in earnings.

With the one exception described in the last sentence of this section, recognition of pre-acquisition gain and loss contingencies at their acquisition-date fair values. Subsequent accounting for pre-acquisition loss contingencies is based on the greater of acquisition-date fair value or the amount calculated pursuant to FASB Statement No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies, (Statement No. 5). Subsequent accounting for pre-acquisition gain contingencies is based on the lesser of acquisition-date fair value or the best estimate of the future settlement amount. Adjustments after the acquisition date are made only upon the receipt of new information on the possible outcome of the contingency, and changes to the measurement of pre-acquisition contingencies are recognized in ongoing results of operations. Absent new information, no adjustments to the acquisition-date fair value are made until the contingency is resolved. Pre-acquisition contingencies that are both (1) non-contractual and (2) as of the acquisition date are not more likely than not of materializing are not recognized in acquisition accounting and, instead, are accounted for based on the guidance in Statement No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies.

Capitalization of in-process research and development (IPR&D) assets acquired at acquisition date fair value. After acquisition, apply the indefinite-lived impairment model (lower of basis or fair value) through the development period to capitalized IPR&D without amortization. Charge development costs incurred after acquisition to results of operations. Upon completion of a successful development project, assign an estimated useful life to the amount then capitalized, amortize over that life, and consider the asset a definite-lived asset for impairment accounting purposes.

Recognition of acquisition-related transaction costs as expense when incurred.

Recognition of acquisition-related restructuring cost accruals in acquisition accounting only if the criteria in Statement No. 146 are met as of the acquisition date.

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With the effectiveness of Statement No. 141(R), the EITF Issue 95-3 concepts of assessing, formulating, finalizing and committing/communicating that currently pertain to recognition in purchase accounting of an acquisition-related restructuring plan will be nullified.

Recognition of changes in the acquirer s income tax valuation allowance resulting from the business combination separately from the business combination as adjustments to income tax expense. Also, changes after the acquisition date in an acquired entity s valuation allowance or tax uncertainty established at the acquisition date are accounted for as adjustments to income tax expense.

The Company is currently evaluating the impact of Statement No. 141(R) and Statement No. 160 on the Company s financial statements.

In February 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities, (Statement No. 159). Statement No. 159 permits entities to choose to measure certain eligible financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value (the fair value option). Statement No. 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. Unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option is elected would be reported in earnings. Statement No. 159 is effective for the Company s fiscal year ending October 30, 2009. The Company is currently evaluating the impact, if any, of Statement No. 159 on the Company s financial statements.

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements, (Statement No. 157). Statement No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Statement No. 157 applies under other accounting pronouncements that require or permit fair value measurements. Statement No. 157 indicates, among other things, that a fair value measurement assumes the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability occurs in the principal market for the asset or liability or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Statement No. 157 is effective for the Company s year ending October 30, 2009. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of Statement No. 157 on the Company s financial statements.

6. The Company s comprehensive income is as follows:

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended February 1, January 20 2008 2007		nuary 26,	
Net Earnings Change in Fair Value of Derivative Financial Instruments,	\$	30,984	\$	12,801
Net of Tax (Expense) Benefit of \$981 and \$(578) Foreign Currency Translation Adjustment		(1,796) (23,528)		981 9,935
Comprehensive Income	\$	5,660	\$	23,717

7. On March 14, 2007, the Company acquired all of the outstanding capital stock of CMC Electronics Inc. (CMC), a leading aerospace/defense avionics company, for approximately \$344.5 million in cash, including acquisition costs and an adjustment based on the amount of cash and net working capital as of closing. The acquisition significantly expands the scale of the Company s existing Avionics & Controls business. CMC is included in the Avionics & Controls segment.

The following summarizes the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition. The allocation of the purchase price was based upon a preliminary valuation analysis. The Company has not finalized the allocation of the purchase price to tangible and intangible assets and acquired net operating losses, unused tax credits and tax basis of acquired assets and liabilities. The purchase price includes the value of future development of existing technologies, the introduction of new technologies, and the addition of new customers. A significant portion of the valuation of CMC was based upon the successful development and manufacture of the cockpit integration system for the T-6B military trainer for the U.S. military and international markets. Additionally, the valuation assumes the continued funding of research and development by the Canadian government through subsidies and research and development tax credits. The Company recorded goodwill of \$210.1 million. The amount allocated to goodwill is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

(In thousands) As of March 14, 2007	
Current assets	\$ 89,184
Property, plant and equipment	39,136
Intangible assets subject to amortization	
Programs (15 year weighted average useful life)	83,189
Trade names	22,370
Goodwill	210,098
Deferred income tax benefit	23,261
Total assets acquired	467,238
Current liabilities assumed	68,495
Deferred tax liabilities	35,747
Pension and other liabilities	18,481
Net assets acquired	\$ 344,515

8. The effective income tax rate for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 was 22.1% (before a \$6.9 million tax benefit) compared with 29.1% (before a \$2.1 million tax benefit) for the prior-year period. The \$6.9 million tax benefit in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 was the result of two events. The first event was the settlement of an examination of the U.S. federal income tax returns for fiscal years 2003 through 2005, which resulted in a \$2.8 million reduction of previously estimated income tax liabilities. The second event was the enactment of tax laws reducing the Canadian statutory corporate income tax rate, which resulted in a \$4.1 million net reduction of deferred income tax liabilities. The \$2.1 million tax benefit in the first fiscal quarter of 2007 was the result of the retroactive extension of the U.S. Research and Experimentation tax credit that was signed into law on December 21, 2006. The effective tax rate differed from the statutory rate in the first fiscal quarters of 2008 and 2007, as both years benefited from various tax credits and certain foreign interest expense deductions.

In June 2005, the FASB issued FIN 48, which clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes by establishing a minimum recognition threshold a tax position is required to meet before being recognized in the financial statements. FIN 48 prescribes a comprehensive model for how a company should recognize, derecognize, measure, present, and disclose in its financial statements uncertain tax positions that a company has taken or expects to take on a tax return. In addition, FIN 48 provides guidance on interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, and transition.

The Company adopted the provisions of FIN 48 effective October 27, 2007. Of the \$9.2 million cumulative effect of adopting FIN 48, \$0.7 million was recorded as a reduction to retained earnings and \$8.5 million was recorded as acquired goodwill. As of the adoption date, the Company had gross unrecognized tax benefits of \$27.4 million, of which \$25.7 million was recorded within other liabilities and \$1.7 million was recorded in deferred taxes in the consolidated balance sheet. Management estimates that \$4.1 million of the \$27.4 million would affect the effective income tax rate if recognized. During the first fiscal

quarter of 2008, a decrease of \$10.6 million of the unrecognized tax benefits resulted from the settlement of an examination of the U.S. federal income tax returns for fiscal years 2003 through 2005. Of the \$10.6 million decrease, \$1.5 million affected the first fiscal quarter income tax rate and \$9.1 million was recorded as a reduction of goodwill. The total amount of unrecognized tax benefits may decrease \$0.2 million based on the reasonably possible resolution of certain tax matters within the next 12 months.

The Company recognizes interest related to unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense. As of October 27, 2007, the total amount of interest recognized within other liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet was \$1.5 million. During the first fiscal quarter of 2008, as a result of settling the examination of U. S. federal income tax returns for fiscal years 2003 through 2005, there was a \$1.3 million reduction of the interest related to the unrecognized tax benefits.

The Company and/or one or more of its subsidiaries files income tax returns in the U. S. federal jurisdiction and various states and foreign jurisdictions. The Company and/or one or more of its subsidiaries is no longer subject to income tax examinations by tax authorities in its major tax jurisdictions as follows:

Years No Longer
Subject to Audit
2005 and prior
2003 and prior
2004 and prior
2003 and prior
2003 and prior

9. As of February 1, 2008, the Company had two share-based compensation plans—an employee stock purchase plan and an equity incentive plan. The compensation cost that has been charged against income for those plans for the first fiscal quarters of 2008 and 2007 was \$1.9 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. During the first fiscal quarters of 2008 and 2007, the Company issued 41,607 and 89,825 shares, respectively, under its employee stock plans.

The fair value of the awards under the employee stock purchase plan was estimated using a Black-Scholes pricing model which uses the assumptions noted in the following table.

	Three Mont	Three Months Ended			
	February 1, 2008	January 26, 2007			
Risk-free interest rate (U.S. Treasury zero coupon issues) Expected dividend yield	3.32 5.15%	5.15%			
Expected volatility Expected life (months)	21.4 34.8% 6	39.9% 6			

Under the equity incentive plan, option exercise prices are equal to the fair market value of the Company s common stock on the date of grant. The Company granted 329,300 options and 331,500 options in the three-month periods ended February 1, 2008 and January 26, 2007, respectively. The weighted-average grant date fair value of options granted during the three-month periods ended February 1, 2008, and January 26, 2007, was \$26.32 per share and \$21.21 per share, respectively.

The fair value of each option granted by the Company was estimated using a Black-Scholes pricing model which uses the assumptions noted in the following table.

	Three Mont February 1, 2008	hs Ended January 26, 2007
Risk-free interest rate (U.S. Treasury zero coupon issues) Expected dividend yield	3.65 4.53%	4.32 4.76%
Expected volatility Expected life (years)	36.2 42.9% 4.5 9.5	43.7 44.3% 4.5 9.5

10. The Company s pension plans principally include a U.S. pension plan maintained by Esterline, non-U.S. plans maintained by CMC, and U.S. and non-U.S. plans maintained by Leach Holding Corporation. Components of periodic pension cost consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended								
	Fe	bruary 1,	Ja	anuary 26,					
			2007						
Components of Net Periodic Pension Cost									
Service cost	\$	1,801	\$	979					
Interest cost		4,389		2,666					
Expected return on plan assets		(5,671)		(3,531)					
Amortization of prior service cost		5		4					
Amortization of actuarial loss		50		47					
Net Periodic Cost	\$	574	\$	165					

The Company s principal post-retirement plans include non-U.S. plans maintained by CMC, which are non-contributory healthcare and life insurance plans. The components of expense of these other retirement benefits consisted of the following:

(In thousands)	 ree Months Ended ebruary 1, 2008
Components of Net Periodic Pension Cost	
Service cost	\$ 99
Interest cost	166
Amortization of actuarial loss	4
Net Periodic Cost	\$ 269

### 11. Segment information:

Business segment information for continuing operations includes the segments of Avionics & Controls, Sensors & Systems and Advanced Materials.

(In thousands)	Three Months Ended								
	F	ebruary 1,	Ja	January 26, 2007					
	2008								
Sales									
Avionics & Controls	\$	138,526	\$	73,858					
Sensors & Systems	Ψ	113,027	Ψ	87,838					
Advanced Materials		120,876		95,548					
Total Sales	\$	372,429	\$	257,244					
Income from Continuing Operations									
Avionics & Controls	\$	14,743	\$	11,565					
Sensors & Systems		14,637		5,776					
Advanced Materials		15,649		10,935					
Segment Earnings		45,029		28,276					
Corporate expense		(9,314)		(7,986)					
Other income				10					
Interest income		1,385		504					
Interest expense		(7,906)		(5,524)					
Gain on derivative financial instrument		1,850							

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\$ 31,044 \$ 15,280

- 12. The Company paid down £31.0 million of the £57.0 GBP million term loan during the quarter and terminated the interest rate swap on the U.K pound denominated note for a gain of \$1.9 million.
- 13. The following schedules set forth condensed consolidating financial information as required by Rule 3-10 of Securities and Exchange Commission Regulation S-X as of February 1, 2008, and October 26, 2007, and for the applicable periods ended February 1, 2008, and January 26, 2007, for (a) Esterline Technologies Corporation (the Parent); (b) on a combined basis, the subsidiary guarantors (Guarantor Subsidiaries) of the Senior Subordinated Notes due 2013 (Senior Subordinated Notes) and Senior Notes due 2017 (Senior Notes) which include Advanced Input Devices, Inc., Amtech Automated Manufacturing Technology, Angus Electronics Co., Armtec Countermeasures Co., Armtec Countermeasures TNO Co., Armtec Defense Products Co., AVISTA, Incorporated, BVR Technologies Co., CMC DataComm Inc., CMC Electronics Acton Inc., CMC Electronics Aurora Inc., EA Technologies Corporation, Equipment Sales Co., Esterline Canadian Holding Co., Esterline International Company (China), Esterline Sensors Services Americas, Inc., Esterline Technologies Holdings Limited, Esterline Technologies Ltd. (England), H.A. Sales Co., Hauser Inc., Hytek Finishes Co., Janco Corporation, Kirkhill-TA Co., Korry Electronics Co., Leach Holding Corporation, Leach International Corporation, Leach International Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V. (Mexico), Leach Technology Group, Inc., Mason Electric Co., MC Tech Co., Memtron Technologies Co., Norwich Aero Products, Inc., Palomar Products, Inc., Pressure Systems, Inc., Pressure Systems International, Inc., Surftech Finishes Co., UMM Electronics Inc., and (c) on a combined basis, the subsidiary non-guarantors (Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries), which include Advanced Input Devices Ltd. (U.K.), Auxitrol S.A., BAE Systems Canada/Air TV LLC, Beacon Electronics Inc., CMC Electronics Inc., Darchem Engineering Limited, Darchem Holdings Ltd., Darchem Insulation Systems Limited, Esterline Acquisition Ltd. (U.K.), Esterline Canadian Acquisition Company, Esterline Canadian Limited Partnership, Esterline Foreign Sales Corporation (U.S. Virgin Islands), Esterline Input Devices Asia Ltd. (Barbados), Esterline Input Devices Ltd. (Shanghai), Esterline Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V. (Mexico), Esterline Sensors Services Asia PTE, Ltd. (Singapore), Esterline Technologies Denmark ApS (Denmark), Guizhou Leach-Tianyi Aviation Electrical Company Ltd. (China), Leach International Asia-Pacific Ltd. (Hong Kong), Leach International Europe S.A. (France), Leach International Germany GmbH (Germany), Leach International U.K. (England), Leach Italia Srl. (Italy), LRE Medical GmbH (Germany), Wallop Industries Limited (U.K.), Muirhead Aerospace Ltd., Norcroft Dynamics Ltd., Pressure Systems International Ltd., TA Mfg. Limited (U.K.), Wallop Defence Systems Limited, Weston Aero Ltd. (England), and Weston Aerospace Ltd. (England). The Guarantor Subsidiaries are direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of Esterline Technologies Corporation and have fully and unconditionally, jointly and severally, guaranteed the Senior Notes and Senior Subordinated Notes. The net assets, net loss and cash flows of CMC DataComm Inc., CMC Electronics Acton Inc. and CMC Electronics Aurora Inc. are included with Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries until the allocation of the purchase price related to the CMC acquisition is complete. The net assets and net loss for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 for CMC DataComm Inc., CMC Electronics Acton Inc. and CMC Electronics Aurora Inc. were \$17.5 million and \$0.2 million, respectively.

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet as of February 1, 2008

	Parent		Guarantor Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Eliminations		Total
Assets									
<b>Current Assets</b>									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	39,045	\$	1,011	\$	66,453	\$	\$	106,509
Accounts receivable, net		117		109,251		122,857			232,225
Inventories				121,547		152,913			274,460
Income tax refundable						11,795			11,795
Deferred income tax benefits		23,269		(1)		7,903			31,171
Prepaid expenses		26		5,150		10,482			15,658
Other current assets						298			298
Total Current Assets		62,457		236,958		372,701			672,116
Property, Plant & Equipment, Net		2,378		103,549		109,110			215,037
Goodwill				202,109		453,778			655,887
Intangibles, Net				68,138		283,397			351,535
Debt Issuance Costs, Net		8,782							8,782
Deferred Income Tax Benefits		13,324		(1,081)		31,333			43,576
Other Assets		3,027		15,269		8,089			26,385
Amounts Due (To) From Subsidiaries		212,608					(212,608)		
Investment in Subsidiaries	1	,290,402		205,720		24,047	(1,520,169)		
Total Assets	\$ 1	,592,978	\$	830,662	\$	1,282,455	\$ (1,732,777)	\$ 1	1,973,318

		Non-									
		G	uarantor	Guarantor							
	Parent	Sul	bsidiaries	Subsidiaries	Eliminations		Total				
Liabilities and Shareholders Equity											
<b>Current Liabilities</b>											
Accounts payable	\$ 1,050	\$	23,293	\$ 63,698	\$	\$	88,041				
Accrued liabilities	15,161		50,715	89,452			155,328				
Credit facilities				5,911			5,911				
Current maturities of											
long-term debt	4,875		1,125	688			6,688				
Federal and foreign											
income taxes	828		(5,269)	15,073			10,632				
Total Current Liabilities	21,914		69,864	174,822			266,600				
Long-Term Debt, Net	393,980		913	1,730			396,623				
Deferred Income Taxes	32,492			92,987			125,479				
Other Liabilities	14,221		7,263	29,771			51,255				
Amounts Due To (From) Subsidiaries			38,528	105,340	(143,868)						
Minority Interest				2,990			2,990				
Shareholders Equity	1,130,371		714,094	874,815	(1,588,909)		1,130,371				
Total Liabilities and Shareholders Equity	\$ 1,592,978	\$	830,662	\$ 1,282,455	\$ (1,732,777)	\$	1,973,318				

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the three month period ended February 1, 2008.

	]	Parent	Non- Guarantor Guarantor Subsidiaries Subsidiaries				Eli	minations	Total
Net Sales	\$		\$	197,543	\$	181,539	\$	(6,653)	\$ 372,429
Cost of Sales				135,844		123,196		(6,653)	252,387
				61,699		58,343			120,042
Expenses									
Selling, general and administrative				29,074		32,528			61,602
Research, development				_,,,,,		,			,
and engineering				6,667		16,058			22,725
Total Expenses				35,741		48,586			84,327
Other									
Other income									
Total Other									
Operating Earnings				25,958		9,757			35,715
Interest income		(5,897)		(963)		(11,148)		16,623	(1,385)
Interest expense Gain on derivative		7,570		5,771		11,188		(16,623)	7,906
financial instrument		(1,850)							(1,850)
Other Expense, Net		(177)		4,808		40			4,671
Income (Loss) Before Taxes		177		21,150		9,717			31,044
Income Tax Expense (Benefit)		40		1,850		(1,852)			38
Income (Loss) Before		40=		10.200		44 760			24.006
Minority Interest		137		19,300		11,569			31,006
Minority Interest						(22)			(22)
Income (Loss)		137		19,300		11,547			30,984
Equity in Net Income of Consolidated Subsidiaries		30,847		6,007		(727)		(36,127)	
Net Income (Loss)	\$	30,984	\$	25,307	\$	10,820	\$	(36,127)	\$ 30,984

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the three month period ended February 1, 2008.

	Parent		Guarantor Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Eliminations			Total
Cash Flows Provided (Used)										
by Operating Activities										
Net earnings (loss)	\$	30,984	\$	25,307	\$	10,820	\$	(36,127)	\$	30,984
Minority interest						22				22
Depreciation & amortization				6,506		9,553				16,059
Deferred income taxes		2,764		1,084		(8,363)				(4,515)
Share-based compensation				1,091		825				1,916
Working capital changes, net of										
effect of acquisitions										
Accounts receivable		66		14,259		13,522				27,847
Inventories				(3,841)		(13,856)				(17,697)
Prepaid expenses				(799)		(1,663)				(2,462)
Other current assets						(304)				(304)
Accounts payable		(748)		(2,940)		2,047				(1,641)
Accrued liabilities		(4,669)		(5,287)		(722)				(10,678)
Federal & foreign income taxes		(328)		(197)		(3,526)				(4,051)
Other liabilities		(1,770)		(1,471)		2,846				(395)
Other, net		432		(545)		564				451
		26,731		33,167		11,765		(36,127)		35,536
Cash Flows Provided (Used)										
by Investing Activities										
Purchases of capital assets		(484)		(4,221)		(4,879)				(9,584)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets				249		113				362
		(484)		(3,972)		(4,766)				(9,222)

		Parent		uarantor bsidiaries	Gı	Non- uarantor osidiaries	Elimination	ıs	Total
Cash Flows Provided (Used)									
by Financing Activities									
Proceeds provided by stock									
issuance under employee									
stock plans		1,707							1,707
Excess tax benefits from									
stock options exercised		1							1
Net change in credit facilities						(2,646)			(2,646)
Repayment of long-term debt		(64,414)		(281)		390			(64,305)
Net change in intercompany									
financing		(13,767)		(28,711)		6,351	36,127	1	
		(76,473)		(28,992)		4,095	36,127	1	(65,243)
Effect of foreign exchange									
rates on cash		(4)		(71)		(1,556)			(1,631)
N									
Net increase (decrease) in cash		(50.220)		122		0.520			(40.560)
and cash equivalents		(50,230)		132		9,538			(40,560)
Cash and cash equivalents		00.275		070		56.015			1.47.060
beginning of year		89,275		879		56,915			147,069
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Cash and cash equivalents	¢	20.045	¢	1.011	¢	66 152	¢	¢	106 500
end of year	\$	39,045	\$	1,011	\$	66,453	\$	\$	106,509

Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet as of October 26, 2007

In Thousands

	Parent		uarantor bsidiaries	Non- Guarantor ubsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Assets						
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 89,275	\$	879	\$ 56,915	\$	\$ 147,069
Accounts receivable, net	183		123,510	138,394		262,087
Inventories			117,706	140,470		258,176
Income tax refundable				11,580		11,580
Deferred income tax benefits	29,884		2	7,944		37,830
Prepaid expenses	26		4,351	8,879		13,256
Total Current Assets	119,368		246,448	364,182		729,998
Property, Plant & Equipment, Net	2,018		104,110	111,293		217,421
Goodwill			201,405	455,460		656,865
Intangibles, Net			69,653	295,664		365,317
Debt Issuance Costs, Net	9,192					9,192
Deferred Income Tax Benefits	13,370			30,300		43,670
Other Assets	3,255		15,352	9,236		27,843
Amounts Due To (From) Subsidiaries	243,815				(243,815)	
Investment in Subsidiaries	1,269,230		199,713	24,774	(1,493,717)	
Total Assets	\$ 1,660,248	\$	836,681	\$ 1,290,909	\$ (1,737,532)	\$ 2,050,306

In Thousands

Liabilities and Shareholders Equity	]	Parent		uarantor bsidiaries	Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Total
Current Liabilities							
Accounts payable	\$	1,798	\$	26,233	\$ 62,226	5 \$	\$ 90,257
Accrued liabilities		28,692		56,002	102,902	2	187,596
Credit facilities					8,634		8,634
Current maturities of long-term debt		10,239		1,152	775	i	12,166
Federal and foreign income taxes		4,564		(5,072)	11,755	;	11,247
Total Current Liabilities		45,293		78,315	186,292	2	309,900
Long-Term Debt, Net		452,645		1,167	1,190	)	455,002
Deferred Income Taxes		33,567			90,191		123,758
Other Liabilities		6,917		8,734	21,201		36,852
Amounts Due To (From) Subsidiaries				58,935	99,759	(158,694)	
Minority Interest					2,968	}	2,968
Shareholders Equity	1	,121,826		689,530	889,308	(1,578,838)	1,121,826
Total Liabilities and							
Shareholders Equity	\$ 1	,660,248	\$	836,681	\$ 1,290,909	\$ (1,737,532)	\$ 2,050,306

Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations for the three month period ended January 26, 2007.

	Parent			Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Eliminations		Total
Net Sales Cost of Sales	\$	\$	162,089 113,235		8,687 2,972	\$	(3,532) (3,532)	\$ 257,244 182,675
Expenses			48,854	2	5,715			74,569
Selling, general and administrative Research, development			24,469	1	7,906			42,375
and engineering			5,579		7,972			13,551
Total Expenses			30,048	2	5,878			55,926
Other Other income Insurance recovery				(	(10) (1,647)			(10) (1,647)
Total Other				(	1,657)			(1,657)
Operating Earnings			18,806		1,494			20,300
Interest income Interest expense	(5,153) 5,316		(1,177) 3,648		(463) 2,849		6,289 (6,289)	(504) 5,524
Other Expense, Net	163		2,471		2,386			5,020
Income (Loss) Before Taxes Income Tax Expense (Benefit)	(163) (47)		16,335 2,939		(892) (507)			15,280 2,385
Income (Loss) Before Minority Interest	(116)		13,396		(385)			12,895
Minority Interest					(94)			(94)
Income (Loss)	(116)		13,396		(479)			12,801
Equity in Net Income of Consolidated Subsidiaries	12,917		451				(13,368)	

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Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows for the three month period ended January 26, 2007.

(In thousands)

Cash Flows Provided (Used)	Parent		Guarantor Subsidiaries		Non- Guarantor Subsidiaries		Eliminations		Total	
by Operating Activities										
Net earnings (loss)	\$	12,801	\$	13,847	\$	(479)	\$	(13,368)	\$	12,801
Minority interest						94				94
Depreciation & amortization				5,997		5,355				11,352
Deferred income taxes		71				(554)				(483)
Share-based compensation				931		664				1,595
Working capital changes, net of effect of acquisitions										
Accounts receivable		(20)		7,063		12,386				19,429
Inventories				(212)		(2,844)				(3,056)
Prepaid expenses		55		(182)		(2,323)				(2,450)
Accounts payable		(88)		(1,460)		(5,078)				(6,626)
Accrued liabilities		(3,980)		(10,998)		(4,799)				(19,777)
Federal & foreign income taxes		(1,879)		2,072		(1,692)				(1,499)
Other liabilities		248		482		1				731
Other, net		(837)		(295)		(1,220)				(2,352)
		6,371		17,245		(489)		(13,368)		9,759
Cash Flows Provided (Used) by Investing Activities										
Purchases of capital assets		(85)		(4,480)		(2,819)				(7,384)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets		(03)		224		301				525
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		(85)		(4,256)		(2,518)				(6,859)
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	]	Parent		luarantor Ibsidiaries	Gı	Non- uarantor osidiaries	Elimina	tions		Total
Cash Flows Provided (Used)										
by Financing Activities										
Proceeds provided by stock										
issuance under employee										
stock plans		2,318								2,318
Excess tax benefits from										
stock options exercised		302								302
Net change in credit facilities						(107)				(107)
Repayment of long-term debt		1				(312)				(311)
Dividends paid to minority interest						(354)				(354)
Net change in intercompany		(4.060)		(1.4.070)		4.070	17	2.260		
financing		(4,262)		(14,078)		4,972	1.	3,368		
		(1,641)		(14,078)		4,199	13	3,368		1,848
Effect of foreign exchange										
rates on cash				(2)		880				878
				(-)						
N										
Net increase (decrease) in cash		1.615		(1.001)		2.072				5.606
and cash equivalents		4,645		(1,091)		2,072				5,626
Cash and cash equivalents		14,343		2,672		25,623				42,638
beginning of year		14,343		2,072		23,023				42,036
Cash and cash equivalents										
end of year	\$	18,988	\$	1,581	\$	27,695	\$		\$	48,264
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### Item 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

#### **Overview**

We operate our businesses in three segments: Avionics & Controls, Sensors & Systems and Advanced Materials. The Avionics & Controls segment designs and manufactures integrated cockpit systems, technology interface systems for military and commercial aircraft and land- and sea-based military vehicles, secure communications systems, specialized medical equipment, and other industrial applications. The Sensors & Systems segment produces high-precision temperature and pressure sensors, electrical power switching, control and data communication devices, micro-motors, motion control sensors, and other related systems, principally for aerospace and defense customers. The Advanced Materials segment develops and manufactures thermally engineered components and high-performance elastomer products used in a wide range of commercial aerospace and military applications, combustible ordnance components and electronic warfare countermeasure devices for military customers. Sales in all segments include domestic, international, defense and commercial customers.

Our current business and strategic plan focuses on the continued development of our products principally for aerospace and defense markets. We are concentrating our efforts to expand our capabilities in these markets and anticipate the global needs of our customers and respond to such needs with comprehensive solutions. These efforts focus on continuous research and new product development, acquisitions and establishing strategic realignments of operations to expand our capabilities as a more comprehensive supplier to our customers across our entire product offering. On March 14, 2007, we acquired CMC Electronics Inc (CMC), a manufacturer of high technology avionics including global positioning systems, head-up displays, enhanced vision systems and electronic flight management systems. The acquisition significantly expands the scale of our existing Avionics & Controls business. CMC is included in the Avionics & Controls segment and the results of its operations were included from the effective date of the acquisition.

Net income was \$31.0 million or \$1.04 per diluted share, compared with \$12.8 million, or \$.49 per diluted share in the prior-year period, principally reflecting strong results across all segments and a \$4.1 million reduction in deferred income tax liabilities resulting from the enactment of lower income tax rates in Canada and a \$2.8 million reduction in previously recorded tax liabilities upon a settlement of an examination of the Company s U.S. federal income tax returns. The first fiscal quarter of 2008 contained 14 weeks, while the first fiscal quarter of 2007 contained 13 weeks.

### **Results of Operations**

Three Month Period Ended February 1, 2008 Compared with Three Month Period Ended January 26, 2007

Sales for the first fiscal quarter increased 44.8% when compared with the prior-year period. Sales by segment were as follows:

(In thousands)

	Incr./(Decr.)	Three Months Ended					
	from prior year period	February 1, 2008	January 26, 2007				
Avionics & Controls	87.6%	\$ 138,526	\$ 73,858				
Sensors & Systems	28.7%	113,027	87,838				
Advanced Materials	26.5%	120,876	95,548				
Total Net Sales		\$ 372,429	\$ 257,244				

The 87.6% increase in sales of Avionics & Controls was principally due to incremental sales from the CMC acquisition and increased sales volumes of cockpit controls and medical equipment devices from new OEM programs.

The 28.7% increase in sales of Sensors & Systems mainly reflected increased temperature and pressure sensors after-market sales and sales of power distribution devices from new OEM programs and a retrofit program, as well as the effect of exchange rates. Sales in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 reflected a stronger U.K. pound and euro relative to the U.S. dollar, as the average exchange rate from the U.K. pound and euro to the U.S. dollar increased from 1.94 and 1.30, respectively, in the first fiscal quarter of 2007 to 2.02 and 1.46, respectively, in the first fiscal quarter of 2008.

The 26.5% increase in sales of Advanced Materials principally reflected higher sales of countermeasure devices from our U.K. operation, combustible ordnance and thermally engineered components. Additionally, sales at our elastomer operations increased over the prior-year period, reflecting increased demand from commercial aviation customers.

Overall, gross margin as a percentage of sales was 32.2%, as compared to 29.0% in same period a year ago. Avionics & Controls segment gross margin was 34.9% and 35.3% for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively. The addition of CMC reduced the overall gross margin because CMC s inherent gross margins are lower than other operating units included in the segment. This effect was partially offset by strong after-market sales and pricing strength on certain cockpit control devices.

Sensors & Systems segment gross margin was 36.5% and 29.9% for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively. The increase in gross margin was due to improved recovery of fixed costs as a result of higher sales volumes, strong after-market sales and pricing strength at our U.S. and non-U.S. manufacturers of power distribution devices. In addition, comparing the first fiscal quarter of 2008 to 2007, fiscal 2007 was impacted by a contract overrun at a small unit

which manufactures precision gears and data concentrators. Gross margins were also impacted by the effect of a weaker U.S. dollar compared with the U.K. pound and euro on U.S. dollar-denominated sales and U.K. pound and euro-denominated cost of sales.

Advanced Materials segment gross margin was 25.2% compared to 23.3% for the same period one year ago. The increase in Advanced Materials gross margin reflected strong after-market sales and an improved recovery of fixed costs as a result of higher sales volumes at our thermally engineered component operations in the U.K. Strong gross margins at our combustible ordnance and U.K. flare operations were partially offset by lower gross margins at our U.S. flare countermeasure operations, principally reflecting an increased sales volume of lower margin flares. In addition, gross margin in the first fiscal quarter of 2007 reflected the sale of flares at a premium price due to a supplemental award in excess of the quantity originally required.

Selling, general and administrative expenses (which include corporate expenses) totaled \$61.6 million and \$42.4 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively, or 16.5% of sales for both periods. The increase in selling, general and administrative expenses was due principally to incremental selling, general and administrative expenses from the CMC acquisition. The increase in corporate expenses mainly reflects increased incentive compensation expense and increased professional fees.

Research, development and engineering spending was \$22.7 million, or 6.1% of sales, for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 compared with \$13.6 million, or 5.3% of sales, for the first fiscal quarter of 2007. The increase in research, development and engineering principally reflected incremental spending from the CMC acquisition, which includes the development of the cockpit integration system for the T-6B military trainer. Fiscal 2008 research, development and engineering spending is expected to be about 5.5% of sales.

Segment earnings (operating earnings excluding corporate expenses and other income or expense) for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 totaled \$45.0 million compared with \$28.3 million for the first fiscal quarter in 2007. Avionics & Controls segment earnings were \$14.7 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and \$11.6 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2007, principally reflecting strong earnings from our cockpit control operations. CMC results were essentially break even, mainly reflecting the effect of a weaker U.S. dollar compared with the Canadian dollar on U.S. dollar-denominated sales and Canadian-denominated cost of sales. Since the acquisition of CMC, the U.S. dollar relative to the Canadian dollar has declined 18.3%. Approximately \$40.6 million of CMC s sales of \$51.6 million were denominated in U.S. dollars. In addition, CMC s earnings were impacted by higher research and development expenses related to the development of the cockpit integration system for T-6B military trainer.

Sensors & Systems segment earnings were \$14.6 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 compared with \$5.8 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2007. The increase in Sensors & Systems earnings reflected strong results across all operations from increased sales from new OEM programs, as well as strong after-market sales. Comparing the first fiscal quarter of 2008 to the first fiscal quarter of 2007, fiscal 2007 results included a charge for the contract overrun described above.

Advanced Materials segment earnings were \$15.6 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 compared with \$10.9 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2007, principally reflecting strong earnings from our thermally engineered components, elastomers, combustible ordnance and U.K. countermeasure flare operations. These increases were partially offset by lower earnings from our U.S. countermeasure operations. Comparing the first fiscal quarter of 2008 to the first fiscal quarter of 2007, fiscal 2007 Advanced Materials segment earnings included \$1.6 million in business interruption insurance recoveries related to an explosion which occurred at our Wallop advanced flare facility on June 27, 2006. Although the advanced flare facility has been closed due to the requirements of the Health Safety Executive (HSE) to review the cause of the accident, normal operations are continuing at unaffected portions of the facility. The HSE investigation will not be completed until the Coroner s Inquest is filed, possibly in 2008. Although it is not possible to determine the results of the HSE investigation or how the Coroner will rule, management does not expect to be found in breach of the Health & Safety Act related to the accident and, accordingly, no amounts have been recorded for any potential fines that may be assessed by the HSE. The HSE will also review and approve the plans and construction of the new flare facility. We expect construction to be completed and in full production following customary start-up and commissioning activities during fiscal 2009.

Interest expense for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 was \$7.9 million compared with \$5.5 million for the first fiscal quarter of 2007, reflecting the incremental borrowing associated with the acquisition of CMC.

During the first fiscal quarter of 2008, we repaid £31.0 million under our GBP term loan and terminated our interest rate swap, which resulted in a \$1.9 million gain.

The effective income tax rate for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 was 22.1% (before a \$6.9 million tax benefit) compared with 29.1% (before a \$2.1 million tax benefit) for the prior-year period. The \$6.9 million tax benefit in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 was the result of two events. The first event was the settlement of an examination of the U.S. federal income tax returns for fiscal years 2003 through 2005, which resulted in a \$2.8 million reduction of previously estimated income tax liabilities. The second event was the enactment of tax laws reducing the Canadian statutory corporate income tax rate, which resulted in a \$4.1 million net reduction of deferred income tax liabilities. The \$2.1 million tax benefit in the first fiscal quarter of 2007 was the result of the retroactive extension of the U.S. Research and Experimentation tax credit that was signed into law on December 21, 2006. The effective tax rate differed from the statutory rate in the first fiscal quarters of 2008 and 2007, as both years benefited from various tax credits and certain foreign interest expense deductions.

New orders for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 were \$364.0 million compared with \$260.2 million for the same period in 2007. Backlog was \$976.6 million compared with \$656.5 million at the end of the prior-year period and \$985.1 million at the end of fiscal 2007.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Cash and cash equivalents at February 1, 2008, totaled \$106.5 million, a decrease of \$40.6 million from October 26, 2007. Net working capital decreased to \$405.5 million at February 1, 2008 from \$420.1 million at October 26, 2007. Sources and uses of cash flows from operating activities principally consist of cash received from the sale of products and cash payments for material, labor and operating expenses. Cash flows provided by operating activities were \$35.5 million and \$9.8 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively. The increase principally reflected higher net earnings, increased cash received from the sale of our products, partially offset by increased payments for inventories, income taxes, and incentive compensation which are paid annually.

Cash flows used by investing activities were \$9.2 million and \$6.9 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2008 and 2007, respectively, primarily reflecting increased purchases of capital assets.

Cash flows used by financing activities were \$65.2 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2008, principally reflecting a £31.0 million principal payment on our GBP term loan. Cash flows provided by financing activities were \$1.8 million in the first fiscal quarter of 2007.

Capital expenditures, consisting of machinery, equipment and computers, are anticipated to be approximately \$42.5 million during fiscal 2008, compared with \$30.5 million expended in fiscal 2007. Capital expenditures for the first fiscal quarter of 2008 totaled \$9.6 million, primarily for machinery and equipment and enhancements to information systems.

Total debt at February 1, 2008, including the fair value of the interest rate swap, was \$409.2 million and consisted of \$175.0 million of Senior Notes due in 2017, \$177.5 million of Senior Subordinated Notes due in 2013, \$46.3 million under our GBP term loan, and \$10.4 million of various foreign currency debt agreements and other debt agreements, including capital lease obligations.

On March 14, 2007, we acquired CMC Electronics Holdings Inc. (CMC) for approximately \$344.5 million in cash, including acquisition costs. The acquisition was financed in part with the proceeds of the \$175 million Senior Notes due March 1, 2017. In addition, on March 13, 2007, the Company amended its credit agreement to increase the existing revolving credit facility to \$200.0 million and to provide an additional \$100.0 million U.S. term loan facility. On March 13, 2007, the Company borrowed \$60.0 million under the revolving credit facility and \$100.0 million under the U.S. term loan facility to pay a portion of the purchase price of the acquisition of CMC; the Company repaid \$60.0 million through October 26, 2007.

On October 12, 2007, we completed an underwritten public offering of 3.45 million shares of common stock, generating net proceeds of \$187.1 million. Proceeds from the offering were used to pay off our \$100.0 million U.S. term loan facility and pay down our revolving credit facility.

We believe cash on hand and funds generated from operations are adequate to service operating cash requirements and capital expenditures through fiscal 2008. In addition, we believe that we have adequate access to capital markets to fund future acquisitions.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. These statements relate to future events or our future financial performance. In some cases you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as expect, intend, believe, continue, could, estimate, may, might, negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements are only predictions and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, including the risk factors set forth in Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 26, 2007, that may cause our or the industry s actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, performance or achievements. Given these risks and uncertainties, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference into this report are made only as of the date hereof. We do not undertake and specifically decline any obligation to update any such statements or to publicly announce the results of any revisions to any such statements to reflect future events or developments.

### **Item 4.** Controls and Procedures

Our principal executive and financial officers evaluated our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of February 1, 2008. Based upon that evaluation, they concluded as of February 1, 2008 that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information we are required to disclose in the reports that we file under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms. In addition, our principal executive and financial officers concluded as of February 1, 2008, that our disclosure controls and procedures are also effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including to our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

During the time period covered by this report, there were no significant changes in our internal control over financial reporting that materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

## Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time we are involved in legal proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. We believe that adequate reserves for these liabilities have been made and that there is no litigation pending that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

### **Item 6. Exhibits**

10.1 Esterline Technologies Corporation Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Incentive Plan. 10.2 Esterline Technologies Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan. 11 Schedule setting forth computation of basic and diluted earnings per common share for the three month periods ended February 1, 2008, and January 26, 2007. Certification of Chief Executive Officer. 31.1 Certification of Chief Financial Officer. 31.2 32.1 Certification (of Robert W. Cremin) pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. 32.2 Certification (of Robert D. George) pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

## **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 hereunto duly authorized.

ESTERLINE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION (Registrant)

Dated: March 6, 2008 By: /s/ Robert D. George

Robert D. George Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,

Secretary and Treasurer

(Principal Financial Officer)

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