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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2012

Transition Report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934
for the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission File No. 0-22818

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

22-3240619
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

58 South Service Road
Melville, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

11747
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (631) 730-2200

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer
Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

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

As of May 2, 2012 there were 44,727,901 shares outstanding of the registrant's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share.

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PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(In thousands, except share amounts)

| | March 31, 2012 | June 30, 2011 |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| | (Unaudited) | (Note) |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 41,164 | \$ 27,517 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,758 and \$1,280 | 192,871 | 143,348 |
| Inventories | 179,754 | 171,098 |
| Deferred income taxes | 14,014 | 13,993 |
| Prepaid expenses and other current assets | 19,653 | 15,110 |
| Assets of business held for sale | 30,452 | — |
| Total current assets | 477,908 | 371,066 |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 147,350 | 110,423 |
| Goodwill | 682,256 | 568,374 |
| Trademarks and other intangible assets, net | 318,543 | 220,429 |
| Investments and joint ventures | 43,023 | 50,557 |
| Other assets | 14,170 | 12,655 |
| Total assets | \$ 1,683,250 | \$ 1,333,504 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 127,997 | \$ 93,194 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 72,611 | 73,884 |
| Income taxes payable | 5,060 | 2,974 |
| Current portion of long-term debt | 380 | 633 |
| Liabilities of business held for sale | 10,379 | — |
| Total current liabilities | 216,427 | 170,685 |
| Long-term debt, less current portion | 430,358 | 229,540 |
| Deferred income taxes | 81,651 | 52,915 |
| Other noncurrent liabilities | 12,286 | 13,661 |
| Total liabilities | 740,722 | 466,801 |
| Stockholders' equity: | | |
| Preferred stock - \$.01 par value, authorized 5,000,000 shares, no shares issued | — | — |
| Common stock - \$.01 par value, authorized 100,000,000 shares, issued 45,920,013 and 45,045,097 shares | 459 | 451 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 607,832 | 582,972 |
| Retained earnings | 351,721 | 295,886 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 4,292 | 7,144 |
| | 964,304 | 886,453 |
| Less: 1,202,612 and 1,144,610 shares of treasury stock, at cost | (21,776) | (19,750) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 942,528 | 866,703 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 1,683,250 | \$ 1,333,504 |

Note: The balance sheet at June 30, 2011 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date.

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)
(In thousands, except per share amounts)

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | Nine Months Ended March 31, | |
|--|---------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Net sales | \$ 379,357 | \$ 288,386 | \$ 1,041,022 | \$ 838,225 |
| Cost of sales | 275,028 | 205,822 | 752,640 | 600,167 |
| Gross profit | 104,329 | 82,564 | 288,382 | 238,058 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 63,183 | 53,664 | 182,765 | 158,814 |
| Acquisition related expenses and restructuring charges | 549 | (1,920) | 7,501 | 169 |
| Operating income | 40,597 | 30,820 | 98,116 | 79,075 |
| Interest and other expenses, net | 4,172 | 2,851 | 12,273 | 8,835 |
| Income before income taxes and equity in earnings of equity-method investees | 36,425 | 27,969 | 85,843 | 70,240 |
| Provision for income taxes | 12,384 | 11,076 | 31,063 | 28,601 |
| Equity in net (income) loss of equity-method investees | (28) | 121 | (847) | (495) |
| Income from continuing operations | 24,069 | 16,772 | 55,627 | 42,134 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax | 38 | — | 208 | — |
| Net income | \$ 24,107 | \$ 16,772 | \$ 55,835 | \$ 42,134 |
| Basic net income per common share: | | | | |
| From continuing operations | \$ 0.54 | \$ 0.39 | \$ 1.26 | \$ 0.98 |
| From discontinued operations | 0.00 | — | 0.00 | — |
| Net income per common share - basic | \$ 0.54 | \$ 0.39 | \$ 1.26 | \$ 0.98 |
| Diluted net income per common share: | | | | |
| From continuing operations | \$ 0.52 | \$ 0.38 | \$ 1.22 | \$ 0.95 |
| From discontinued operations | 0.00 | — | 0.00 | — |
| Net income per common share - diluted | \$ 0.52 | \$ 0.38 | \$ 1.22 | \$ 0.95 |
| Shares used in the calculation of net income per common share: | | | | |
| Basic | 44,506 | 43,202 | 44,198 | 42,985 |
| Diluted | 45,989 | 44,711 | 45,666 | 44,321 |

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (UNAUDITED)
 FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31, 2012
 (In thousands, except per share and share amounts)

| | Common Stock | | Additional Paid-in Capital | Retained Earnings | Treasury Stock | | Accumulated Other | Total |
|---|--------------|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------|-----------|
| | Shares | Amount | | | Income (Loss) | | | |
| | | at \$.01 | Shares | Amount | | | | |
| Balance at June 30, 2011 | 45,045,097 | \$ 451 | \$582,972 | \$295,886 | 1,144,610 | \$(19,750) | \$ 7,144 | \$866,703 |
| Net income | | | | 55,835 | | | | 55,835 |
| Foreign currency translation adjustments, net of tax | | | | | | | (2,648) | (2,648) |
| Change in deferred gains on cash flow hedging instruments, net of tax | | | | | | | 616 | 616 |
| Change in unrealized loss on available for sale investment, net of tax | | | | | | | (820) | (820) |
| Total comprehensive income | | | | | | | | \$ 52,983 |
| Issuance of common stock pursuant to compensation plans | 874,916 | 8 | 12,456 | | | | | 12,464 |
| Stock based compensation income tax effects | | | 6,083 | | | | | 6,083 |
| Shares withheld for payment of employee payroll taxes due on shares issued under stock based compensation plans | | | | | 58,002 | (2,026) | | (2,026) |
| Stock based compensation charge | | | 6,321 | | | | | 6,321 |
| Balance at March 31, 2012 | 45,920,013 | \$ 459 | \$607,832 | \$351,721 | 1,202,612 | \$(21,776) | \$ 4,292 | \$942,528 |

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)
(In thousands)

| | Nine Months Ended March 31, | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2012 | 2011 |
| | (Unaudited) | |
| CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Net income | \$ 55,835 | \$ 42,134 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 22,367 | 17,661 |
| Deferred income taxes | (2,260) | (2,385) |
| Equity in net (income) loss of equity-method investees | (847) | (495) |
| Stock based compensation | 6,321 | 7,288 |
| Tax benefit from stock based compensation | 6,083 | 2,305 |
| Contingent consideration expense/(reduction) | 900 | (3,687) |
| Interest accretion on contingent consideration | 672 | 1,378 |
| Other non-cash items, net | 612 | 103 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash attributable to changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of amounts applicable to acquisitions: | | |
| Accounts receivable | (26,879) | (21,003) |
| Inventories | 3,269 | (1,921) |
| Other current assets | (991) | (1,252) |
| Other assets | (2,505) | (4,787) |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | 13,888 | 1,527 |
| Acquisition-related contingent consideration | (850) | — |
| Income taxes | 2,105 | 3,565 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 77,720 | 40,431 |
| CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Acquisitions, net of cash acquired | (243,425) | (45,317) |
| Purchases of property and equipment | (12,974) | (7,842) |
| Proceeds from disposals of property and equipment | 99 | 1,544 |
| Repayments from equity-method investees | 7,033 | 1,672 |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | (249,267) | (49,943) |
| CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY (USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Proceeds from exercises of stock options, net of related expenses | 10,509 | 8,224 |
| Borrowings under bank revolving credit facility | 200,994 | 11,100 |
| Repayments of other long-term debt, net | (353) | (16) |
| Acquisition-related contingent consideration | (31,810) | — |
| Excess tax benefits from stock based compensation | 4,544 | — |
| Shares withheld for payment of employee payroll taxes | (2,026) | (799) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 181,858 | 18,509 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash | 3,336 | (692) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | 13,647 | 8,305 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 27,517 | 17,266 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 41,164 | \$ 25,571 |

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. GENERAL

The Hain Celestial Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “Company,” and herein referred to as “we,” “us,” and “our”) manufacture, market, distribute and sell natural and organic products under brand names which are sold as “better-for-you” products. We are a leader in many natural food categories, with such well-known food brands as Earth’s Best[®], Celestial Seasonings[®], Terra[®], Garden of Eatin’[®], Sensible Portions[®], Rice Dream[®], Soy Dream[®], Almond Dream[®], Imagine[®], Westsoy[®], The Greek Gods[®], Ethnic Gourmet[®], Rosetto[®], Arrowhead Mills[®], MaraNatha[®], SunSpire[®], Health Valley[®], Spectrum Naturals[®], Spectrum Essentials[®], Lima[®], Danival[®], GG UniqueFiber[™], Yves Veggie Cuisine[®], Europe’s Best[®], DeBoles[®], Linda McCartney[®] (under license), New Covent Garden Soup Co.[®], Johnson’s Juice Co.[®], Farmhouse Fare[®], Cully & Sully[®] and Daily Bread[™]. Our natural personal care products are marketed under the Avalon Organics[®], Alba Botanica[®], JASON[®], Zia[®], Queen Helene[®], and Earth’s Best TenderCare[®] brands. Our household cleaning products are marketed under the Martha Stewart Clean[™] (under license) brand.

We have a minority investment in Hain Pure Protein Corporation (“HPP” or “Hain Pure Protein”), which processes, markets and distributes antibiotic-free chicken and turkey products. We also have an investment in a joint venture in Hong Kong with Hutchison China Meditech Ltd. (“Chi-Med”), a majority owned subsidiary of Hutchison Whampoa Limited, a company listed on the Alternative Investment Market, a sub-market of the London Stock Exchange, to market and distribute co-branded infant and toddler feeding products and market and distribute selected of the Company’s brands in China and other markets.

We operate in one business segment: the manufacturing, distribution and marketing of natural and organic products. In our 2011 fiscal year, approximately 45% of our revenues were derived from products that were manufactured within our own facilities with 55% produced by various co-packers.

All amounts in our condensed consolidated financial statements and tables have been rounded to the nearest thousand, except share and per share amounts, unless otherwise indicated.

Management evaluated all events and transactions occurring after the balance sheet date through the filing of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q.

2. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

Our condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The amounts as of and for the periods ended June 30, 2011 are derived from the Company’s audited annual financial statements. The condensed consolidated financial statements reflect all normal recurring adjustments which, in management’s opinion, are necessary for a fair presentation for interim periods. Operating results for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending June 30, 2012. Please refer to the footnotes to our consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2011 and for the year then ended included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for information not included in these condensed footnotes.

Newly Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In the first quarter of fiscal 2012, we adopted new accounting guidance included in Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2010-29, *Disclosure of Supplementary Pro Forma Information for Business Combinations*. The amendments in this standard specify that if a public entity presents comparative financial statements, the entity should disclose revenue and earnings of the combined entity as though business combination(s) that occurred during the current year had occurred as of the beginning of the comparable prior annual reporting period only. This standard also expands the supplemental pro forma disclosures under Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 805 to include a description of the nature and amount of material, nonrecurring pro forma adjustments directly attributable to the business combination included in the reported pro forma revenue and earnings. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2012, we adopted new accounting guidance included in ASU No. 2011-04, *Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs*. The amendments in this standard generally represent clarification of Topic 820, but also include instances where a particular principle or requirement for measuring fair value or disclosing information about fair value measurements has changed. This update results in common principles and requirements for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value

measurements in accordance with U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements Not Yet Effective

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income*, which requires that the components of other comprehensive income (“OCI”) be presented in one of two formats: either (i) together with net income in a continuous statement of comprehensive income or (ii) in a second statement of comprehensive income to immediately follow the income statement. The ASU eliminates an existing option to present the components of OCI as part of the statement of changes in stockholders' equity. Additionally, in December 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-12, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05*, which indefinitely defers the requirements in ASU No. 2011-05 to present reclassification adjustments out of accumulated OCI by component in both the statement in which net income is presented and the statement in which OCI is presented. During the deferral period, the existing requirements in U.S. GAAP for the presentation of reclassification adjustments must continue to be followed. These standards are effective for the Company's first quarter of fiscal year 2013. The adoption of this new guidance will require changing the Company's presentation and disclosure of comprehensive income, but these changes in presentation will not have an impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, *Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Goodwill for Impairment*. ASU No. 2011-08 permits entities to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform the two-step goodwill impairment test included in U.S. GAAP. Entities would not be required to calculate the fair value of a reporting unit unless they determine that it is more likely than not that the fair value is less than the carrying amount. ASU No. 2011-08 is effective for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting the provisions of ASU No. 2011-08.

3. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | Nine Months Ended March 31, | |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Numerator: | | | | |
| Income from continuing operations | \$ 24,069 | \$ 16,772 | \$ 55,627 | \$ 42,134 |
| Income from discontinued operations, net of tax | 38 | — | 208 | — |
| Net income | \$ 24,107 | \$ 16,772 | \$ 55,835 | \$ 42,134 |
| Denominator (in thousands): | | | | |
| Denominator for basic earnings per share - weighted average shares outstanding during the period | 44,506 | 43,202 | 44,198 | 42,985 |
| Effect of dilutive stock options, unvested restricted stock and unvested restricted stock units | 1,483 | 1,509 | 1,468 | 1,336 |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share - adjusted weighted average shares and assumed conversions | 45,989 | 44,711 | 45,666 | 44,321 |
| Basic net income per common share: | | | | |
| From continuing operations | \$ 0.54 | \$ 0.39 | \$ 1.26 | \$ 0.98 |
| From discontinued operations | 0.00 | — | 0.00 | — |
| Net income per common share - basic | \$ 0.54 | \$ 0.39 | \$ 1.26 | \$ 0.98 |
| Diluted net income per common share: | | | | |
| From continuing operations | \$ 0.52 | \$ 0.38 | \$ 1.22 | \$ 0.95 |
| From discontinued operations | 0.00 | — | 0.00 | — |
| Net income per common share - diluted | \$ 0.52 | \$ 0.38 | \$ 1.22 | \$ 0.95 |

Basic earnings per share excludes the dilutive effects of stock options, unvested restricted stock and unvested restricted share units. Diluted earnings per share includes only the dilutive effects of common stock equivalents such as stock options and unvested restricted stock awards. The Company used income from continuing operations as the control number in determining whether potential common shares were dilutive or anti-dilutive. The same number of potential common shares used in computing the diluted per share amount from continuing operations was also used in computing the diluted per share amounts from discontinued operations even if those amounts were anti-dilutive.

Anti-dilutive stock options and restricted stock awards totaling 4,000 and 591,000 for the three months and 39,000 and 833,000 for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively, were excluded from our earnings per share calculations.

4. ACQUISITIONS

We account for acquisitions using the acquisition method of accounting. The results of operations of the acquisitions have been included in our consolidated results from their respective dates of acquisition. We allocate the purchase price of each acquisition to the tangible assets, liabilities, and identifiable intangible assets acquired based on their estimated fair values. The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were determined primarily by using an income approach which was based on assumptions and estimates made by management. Significant assumptions utilized in the income approach were based on company specific information and projections which are not observable in the market and are thus considered Level 3 measurements as defined by authoritative guidance. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identified assets and liabilities has been recorded as goodwill.

Fiscal 2012

On October 25, 2011, we acquired the Daniels Group (“Daniels”) in the United Kingdom, for £146,532 in cash, net (approximately \$233,822 at the transaction date exchange rate), and up to £13,000 (approximately \$20,500 at the transaction date exchange rate) of contingent consideration based upon the achievement of specified operating results during the twelve month periods ended March 31, 2012 and March 31, 2013. The acquisition was funded with borrowings under our revolving credit facility. Daniels is a leading marketer and manufacturer of natural chilled foods, including three leading brands – The New Covent Garden Soup Co., Johnson’s Juice Co. and Farmhouse Fare hot-eating desserts. Daniels also offers fresh prepared

fruit products and chilled ready meals. Daniels’ product offerings are sold at all major supermarkets and select foodservice outlets throughout the United Kingdom. We believe the acquisition of Daniels will extend our presence into one of the fastest-growing healthy food segments in the United Kingdom and provide a platform for the growth of our combined operations. We also believe the acquisition will provide us with the scale in our international operations to allow us to introduce some of our existing brands in the marketplace in a more meaningful way. During the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company decided to sell the Daniels private label chilled ready meals operations. Refer to Note 16, Discontinued Operations, for additional information. Since the date of acquisition, Daniels net sales and income before income taxes from continuing operations of \$100,265 and \$12,773, respectively, were included in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the nine months ended March 31, 2012.

On October 5, 2011 we acquired the assets and business of the Europe’s Best brand of all natural frozen fruit and vegetable products through our wholly-owned Hain Celestial Canada subsidiary for \$9,513 in cash (which is subject to a final settlement with the sellers). The Europe’s Best product line includes premium fruit and vegetable products distributed in Canada. The acquisition provides us entry into a new category and is expected to complement our existing product offerings. The amounts of net sales and earnings from the Europe’s Best acquisition included in our results since the acquisition date were not significant.

The following table summarizes the components of the preliminary purchase price allocations for the fiscal 2012 acquisitions:

| | Daniels | Europe’s Best | Total |
|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Purchase price: | | | |
| Cash paid | \$ 233,822 | \$ 9,513 | \$ 243,335 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration | 15,637 | — | 15,637 |
| | <u>\$ 249,459</u> | <u>\$ 9,513</u> | <u>\$ 258,972</u> |
| Allocation: | | | |
| Current assets | \$ 55,742 | \$ 7,157 | \$ 62,899 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 46,799 | — | 46,799 |
| Identifiable intangible assets | 106,784 | 2,706 | 109,490 |
| Other non-current assets, net | 1,108 | — | 1,108 |
| Assumed liabilities | (46,430) | (184) | (46,614) |
| Deferred income taxes | (30,982) | (166) | (31,148) |
| Goodwill | 116,438 | — | 116,438 |
| | <u>\$ 249,459</u> | <u>\$ 9,513</u> | <u>\$ 258,972</u> |

The purchase price allocations are based upon preliminary valuations, and the Company’s estimates and assumptions are subject to change within the measurement period as valuations are finalized. Any change in the estimated fair value of the net assets, prior to the finalization of the more detailed analyses, but not to exceed one year from the dates of acquisition, will change the amount of the purchase price allocations. The fair values assigned to identifiable intangible assets acquired were based on assumptions and estimates made by management. Identifiable intangible assets acquired consisted of customer relationships initially valued at \$54,662 with a weighted average estimated useful life of 11.1 years and trade names initially valued at \$54,828 with indefinite lives. The goodwill represents the future economic benefits expected to arise that could not be individually identified and separately recognized, including use of our existing infrastructure to expand sales of the acquired business products. The goodwill recorded as a result of the Daniels acquisition is not expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

Fiscal 2011

On February 4, 2011, we acquired Danival SAS, a manufacturer of certified organic food products based in France, for cash consideration of €18,083 (\$24,741 based on the transaction date exchange rate). Danival’s product line includes over 200 branded organic sweet and salted grocery, fruits, vegetables and delicatessen products currently distributed in Europe. The Danival acquisition complements the organic food line of our Lima brand in Europe. Identifiable intangible assets acquired consisted of customer relationships, recipes and the trade name. The trade name intangible relates to the “Danival” brand name, which has an indefinite life, and therefore, is not amortized. The customer relationship and recipes intangible assets are being amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The goodwill recorded of \$9,142 represented the future economic benefits expected to arise that could not be individually identified and separately recognized and is not deductible for tax purposes.

On January 28, 2011, we acquired GG UniqueFiber AS, a manufacturer of all natural high fiber crackers based in Norway that distributed its products through independent distributors in the United States and Europe. The acquisition broadened our offerings of whole grain and high fiber products. The acquisition of GG UniqueFiber was completed for cash consideration of Norwegian kroner (“NOK”) 25,000 (\$4,281 based on the transaction date exchange rate) plus up to NOK 25,000 (\$4,281) of additional contingent consideration based upon the achievement of specified operating results, of which the Company recorded NOK 17,600 (\$3,050) as the fair value at the acquisition date. The goodwill recorded of \$4,893 represents the future economic benefits expected to arise that could not be individually identified and separately recognized and is not deductible for tax purposes.

On July 2, 2010, we acquired substantially all of the assets and business, including The Greek Gods brand of Greek-style yogurt products, and assumed certain liabilities of 3 Greek Gods, LLC (“Greek Gods”). Greek Gods develops, produces, markets The Greek Gods brand of Greek-style yogurt products into various sales channels. The acquisition of The Greek Gods brand expanded our refrigerated product offerings. The acquisition was completed for initial cash consideration of \$16,277, and 242,185 shares of the Company’s common stock, valued at \$4,785, plus additional contingent consideration based upon the achievement of specified operating results in fiscal 2011 and 2012. The Company paid \$15,400 of contingent consideration during the fourth quarter of fiscal 2011, representing payment for the achievement of the first year’s operating results and paid the remaining \$9,000 in the second quarter of fiscal 2012. The Company recorded \$22,900 as the fair value of the contingent consideration at the acquisition date and the additional payments totaling \$1,500 were recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income in periods subsequent to the acquisition. Identifiable intangible assets acquired consisted of customer relationships and the trade name. The trade name intangible relates to “The Greek Gods” brand name, which has an indefinite life, and therefore, is not amortized. The customer relationship intangible asset is being amortized on a straight-line basis over its estimated useful life. The goodwill recorded of \$23,686 represents the future economic benefits expected to arise that could not be individually identified and separately recognized, including entry into the yogurt category and use of our existing infrastructure to expand sales of the acquired business products and is deductible for tax purposes.

The following table summarizes the components of the purchase price allocations for the fiscal 2011 acquisitions:

| | Greek Gods | GG UniqueFiber | Danival | Total |
|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Purchase price: | | | | |
| Cash paid | \$ 16,277 | \$ 4,281 | \$ 24,741 | \$ 45,299 |
| Equity issued | 4,785 | — | — | 4,785 |
| Fair value of contingent consideration | 22,900 | 3,050 | — | 25,950 |
| | <u>\$ 43,962</u> | <u>\$ 7,331</u> | <u>\$ 24,741</u> | <u>\$ 76,034</u> |
| Allocation: | | | | |
| Current assets | \$ 2,172 | \$ 429 | \$ 7,320 | \$ 9,921 |
| Property, plant and equipment | — | 673 | 3,049 | 3,722 |
| Identifiable intangible assets | 18,800 | 2,116 | 12,587 | 33,503 |
| Assumed liabilities | (696) | (527) | (5,239) | (6,462) |
| Deferred income taxes | — | (253) | (2,118) | (2,371) |
| Goodwill | 23,686 | 4,893 | 9,142 | 37,721 |
| | <u>\$ 43,962</u> | <u>\$ 7,331</u> | <u>\$ 24,741</u> | <u>\$ 76,034</u> |

The costs related to all acquisitions have been expensed as incurred and are included in “Acquisition related expenses and restructuring charges” in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Acquisition-related costs of \$407 and \$6,140 were expensed in the three and nine months ended March 31, 2012, and \$1,690 (which was offset by a reversal of \$4,130 of contingent consideration) and \$2,939 (which was offset by a net reversal of \$3,687 of contingent consideration) were expensed in the three and nine months ended March 31, 2011, respectively.

The following table provides unaudited pro forma results of continuing operations for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 as if all of the above acquisitions had been completed at the beginning of the prior fiscal year. The following pro forma combined results of continuing operations have been provided for illustrative purposes only, and do not purport to be indicative of the actual results that would have been achieved by the Company for the periods presented or that will be achieved by the combined company in the future. The pro forma information has been adjusted to give effect to items that are directly attributable to the transactions and are expected to have a continuing impact on the combined results. The

adjustments include amortization expense associated with acquired identifiable intangible assets, interest expense associated with bank borrowings to fund the acquisitions and elimination of transactions costs incurred in fiscal 2012 and 2011 that are directly related to the transactions and do not have a continuing impact on operating results from continuing operations.

| | Three months ended | | Nine months ended | |
|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | March 31, 2012 | March 31, 2011 | March 31, 2012 | March 31, 2011 |
| Net sales from continuing operations | \$ 379,357 | \$ 356,101 | \$ 1,103,918 | \$ 1,025,066 |
| Net income from continuing operations | \$ 25,590 | \$ 19,871 | \$ 59,799 | \$ 48,901 |
| Net income per common share from continuing operations - diluted | \$ 0.56 | \$ 0.44 | \$ 1.31 | \$ 1.10 |

This information has not been adjusted to reflect any changes in the operations of the businesses subsequent to their acquisition by us. Changes in operations of the acquired businesses include, but are not limited to, discontinuation of products, integration of systems and personnel, changes in trade practices, application of our credit policies, changes in manufacturing processes or locations, and changes in marketing and advertising programs. Had any of these changes been implemented by the former managements of the businesses acquired prior to acquisition by us, the net sales and net income information might have been materially different than the actual results achieved and from the pro forma information provided. In management's opinion, these unaudited pro forma results of operations are not intended to represent or to be indicative of the actual results that would have occurred had the acquisitions been consummated at the beginning of the periods presented or of future operations of the combined companies under our management.

5. INVENTORIES

Inventories consisted of the following:

| | March 31, 2012 | June 30, 2011 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Finished goods | \$ 115,249 | \$ 113,086 |
| Raw materials, work-in-progress and packaging | 64,505 | 58,012 |
| | <u>\$ 179,754</u> | <u>\$ 171,098</u> |

6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following:

| | March 31, 2012 | June 30, 2011 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Land | \$ 10,985 | \$ 9,157 |
| Buildings and improvements | 47,827 | 41,779 |
| Machinery and equipment | 191,961 | 156,739 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 8,145 | 8,230 |
| Leasehold improvements | 7,465 | 1,934 |
| Construction in progress | 3,807 | 6,382 |
| | <u>270,190</u> | <u>224,221</u> |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization | 122,840 | 113,798 |
| | <u>\$ 147,350</u> | <u>\$ 110,423</u> |

7. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The Company performs its annual goodwill impairment test on the first day of its fiscal fourth quarter. In addition, if and when events or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of any of its reporting units below its carrying value, an interim test is performed.

Changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 were as follows:

| | Goodwill | Accumulated Impairment Losses | Net Carrying Value |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Balance as of June 30, 2011: | \$ 610,403 | \$ (42,029) | \$ 568,374 |
| Acquisition | 116,438 | — | 116,438 |
| Translation adjustments, net | (2,556) | — | (2,556) |
| Balance as of March 31, 2012: | <u>\$ 724,285</u> | <u>\$ (42,029)</u> | <u>\$ 682,256</u> |

Amounts assigned to indefinite-life intangible assets primarily represent the values of trademarks and tradenames. At March 31, 2012, included in trademarks and other intangible assets on the balance sheet are \$106,249 of intangible assets deemed to have a finite life which are being amortized over their estimated useful lives of 3 to 20 years. The following table reflects the components of trademarks and other intangible assets:

| | March 31, 2012 | June 30, 2011 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Non-amortized intangible assets: | | |
| Trademarks and tradenames | \$ 240,533 | \$ 186,273 |
| Amortized intangible assets: | | |
| Other intangibles | 106,249 | 55,314 |
| Less: accumulated amortization | (28,239) | (21,158) |
| Net carrying amount | <u>\$ 318,543</u> | <u>\$ 220,429</u> |

Amortization expense included in continuing operations for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2012 and 2011 was as follows:

| | Three months ended | | Nine months ended | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | March 31, 2012 | March 31, 2011 | March 31, 2012 | March 31, 2011 |
| Amortization of intangible assets | \$ 2,953 | \$ 1,639 | \$ 7,119 | \$ 4,658 |

Expected amortization expense over the next five fiscal years is as follows:

| | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Estimated amortization expense | \$ 9,901 | \$ 10,217 | \$ 9,289 | \$ 9,181 | \$ 8,725 |

The weighted average remaining amortization period of amortized intangible assets is 9.2 years.

8. LONG-TERM DEBT AND CREDIT FACILITY

We have \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of 10 year senior notes due May 2, 2016 issued in a private placement. The notes bear interest at 5.98%, payable semi-annually on November 2 and May 2. As of March 31, 2012, \$150,000 of the senior notes was outstanding.

We have a credit agreement which provides us with a \$400 million revolving credit facility (the "Credit Agreement"), expiring in July 2015. Borrowings may be used to provide working capital, finance capital expenditures and permitted acquisitions, refinance certain existing indebtedness and for other corporate purposes. The Credit Agreement contains restrictive covenants usual and customary for facilities of its type, which include, with specified exceptions, limitations on our ability to engage in certain business activities, incur debt, have liens, make capital expenditures, pay dividends or make other distributions, enter into affiliate transactions, consolidate, merge or acquire or dispose of assets, and make certain investments, acquisitions and loans. The Credit Agreement also requires that we satisfy certain financial covenants, such as maintaining a consolidated interest coverage ratio (as defined) of no less than 4.00 to 1.00 and a consolidated leverage ratio (as defined) of no more than 3.50 to 1.00, which consolidated leverage ratio may increase to no more than 4.0 to 1.0 for the twelve-month period following a permitted acquisition. The Credit Agreement may be increased by an additional uncommitted \$100 million, provided certain conditions are met. Our obligations under the Credit Agreement are guaranteed by all of our existing and future domestic subsidiaries, subject to certain exceptions. As of March 31, 2012, there were \$280,000 of borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement.

9. INCOME TAXES

The effective income tax rate from continuing operations was 34.0% for the three months and 36.2% for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 and 39.6% for the three months and 40.7% for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. The Company uses an estimated annual effective tax rate, which is based on expected annual income, statutory tax rates and tax planning opportunities available in the various jurisdictions in which the Company operates, to determine its quarterly provision for income taxes. Certain significant or unusual items are separately recognized in the quarter in which they occur and can be a source of variability in the effective tax rates from quarter to quarter. The effective tax rate for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2012 was lower than the comparable periods of the prior year primarily as a result of reduced losses incurred in the United Kingdom and the acquisition of Daniels on October 25, 2011 and the increased income in its lower tax rate jurisdiction. Prior to the acquisition of Daniels, no tax benefits were recorded for losses incurred in the United Kingdom. The Company will continue to maintain a valuation allowance on its net deferred tax assets related to those carryforward losses until an appropriate level of profitability is attained such that the losses may be utilized. If the Company is able to realize any of these deferred tax assets in the future, the provision for income taxes will be reduced by a release of the corresponding valuation allowance. In addition, in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company recorded a discrete adjustment to recognize a decrease of \$820 in its liability for uncertain tax positions as the result of an expiration of the statute of limitations. The Company's tax rate for the three and nine months ended March 31, 2012 was unfavorably impacted by \$1,178 related to nondeductible transaction costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of Daniels. The fiscal 2012 and 2011 effective income tax rates differed from the federal statutory rate primarily due to the items noted previously, as well as the effect of state and local income taxes. There were no other material changes in unrecognized tax benefits during the first nine months of fiscal 2012.

In connection with the acquisition of Daniels, we recorded a \$2,102 reserve related to an uncertain tax position recorded by Daniels in prior years. We also recorded an indemnification asset for the same amount as the sellers of Daniels are contractually required to reimburse the Company for any assessment that may arise.

10. STOCK BASED COMPENSATION AND INCENTIVE PERFORMANCE PLANS

We have stock based compensation programs under which awards, including stock options, restricted stock, restricted share units and unrestricted shares, may be granted to employees, consultants and non-employee directors.

During the nine months ended March 31, 2012, 235,824 shares of restricted stock and restricted share units were granted with an estimated grant date value of \$8,364. Included in these grants were 85,363 restricted shares and restricted share units granted under the Company's 2012-2013 Long-term Incentive Plan, 42,683 of which are subject to the achievement of minimum performance goals established under that plan (see "Long-Term Incentive Plan," below). There were no stock options granted during the nine month period.

Compensation cost and related income tax benefits recognized in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of operations for stock based compensation plans were as follows:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | Nine Months Ended March 31, | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------|----------|
| | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Compensation cost (included in selling, general and administrative expense) | \$ 2,558 | \$ 3,377 | \$ 6,321 | \$ 7,288 |
| Related income tax benefit | \$ 868 | \$ 1,174 | \$ 2,241 | \$ 2,438 |

Stock Options

A summary of our stock option activity for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 is as follows:

| | Options | Weighted Average Exercise Price | Weighted Average Contractual Life | Aggregate Intrinsic Value |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Options outstanding June 30, 2011 | 3,497,752 | \$ 17.35 | | |
| Granted | — | — | | |
| Exercised | (683,997) | 15.36 | | |
| Canceled and expired | (3,150) | 16.13 | | |
| Options outstanding March 31, 2012 | 2,810,605 | \$ 17.83 | 3.23 | \$ 73,015 |
| Options exercisable at March 31, 2012 | 2,372,104 | \$ 17.56 | 3.13 | \$ 62,265 |

The aggregate intrinsic value in the table above represents the total pretax intrinsic value (the difference between the closing stock price on the last day of trading in the nine month period ended March 31, 2012 and the exercise price) that would have been received by the option holders had all options been exercised on March 31, 2012. This value will change based on the fair market value of the Company's common stock.

For the nine months ended March 31,

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|--|-----------|----------|
| Intrinsic value of options exercised | \$ 15,422 | \$ 5,246 |
| Cash received from stock option exercises | \$ 10,509 | \$ 8,224 |
| Tax benefit recognized from stock option exercises | \$ 5,477 | \$ 2,046 |

At March 31, 2012 there was \$900 of unrecognized compensation expense related to stock option awards, which will be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 1.2 years.

Restricted Stock

A summary of our non-vested restricted stock awards and activity for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 were as follows:

| | Number of Shares and Units | Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value (per share) |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| Non-vested restricted stock and restricted share units – June 30, 2011 | 407,231 | \$ 22.43 |
| Granted | 235,824 | 35.47 |
| Vested | (127,820) | 17.52 |
| Forfeited | (17,378) | 26.51 |
| Non-vested restricted stock and restricted share units – March 31, 2012 | 497,857 | \$ 29.72 |

For the nine months ended March 31,

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|---|----------|----------|
| Fair value of restricted stock and restricted share units granted | \$ 8,364 | \$ 7,055 |
| Fair value of shares vested | \$ 4,805 | \$ 3,457 |
| Tax benefit recognized from restricted shares vesting | \$ 1,800 | \$ 1,198 |

At March 31, 2012, \$9,267 of unrecognized stock-based compensation expense, net of estimated forfeitures, related to non-vested restricted stock awards is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 1.7 years.

There were 6,870,159 shares of Common Stock reserved for future issuance in connection with stock based awards as of March 31, 2012.

Long-Term Incentive Plan

The Company adopted, beginning in fiscal 2010, a long-term incentive program, (the "LTI Plan"). The LTI Plan currently consists of two two-year performance-based long-term incentive plans (the "2011-2012 LTIP" and the "2012-2013 LTIP") that provide for a combination of equity grants and performance awards that can be earned over the two year period. The initial

two-year long-term incentive plan (the “2010-2011 LTIP”) concluded in fiscal 2011. Participants in the LTI Plan include our executive officers, including the Chief Executive Officer, and certain other key executives.

The Compensation Committee administers the LTI Plan and is responsible for, among other items, establishing the target values of awards to participants and selecting the specific performance factors for such awards. At the end of each performance period, the Compensation Committee determines, at its sole discretion, the specific payout to each participant. Such awards may be paid in cash and/or unrestricted shares of the Company’s common stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee. Upon the adoption of each two year plan, the Compensation Committee granted an initial award to each participant in the form of equity-based instruments (either restricted stock or stock options), for a portion of the individual target awards (the “Initial Equity Grants”). These Initial Equity Grants are subject to time vesting requirements, and a portion of the 2011-2012 LTIP and 2012-2013 LTIP related grants are also subject to the achievement of minimum performance goals. The Initial Equity Grants are expensed over the respective vesting periods on a straight-line basis. The payment of the actual awards earned at the end of the applicable performance period, if any, will be reduced by the value of the Initial Equity Grants.

The Compensation Committee determined that the target values set under the 2010-2011 LTIP were achieved and approved the payment of awards to the participants. The awards totaled \$7,825 after deducting the value of the Initial Equity Grants and were settled by the issuance of 63,099 unrestricted shares of the Company’s common stock and \$5,869 in cash in fiscal 2012. The Company has determined that the achievement of certain of the performance goals for the 2011-2012 LTIP and 2012-2013 LTIP are probable and, accordingly, recorded expense (in addition to the expense associated with the Initial Equity Grants) of \$1,751 for the three months and \$5,317 for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 related to these plans. There was \$2,072 and \$5,771, respectively, of expense recorded for the three months and nine months ended March 31, 2011 with respect to our LTI Plan.

11. RESTRUCTURING AND OTHER CHARGES

The Company periodically assesses its operations to ensure that they are efficient, aligned with market conditions and responsive to customer needs.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2011 we initiated a plan to close our Manchester, United Kingdom non-dairy beverage facility. For the year ended June 30, 2011, we recorded \$321 of costs associated with this plan. In the nine months ended March 31, 2012, we recorded \$606 of severance costs related to our fresh food-to-go products operation in the United Kingdom. These costs are included in “Acquisition related expenses and restructuring charges” on the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. As of March 31, 2012, the remaining amount accrued for these initiatives was \$291.

12. INVESTMENTS AND JOINT VENTURES

Equity method investments

At March 31, 2012, the Company owned 48.7% of Hain Pure Protein (see Note 1). This investment is accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The carrying value of our investment of \$25,065 and advances to HPP of \$10,049 are included on the consolidated balance sheet in “Investments and joint ventures.” The Company previously provided advances to HPP when it was a consolidated subsidiary to finance its operations. Simultaneously with the dilution of the Company’s interest in HPP in June 2009 and its deconsolidation, HPP entered into a separate credit agreement. The Company and HPP entered into a subordination agreement covering the outstanding advances at the date of deconsolidation. The subordination agreement allows for prepayments of the advances based on HPP’s meeting certain conditions under its credit facility. The balance of the advances are due no later than July 1, 2014.

At March 31, 2012, the Company also owned 50.0% of a joint venture, Hutchison Hain Organic Holdings Limited (“HHO”), with Hutchison China Meditech Ltd. (“Chi-Med”), a majority owned subsidiary of Hutchison Whampoa Limited. HHO markets and distributes co-branded infant and toddler feeding products and markets and distributes selected Company brands in Hong Kong, China and other markets. Voting control of the joint venture is shared 50/50 between the Company and Chi-Med, although, in the event of a deadlock, Chi-Med has the ability to cast the deciding vote. The carrying value of our investment and advances to HHO of \$2,866 are included on the consolidated balance sheet in “Investments and joint ventures.” The investment is being accounted for under the equity method of accounting.

Available-For-Sale Securities

The Company has a less than 1% equity ownership interest in Yeo Hiap Seng Limited (“YHS”), a Singapore based natural food and beverage company listed on the Singapore Exchange, which is accounted for as an available-for-sale security. The fair value of this security was \$5,043 at March 31, 2012 and \$6,390 at June 30, 2011 and is included in “Investments and joint ventures,” with the related unrealized loss, net of tax, included in “Accumulated other comprehensive income” in the Company’s condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The Company concluded that the decline in its YHS investment is temporary and, accordingly, has not recognized a loss in its consolidated statements of operations. In making this determination, the Company considered its intent and ability to hold the investment until the cost is recovered, the financial condition of YHS, the duration and magnitude of the loss compared to the investment's cost, and publicly available information about the industry and geographic region in which YHS operates.

13. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE

The Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value are required to be grouped in one of three levels. The levels prioritize the inputs used to measure the fair value of the assets or liabilities. These levels are:

- Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 – Quoted prices in markets that are not active, or inputs which are observable, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability;
- Level 3 – Prices or valuation techniques that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (i.e., supported by little or no market activity).

The following table presents by level within the fair value hierarchy assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of March 31, 2012:

| | Total | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) | Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) |
|---|------------------|---|---|---|
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ 21,249 | — | \$ 21,249 | — |
| Forward foreign currency contracts | 131 | — | 131 | — |
| Available for sale securities | 5,043 | \$ 5,043 | — | — |
| | <u>\$ 26,423</u> | <u>\$ 5,043</u> | <u>\$ 21,380</u> | <u>—</u> |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Forward foreign currency contracts | \$ 73 | — | \$ 73 | — |
| Contingent consideration, of which \$11,125 is noncurrent | 21,331 | — | — | \$ 21,331 |
| Total | <u>\$ 21,404</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ 73</u> | <u>\$ 21,331</u> |

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2011:

| | Total | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) | Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) |
|---|------------------|---|---|---|
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ 7,300 | — | \$ 7,300 | — |
| Available for sale securities | 6,390 | \$ 6,390 | — | — |
| | <u>\$ 13,690</u> | <u>\$ 6,390</u> | <u>\$ 7,300</u> | <u>—</u> |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Forward foreign currency contracts | \$ 766 | — | \$ 766 | — |
| Contingent consideration, of which \$13,244 is noncurrent | 37,145 | — | — | \$ 37,145 |
| Total | <u>\$ 37,911</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>\$ 766</u> | <u>\$ 37,145</u> |

Available for sale securities consist of the Company's investment in YHS (see Note 12). Fair value is measured using the market approach based on quoted prices. The Company utilizes the income approach to measure fair value for its foreign currency forward contracts. The income approach uses pricing models that rely on market observable inputs such as yield curves, currency exchange rates, and forward prices.

In connection with the acquisitions of Daniels in October 2011, the assets and business of Greek Gods in July 2010, the assets

and business of World Gourmet Marketing, L.L.C. in June 2010, GG UniqueFiber AS in January 2011 and Churchill Products Limited in June 2010, payment of a portion of the respective purchase prices are contingent upon the achievement of certain operating results. We estimated the original fair value of the contingent consideration as the present value of the expected contingent payments, determined using the weighted probabilities of the possible payments. We are required to reassess the fair value of contingent payments on a periodic basis. During the nine months ended March 31, 2012, the Company reassessed the fair value of the contingent consideration for each of these acquisitions, resulting in additional expense of \$900. The significant inputs used in these estimates include a weighted average discount rate of 10.5% (which is based on a risk analysis of the respective liabilities) and numerous possible scenarios for the payments based on the contractual terms of the contingent consideration, for which probabilities are assigned to each scenario. Although we believe our assumptions are reasonable, different assumptions or changes in the future may result in different estimated amounts. A one percentage point change in the discount rates used would result in a change to the recorded liability of approximately \$0.3 million as of March 31, 2012.

The following table summarizes the Level 3 activity:

| | Nine months ended March 31, 2012 |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Balance as of June 30, 2011: | \$ 37,145 |
| Fair value of initial contingent consideration | 15,637 |
| Contingent consideration adjustment and accretion of interest expense | 1,572 |
| Contingent consideration paid | (32,660) |
| Translation adjustment | (363) |
| Balance as of March 31, 2012: | <u>\$ 21,331</u> |

There were no transfers of financial instruments between the three levels of fair value hierarchy during the nine months ended March 31, 2012.

The carrying amounts of our cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued expenses approximate their fair values because of the relatively short-term maturity of these items.

Cash Flow Hedges

The Company primarily has exposure to changes in foreign currency exchange rates relating to certain anticipated cash flows from its international operations. To reduce that risk, the Company may enter into certain derivative financial instruments, when available on a cost-effective basis, to manage such risk. Derivative financial instruments are not used for speculative purposes.

Foreign Exchange contracts — The Company utilizes foreign currency contracts to hedge forecasted transactions, primarily intercompany transactions, on certain foreign currencies and designates these derivative instruments as foreign currency cash flow hedges when appropriate. The notional and fair value amounts of the Company's foreign exchange derivative contracts at March 31, 2012 were \$18,145 and \$58 of net assets. There were \$13,650 of notional amount and \$766 of net liabilities of foreign exchange derivative contracts outstanding at June 30, 2011. The fair value of these derivatives is included in prepaid expenses and other current assets and accrued expenses and other current liabilities on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet. For these derivatives, which qualify as hedges of probable forecasted cash flows, the effective portion of changes in fair value is temporarily reported in accumulated OCI and recognized in earnings when the hedged item affects earnings. These foreign exchange contracts have maturities over the next 13 months.

The Company assesses effectiveness at the inception of the hedge and on a quarterly basis. These assessments determine whether derivatives designated as qualifying hedges continue to be highly effective in offsetting changes in the cash flows of hedged items. Any ineffective portion of change in fair value is not deferred in accumulated OCI and is included in current period results. For the nine months ended March 31, 2012, the impact of hedge ineffectiveness on earnings was not significant. The Company will discontinue cash flow hedge accounting when the forecasted transaction is no longer probable of occurring on the originally forecasted date or when the hedge is no longer effective. There were no discontinued foreign exchange hedges for the nine months ended March 31, 2012.

The impact on other comprehensive income from foreign exchange contracts that qualified as cash flow hedges was as follows:

| | Nine months ended March 31, 2012 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Net carrying amount at June 30, 2011 | \$ (572) |
| Cash flow hedges deferred in OCI | 824 |
| Changes in deferred taxes | (208) |
| Net carrying amount at March 31, 2012 | <u>\$ 44</u> |

14. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Legal proceedings

From time to time, we are involved in litigation incidental to the ordinary conduct of our business. Disposition of pending litigation related to these matters is not expected by management to have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations or financial condition.

15. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company is engaged in one business segment: the manufacturing, distribution and marketing of natural and organic products. We define business segments as components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated on a regular basis by our chief operating decision maker.

Outside the United States, we primarily conduct business in Canada and Europe. Selected information related to our continuing operations by geographic area is as follows:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | | Nine Months Ended March 31, | |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| | 2012 | 2011 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Net sales: | | | | |
| United States | \$ 256,280 | \$ 230,647 | \$ 749,075 | \$ 679,718 |
| Canada | 26,249 | 18,200 | 69,330 | 52,468 |
| United Kingdom | 71,564 | 15,332 | 149,210 | 45,330 |
| Rest of Europe | 25,264 | 24,207 | 73,407 | 60,709 |
| | <u>\$ 379,357</u> | <u>\$ 288,386</u> | <u>\$ 1,041,022</u> | <u>\$ 838,225</u> |
| Income before income taxes and equity in earnings of equity-method investees: | | | | |
| United States | \$ 27,988 | \$ 29,404 | \$ 76,006 | \$ 74,254 |
| Canada | 3,101 | 2,032 | 6,229 | 5,284 |
| United Kingdom | 4,400 | (3,269) | 2,871 | (10,323) |
| Rest of Europe | 936 | (198) | 737 | 1,025 |
| | <u>\$ 36,425</u> | <u>\$ 27,969</u> | <u>\$ 85,843</u> | <u>\$ 70,240</u> |

The Company's long-lived assets, which primarily represent net property, plant and equipment, by geographic area are as follows:

| | March 31, 2012 | June 30, 2011 |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| United States | \$ 126,800 | \$ 136,261 |
| Canada | 12,108 | 12,196 |
| United Kingdom | 51,726 | 12,371 |
| Rest of Europe | 13,909 | 12,807 |
| | <u>\$ 204,543</u> | <u>\$ 173,635</u> |

16. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

During the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company made the decision to sell its chilled ready meals business (the "CRM business") in the United Kingdom, which was acquired in October 2011 as part of the acquisition of Daniels. The sale of the CRM business is expected to be completed by March 31, 2013. Operating results for the CRM business, which have been included in the Company's consolidated financial statements for the period subsequent to the October 2011 acquisition, have been classified as discontinued operations. Net sales and operating income reported within discontinued operations was \$20,952 and \$94 for the three months ended March 31, 2012, respectively, and \$37,198 and \$373 for the nine months ended March 31, 2012, respectively.

As of March 31, 2012, the assets and liabilities of the CRM business have been recorded at the lower of their carrying amount or fair value less cost to sell. The assets and liabilities, all of which had been classified as current in the consolidated balance sheet as the sale is expected to occur within the next 12 months, are as follows:

| | | |
|---|----|---------------|
| Receivables | \$ | 9,318 |
| Inventory | | 5,275 |
| Other assets | | 3,367 |
| Property, plant and equipment | | 9,381 |
| Intangible assets | | 3,111 |
| Total assets of business held for sale | \$ | <u>30,452</u> |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | | 8,843 |
| Deferred taxes | | 1,536 |
| Total liabilities of business held for sale | \$ | <u>10,379</u> |

17. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On April 27, 2012, we acquired Cully & Sully Limited, a marketer and manufacturer of branded natural chilled soups, savory pies and hot pots in Ireland, for an initial payment of €10,500 (approximately \$13,500 at the transaction date exchange rate) and contingent consideration of up to €4,500. The acquisition provides us entry into the Irish marketplace and complements our existing product offerings. The acquisition was funded with existing cash balances.

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

This Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations should be read in conjunction with the March 31, 2012 Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and the related Notes contained in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2011. Forward-looking statements in this review are qualified by the cautionary statement included in this review under the sub-heading, "Note Regarding Forward Looking Information," below.

Overview

We manufacture, market, distribute and sell natural and organic products under brand names which are sold as "better-for-you," providing consumers with the opportunity to lead A Healthy Way of Life™. We are a leader in many natural food and personal care products categories, with an extensive portfolio of well-known brands. We operate in one segment, the manufacturing, distribution, marketing and sale of natural and organic products, including food, beverage, personal care and household products. Our business strategy is to integrate all of our brands under one management team and employ a uniform marketing, sales and distribution strategy. We market our products through a network of direct sales personnel, brokers and distributors. We believe that our direct sales personnel combined with brokers and distributors provide an effective means of reaching a broad and diverse customer base. Our products are sold to specialty and natural food distributors, as well as to supermarkets, natural food stores, and other retail classes of trade including mass-market retailers, e-tailers, food service channels and club stores. We manufacture domestically and internationally and our products are sold in more than 50 countries.

We have acquired numerous brands since our formation and we intend to seek future growth through internal expansion as well as the acquisition of complementary brands. We consider the acquisition of natural and organic food and personal care products companies and product lines an integral part of our business strategy. We believe that by integrating our various brands, we will continue to achieve economies of scale and enhanced market penetration. We seek to capitalize on our brand equity and the distribution achieved through each of our acquired businesses with strategic introductions of new products that complement existing lines to enhance revenues and margins. We believe our continuing investments in the operational performance of our business units and our focused execution on cost containment, productivity, cash flow and margin enhancement positions us to offer innovative new products with healthful attributes and enables us to build on the foundation of our long-term strategy of sustainable growth. We are committed to creating and promoting A Healthy Way of Life™ for the benefit of consumers, our customers, shareholders and employees.

We expect the economic environment to remain challenging. With the recent acquisitions we have made, a larger proportion of our sales take place outside of the United States. A deterioration in economic conditions either in the United States or Europe may have an adverse impact on our sales volumes and profitability. Our results are dependent on a number of factors impacting consumer confidence and spending, including but not limited to, general economic and business conditions and wage and employment levels.

Our sales and profits have continued to increase during a difficult period. We expect that we will continue to support the increased consumer consumption we have experienced in the United States over the last two years with expanded distribution, efficient use of promotional allowances and the introduction of innovative new products. We have experienced increases in select input costs, and we expect that higher input costs will continue to affect future periods. We strive to mitigate the impact of these challenging conditions and input cost increases with improvements in operating efficiencies, cost savings initiatives and price increases to our customers.

On October 25, 2011, we acquired the Daniels Group ("Daniels"), a leading marketer and manufacturer of natural chilled foods in the United Kingdom, for £146.5 million in cash, net (approximately \$233.8 million at the transaction date exchange rate), and up to £13 million (approximately \$20.5 million at the transaction date exchange rate) of contingent consideration based upon the achievement of specified operating results during the twelve month periods ended March 31, 2012 and March 31, 2013. Daniels' product offerings cover five categories and include three leading brands, The New Covent Garden Soup Co., Johnson's Juice Co. and Farmhouse Fare hot-eating desserts. Daniels also offers fresh prepared fruit products and private label chilled ready meals. The Company made the decision to sell the private label chilled ready meals operations during the third quarter of fiscal 2012 and as such, the results for this business have been classified as discontinued operations for all periods presented. Daniels' products are sold at all major supermarkets and select foodservice outlets throughout the United Kingdom. We believe the acquisition of Daniels will extend our presence into one of the fastest-growing healthy food segments in the United Kingdom and provide a platform for the growth of our combined operation. We also believe the acquisition will provide us with the scale in our international operations to allow us to introduce some of our existing global brands in the marketplace in a more meaningful way. The operating results of Daniels are included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

On April 27, 2012, we acquired Cully & Sully Limited, a marketer and manufacturer of branded natural chilled soups, savory pies and hot pots in Ireland. We believe the acquisition of Cully & Sully complements our existing product offerings and provides us with the opportunity to expand our presence into the Irish marketplace. The operating results of Cully & Sully will be included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

Our corporate website is www.hain-celestial.com. The information contained on our website is not, and shall not be deemed to be, a part of this report or incorporated into any of our other filings made with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”).

Results of Operations

Three months ended March 31, 2012

Net sales for the three months ended March 31, 2012 were \$379.4 million compared to \$288.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011, an increase of \$91.0 million, or 31.5%. Sales in North America increased \$33.7 million, or 13.5%, from the year ago quarter. Our increased sales were driven by increased consumption and expanded distribution, with strong contributions from our Earth’s Best, Celestial Seasonings, Imagine, MaraNatha, Garden of Eatin’, Sensible Portions, The Greek Gods, and Alba Botanica, Avalon, and JASON personal care brands, and to a lesser extent the acquisition of Europe’s Best in Canada during the second quarter of fiscal 2012. Sales in Europe increased \$57.3 million, or 144.9%, primarily as a result of the acquisition of Daniels during the second quarter of fiscal 2012, and to a lesser extent, sales from Danival, which was acquired in the third quarter of fiscal 2011.

Gross profit for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was \$104.3 million, an increase of \$21.8 million, or 26.4%, from gross profit of \$82.6 million reported in last year’s quarter. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 27.5% for the three months ended March 31, 2012 compared to 28.6% in last year’s quarter. The change in gross profit percentage resulted from the mix of product sales, including the margin impact related to the inclusion of Daniels which operates at slightly lower relative margins. In addition, we experienced generally higher input costs, which were offset partially by productivity savings and price increases.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$63.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, an increase of \$9.5 million, or 17.7%, compared to \$53.7 million reported in last year’s quarter. Selling, general and administrative expenses have increased primarily as a result of the costs brought on by the businesses we acquired, including higher amortization expense related to identified intangible assets, partially offset by savings resulting from the integration of the Sensible Portions brand operations. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased to 16.7% in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, primarily related to the inclusion of Daniels which operates with lower relative expenses, compared to 18.6% in the third quarter of last year.

In the three months ended March 31, 2012 we recorded acquisition and integration related expenses of \$0.5 million, which were primarily incurred in connection with the acquisition of Daniels. In the three months ended March 31, 2011, we incurred acquisition and integration related expenses of \$1.7 million primarily related to the acquisitions of Danival and GG UniqueFiber, and restructuring expenses of \$0.5 million primarily related to the closing of a small non-dairy beverage production facility in the United Kingdom. These expenses were offset by \$4.1 million of expense reduction resulting from an adjustment in the carrying value of the contingent consideration related to the acquisition of the net assets and business of Sensible Portions in June 2010.

Operating income was \$40.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$30.8 million in last year’s quarter. The increase in operating income resulted primarily from the increased sales and gross profit. Operating income as a percentage of net sales was 10.7% in both the March 31, 2012 and the March 31, 2011 quarters.

Interest and other expenses, net were \$4.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$2.9 million for the three months ended March 31, 2011. Net interest expense totaled \$4.2 million in this year’s third quarter, which includes interest on the \$150 million of 5.98% senior notes outstanding, interest related to borrowings under our revolving credit agreement and certain other interest charges, offset partially by interest income earned on cash equivalents. Net interest expense in last year’s third quarter was approximately \$3.4 million. The increase in interest expense primarily resulted from higher average borrowings under our revolving credit facility, the proceeds of which were used to purchase Daniels during the second quarter of fiscal 2012.

Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in the earnings of our equity-method investees for the three months ended March 31, 2012 amounted to \$36.4 million compared to \$28.0 million in the comparable period of the prior year.

Our effective income tax rate from continuing operations was 34.0% of pre-tax income for the three months ended March 31, 2012 compared to 39.6% for the three months ended March 31, 2011. The effective tax rate for the third quarter of fiscal 2012

was lower than the comparable period of the prior year as a result of the acquisition of Daniels and the increased income in its lower tax rate jurisdiction. In addition, in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company recorded a discrete adjustment to recognize a decrease of \$0.8 million in its liability for uncertain tax positions as the result of an expiration of the statute of limitations. The Company's tax rate for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was unfavorably impacted by \$1.2 million related to nondeductible transaction costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of Daniels. The effective rate differs from the statutory federal rate due to the items noted previously as well as the effect of state and local income taxes. Our effective tax rate may change from quarter to quarter based on recurring and non-recurring factors including the geographical mix of earnings, enacted tax legislation, state and local income taxes and tax audit settlements.

Our equity in the net earnings from our joint venture investments for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was income of \$28 thousand compared to a loss of \$121 thousand in last year's third quarter. Our equity in the earnings of HPP increased to \$328 thousand for the three months ended March 31, 2012 from \$12 thousand in the year ago quarter, which was almost fully offset by losses incurred by HHO as they continue to develop the Asian markets for our products.

Income from continuing operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was \$24.1 million compared to \$16.8 million in last year's third quarter. The increase of \$7.3 million in earnings was attributable to the factors noted above.

Income from discontinued operations for the three months ended March 31, 2012 was \$38 thousand. Net sales and operating income reported within discontinued operations was \$21.0 million and \$0.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2012, respectively. There were no amounts reported in discontinued operations for the three months ended March 31, 2011 as the business being held for sale was acquired in October 2011.

Nine months ended March 31, 2012

Net sales for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 were \$1.04 billion compared to \$838.2 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011, an increase of \$202.8 million, or 24.2%. Sales in North America increased \$86.2 million, or 11.8%, from the prior period. The increase in sales resulted from expanded distribution with growth from many of our existing brands, including Earth's Best, Celestial Seasonings, Imagine, MaraNatha, Garden of Eatin', Sensible Portions, The Greek Gods, and Alba Botanica, Avalon, and JASON personal care brands as improved consumption trends continued, and to a lesser extent the acquisition of Europe's Best in Canada during the second quarter of fiscal 2012. Sales in Europe increased \$116.6 million, or 109.9%, primarily as a result of the acquisition of Daniels during the second quarter of fiscal 2012, and to a lesser extent, sales from Danival and GG UniqueFiber, both of which were acquired in the third quarter of fiscal 2011.

Gross profit for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 was \$288.4 million, an increase of \$50.3 million from gross profit of \$238.1 million reported in last year's first nine months. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 27.7% for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to 28.4% of net sales for the March 31, 2011 comparable period. The change in gross profit percentage resulted from the mix of product sales, including the margin impact related to the inclusion of Daniels which operates at slightly lower relative margins. In addition, we experienced generally higher input costs, offset partially by productivity savings and price increases.

Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$182.8 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012, an increase of \$24.0 million, or 15.1%, compared to \$158.8 million in the nine months ended March 31, 2011. Selling, general and administrative expenses have increased primarily as a result of the costs brought on by the businesses we acquired, including higher amortization expense related to identified intangible assets, partially offset by savings resulting from the integration of the Sensible Portions brand operations. Selling, general and administrative expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased to 17.6% in the first nine months of fiscal 2012, primarily related to the inclusion of Daniels which operates with lower relative expenses, compared to 18.9% in the first nine months of last year.

In the nine months ended March 31, 2012 we recorded acquisition and integration related expenses of \$7.5 million, which were primarily incurred in connection with the acquisition of Daniels and additional contingent consideration on a prior acquisition. In the nine months ended March 31, 2011, we incurred acquisition and integration related expenses of \$3.0 million primarily related to the acquisitions of The Greek Gods yogurt brand, Danival, and GG UniqueFiber, and restructuring expenses of \$0.8 million, primarily related to the closing of a small non-dairy beverage production facility in the United Kingdom. These expenses were offset by \$3.6 million of expense reduction resulting from an adjustment in the carrying value of the contingent consideration related to the Sensible Portions acquisition.

Operating income was \$98.1 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$79.1 million in the prior year. The increase in operating income resulted primarily from the increased sales and gross profit. Operating income as a percentage of net sales was 9.4% in both the March 31, 2012 and March 31, 2011 periods.

Interest and other expenses, net were \$12.3 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$8.8 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. Net interest expense totaled \$11.0 million in this year's first nine months, which includes interest on the \$150 million of 5.98% senior notes outstanding, interest related to borrowings under our revolving credit agreement and certain other interest charges, offset partially by interest income earned on cash equivalents. Net interest expense in last year's first nine months was approximately \$10.2 million. The increase in interest expense primarily resulted from higher average borrowings under our revolving credit facility, the proceeds of which were used to purchase Daniels during the period, offset partially by a lower interest accretion on contingent consideration due to payments that were made during the first and second quarters of fiscal 2012.

Income from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in the after tax earnings of our equity-method investees for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 amounted to \$85.8 million compared to \$70.2 million in the comparable period of the prior year.

Our effective income tax rate from continuing operations was 36.2% of pre-tax income for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to 40.7% for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. The effective tax rate for the first nine months of fiscal 2012 was lower than the comparable period of the prior year primarily as a result of reduced losses incurred in the United Kingdom and the acquisition of Daniels on October 25, 2011 and the increased income in its lower tax rate jurisdiction. Prior to the acquisition of Daniels, no tax benefits were recognized for losses incurred in the United Kingdom. The Company will continue to maintain a valuation allowance on its net deferred tax assets related to those carryforward losses until an appropriate level of profitability is attained such that the losses may be utilized. If the Company is able to realize any of these deferred tax assets in the future, the provision for income taxes will be reduced by a release of the corresponding valuation allowance. In addition, in the third quarter of fiscal 2012, the Company recorded a discrete adjustment to recognize a decrease of \$0.8 million in its liability for uncertain tax positions as the result of an expiration of the statute of limitations. The Company's tax rate for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 was unfavorably impacted by \$1.2 million related to nondeductible transaction costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of Daniels. The effective rate differs from the federal statutory rate primarily due to the items noted previously as well as the effect of state and local income taxes. Our effective tax rate may change from quarter to quarter based on recurring and non-recurring factors including the geographical mix of earnings, enacted tax legislation, state and local income taxes and tax audit settlements.

Our equity in the net income from our joint venture investments for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 was \$0.8 million compared to \$0.5 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. Our equity in the earnings of HPP increased to \$2.0 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 from \$0.7 million in the year ago quarter, which was partially offset by losses incurred by HHO as they continue to develop the Asian markets for our products.

Income from continuing operations for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 was \$55.6 million compared to \$42.1 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. The increase of \$13.5 million in earnings was attributable to the factors noted above.

Income from discontinued operations for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 was \$0.2 million. Net sales and operating income reported within discontinued operations was \$37.2 million and \$0.4 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012, respectively. There were no amounts reported in discontinued operations for the nine months ended March 31, 2011 as the business being held for sale was acquired in October 2011.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

We finance our operations and growth primarily with the cash flows we generate from our operations and from both long-term fixed-rate borrowings and borrowings available to us under our credit agreement.

Our cash balance was \$41.2 million at March 31, 2012, an increase of \$13.6 million from June 30, 2011, the end of fiscal 2011. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$77.7 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$40.4 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. The increase in cash provided by operations in the first nine months of fiscal 2012 resulted from an improvement of \$25.4 million in net income and non-cash items and an improvement of \$11.9 million as compared to the prior year period in cash used for changes in operating assets and liabilities. The improvement in cash used for changes in operating assets and liabilities (which is exclusive of the acquired Daniels balances) primarily resulted from favorable changes in accounts payable and accrued expenses and inventories, offset partially by higher accounts receivable balances attributable to the increase in sales.

We used \$249.3 million of cash in investing activities in the nine months ended March 31, 2012, which consisted of \$243.4 million, net of cash acquired, for our acquisitions of Daniels and Europe's Best and \$13.0 million for capital expenditures. This was partially offset by loan repayments of \$7.0 million received from our equity method investee, HPP. In the nine months ended March 31, 2011, we used \$49.9 million of cash in investing activities. We used \$45.3 million of cash in connection with

our acquisition of the assets and business of 3 Greek Gods, LLC and \$7.8 million for capital expenditures. This was partially offset by proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment of \$1.5 million and loan repayments of \$1.7 million received from HPP.

Net cash of \$181.9 million was provided by financing activities for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 compared to \$18.5 million for the nine months ended March 31, 2011. We had proceeds from net borrowings under our revolving credit facility totaling \$201.0 million during the nine months ended March 31, 2012, which was used for the Daniels acquisition, offset partially by \$31.8 million of contingent consideration paid related to the acquisition of the assets and business of Sensible Portions and 3 Greek Gods. We also had an increase in net cash due to an increase in the proceeds from exercises of stock options to \$10.5 million in the nine months ended March 31, 2012 from \$8.2 million in the nine months ended March 31, 2011.

We maintain our cash and cash equivalents primarily in money market funds or their equivalent. As of March 31, 2012, all of our investments mature in less than three months. Accordingly, we do not believe that our investments have significant exposure to interest rate risk.

In our internal evaluations, we also use the non-GAAP financial measure “operating free cash flow.” The difference between operating free cash flow and net cash provided by operating activities, which is the most comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure, is that operating free cash flow reflects the impact of capital expenditures. Since capital spending is essential to maintaining our operational capabilities, we believe that it is a recurring and necessary use of cash. As such, we believe investors should also consider capital spending when evaluating our cash from operating activities. We view operating free cash flow as an important measure because it is one factor in evaluating the amount of cash available for discretionary investments.

| Twelve months ended March 31, | 2012 | 2011 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Cash flow provided by operating activities | \$ 95,947 | \$ 72,870 |
| Purchases of property, plant and equipment | (16,622) | (11,916) |
| Operating free cash flow | \$ 79,325 | \$ 60,954 |

Our operating free cash flow was \$79.3 million for the twelve months ended March 31, 2012, compared to \$61.0 million for the twelve months ended March 31, 2011, an increase of \$18.4 million. We expect that our capital spending for the full current fiscal year will be approximately \$20 million.

We have outstanding \$150 million in aggregate principal amount of 10-year senior notes due May 2, 2016, issued in a private placement. The notes bear interest at 5.98%, payable semi-annually on November 2nd and May 2nd. We also have a credit agreement which provides us with a \$400 million revolving credit facility (the “Credit Agreement”) expiring in July 2015. The Credit Agreement provides for an uncommitted \$100 million accordion feature, under which the facility may be increased to \$500 million, provided certain conditions are met. The Credit Agreement and the notes are guaranteed by substantially all of our current and future direct and indirect domestic subsidiaries. Loans under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a base rate (greater of the applicable prime rate or Federal Funds Rate plus an applicable margin) or, at our option, the reserve adjusted LIBOR rate plus an applicable margin. As of March 31, 2012, there were \$280.0 million of borrowings outstanding under the Credit Agreement. We are required by the terms of the Credit Agreement and the notes to comply with customary affirmative and negative covenants for facilities and notes of this nature.

We believe that our cash on hand of \$41.2 million at March 31, 2012, projected cash flows from operations and availability under our Credit Agreement are sufficient to fund our currently anticipated working capital needs, capital spending and other expected cash requirements for at least the next twelve months.

Off Balance Sheet Arrangements

At March 31, 2012, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as defined in Item 303(a)(4) of Regulation S-K that have had or are likely to have a material current or future effect on our financial statements.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The accounting principles we use require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and amounts of income and expenses during the reporting periods presented. We believe in the quality and reasonableness of our critical accounting policies; however, it is likely that materially different amounts would be reported under different conditions or using assumptions different from those that we have applied. The accounting policies that have been identified as critical to our business operations and understanding the results of our

operations pertain to revenue recognition and sales incentives, valuation of accounts and chargebacks receivable, inventories, property, plant and equipment, accounting for acquisitions, stock based compensation, segments and goodwill and intangible assets. The application of each of these critical accounting policies and estimates was discussed in Item 7 of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2011.

Seasonality

Our tea brand primarily manufactures and markets hot tea products and, as a result, its quarterly results of operations reflect seasonal trends resulting from increased demand for its hot tea products in the cooler months of the year. In addition, some of our other products (e.g., soups, hot-eating desserts, and baking and cereal products) also show stronger sales in the cooler months while our snack food and certain of our prepared food product lines are stronger in the warmer months. In years where there are warm winter seasons, our sales of cooler weather products, which typically increase in our second and third fiscal quarters, may be negatively impacted.

Quarterly fluctuations in our sales volume and operating results are due to a number of factors relating to our business, including the timing of trade promotions, advertising and consumer promotions and other factors, such as seasonality, inclement weather and unanticipated increases in labor, commodity, energy, insurance or other operating costs. The impact on sales volume and operating results due to the timing and extent of these factors can significantly impact our business. For these reasons, you should not rely on our quarterly operating results as indications of future performance.

Inflation

Inflation may cause increased ingredient, fuel, labor and benefits costs. For more information regarding ingredient costs, see Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk - Ingredient Inputs Price Risk, of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2011. To the extent permitted by competition, we seek to recover increased costs through a combination of price increases, new product innovation and by implementing process efficiencies and cost reductions.

Note Regarding Forward Looking Information

Certain statements contained in this Quarterly Report constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Rule 3b-6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Words such as "plan," "continue," "expect," "expected," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "believe," "may," "potential," "can," "positioned," "should," "future," "look forward" and similar expressions, or the negative of those expressions, may identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include the following: (i) our beliefs regarding our sales and marketing strategy; (ii) our intention to grow through acquisitions as well as internal expansion; (iii) our expectations regarding the integration of acquisitions and the opportunities for growth related thereto; (iv) our beliefs regarding the integration of our brands and the resulting impact thereof; (v) our statements regarding the introduction of new products and the impact on our revenues and margins; (vi) our beliefs regarding the positioning of our business for the future; (vii) our beliefs that we will continue to derive benefits from new products; (viii) our expectations concerning the economic environment; (ix) our expectations concerning our support of increased consumer consumption; (x) our expectations concerning higher input costs; (xi) our belief that our cash and cash equivalent investments have no significant exposure to interest rate risk; (xii) our belief that our sources of liquidity are adequate to fund our anticipated operating and cash requirements for the next twelve months; and (xiii) our expectations regarding our capital spending for fiscal year 2012. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements of the Company, or industry results, to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others, the following:

- our ability to achieve our guidance for net sales and earnings per diluted share in fiscal year 2012 given the economic environment in the U.S. and other markets that we sell products as well as economic, political and business conditions generally and their effect on our customers and consumers' product preferences, and our business, financial condition and results of operations;
- our expectations for our business for fiscal year 2012 and its positioning for the future;
- changes in estimates or judgments related to our impairment analysis of goodwill and other intangible assets, as well as with respect to the Company's valuation allowances of its deferred tax assets;
- our ability to implement our business and acquisition strategy, including our strategy for improving results in the United Kingdom and the integration of the Daniels Group acquisition;
- the ability of our joint venture investments, including HPP, to successfully execute their business plans;
- our ability to realize sustainable growth generally and from investments in core brands, offering new products and our focus on cost containment, productivity, cash flow and margin enhancement in particular;

- our ability to effectively integrate our acquisitions;
- the effects on our results of operations from the impacts of foreign exchange;
- competition;
- the success and cost of introducing new products as well as our ability to increase prices on existing products;
- availability and retention of key personnel;
- our reliance on third party distributors, manufacturers and suppliers;
- our ability to maintain existing customers and secure and integrate new customers;
- our ability to respond to changes and trends in customer and consumer demand, preferences and consumption;
- international sales and operations;
- changes in fuel, raw material and commodity costs;
- changes in, or the failure to comply with, government regulations;
- the availability of natural and organic ingredients;
- the loss of one or more of our manufacturing facilities;
- our ability to use our trademarks;
- reputational damage;
- product liability;
- seasonality;
- the Company's reliance on its information technology systems; and
- other risks detailed from time-to-time in the Company's reports filed with the SEC, including the annual report on Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

As a result of the foregoing and other factors, no assurance can be given as to the future results, levels of activity and achievements and neither the Company nor any person assumes responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of these statements.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

There have been no significant changes in market risk for the nine months ended March 31, 2012 from those addressed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. See the information set forth in Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

(a) Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

Our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have reviewed our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon this review, these officers concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files or submits under the Exchange Act is (1) recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and (2) accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

On October 25, 2011, the Company acquired the Daniels Group ("Daniels"). The assessment of our disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report excluded Daniels. Daniels accounted for 18.3 percent of our consolidated assets as of March 31, 2012 and 9.6 percent of our consolidated net sales from continuing operations for the nine months ended March 31, 2012.

(b) Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

There was no change in our internal control over financial reporting during the fiscal quarter covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Part II - OTHER INFORMATION

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

(c) Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

| <u>Period</u> | (a) Total number of shares purchased | (b) Average price paid per share | (c) Total number of shares purchased as part of publicly announced plans | (d) Maximum number of shares that may yet be purchased under the plans(2) |
|---------------|---|---|---|--|
| January 2012 | — | \$ — | — | 900,300 |
| February 2012 | 748 ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 39.96 | — | 900,300 |
| March 2012 | 15,149 ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 41.13 | — | 900,300 |
| Total | <u>15,897</u> | <u>\$ 41.08</u> | — | <u>900,300</u> |

- (1) Shares surrendered for payment of employee payroll taxes due on shares issued under stockholder approved stock based compensation plans.
- (2) The Company's plan to repurchase up to one million shares of its common stock was first announced publicly on a conference call on August 29, 2002. At March 31, 2005, there remained authorization to repurchase 545,361 shares of our common stock. Effective April 18, 2005, the Board of Directors voted to refresh the authorization of shares to be repurchased to a total of one million, of which 99,700 were subsequently repurchased.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|---------------------------|---|
| 31.1 ^(a) | Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended. |
| 31.2 ^(a) | Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended. |
| 32.1 ^(a) | Certification by CEO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 32.2 ^(a) | Certification by CFO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. |
| 101* | The following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, formatted in XBRL (Extensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, (iii) the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity, (iv) the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. |

^(a) - Filed herewith

* - Furnished, not filed.

SIGNATURES

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

THE HAIN CELESTIAL GROUP, INC.

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ IRWIN D. SIMON

**Irwin D. Simon,
Chairman, President and Chief
Executive Officer**

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ IRA J. LAMEL

**Ira J. Lamel,
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer**

CERTIFICATION

I, Irwin D. Simon, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ Irwin D. Simon

Irwin D. Simon
President and Chief Executive Officer

CERTIFICATION

I, Ira J. Lamel, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of The Hain Celestial Group, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ Ira J. Lamel

Ira J. Lamel
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION FURNISHED
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906
OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2012 (the "Report") filed by The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. (the "Company") with the Securities and Exchange Commission, I, Irwin D. Simon, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ Irwin D. Simon

Irwin D. Simon
President and Chief Executive Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. and will be retained by The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

**CERTIFICATION FURNISHED
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906
OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2012 (the "Report") filed by The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. (the "Company") with the Securities and Exchange Commission, I, Ira J. Lamel, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 9, 2012

/s/ Ira J. Lamel

Ira J. Lamel
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. and will be retained by The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.