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**UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

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

For the quarterly period ended December 27, 2014

Commission file number 0-4063

G&K SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**MINNESOTA** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 5995 OPUS PARKWAY

41-0449530 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA 55343

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (952) 912-5500

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 b 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 b 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. (Check one):

Large accelerated filerb 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 b

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable

Common Stock, par value \$0.50 per share, outstanding January 22, 2015 was 19,935,852 shares

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

G&K Services, Inc. and Subsidiaries

	December 27, 2014	June 28, 2014
(In thousands)	(Unaudited)	2014
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$13,034	\$37,118
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$4,043 and \$3,697	101,655	100,193
Inventory	40,599	38,423
Merchandise in service	131,676	124,111
Other current assets	24,393	27,250
Total current assets	311,357	327,095
Property, plant and equipment, less accumulated depreciation of \$375,522 and \$368,67	2206,898	201,382
Goodwill	328,411	333,214
Other assets	61,490	61,828
Total assets	\$908,156	\$923,519
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$52,460	\$44,600
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	70,971	72,640
Deferred income taxes	26,048	26,306
Current maturities of long-term debt	560	792
Total current liabilities	150,039	144,338
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	240,083	266,230
Deferred income taxes	19,425	17,214
Other noncurrent liabilities	113,392	121,693
Total liabilities	522,939	549,475
Stockholders' Equity		
Common stock, \$0.50 par value	9,954	9,956
Additional paid-in capital	68,329	62,864
Retained earnings	311,090	297,237
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(4,156)	3,987
Total stockholders' equity	385,217	374,044
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$908,156	\$923,519
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financia	d Statements.	

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### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

G&K Services, Inc. and Subsidiaries

(Unaudited)

` '	For the Three Months Ended				
			December 27,		28,
(In thousands, except per share data)	2014	2013	2014	2013	
Rental and direct sale revenue	\$237,309	\$225,919	\$467,551	\$446,142	
Operating Expenses					
Cost of rental and direct sale revenue	156,993	148,320	308,445	292,825	
Pension withdrawal and associated expenses	_	_	_	1,687	
Selling and administrative	51,692	49,903	103,632	100,365	
Total operating expenses	208,685	198,223	412,077	394,877	
Income from Continuing Operations	28,624	27,696	55,474	51,265	
Interest expense	1,923	1,566	3,718	3,147	
Income from Continuing Operations before Income Taxes	26,701	26,130	51,756	48,118	
Provision for income taxes	9,748	9,787	18,435	18,165	
Net Income from Continuing Operations	16,953	16,343	33,321	29,953	
Net loss from discontinued operations		(8,423)		(8,212	)
Net Income	\$16,953	\$7,920	\$33,321	\$21,741	,
Basic Earnings (Loss) per Common Share:					
From continuing operations	\$0.85	\$0.82	\$1.67	\$1.52	
From discontinued operations	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.43)	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.42	)
Basic earnings per share	\$0.85	\$0.39	\$1.67	\$1.09	ĺ
Diluted Earnings (Loss) per Common Share:					
From continuing operations	\$0.83	\$0.81	\$1.64	\$1.49	
From discontinued operations	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.42)	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.41	)
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.83	\$0.39	\$1.64	\$1.07	ĺ
Weighted average number of shares outstanding, basic	19,654	19,547	19,641	19,488	
Weighted average number of shares outstanding, diluted	20,039	19,940	20,019	19,888	
Dividends Declared per Share	\$0.31	\$0.27	\$0.62	\$0.54	
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Co	ndensed Conso	lidated Financia	d Statements.		

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### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

G&K Services, Inc. and Subsidiaries

(Unaudited)

	For the Th	ree	Months End	ed	For the Si	x I	Months End	led
	December	27,	December 2	28,	December	r 2	7December	28,
(In thousands)	2014		2013		2014		2013	
Net income	\$16,953		\$ 7,920		\$33,321		\$ 21,741	
Other comprehensive income (loss):								
Foreign currency translation adjustments	(5,678	)	(4,989	)	(12,048	)	(2,179	)
Amortization of actuarial loss on pension benefit obligations	608		453		1,217		906	
Derivative financial instruments loss recognized	(12	)	(72	)	(21	)	(246	)
Derivative financial instruments loss reclassified	135		134		273		260	
Other comprehensive loss before income taxes	(4,947	)	(4,474	)	(10,579	)	(1,259	)
Income tax expense (benefit)	(1,731	)	(88)	)	(2,436	)	188	
Other comprehensive loss, net of taxes	(3,216	)	(4,386	)	(8,143	)	(1,447	)
Total comprehensive income	\$13,737		\$ 3,534		\$25,178		\$ 20,294	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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# CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY G&K Services, Inc. and Subsidiaries (Unaudited)

(									
(In thousands, except per share data)	Shares		Class A Common Stock	n	Additional Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Stockholde Equity	rs'
Balance June 28, 2014	19,912		\$9,956		\$ 62,864	\$297,237	\$ 3,987	\$ 374,044	
Total comprehensive income (loss)	_		_		_	33,321	(8,143)	25,178	
Issuance of common stock from exercise of stock options, net of income tax	94		47		2,033	_	_	2,080	
Issuance of restricted stock, net	49		25		(25)	_	_		
Equity based compensation	_		_		3,314	_	_	3,314	
Shares associated with tax withholdings under our employee equity incentive plan	(29	)	(15	)	(1,560 )	_	_	(1,575	)
Share repurchase program	(118	)	(59	)	_	(7,035)	_	(7,094	)
Tax benefit related to equity based compensation			_		1,703	_	_	1,703	
Cash dividends (\$0.62 per share)	_					(12,433)	_	(12,433	)
Balance December 27, 2014	19,908		\$9,954		\$ 68,329	\$311,090	\$ (4,156 )	\$ 385,217	
The accompanying notes are an integral n	art of the	200	Condens	eed	Consolida	ted Financia	Statements		

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### CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

G&K Services, Inc. and Subsidiaries

(Unaudited)

(CIMOSIO S)	For the Six M	onths Ended December 28,
(In thousands)	2014	2013
Operating Activities:	2014	2013
Net income	\$33,321	\$21,741
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities -	\$33,321	\$21,741
	15,837	15,427
Depreciation and amortization Loss on sale of businesses	13,037	12,922
Deferred income taxes		
	4,788	1,084
Share-based compensation	3,314	3,205
Changes in current operating items, exclusive of acquisitions and divestitures -	(2.040	) (0.155
Accounts receivable	(3,049	) (8,155 )
Inventory and merchandise in service	(10,902	) (7,638
Accounts payable	10,490	51
Other current assets and liabilities	1,592	(23,356)
Other	(7,376	) 341
Net cash provided by operating activities	48,015	15,622
Investing Activities:		
Capital expenditures	(25,562	) (15,012
Divestiture of businesses	_	641
Net cash used for investing activities	(25,562	) (14,371 )
Financing Activities:		
Repayments of long-term debt	(508	) (18
(Repayments of) Proceeds from revolving credit facilities, net	(25,857	) 2,000
Cash dividends paid	(12,357	) (10,678
Net issuance of common stock, under stock option plans	2,080	7,072
Repurchase of common stock	(7,094	) (5,406
Shares associated with tax withholdings under our equity incentive plans	(1,575	) (1,303
Excess tax benefit from share-based compensation	1,703	3,008
Net cash used for financing activities	(43,608	) (5,325
Effect of Exchange Rates on Cash	(2,929	) (500
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(24,084	) (4,574
Cash and Cash Equivalents:	(24,004	) (4,5/4
Beginning of period	37,118	38,590
End of period	\$13,034	\$34,016
End of period	\$13,034	\$34,010
Supplemental Cash Flow Information:		
Cash paid for -		
Interest	\$3,464	\$2,744
Income taxes	\$7,353	\$24,057
Supplemental Non-cash Investing Information:	Ψ1,555	Ψ21,031
Capital expenditures included in accounts payable	\$1,026	\$—
The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Condensed Consolidated Final	·	
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### G&K SERVICES, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

1. Basis of Presentation for Interim Financial Statements

The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of G&K Services, Inc. (the "Company," "we," "our," "us" or "G&K") as set forth in this quarterly report have been prepared pursuant to the rules and regulations of the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission for interim reporting. As permitted under those rules, certain footnotes and other financial information that are normally required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States can be condensed or omitted. Our accounting policies are described in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014 ("fiscal 2014"). Management is responsible for the unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in this document. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in this document are unaudited but, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring adjustments) necessary for a fair presentation of our financial position as of December 27, 2014, and the results of our operations for the three and six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 and our cash flows for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013.

The results of operations for the three and six month periods ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year.

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q should be read in conjunction with our Consolidated Financial Statements and notes included in our fiscal 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### 2. Contingent Liabilities

### **Environmental Matters**

From time-to-time, we are involved in environmental-related proceedings by certain governmental agencies, which relate primarily to allegedly operating certain facilities in noncompliance with required permits. In addition to these proceedings, in the normal course of our business, we are subject to, among other things, periodic inspections by regulatory agencies, and we are involved in the remediation of various properties. As of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014, we had reserves of approximately \$1,000 and \$900, respectively, related to these matters. There was \$150 and \$0 of expense for these matters for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively and \$355 and \$283 for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively. Legal Matters

The United States Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, or OFCCP, is, as part of routine audits, conducting a review of certain of our employment practices. The OFCCP has issued Notices of Violations to four of our facilities. Audits of six other facilities, where the OFCCP may claim there are similar alleged violations, are ongoing. We have been engaged in discussions with the OFCCP and believe that our practices are lawful and without bias. While we cannot predict the ultimate outcome of these matters with certainty and it is possible that we may incur additional losses in excess of established reserves, we believe the possibility of a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial position is remote.

See Note 13, "Employee Benefit Plans," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information regarding disputed amounts related to our withdrawal from the Central States Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund.

### 3. New Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2013, the FASB issued updated guidance to address the presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit when a net operating loss carry-forward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carry-forward exists. Specifically, the new guidance requires entities to present an unrecognized tax benefit netted against certain deferred tax assets when specific requirements are met. Our adoption of this guidance in the first quarter of fiscal year 2015 did not have a material impact on our results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In May 2014, the FASB issued updated guidance to clarify revenue recognition principles. This guidance is intended to improve disclosure requirements and enhance the comparability of revenue recognition practices. Improved

disclosures under the amended guidance relate to the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue that is recognized from contracts with customers. This guidance will be effective for us beginning in the first quarter of fiscal 2018. We are currently evaluating the impact this new guidance will have on our Consolidated Financial Statements.

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#### 4. Fair Value Measurements

Generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and establishes disclosure requirements about fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. We considered non-performance risk when determining fair value of our derivative financial instruments. The fair value hierarchy prescribed under GAAP contains the following three levels:

Level 1 — unadjusted quoted prices that are available in active markets for the identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.

Level 2 — other observable inputs available at the measurement date, other than quoted prices included in Level 1, either directly or indirectly, including:

- -quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- -quoted prices for identical or similar assets in non-active markets;
- -inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- -inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by other observable market data.

Level 3 — unobservable inputs that cannot be corroborated by observable market data and reflect the use of significant management judgment. These values are generally determined using pricing models for which the assumptions utilize management's estimates of market participant assumptions.

We do not have any Level 3 assets or liabilities and we have not transferred any items between fair value levels during the first two quarters of fiscal years 2014 or 2015.

The following tables summarize the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014:

	As of December 27, 2014				
	Fair Value Meas	surements Using In	nputs Considered as		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total		
Other assets:					
Money market mutual funds	\$ 4,009	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 4,009		
Equity and fixed income mutual funds	29,552	_	29,552		
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	_	14,492	14,492		
Total assets	\$ 33,561	\$ 14,492	\$ 48,053		
Accrued expenses:					
Derivative financial instruments	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 562	\$ 562		
Total liabilities	\$ —	\$ 562	\$ 562		
	As of June 28, 2	014			
	•		nputs Considered as		
	•		nputs Considered as Total		
Other assets:	Fair Value Meas	surements Using In	•		
Other assets: Money market mutual funds	Fair Value Meas	surements Using In	•		
	Fair Value Meas Level 1	surements Using In	Total		
Money market mutual funds	Fair Value Meas Level 1 \$ 3,309	surements Using In	Total \$ 3,309		
Money market mutual funds Equity and fixed income mutual funds	Fair Value Meas Level 1 \$ 3,309	surements Using In Level 2 \$— —	Total \$ 3,309 29,358		
Money market mutual funds Equity and fixed income mutual funds Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	Fair Value Meas Level 1 \$ 3,309 29,358	surements Using In Level 2 \$— — — 14,287	Total \$ 3,309 29,358 14,287		
Money market mutual funds Equity and fixed income mutual funds Cash surrender value of life insurance policies Total assets	Fair Value Meas Level 1 \$ 3,309 29,358	surements Using In Level 2 \$— — — 14,287	Total \$ 3,309 29,358 14,287		

The cash surrender value of life insurance policies are primarily investments established to fund the obligations of the Company's non-qualified, non-contributory supplemental executive retirement plan (SERP). The money market, equity and fixed income mutual funds are investments established to fund the obligations of the Company's non-qualified deferred compensation plan.

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The following tables summarize the fair values of assets and liabilities that are recorded at historical cost as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014:

Fair Value Measurements Using Inputs Considered as				
Level 1	Level 2	Total		
\$ 13,034	\$ <i>-</i>	\$ 13,034		
\$ 13,034	\$ —	\$ 13,034		
\$ —	\$ 560	\$ 560		
\$ —	\$ 239,361	\$ 239,361		
\$ —	\$ 239,921	\$ 239,921		
As of June 28	3, 2014			
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As of December 27, 2014

	Fair Value Measurements Using Inputs Considered				
	Level 1	Level 2	Total		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 37,118	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 37,118		
Total assets	\$ 37,118	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 37,118		
Current maturities of long-term debt	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 792	\$ 792		
Long-term debt, net of current maturities	_	263,191	263,191		
Total liabilities	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 263,983	\$ 263,983		
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#### 5. Derivative Financial Instruments

In the ordinary course of business, we are exposed to market risks. We utilize derivative financial instruments to manage interest rate risk and manage the total debt that is subject to variable and fixed interest rates. These interest rate swap contracts modify our exposure to interest rate risk by converting variable rate debt to a fixed rate or by locking in the benchmark interest rate on forecasted issuances of fixed rate debt.

For derivative financial instruments that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges, the effective portion of the change in fair value on the derivative financial instrument is reported as a component of "Accumulated other comprehensive income" and reclassified into the "Interest expense" line item in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations in the same period as the expenses from the cash flows of the interest expense is recognized. Cash payments or receipts are included in "Net cash provided by operating activities" in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows in the same period as the cash is settled. We perform an assessment at the inception of the hedge and on a quarterly basis thereafter to determine whether our derivatives are highly effective in offsetting changes in the value of the hedged items. Any change in the fair value resulting from hedge ineffectiveness is immediately recognized as income or expense.

We do not have any derivative financial instruments that have been designated as either a fair value hedge, a hedge of a net investment in a foreign operation, or that are held for trading or speculative purposes. Cash flows associated with derivative financial instruments are classified in the same category as the cash flows hedged in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Approximately 54% of our outstanding variable rate debt had its interest payments modified using interest rate swap contracts at December 27, 2014.

As of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014, we had \$562 and \$930, respectively, of liabilities on interest rate swap contracts that are classified as "Accrued expenses and other current liabilities" in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Of the \$1,211 net gain deferred in accumulated other comprehensive income as of December 27, 2014, a \$208 loss is expected to be reclassified to interest expense in the next 12 months.

As of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014, all derivative financial instruments were designated as hedging instruments.

As of December 27, 2014, we had interest rate swap contracts to pay fixed rates of interest and to receive variable rates of interest based on the three-month London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), all of which mature in the next 12 months. The average rate on the \$75,000 of interest rate swap contracts was 1.25% as of December 27, 2014. These interest rate swap contracts are highly effective cash flow hedges and accordingly, gains or losses on any

ineffectiveness were not material to any period.

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#### 6. Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate decreased to 35.6% in the six months ended December 27, 2014 from 37.8% in the six months ended December 28, 2013. The decrease in the effective tax rate was driven primarily by the release of uncertain tax position accruals in the current year as a result of the expiration of certain tax statutes and the resolution of an uncertain tax position related to fiscal years 2005 to 2007.

### 7. Earnings Per Share

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 260-10-45, Participating Securities and the Two-Class Method ("ASC 260-10-45"), addresses whether awards granted in unvested share-based payment transactions that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and therefore are included in computing earnings per share under the two-class method. Participating securities are securities that may participate in dividends with common stock and the two-class method is an earnings allocation formula that treats a participating security as having rights to earnings that would otherwise have been available to common shareholders. Under the two-class method, earnings for the period are allocated between common shareholders and other shareholders, based on their respective rights to receive dividends. Certain restricted stock awards granted under our Equity Plans are considered participating securities as these awards receive non-forfeitable dividends at the same rate as common stock.

The computations of our basic and diluted earnings per share are set forth below:

	Three Months	Ended	Six Months Ended			
	December 27,	December 28,	December 27,	December 28,		
	2014	2013	2014	2013		
Net income from continuing operations	\$16,953	\$16,343	\$33,321	\$29,953		
Less: Income allocable to participating securities	(303)	(237)	(536)	(418)		
Net income from continuing operations available to common stockholders	\$16,650	\$16,106	\$32,785	\$29,535		
Net loss from discontinued operations	_	(8,423)	_	(8,212)		
Net income available to common stockholders	\$16,650	\$7,683	\$32,785	\$21,323		
Basic earnings per share (shares in thousands):						
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	19,654	19,547	19,641	19,488		
Basic earnings (loss) per common share:						
From continuing operations	\$0.85	\$0.82	\$1.67	\$1.52		
From discontinued operations	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.43)	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.42)		
Basic earnings per share	\$0.85	\$0.39	\$1.67	\$1.09		
Diluted earnings per share (shares in thousands):						
Weighted average shares outstanding, basic	19,654	19,547	19,641	19,488		
Weighted average effect of non-vested restricted stock grants and assumed exercise of stock options	385	393	378	400		
Weighted average shares outstanding, diluted	20,039	19,940	20,019	19,888		
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share:						
From continuing operations	\$0.83	\$0.81	\$1.64	\$1.49		
From discontinued operations	\$	\$(0.42)	<b>\$</b> —	\$(0.41)		
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.83	\$0.39	\$1.64	\$1.07		

We excluded potential common shares related to certain of our outstanding equity compensation grants of 90,000 and 156,000 for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively, and 190,000 and 111,000 for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively, from the computation of diluted earnings per share. Inclusion of these shares would have been anti-dilutive.

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### 8. Inventory and Merchandise In Service

The components of inventory as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014 are as follows:

	December 27,	June 28,
	2014	2014
Raw Materials	\$10,012	\$7,952
Work in Process	1,011	1,279
Finished Goods	29,576	29,192
Total Inventory	\$40,599	\$38,423

We review the estimated useful lives of our merchandise in service assets on a periodic basis or when trends in our business indicate that the useful lives for certain products might have changed. During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2013, we completed an analysis of certain merchandise in service assets which resulted in the estimated useful lives for these assets being extended to better reflect the estimated periods in which the assets will remain in service. The effect of the change in estimate increased income from operations by \$1,803 and \$4,076, net income by \$1,125 and \$2,560 and basic and diluted earnings per common share by \$0.06 and \$0.13 for the three and six months ended December 28, 2013, respectively. The effect of the change in estimate is not material for the three and six months ended December 27, 2014.

### 9. Goodwill

Goodwill by segment is as follows:

	United States	Canada	Total	
Balance as of June 28, 2014	\$270,045	\$63,169	\$333,214	
Foreign currency translation and other	_	(4,803	) (4,803	)
Balance as of December 27, 2014	\$270,045	\$58,366	\$328,411	
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10. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014 consists of the following:

	December 27, 2014	June 28, 2014	
Borrowings under \$250 million Revolver	\$40,060	\$65,925	
Borrowings under \$75 million Variable Rate Notes	75,000	75,000	
Borrowings under \$50 million A/R Line	25,075	25,075	
Borrowings under \$100 million Fixed Rate Notes	100,000	100,000	
Capital leases and other	508	1,022	
	240,643	267,022	
Less current maturities	(560)	(792	)
Total long-term debt	\$240,083	\$266,230	

We have a \$250,000 unsecured revolving credit facility with a syndicate of banks, which expires on March 7, 2017. Borrowings in U.S. dollars under this credit facility generally bear interest at the adjusted London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") for specified interest periods plus a margin, which can range from 1.00% to 2.00%, depending on our consolidated leverage ratio.

As of December 27, 2014, there was \$40,060 outstanding under this facility. The unused portion of the revolver may be used for general corporate purposes, acquisitions, share repurchases, dividends, working capital needs and to provide up to \$50,000 in letters of credit. As of December 27, 2014, letters of credit outstanding under this facility totaled \$636 and primarily related to our property and casualty insurance programs. No amounts have been drawn upon these letters of credit. As of December 27, 2014, there is a fee of 0.25% of the unused daily balance of this facility.

Availability of credit under this facility requires that we maintain compliance with certain covenants.

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The covenants under this agreement are the most restrictive when compared to our other credit facilities. The following table illustrates compliance with regard to the material covenants required by the terms of this facility as of December 27, 2014:

	Required	Actual
Maximum Leverage Ratio (Debt/EBITDA)	3.50	1.88
Minimum Interest Coverage Ratio (EBITDA/Interest Expense)	3.00	20.58
Minimum Net Worth	\$358,999	\$385,217

Our maximum leverage ratio and minimum interest coverage ratio covenants are calculated by adding back certain non-cash charges, as defined in our debt agreement.

Borrowings outstanding as of December 27, 2014 under this facility bear interest at a weighted average effective rate of 1.83%.

On April 12, 2013, we amended this facility to remove the minimum net worth covenant. However, this change is not effective until the earlier of June 30, 2015 or the date of full repayment of our outstanding \$75,000 variable rate unsecured private placement notes. On March 31, 2014, we amended the facility to reduce the minimum net worth covenant to be consistent with the calculation for the \$75,000 variable rate unsecured private placement notes. We have \$75,000 of variable rate unsecured private placement notes bearing interest at 0.60% over LIBOR and are scheduled to mature on June 30, 2015. The notes do not require principal payments until maturity. Interest payments are reset and paid on a quarterly basis. As of December 27, 2014, the outstanding balance of the notes was \$75,000 at an effective interest rate of 0.83%. We currently plan to repay these notes on their maturity date using borrowings from our \$250 million Revolver, which matures on March 7, 2017, so we continue to classify the \$75,000 as long-term debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

We maintain a \$50,000 accounts receivable securitization facility, which expires on September 27, 2016. Under the terms of the facility, we pay interest at a rate per annum equal to LIBOR plus a margin of 0.75%. The facility is subject to customary fees, including a rate per annum equal to 0.80%, for the issuance of letters of credit and 0.26% for any unused portion of the facility. As is customary with transactions of this nature, our eligible accounts receivable are sold to a consolidated subsidiary. As of December 27, 2014, there was \$25,075 outstanding under this securitization facility and there were \$24,925 of letters of credit outstanding, primarily related to our property and casualty insurance programs. Borrowings outstanding as of December 27, 2014 under this facility bear interest at an average effective interest rate of 0.90%.

We have \$100,000 of fixed rate unsecured senior notes with \$50,000 of the notes bearing interest at a fixed interest rate of 3.73% per annum maturing April 15, 2023 and \$50,000 of the notes bearing interest at a fixed interest rate of 3.88% per annum maturing April 15, 2025. Interest on the notes is payable semiannually. As of December 27, 2014, the outstanding balance of the notes was \$100,000 at an effective rate of 3.81%.

See Note 5, "Derivative Financial Instruments," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our interest rate swap and hedging activities related to our outstanding debt.

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#### 11. Other Assets and Other Noncurrent Liabilities

Other assets as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014 included the following:

	December 27, 2014	June 28, 2014	
Executive deferred compensation plan assets	\$33,561	\$32,667	
Cash surrender value of life insurance policies	14,492	14,287	
Customer contracts, net	5,420	6,448	
Other assets	10,674	10,603	
Less portion classified as current assets	(2,657	) (2,177	)
Total other assets	\$61,490	\$61,828	
Customer contracts are as follows:			
	December 27,	June 28,	
	2014	2014	
Customer contracts	\$20,339	\$23,838	
Accumulated amortization	(14,919	) (17,390	)
Net	\$5,420	\$6,448	

The customer contracts associated with business combinations include the combined value of the written service agreements and the related customer relationship. Customer contracts are amortized over a weighted average life of approximately 11 years.

Amortization expense was \$1,071 and \$1,437 for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively. Estimated amortization expense for each of the next five fiscal years based on the intangible assets as of December 27, 2014 is as follows:

2015 remaining	\$867
2016	1,396
2017	1,199
2018	417
2019	183
2020	171

Other noncurrent liabilities as of December 27, 2014 and June 28, 2014 included the following:

	December 27,	
	2014	June 28, 2014
Multi-employer pension withdrawal liability	\$23,765	\$28,516
Pension plan liability	14,878	15,422
Executive deferred compensation plan liability	30,996	30,584
Supplemental executive retirement plan liability	16,836	16,814
Accrued income taxes	8,647	12,043
Workers' compensation liability	14,399	14,837
Other liabilities	3,871	3,477
Total other noncurrent liabilities	\$113,392	\$121,693

#### 12. Share-Based Compensation

We grant share-based awards, primarily consisting of restricted stock and options to purchase our common stock. Stock options are granted to employees and directors for a fixed number of shares with an exercise price equal to the fair value of the shares at the date of grant. Share-based compensation is recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period. The amortization of share-based compensation reflects estimated forfeitures adjusted for actual forfeiture experience. As share-based compensation expense is recognized, a deferred tax asset is recorded that represents an estimate of the future tax deduction from the exercise of stock options or release of restrictions on the restricted stock. At the time share-based awards are exercised, canceled, expire or restrictions lapse, we recognize adjustments to income tax expense or additional paid-in capital. Total

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compensation expense related to share-based awards was \$1,541 and \$1,354 for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively, and \$3,314 and \$3,205 for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, respectively. The number of options exercised and restricted stock vested since June 28, 2014, was 179,000 shares.

On August 23, 2012, our Chief Executive Officer was granted a performance based restricted stock award (the "Performance Award"). The Performance Award has both a financial performance component and a service component. The Performance Award has a target level of 100,000 restricted shares, a maximum award of 150,000 restricted shares and a minimum award of 50,000 restricted shares, subject to attainment of financial performance goals and service conditions.

13. Employee Benefit Plans

Defined Benefit Pension Plan

On December 31, 2006, we froze our pension and SERP plans for all participants.

The components of net periodic pension cost for these plans for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 are as follows:

	Pension Plan		SERP	
	Three Months Ended		Three Months E	Ended
	December 27,	December 28,	December 27,	December 28,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Interest cost	\$1,012	\$992	\$185	\$189
Expected return on assets	(1,226)	(1,160)		
Amortization of net loss	504	409	98	36
Net periodic pension cost	\$290	\$241	\$283	\$225

The components of net periodic pension cost for these plans for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 are as follows:

	Pension Plan		SERP	
	Six Months Ended		Six Months End	ded
	December 27,	December 28,	December 27,	December 28,
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Interest cost	\$2,024	\$1,984	\$370	\$378
Expected return on assets	(2,452)	(2,319)	_	_
Amortization of net loss	1,008	818	196	72
Net periodic pension cost	\$580	\$483	\$566	\$450

During the first two quarters of fiscal year 2015, we contributed approximately \$145 to the pension plan. Multi-Employer Pension Plans

Historically, we participated in a number of union sponsored, collectively bargained multi-employer pension plans ("MEPPs"). We record the required cash contributions to the MEPPs as an expense in the period incurred and a liability is recognized for any contributions due and unpaid, consistent with the accounting for defined contribution plans. In addition, we are responsible for our proportional share of any unfunded vested benefits related to the MEPPs. Employer's accounting for MEPPs (ASC 715-80) provides that a withdrawal liability should be recorded if circumstances that give rise to an obligation become probable and estimable. The amount of the withdrawal liability recorded is based on the best information available and is subject to change based on revised MEPP information received periodically from the union sponsors and other factors.

Central States Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund

Beginning in fiscal year 2012, we commenced negotiations to discontinue our participation in the Central States Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund ("Central States Fund"). We were ultimately successful and withdrew our participation in the Central States Fund in stages as various union contracts expired. Specifically, we partially withdrew from the Central States Fund in calendar year 2012. We finalized our withdrawal in calendar year 2013, which resulted in the union sending us updated information related to our withdrawal liability.

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On September 19, 2013 we received two demands for payment of withdrawal liability, or payment demands, from the Central States Fund relating to our partial and complete withdrawals. The payment demands calculate the aggregate withdrawal liability to be \$56,000 payable over 20 years, or \$35,100 on an estimated discounted present value basis. We do not agree with the Central States Fund's payment demands and are vigorously contesting this matter. Most importantly, we believe that, in calculating our withdrawal amount, the Central States Fund has not given us appropriate credit for our partial withdrawal payments as required by applicable law and regulations. Previously, we filed our Request for Review with the Central States Fund, to which we received no response. We subsequently filed our arbitration demand. As part of these arbitration proceedings, we are likewise contesting the payment demands. We cannot offer any assurance that we will be successful, and ultimate resolution of this matter may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations in the period of resolution.

Separately, based on information received, as of September 28, 2013, we updated our previously recorded estimated withdrawal liability, using the same methodology previously used by us. Specifically, we assumed aggregate payments of \$34,500 over 20 years, using a discount rate of 5.25%, resulting in an estimated discounted present value of \$23,500. This amount, plus accretion expense and less payments made subsequent to the updated calculation, represents our best estimate of our aggregate withdrawal liability as of December 27, 2014. We consider this appropriate based on our interpretation of the plan document and the related statutory requirements. As a result, in addition to \$113 of accretion expense related to the previously recorded liability, we recorded an additional discounted estimated withdrawal liability of \$1,687 in the three months ended September 28, 2013. Moving forward, we do not anticipate that our estimated discounted withdrawal liability will change, except, depending on the outcome, in connection with resolution of the payment demands received from the Central States Fund and reductions in the outstanding withdrawal liability as payments are made. In addition, except in the case of a mass withdrawal or failure of the Central States Plan, we are no longer subject to fluctuations in the unfunded status of the plan caused by such things as investment returns, discount or mortality rates and various other assumptions. During the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, we made total payments related to our withdrawal liability of \$1,400 and \$934, respectively, to the Central States Fund.

### Other United States MEPPs

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2014, we began negotiations to withdraw from four other MEPPs. Based on progress in the negotiations and our intentions, we determined that it was probable that we would withdraw from the plans. Accordingly, we recorded a pretax charge of \$8,167 in the third quarter of fiscal year 2014. This charge included the estimated actuarial value of the total withdrawal liability, incentives for union participants and other related costs that have been and will be incurred. The amount of the withdrawal liability recorded is based on the best information available and is subject to change based on revised information received periodically from the union sponsors and other factors. As of December 27, 2014, we had concluded negotiations with all union locals and have withdrawn from the four remaining MEPPs and no longer participate in any MEPPs in the United States.

As of December 27, 2014 we have received a formal demand notice from three of the funds and do not expect to receive a demand from the fourth fund as it is currently believed to be fully funded. We are in the process of evaluating and auditing each of the demand notices to determine the appropriateness of the amount. As part of our assessment we have engaged outside experts to determine the reasonableness of the withdrawal liabilities. In two of the three MEPPs, we have determined that the amounts are reasonable and correctly calculated and the withdrawal liabilities are within established reserves. However, in the case of the third MEPP, we have been unable to ascertain the validity and accuracy of the assumptions used and the potential impact on the withdrawal liability. In addition, this fund changed certain assumptions, which significantly increased the underfunded liability of the plan. Therefore, given the uncertainties around the accuracy of the information used to calculate our withdrawal liability, we are unable to estimate the impact, if any, these changes may have on our withdrawal liability. As such, our estimated withdrawal liability is based on our previous estimate. If the ultimate assessment includes a material change with which we disagree, we intend to contest the assessment using all available means.

### 14. Segment Information

We have two operating segments, United States (includes our Dominican Republic operations) and Canada, which have been identified as components of our organization that are reviewed by our Chief Executive Officer to determine

resource allocation and evaluate performance. Each operating segment derives revenues from the branded uniform and facility services programs. During the three and six months ended December 27, 2014, and for the same period of the prior fiscal year, no single customer's transactions accounted for more than 2.0% of our total revenues.

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We evaluate performance based on income from operations. Financial information by segment for the three and six month periods ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 is as follows:

For the Three Months Ended	United States	Canada	Elimination	Total
December 27, 2014				
Revenues	\$200,400	\$36,909	\$—	\$237,309
Income from continuing operations	23,974	4,650	_	28,624
Total assets	857,994	135,777	(85,615	908,156
Depreciation and amortization expense	7,013	933		7,946
December 28, 2013				
Revenues	\$187,561	\$38,358	\$	\$225,919
Income from continuing operations	23,090	4,606		27,696
Total assets	841,330	162,776	(100,086	904,020
Depreciation and amortization expense	6,756	1,040	_	7,796
For the Six Months Ended	United States	Canada	Elimination	Total
December 27, 2014				
Revenues	\$394,798	\$72,753	\$—	\$467,551
Income from continuing operations	46,780	8,694	_	55,474
Total assets	857,994	135,777	(85,615	908,156
Depreciation and amortization expense	13,908	1,929	_	15,837
December 28, 2013				
Revenues	\$371,763	\$74,379	\$—	\$446,142
Income from continuing operations	43,730	7,535	_	51,265
Total assets	841,330	162,776	(100,086	904,020
Depreciation and amortization expense	13,285	2,142		15,427

### 15. Share Repurchase

As of December 27, 2014, we have a \$175,000 share repurchase program which was originally authorized by our Board of Directors in May 2007 for \$100,000 and increased to \$175,000 in May 2008. Under this repurchase program, we repurchased 52,901 shares in open market transactions totaling \$3,453 for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and 53,800 shares totaling \$3,223 for the three months ended December 28, 2013. We repurchased 118,101 shares totaling \$7,094 for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and 94,019 shares totaling \$5,406 for the six months ended December 28, 2013. As of December 27, 2014, we had \$39,071 remaining under this authorization.

### 16. Other Comprehensive Income

Changes in accumulated other comprehensive income, net of tax, for the three and six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were as follows:

	Three Months Ended December 27, 2014					
	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Pension benefit liabilities	Derivative financial instruments		Total	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at September 27, 2014	\$17,294	\$(19,367)	\$ 1,133		\$(940	)
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(3,673)		(7	)	(3,680	)
Reclassifications from net accumulated other comprehensive income	_	379	85		464	
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	(3,673)	379	78		(3,216	)
	\$13,621	\$(18,988)	\$ 1,211		\$(4,156	)

Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at December 27, 2014

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Six Months Ended December 27, 2014					
	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Pension benefit liabilities	Derivative financial instruments	Total	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at June 28, 2014	\$22,682	\$(19,748)	\$ 1,053	\$3,987	
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(9,061)	_	(12)	(9,073	)
Reclassifications from net accumulated other comprehensive income		760 760	170	930	`
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss) Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at December 27,	(9,061)	760	158	(8,143	)
2014	\$13,621	\$(18,988)	\$ 1,211	\$(4,156	)
	Three Mon	ths Ended D	December 28,	2013	
	Foreign currency translation adjustment	119h111f1ec	Derivative financial instruments	Total	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at September 28, 2013	\$26,777	\$(15,367)	\$ 918	\$12,328	
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(4,705)	_	(45)	(4,750	)
Reclassifications from net accumulated other comprehensive income		283	81	364	
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss)	(4,705)	283	36	(4,386	)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at December 28, 2013	\$22,072	\$(15,084)	\$ 954	\$7,942	
	Six Month	s Ended Dec	ember 28, 20	13	
	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Habilities	Derivative financial instruments	Total	
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at June 29, 2013	\$24,093	\$(15,650)	\$ 946	\$9,389	
Other comprehensive loss before reclassifications	(2,021)		(154)	(2,175	)
Reclassifications from net accumulated other comprehensive income		566	162	728	`
Net current period other comprehensive income (loss) Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) at December 28,	,	566	8	(1,447	)
2013	\$22,072	\$(15,084)	\$ 954	\$7,942	
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013 were as follows:	e for the thre	e and six mo	onths ended		
Three Months Ended Six Months Ended					

	Three Months Ended		Six Months E	Ended
	December December 28, D		December	December 28,
	27, 2014	2013	27, 2014	2013
Losses on derivative financial instruments:				
Interest rate swap contracts	\$135	\$ 134	\$273	\$ 260 (a)
Tax benefit	(50	(53)	(103)	(98)
Total, net of tax	85	81	170	162
Pension benefit liabilities:				
Amortization of net loss	608	453	1,217	906 (b)
Tax benefit	(229	(170)	(457)	(340)
Total, net of tax	379	283	760	566
Total amounts reclassified, net of tax	\$464	\$ 364	\$930	\$728

- (a) Included in interest expense.
- (b) Included in the computation of net periodic pension cost, which is included in cost of rental and direct sale and selling and administrative. This amount includes a pension plan which is not included in the net periodic pension cost in Note 13 because it is individually immaterial. See Note 13 for details regarding the pension plans.

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### 17. Discontinued Operations

Discontinued operations include the operating results and other adjustments related to our Direct Sale Program business ("Program Business") and Ireland business ("Ireland Business"), both of which had previously been included in our United States operating segment. We previously concluded that both the Program Business and Ireland Business met the requirements to be presented as discontinued operations. Accordingly, the results of these operations have been reclassified to discontinued operations for all periods presented on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations.

In fiscal year 2014, we sold our Program Business. We recorded a pretax loss on the sale of \$12,319 in the three months ended December 28, 2013 which is included in "Loss on sale and other adjustments, net of tax" in the table below. Separately, we completed the sale of our Ireland Business during the second quarter of fiscal year 2014 and recognized a pretax loss on the sale of \$603, which is also included in "Loss on sale and other adjustments, net of tax" in the table below. Total aggregate gross proceeds from the sales were \$6,641. Summarized financial information for discontinued operations is shown below:

	Months		Six Months Ended		
	December	28,	December	28,	
	2013		2013		
Rental and direct sale revenue from discontinued operations	\$ 8,566		\$ 17,636		
Income before income taxes	(225	)	139		
Income, net of tax	(125	)	86		
Loss on sale and other adjustments, net of tax	(8,298	)	(8,298	)	
Net income from discontinued operations	\$ (8,423	)	\$ (8,212	)	
			Three and	Six	
			Months		
			Ended		
			December	28,	
			2013		
Loss in excess of carrying value of Program Business			\$(11,651	)	
Transaction and related costs			(668	)	
Loss on sale of Program Business			(12,319	)	
Loss on sale of Ireland Business			(603	)	
Pretax loss on sale of businesses			(12,922	)	
Income tax benefit			4,624		
Loss on sale and other adjustments, net of tax			\$(8,298	)	

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

(Unaudited)

Overview

G&K Services, Inc., founded in 1902 and headquartered in Minnetonka, Minnesota, is a service-focused market leader of branded uniform and facility services programs. We deliver value to our customers by enhancing their image and brand, and by promoting workplace safety, security and cleanliness. We accomplish this by providing high quality branded work apparel programs, and a variety of facility products and services, including floor mats, towels, mops and restroom hygiene products.

Beginning in fiscal year 2010, we made broad-based improvements to our business, by pursuing a strategy which included four key elements: focusing on customer satisfaction; improving day-to-day execution; increasing our focus on cost management; and addressing underperforming locations and assets. Executing this strategy has led to significant improvements in our financial results, including positive organic revenue growth, expanded operating margins and strong cash flows.

We continue to drive this same strategy in fiscal year 2015. Our approach has four parts:

- 1. Keep our customer promise
- 2. Improve how we target customers
- 3. Drive operational excellence
- 4. Strengthen our high performing team

To measure the progress of our strategy, in fiscal year 2014 we established long-term financial goals called the "12+ Plan," which includes achieving 12% operating margin, 12% ROIC, plus an added focus on revenue growth, within a two to four year time frame. In the second quarter, we achieved the first of these two targets by achieving a 12.1% operating income margin. We are also focused on maximizing free cash flow, which we define as net cash provided by operating activities less investments in property, plant and equipment.

Our industry continues to consolidate as many family-owned, local operators and regional companies have been acquired by larger providers. We have participated in this consolidation with an acquisition strategy focused on expanding our geographic presence and/or expanding our local market share in order to further leverage our existing production facilities. We remain active in evaluating quality acquisitions that would strengthen our business. Our operating results are affected by the volatility in commodities, especially cotton, polyester, crude oil and foreign currency exchange rates, which may contribute to significant changes in merchandise and energy costs.

We periodically adjust our operations to serve our customers in the most efficient and cost effective manner. As part of these adjustments, we may realign our workforce, close production or branch facilities or divest operations. We are continuously assessing our business and making adjustments as necessary.

In the second quarter of fiscal year 2014, we divested our Ireland Business and in the third quarter of fiscal year 2014, we sold our Program Business. These divestitures have been reflected as Discontinued Operations in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. See Note 17, "Discontinued Operations," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

### Critical Accounting Policies

Our significant accounting policies are described in Note 1, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014. The accounting policies used in preparing our interim fiscal year 2015 Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are the same as those described in our Annual Report.

The discussion of the financial condition and results of operations are based upon the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, which have been prepared in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). As such, management is required to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that are believed to be reasonable based on the information available. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

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Critical accounting policies are defined as the most important and pervasive accounting policies, areas most sensitive to material changes from external factors and those that are reflective of significant judgments and estimates. Our critical accounting policies are those related to:

Revenue recognition

Employee benefit plans

Income taxes

Share based payments

Derivative financial instruments

Goodwill and intangible assets

Inventory and merchandise in service

Inventory and Merchandise In Service

We review the estimated useful lives of our merchandise in service assets on a periodic basis or when trends in our business indicate that the useful lives for certain products might have changed. During the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2013, we completed an analysis of certain merchandise in service assets which resulted in the estimated useful lives for these assets being extended to better reflect the estimated periods in which the assets will remain in service. The effect of the change in estimate increased income from operations by \$1.8 million and \$4.1 million, net income by \$1.1 million and \$2.6 million and basic and diluted earnings per common share by \$0.06 and \$0.13 for the three and six months ended December 28, 2013. The effect of the change in estimate is not material for the three and six months ended December 27, 2014.

Results of Operations

The percentage relationships to revenues of certain income and expense items for the three and six month periods ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, and the percentage changes in these income and expense items between periods are presented in the following table:

	Three Months Ended				Six Months Ended				Percentage Change			
	December 2014	er 2'	7Decembe 2013	r 28	, Decemb 2014	er 2'	7December 2013	28	Three Mo 'FY 2015 vs. FY 20		FY 2015	5
Rental and direct sale revenue	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%	100.0	%	5.0	%	4.8	%
Cost of rental and direct sale revenue	66.2		65.7		66.0		65.6		5.8		5.3	
Gross margin	33.8		34.3		34.0		34.4		3.5		3.8	
Pension withdrawal and associated expenses	_		_				0.4		_		(100.0	)
Selling and administrative	21.8		22.1		22.2		22.5		3.6		3.3	
Income from continuing operations	12.1		12.3		11.9		11.5		3.4		8.2	
Interest expense	0.8		0.7		0.8		0.7		22.8		18.1	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes	11.3		11.6		11.1		10.8		2.2		7.6	
Provision for income taxes	4.1		4.3		3.9		4.1		(0.4	)	1.5	
Net income from continuing operations	7.1		7.2		7.1		6.7		3.7		11.2	
Net loss from discontinued operations	_		(3.7	)			(1.8	)				
Net income	7.1	%	3.5	%	7.1	%	4.9	%	114.1	%	53.3	%

Three months ended December 27, 2014 compared to three months ended December 28, 2013

Rental and Direct Sale Revenue. Total revenue in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 increased \$11.4 million or 5.0% to \$237.3 million from \$225.9 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. Our organic growth rate was 6.4% compared to 3.7% in the same period of the prior fiscal year. The 6.4% organic growth rate in the current quarter was driven by

record new account sales in the first half of fiscal 2015, improved customer retention levels, pricing and an increase in direct sales revenue. The positive organic rental growth was offset by the negative impact of foreign currency translation rates. Our organic growth rate is calculated using rental and direct sale revenue, adjusted to exclude the impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes, divestitures and acquisitions. We believe that the organic revenue reflects the growth of our existing business and is, therefore, useful in analyzing our financial condition and results of operations.

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Cost of Rental and Direct Sale Revenue. Cost of rental and direct sale revenue, which includes merchandise, production, delivery and cost of direct sale expenses, increased 5.8% to \$157.0 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 from \$148.3 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. Excluding the \$1.8 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives recorded in the prior year, gross margin improved 20 basis points in the current year. This improvement was primarily due to continued productivity improvements in our laundry operations, the favorable impact of fixed costs absorbed over a higher revenue base and lower motor fuel costs. These favorable items were partially offset by higher merchandise expense resulting from record new account sales, a greater mix of higher priced specialty garments and lower gross margins on direct sales.

Selling and Administrative. Selling and administrative expenses increased 3.6% to \$51.7 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 from \$49.9 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. As a percentage of total revenues, selling and administrative expenses decreased to 21.8% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 from 22.1% in the second quarter of fiscal 2014. The decrease as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to lower bad debt expense. Income from Operations. The following is a summary of each operating segment's income from operations (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended	Three Months Ended			
	December 27, December 28, Chang	, Chanca			
	2014 2013 Chang	e			
United States	\$23,974 \$23,090 \$884				
Canada	4,650 4,606 44				
Total	\$28.624 \$27.696 \$928				

United States. Income from operations increased \$0.9 million to \$24.0 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 from \$23.1 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. The prior year operating income included a \$1.6 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives previously reported. Excluding this item, income from operations increased \$2.5 million. The increase was primarily driven by additional income from increased revenue, improved productivity in our laundry operations, the favorable impact of fixed costs absorbed over a higher revenue base, lower motor fuel costs and lower bad debt expense. These favorable items were partially offset by higher merchandise expense. Canada. Income from operations remained flat in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 compared to the same period of fiscal 2014. The prior year operating income included a \$0.2 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives previously reported. Excluding this item, income from operations increased \$0.2 million. The increase was primarily driven by additional income from increased revenue, improved production productivity and lower vehicle maintenance costs, energy costs, workers compensation expense and bad debt expense. These favorable items were partially offset by a decrease in the Canadian foreign exchange rate, higher merchandise expense and higher selling expenses.

Interest Expense. Interest expense was \$1.9 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015, an increase from the \$1.6 million reported in the same period of fiscal 2014. The increased interest expense was due to higher average debt balances resulting from the payment of the special dividend in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, partially offset by lower average interest rates.

Provision for Income Taxes. Our effective tax rate decreased to 36.5% in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 from 37.5% in the same period of fiscal 2014. The decrease in the effective tax rate was driven primarily by the release of uncertain tax position accruals in the current year as a result of the resolution of an uncertain tax position related to fiscal years 2005 to 2007.

Discontinued Operations. In the second quarter of fiscal 2014, we divested our Ireland Business and in the third quarter of fiscal year 2014, we sold our Program Business. These businesses have been reflected as discontinued operations in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. The pretax loss recognized includes the loss on sale totaling \$12.9 million and a pretax operating loss from the discontinued operations totaling \$0.2 million. See Note 17, "Discontinued Operations," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Six months ended December 27, 2014 compared to six months ended December 28, 2013

Rental and Direct Sale Revenue. Total revenue in the first six months of fiscal 2015 increased \$21.4 million or 4.8% to \$467.6 million from \$446.1 million in the first six months of fiscal 2014. Our organic growth rate was 5.9% compared to 3.7% in the same period of the prior fiscal year. The 5.9% organic growth rate in the current year was driven by record new account sales in the first six months of fiscal 2015, improved customer retention, pricing and an increase in direct sales revenue. The positive organic rental growth was offset by the negative impact of foreign currency translation rates. Our organic growth rate is calculated using rental and direct sale revenue, adjusted to exclude the impact of foreign currency exchange rate changes, divestitures and acquisitions. We believe that the organic revenue reflects the growth of our existing business and is, therefore, useful in analyzing our financial condition and results of operations.

Cost of Rental and Direct Sale Revenue. Cost of rental and direct sale revenue, which includes merchandise, production, delivery and cost of direct sale expenses, increased 5.3% to \$308.4 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from \$292.8

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million in the same period of fiscal 2014. Excluding the \$4.1 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives recorded in the prior year, gross margin improved 50 basis points in the current year. This improvement was primarily due to continued productivity improvements in our laundry and delivery operations, the favorable impact of fixed costs absorbed over a higher revenue base and lower motor fuel costs. These favorable items were partially offset by higher merchandise expense resulting from record new account sales.

Pension withdrawal and associated expenses. As discussed in Note 13, "Employee Benefit Plans," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, we recorded a charge of \$1.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal year 2014 associated with an increase to our MEPP withdrawal liability.

Selling and Administrative. Selling and administrative expenses increased 3.3% to \$103.6 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from \$100.4 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. As a percentage of total revenues, selling and administrative expenses decreased to 22.2% in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from 22.5% in the first six months of fiscal 2014. The decrease as a percentage of revenue was primarily due to effective cost control as we leveraged our fixed costs over a higher revenue base.

Civ Months Ended

Income from Operations. The following is a summary of each operating segment's income from operations (in thousands):

	Six Months Ended			
	December 27, December 28, Change			
	2014	2013	Change	
United States	\$46,780	\$43,730	\$3,050	
Canada	8,694	7,535	1,159	
Total	\$55,474	\$51,265	\$4,209	

United States. Income from operations increased \$3.1 million to \$46.8 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from \$43.7 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. The prior year operating income included a \$3.5 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives previously reported and additional expense of \$1.7 million associated with an increase to our multi-employer pension plan withdrawal liability. Excluding these items, income from operations increased \$4.9 million. The increase was primarily driven by additional income from increased revenue, improved productivity in our laundry operations, the favorable impact of fixed costs absorbed over a higher revenue base and lower motor fuel costs. These favorable items were partially offset by higher merchandise expense.

Canada. Income from operations increased \$1.2 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 compared to the same period of fiscal 2014. The prior year operating income included a \$0.6 million benefit from the change in merchandise lives previously reported. Excluding this item, income from operations increased \$1.8 million. The increase was primarily driven by additional income from increased revenue, improved production productivity, lower vehicle maintenance costs and lower environmental related expenses. These favorable items were partially offset by a decrease in the Canadian foreign exchange rate and higher selling expenses.

Interest Expense. Interest expense was \$3.7 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015, an increase from the \$3.1 million reported in the same period of fiscal 2014. The increased interest expense was due to higher average debt balances resulting from the payment of the special dividend in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2014, partially offset by lower average interest rates.

Provision for Income Taxes. Our effective tax rate decreased to 35.6% in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from 37.8% in the same period of fiscal 2014. The decrease in the effective tax rate was driven primarily by the release of uncertain tax position accruals in the current year as a result of the expiration of certain tax statutes and the resolution of an uncertain tax position related to fiscal years 2005 to 2007.

Discontinued Operations. In the second quarter of fiscal 2014, we divested our Ireland Business and in the third quarter of fiscal year 2014, we sold our Program Business. These businesses have been reflected as discontinued operations in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations. The pretax loss recognized includes the loss on sale totaling \$12.9 million, offset by income from the discontinued operations totaling \$0.1 million. See Note 17, "Discontinued Operations," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.

Liquidity, Capital Resources and Financial Condition

Our primary sources of cash are net cash flows from operations, borrowings under our debt arrangements and proceeds from the net issuance of common stock under stock option plans. Primary uses of cash are working capital needs, capital expenditures, acquisitions, dividends, share repurchases and general corporate purposes. Working capital at December 27, 2014 was \$161.3 million, a \$21.5 million decrease from \$182.8 million at June 28, 2014. The decrease in working capital is primarily due to the repatriation of cash from our Canadian operations, which was used to pay

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down our existing revolving credit facility. This decrease was offset by an increase in merchandise in service to support our revenue growth and payment of annual incentive compensation expenses. As of December 27, 2014, approximately \$7.2 million of our available cash was held in our Canadian subsidiaries. None of this amount was considered to be permanently reinvested and therefore could be repatriated without significant additional tax consequences.

Operating Activities. Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$32.4 million to \$48.0 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 from \$15.6 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. The increase was primarily due to decreased federal income tax payments, higher net income and better working capital management in the current year. Investing Activities. Net cash used for investing activities was \$25.6 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 compared to \$14.4 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. The increase was primarily due to increased capital expenditures related to certain information technology projects and expanding our plant capacity.

Financing Activities. Cash used for financing activities was \$43.6 million in the first six months of fiscal 2015 compared to \$5.3 million in the same period of fiscal 2014. The change was primarily due to repayments on our revolving credit facility, an increase in our quarterly dividend from \$0.27 to \$0.31, an increase in the repurchase of our common stock and a decrease in the proceeds from exercise of employee stock options.

See Note 10, "Long-Term Debt," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our long-term debt.

See Note 5, "Derivative Financial Instruments," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for details of our interest rate swap and hedging activities related to our outstanding debt.

Cash Obligations. Under various agreements, we are obligated to make future cash payments in fixed amounts. These include payments under the revolving credit facility, capital lease obligations and rent payments required under operating leases with initial or remaining terms in excess of one year.

At December 27, 2014, we had approximately \$209.3 million of available capacity under our revolving and accounts receivable credit facilities, of which our revolving credit facility contributes all of the liquidity. We anticipate that our cash flows from operations and our available capacity under our credit facilities will be sufficient to satisfy our cash commitments and capital requirements for fiscal 2015. We may utilize borrowings under the revolving credit facility to supplement our cash requirements from time to time. We estimate that capital expenditures in fiscal 2015 will be approximately \$50.0 million.

### Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

At December 27, 2014, we had approximately \$25.5 million of stand-by letters of credit that were issued and outstanding, primarily in connection with our property and casualty insurance programs. No amounts have been drawn upon these letters of credit.

### **Pension Obligations**

Pension expense is recognized on an accrual basis over the employees' approximate service periods. Pension expense is generally independent of funding decisions or requirements. We recognized expense for our defined benefit pension plan of \$0.3 million and \$0.2 million in the second quarter of fiscal 2015 and fiscal 2014, respectively. At June 28, 2014, the fair value of our pension plan assets totaled \$76.0 million.

Effective January 1, 2007, we froze our defined benefit pension plan and related supplemental executive retirement plan for all participants. Future growth in benefits has not occurred beyond this date.

### Multi-Employer Pension Plans

Historically, we participated in a number of union sponsored, collectively bargained multi-employer pension plans ("MEPPs"). We record the required cash contributions to the MEPPs as an expense in the period incurred and a liability is recognized for any contributions due and unpaid, consistent with the accounting for defined contribution plans. In addition, we are responsible for our proportional share of any unfunded vested benefits related to the MEPPs. Employer's accounting for MEPPs (ASC 715-80) provides that a withdrawal liability should be recorded if circumstances that give rise to an obligation become probable and estimable. The amount of the withdrawal liability recorded is based on the best information available and is subject to change based on revised MEPP information received periodically from the union sponsors and other factors.

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Central States Southeast and Southwest Areas Pension Fund

Beginning in fiscal year 2012, we commenced negotiations to discontinue our participation in the Central States Fund. We were ultimately successful and withdrew our participation in the Central States Fund in stages as various union contracts expired. Specifically, we partially withdrew from the Central States Fund in calendar year 2012. We finalized our withdrawal in calendar year 2013, which resulted in the union sending us updated information related to our withdrawal liability.

On September 19, 2013 we received two demands for payment of withdrawal liability, or payment demands, from the Central States Fund relating to our partial and complete withdrawals. The payment demands calculate the aggregate withdrawal liability to be \$56.0 million payable over 20 years, or \$35.1 million on an estimated discounted present value basis. We do not agree with the Central States Fund's payment demands and are vigorously contesting this matter. Most importantly, we believe that, in calculating our withdrawal amount, the Central States Fund has not given us appropriate credit for our partial withdrawal payments as required by applicable law and regulations. Previously, we filed our Request for Review with the Central States Fund, to which we received no response. We subsequently filed our arbitration demand. As part of these arbitration proceedings, we are likewise contesting the payment demands. We cannot offer any assurance that we will be successful, and ultimate resolution of this matter may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations in the period of resolution.

Separately, based on information received, as of September 28, 2013, we updated our previously recorded estimated withdrawal liability, using the same methodology previously used by us. Specifically, we assumed aggregate payments of \$34.5 million over 20 years, using a discount rate of 5.25%, resulting in an estimated discounted present value of \$23.5 million. This amount represents our best estimate of our aggregate withdrawal liability as of September 27, 2014. We consider this appropriate based on our interpretation of the plan document and the related statutory requirements. As a result, in addition to \$0.1 million of accretion expense related to the previously recorded liability, we recorded an additional discounted estimated withdrawal liability of \$1.7 million in the three months ended September 28, 2013.

Moving forward, we do not anticipate that our estimated discounted withdrawal liability will change, except, depending on the outcome, in connection with resolution of the payment demands received from the Central States Fund and reductions in the outstanding withdrawal liability as payments are made. In addition, except in the case of a mass withdrawal or failure of the Central States Plan, we are no longer subject to fluctuations in the unfunded status of the plan caused by such things as investment returns, discount or mortality rates and various other assumptions. During the six months ended December 27, 2014 and December 28, 2013, we made total payments related to our withdrawal liability of \$1.4 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, to the Central States Fund. Other United States MEPPs

In the third quarter of fiscal year 2014, we began negotiations to withdraw from four other MEPPs. Based on progress in the negotiations and our intentions, we determined that it was probable that we would withdraw from the plans. Accordingly, we recorded a pretax charge of \$8.2 million in the third quarter of fiscal year 2014. This charge included the estimated actuarial value of the total withdrawal liability, incentives for union participants and other related costs that have been and will be incurred. The amount of the withdrawal liability recorded is based on the best information available and is subject to change based on revised information received periodically from the union sponsors and other factors. However, any potential changes are not expected to have a material impact on our results of operation or financial condition. As of December 27, 2014, we had concluded negotiations with all union locals and have withdrawn from the four remaining MEPPs and no longer participate in any MEPPs in the United States. As of December 27, 2014 we have received a formal demand notice from three of the funds and do not expect to receive a demand from the fourth fund as it is currently believed to be fully funded. We are in the process of evaluating and auditing each of the demand notices to determine the appropriateness of the amount. As part of our assessment we have engaged outside experts to determine the reasonableness of the withdrawal liabilities. In two of the three MEPPs, we have determined that the amounts are reasonable and correctly calculated and the withdrawal liabilities are within established reserves. However, in the case of the third MEPP, we have been unable to ascertain the validity and accuracy of the assumptions used and the potential impact on the withdrawal liability. In addition, this fund changed certain assumptions, which significantly increased the underfunded liability of the plan. Therefore,

given the uncertainties around the accuracy of the information used to calculate our withdrawal liability, we are unable to estimate the impact, if any, these changes may have on our withdrawal liability. As such, our estimated withdrawal liability is based on our previous estimate. If the ultimate assessment includes a material change with which we disagree, we intend to contest the assessment using all available means. Litigation

We are involved in a variety of legal actions relating to personal injury, employment, environmental and other legal matters that arise in the normal course of business. In addition, we are party to certain additional legal matters described in "Part II Item 1. Legal Proceedings" of this report.

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Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor from civil litigation for forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may be identified by words such as "estimates," "anticipates," "projects," "plans," "expects," "intends," "believes," "seeks," "could," "should," "may" and "will" or the negative versions thereof and similar expressions and by the context in which they are used. Such statements are based upon our current expectations and speak only as of the date made. These statements are subject to various risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ from those set forth in or implied by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, the possibility of greater than anticipated operating costs, lower sales volumes, the performance and costs of integration of acquisitions or assumption of unknown liabilities in connection with acquisitions, fluctuations in costs of materials and labor, costs and possible effects of union organizing or other union activities, strikes, loss of key management, uncertainties regarding any existing or newly-discovered expenses and liabilities related to environmental compliance and remediation, failure to achieve and maintain effective internal controls for financial reporting required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the initiation or outcome of arbitrations, litigation or governmental investigations, higher than assumed sourcing or distribution costs of products, the disruption of operations from catastrophic events, disruptions in capital markets, the liquidity of counterparties in financial transactions, changes in federal and state tax laws, economic uncertainties and the reactions of competitors in terms of price and service. We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances arising after the date on which they are made, except as required by law. Additional information concerning potential factors that could affect future financial results is included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 28, 2014.

# ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURE ABOUT MARKET RISK Interest Rate Risk

We are subject to market risk exposure related to changes in interest rates. We use financial instruments such as interest rate swap agreements to manage interest rate risk on our variable rate debt. Under these arrangements, we agree to exchange, at specified intervals, the difference between fixed and floating interest amounts, calculated by reference to an agreed upon notional principal amount. Interest rate swap agreements are entered into for periods consistent with related underlying exposures and do not constitute positions independent of those exposures. The estimated exposure considers the mitigating effects of interest rate swap agreements outstanding at December 27, 2014 on the change in the cost of variable rate debt. The current fair market value of all outstanding contracts at December 27, 2014 was an unrealized loss of \$0.6 million.

A sensitivity analysis was performed to measure our interest rate risk over a one-year period to changes in market interest rates for forecasted variable rate debt that was not modified by interest rate swaps. As of December 27, 2014, this debt amount was \$65.1 million. The two scenarios include measuring the sensitivity to interest expense with an immediate 50 basis point change in market interest rates and the impact of a 50 basis point change distributed evenly throughout the year. Based on the forecasted average variable rate debt level, the forecasted annual expense for our variable rate debt is \$1.0 million. The scenario with an immediate 50 basis point change would increase or decrease forecasted interest by \$0.3 million or 33.9%. The scenario that distributes the 50 basis point change would increase or decrease interest expense by \$0.2 million or 21.4%.

### **Energy Cost Risk**

We are subject to market risk exposure related to changes in energy costs. To manage this risk, from time to time we have utilized derivative financial instruments to mitigate the impact of motor fuel cost volatility on our future financial results. As of December 27, 2014, we have no outstanding derivative financial instruments related to motor fuels. We performed an analysis to measure the sensitivity of our energy costs to changes in the prices of motor fuels. The analysis used motor fuel prices at December 27, 2014 and forecasted purchases over the next 12 months. For each one percentage point increase or decrease in motor fuel prices under these assumptions, our motor fuel costs would change by approximately \$0.2 million.

Production costs at our plants are also subject to fluctuations in natural gas costs. To reduce our exposure to changes in natural gas prices, we utilize natural gas supply contracts in the normal course of business. These contracts meet the definition of "normal purchase" and, therefore, are not considered derivative instruments for accounting purposes.

### Foreign Currency Exchange Risk

Our only material foreign subsidiaries are located in Canada. The assets and liabilities of these subsidiaries are denominated in the Canadian dollar and, as such, are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect at the balance sheet date. Results of operations are translated using the average exchange rates throughout the period. The effect of exchange rate fluctuations on translation of assets and liabilities are recorded as a component of stockholders' equity and are included in the "Accumulated other comprehensive income" line item of the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Gains and losses from foreign currency transactions are included in results of operations.

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### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our chief executive officer and chief financial officer, we conducted an evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) or Rule 15d-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as of the end of the period covered by this Form 10-Q. Based on their evaluation, our chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

There have been no changes in our internal controls over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this Form 10-Q that have 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

We are involved in a variety of legal actions relating to personal injury, employment, environmental and other legal matters arising in the normal course of business, including, without limitation, those described below. The United States Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, or OFCCP, is, as part of routine audits, conducting a review of certain of our employment practices. The OFCCP has issued Notices of Violations to four of

conducting a review of certain of our employment practices. The OFCCP has issued Notices of Violations to four of our facilities. Audits of six other facilities, where the OFCCP may claim there are similar alleged violations, are ongoing. We have been engaged in discussions with the OFCCP and believe that our practices are lawful and without bias. While we cannot predict the ultimate outcome of these matters with certainty and it is possible that we may incur additional losses in excess of established reserves, we believe the possibility of a material adverse effect on our results of operations or financial position is remote.

See Note 13, "Employee Benefit Plans," of the Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for information on our arbitration related to our withdrawal from the Central States Plan.

### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

In addition to the other information set forth in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, you should carefully consider the factors discussed in Part I, "Item 1A. Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 28, 2014, which could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results. The risks described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K are not the only risks we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently believe are immaterial could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and/or operating results.

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

The table below sets forth information regarding repurchases we made of our common stock during the periods indicated.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan	Maximum Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan
September 28, 2014 - November 1, 2014	_	<b>\$</b> —	_	\$42,523,386
November 2, 2014 - November 29, 2014	37,601	\$65.09	37,601	\$40,075,944
November 30, 2014 - December 27, 2014	15,300	\$65.69	15,300	\$39,070,821
Total	52,901	\$65.26	52,901	\$39,070,821

As of December 27, 2014, we have a \$175.0 million share repurchase program which was originally authorized by our Board of Directors in May 2007 for \$100.0 million and increased to \$175.0 million in May 2008. Under this repurchase program, we repurchased 52,901 shares in open market transactions totaling \$3.5 million for the three months ended December 27, 2014 and 53,800 shares totaling \$3.2 million for the three months ended December 28, 2013. We repurchased 118,101 shares totaling \$7.1 million for the six months ended December 27, 2014 and 94,019 shares totaling \$5.4 million for the six months ended December 28, 2013. As of December 27, 2014, we had \$39.1 million remaining under this authorization.

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#### ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

- a. Exhibits
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
  - Financial statements from the quarterly report on Form 10-Q of G&K Services, Inc. for the quarter ended December 27, 2014, formatted in Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL): (i) the Condensed
- Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity, (v) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, and (vi) Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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### **SIGNATURES**

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

G&K SERVICES, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: January 27, 2015 By: /s/ Tracy C. Jokinen

Tracy C. Jokinen

Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Date: January 27, 2015 By: /s/ Thomas J. Dietz

Thomas J. Dietz

Vice President and Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)