
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the Quarterly Period Ended June 30, 2010

or

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

For the transition period from to

Commission file number 1-15399

PACKAGING CORPORATION OF AMERICA

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

*(State or other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)*

36-4277050

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1900 West Field Court
Lake Forest, Illinois**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

60045

(Zip Code)

(847) 482-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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

As of August 2, 2010, the Registrant had outstanding 103,623,814 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

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PART I
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

Packaging Corporation of America
Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets
(Unaudited)

	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2009</u>
(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)		(Audited)
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 181,511	\$ 260,727
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts and customer deductions of \$5,272 and \$6,348 as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively . .	308,665	243,403
Inventories	207,867	213,396
Alternative fuel mixture tax credits receivable	96,039	127,811
Federal and state income taxes receivable	22,810	4,707
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	29,960	13,045
Deferred income taxes	13,944	22,125
Total current assets	<u>860,796</u>	<u>885,214</u>
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,256,927	1,182,504
Goodwill	38,854	38,854
Other intangible assets, net	11,382	11,790
Other long-term assets	35,560	34,478
Total assets	<u><u>\$2,203,519</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,152,840</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Short-term debt and current maturities of long-term debt	\$ 109,000	\$ 109,000
Capital lease obligations	648	626
Accounts payable	165,835	126,813
Dividends payable	15,455	15,451
Accrued interest	12,601	12,644
Accrued liabilities	93,488	106,423
Total current liabilities	<u>397,027</u>	<u>370,957</u>
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt	548,924	548,749
Capital lease obligations	22,173	22,503
Deferred income taxes	190,756	205,227
Pension and postretirement benefit plans	84,154	78,859
Other long-term liabilities	39,332	27,700
Total long-term liabilities	<u>885,339</u>	<u>883,038</u>
Stockholders' equity:		
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, 300,000,000 shares authorized, 103,470,588 shares and 103,018,358 shares issued as of June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, respectively	1,035	1,030
Additional paid in capital	391,634	387,496
Retained earnings	572,672	546,355
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:		
Unrealized gain (loss) on treasury locks, net	(4,504)	4,512
Unrealized loss on foreign currency exchange contracts	(925)	—
Unfunded employee benefit obligations	(38,759)	(40,548)
Total accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u>(44,188)</u>	<u>(36,036)</u>
Total stockholders' equity	<u>921,153</u>	<u>898,845</u>
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u><u>\$2,203,519</u></u>	<u><u>\$2,152,840</u></u>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Packaging Corporation of America
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands, except per share amounts)		
Net sales	\$ 615,459	\$ 549,381
Cost of sales	<u>(483,794)</u>	<u>(430,882)</u>
Gross profit	131,665	118,499
Selling and administrative expenses	(44,653)	(42,759)
Corporate overhead	(15,386)	(15,453)
Alternative fuel mixture tax credits income	—	79,695
Other expense, net	<u>(3,880)</u>	<u>(4,265)</u>
Income from operations	67,746	135,717
Interest expense, net	<u>(8,093)</u>	<u>(8,830)</u>
Income before taxes	59,653	126,887
Provision for income taxes	<u>(21,623)</u>	<u>(18,006)</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 38,030</u>	<u>\$ 108,881</u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	102,035	101,469
Diluted	102,886	102,164
Net income per common share:		
Basic	<u>\$ 0.37</u>	<u>\$ 1.07</u>
Diluted	<u>\$ 0.37</u>	<u>\$ 1.07</u>
Dividends declared per common share	<u>\$ 0.15</u>	<u>\$ 0.15</u>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Packaging Corporation of America
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
(In thousands, except per share amounts)		
Net sales	\$1,166,191	\$1,061,759
Cost of sales	<u>(947,727)</u>	<u>(833,252)</u>
Gross profit	218,464	228,507
Selling and administrative expenses	(88,930)	(86,067)
Corporate overhead	(28,016)	(28,888)
Alternative fuel mixture tax credits income	9,235	79,695
Other expense, net	<u>(9,391)</u>	<u>(7,923)</u>
Income from operations	101,362	185,324
Interest expense, net	<u>(16,816)</u>	<u>(17,568)</u>
Income before taxes	84,546	167,756
Provision for income taxes	<u>(27,322)</u>	<u>(33,199)</u>
Net income.	<u><u>\$ 57,224</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 134,557</u></u>
Weighted average common shares outstanding:		
Basic	101,982	101,416
Diluted.	102,885	102,143
Net income per common share:		
Basic	<u><u>\$ 0.56</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1.33</u></u>
Diluted.	<u><u>\$ 0.56</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1.32</u></u>
Dividends declared per common share	<u><u>\$ 0.30</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0.30</u></u>

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Packaging Corporation of America
Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
(Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands)		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 57,224	\$134,557
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation, depletion and amortization	77,728	74,279
Amortization of financing costs	344	389
Amortization of net gain on treasury lock	(923)	(923)
Share-based compensation expense	3,788	4,511
Deferred income tax provision	(3,639)	6,453
Loss on disposals of property, plant and equipment	3,837	4,357
Alternative fuel mixture tax credits receivable	31,770	(62,455)
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in assets —		
Accounts receivable	(65,760)	(8,550)
Inventories	5,529	68
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(35,067)	(23,686)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities —		
Accounts payable	39,022	20,383
Accrued liabilities	(14,203)	(5,998)
Other, net	8,934	(2,137)
Net cash provided by operating activities	108,584	141,248
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Additions to property, plant and equipment	(155,349)	(50,294)
Additions to other long term assets	(1,711)	(1,800)
Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment	93	28
Net cash used for investing activities	(156,967)	(52,066)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Payments on long-term debt	(307)	(309)
Common stock dividends paid	(30,911)	(46,079)
Repurchases of common stock	(3,111)	—
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	2,761	593
Excess tax benefits from share-based awards	735	160
Net cash used for financing activities	(30,833)	(45,635)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(79,216)	43,547
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	260,727	149,397
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 181,511	\$192,944

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Packaging Corporation of America
Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements
(Unaudited)
June 30, 2010

1. Basis of Presentation

The condensed consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2010 and 2009 of Packaging Corporation of America (“PCA” or the “Company”) and for the three- and six-month periods then ended are unaudited but include all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) that management considers necessary for a fair presentation of such financial statements. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for interim financial information and with Article 10 of SEC Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for complete audited financial statements. Operating results for the period ended June 30, 2010 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2010. These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with PCA’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Consolidation

The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements of PCA include all majority-owned subsidiaries. All intercompany transactions have been eliminated. The Company has one joint venture that is accounted for under the equity method.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts in the financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue as title to the products is transferred to customers. Shipping and handling billings to a customer are included in net sales. Shipping and handling costs are included in cost of sales. In addition, the Company offers volume rebates to certain of its customers. The total cost of these programs is estimated and accrued as a reduction to net sales at the time of the respective sale.

Segment Information

PCA is engaged in one line of business: the integrated manufacture and sale of packaging materials, boxes and containers for industrial and consumer markets. No single customer accounts for more than 10% of total net sales.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In January 2010, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2010-06, “Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (Topic 820) — Improving Disclosures about Fair Value Measurements.” This ASU requires new disclosures and clarifies existing disclosure requirements about fair value measurement as set forth in Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) 820. ASU 2010-06 amends ASC 820 to now require: (1) a reporting entity should disclose separately the amounts of significant transfers in and out of Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements and describe the reasons for the transfers; and (2) in the reconciliation for fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs, a reporting entity should present separately information about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements. In addition, ASU 2010-06 clarifies the requirements of existing disclosures. ASU 2010-06 is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements in the roll

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2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

forward of activity in Level 3 fair value measurements. Those disclosures are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2010, and for interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2010. See Note 12 for additional information.

In December 2009, the FASB issued ASU 2009-16, “Transfers and Servicing (Topic 860) — Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets,” which formally codifies FASB Statement No. 166, “Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets,” into the FASB Accounting Standards Codification. ASU 2009-16 revises the provisions of former FASB Statement No. 140, “Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities,” and will require more information about transfers of financial assets, including securitization transactions, and where entities have continuing exposure to the risks related to transferred financial assets. ASU 2009-16 is effective at the start of a reporting entity’s first fiscal year beginning after November 15, 2009. The Company adopted this guidance on January 1, 2010. See Note 9 for additional information.

3. Earnings Per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted income per common share for the periods presented.

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands, except per share data)		
Numerator:		
Net income	\$ 38,030	\$108,881
Denominator:		
Basic common shares outstanding	102,035	101,469
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Stock options	233	46
Unvested restricted stock	<u>618</u>	<u>649</u>
Dilutive common shares outstanding	<u>102,886</u>	<u>102,164</u>
Basic income per common share	\$ 0.37	\$ 1.07
Diluted income per common share	\$ 0.37	\$ 1.07

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3. Earnings Per Share (Continued)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands, except per share data)		
Numerator:		
Net income	\$ 57,224	\$134,557
Denominator:		
Basic common shares outstanding	101,982	101,416
Effect of dilutive securities:		
Stock options	248	43
Unvested restricted stock	<u>655</u>	<u>684</u>
Dilutive common shares outstanding	<u>102,885</u>	<u>102,143</u>
Basic income per common share	\$ 0.56	\$ 1.33
Diluted income per common share	\$ 0.56	\$ 1.32

Options to purchase 0.6 million shares and 2.0 million shares for both the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, respectively, were not included in the computation of diluted common shares outstanding as their exercise price exceeded the average market price of the Company's common stock for each respective reporting period.

4. Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands)		
Net income	\$38,030	\$108,881
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:		
Amortization of unfunded employee benefit obligations	894	860
Amortization of net gain on treasury locks	(281)	(461)
Unrealized losses on treasury locks	(8,273)	—
Unrealized losses on foreign currency exchange contracts	<u>(114)</u>	<u>—</u>
Comprehensive income	<u>\$30,256</u>	<u>\$109,280</u>

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4. Comprehensive Income (Continued)

	Six Months Ended	
	June 30,	
	2010	2009
(In thousands)		
Net income	\$57,224	\$134,557
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:		
Amortization of unfunded employee benefit obligations	1,789	1,718
Amortization of net gain on treasury locks	(743)	(923)
Unrealized losses on treasury locks	(8,273)	—
Unrealized losses on foreign currency exchange contracts	(925)	—
Other	—	(125)
Comprehensive income	<u>\$49,072</u>	<u>\$135,227</u>

5. Stock-Based Compensation

In October 1999, the Company adopted a long-term equity incentive plan, which provides for grants of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock and performance awards to directors, officers and employees of PCA, as well as others who engage in services for PCA. Option awards granted to directors, officers and employees have contractual lives of seven or ten years. Options granted to officers and employees vest ratably over a three-year period, and options granted to directors vest immediately. Restricted stock awards granted to employees vest at the end of a four-year period, and restricted stock awards granted to directors vest at the end of a six-month period. The plan, which will terminate on October 19, 2014, provides for the issuance of up to 8,550,000 shares of common stock over the life of the plan. As of June 30, 2010, options and restricted stock of 6,975,001 shares have been granted, net of forfeitures. Forfeitures are added back to the pool of shares of common stock available to be granted at a future date.

Compensation expense for both stock options and restricted stock recognized in the condensed consolidated statements of income for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was as follows:

	Three Months Ended		Six Months Ended	
	June 30,		June 30,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
(In thousands)				
Stock options	\$ 64	\$ 181	\$ 221	\$ 366
Restricted stock	<u>2,488</u>	<u>3,090</u>	<u>3,567</u>	<u>4,145</u>
Impact on income before income taxes	2,552	3,271	3,788	4,511
Income tax benefit	<u>(994)</u>	<u>(1,270)</u>	<u>(1,475)</u>	<u>(1,752)</u>
Impact on net income	<u>\$1,558</u>	<u>\$ 2,001</u>	<u>\$ 2,313</u>	<u>\$ 2,759</u>

The Company uses the Black-Scholes-Merton option-pricing model to estimate the fair value of each option grant as of the date of grant. Expected volatilities are based on historical volatility of the Company's common stock. The expected life of the option is estimated using historical data pertaining to option exercises and employee terminations. Separate groups of employees that have similar historical exercise behavior are considered separately for estimating the expected life. The risk-free interest rate is based on U.S. Treasury yields in effect at the time of grant. The fair value of restricted stock is determined based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date. There were no option grants during the first or second quarters of 2010.

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5. Stock-Based Compensation (Continued)

A summary of the Company's stock option activity and related information follows:

	<u>Options</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Remaining Contractual Term (years)</u>	<u>Aggregate Intrinsic Value</u> (In thousands)
Outstanding at December 31, 2009	1,973,301	\$20.92		
Exercised	(163,230)	16.92		
Forfeited	<u>(3,182)</u>	<u>25.56</u>		
Outstanding and exercisable at June 30, 2010	<u>1,806,889</u>	<u>\$21.28</u>	<u>2.9</u>	<u>\$2,918</u>

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$0.5 million and \$1.2 million, respectively, and during the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 was \$1.3 million and \$1.2 million respectively. As of June 30, 2010, there is no unrecognized compensation cost related to stock option awards granted under the Company's equity incentive plan as all outstanding awards have vested.

A summary of the Company's restricted stock activity follows:

	<u>2010</u>		<u>2009</u>	
	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Fair Market Value at Date of Grant</u>	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Fair Market Value at Date of Grant</u>
(Dollars in thousands)				
Restricted stock at January 1	1,235,505	\$24,718	1,038,270	\$23,023
Granted	448,440	9,933	424,985	6,587
Vested	(315,640)	(6,509)	(219,760)	(4,683)
Cancellations	<u>(9,440)</u>	<u>(182)</u>	<u>(6,050)</u>	<u>(135)</u>
Restricted stock at June 30	<u>1,358,865</u>	<u>\$27,960</u>	<u>1,237,445</u>	<u>\$24,792</u>

The Company generally recognizes compensation expense associated with restricted stock awards ratably over their vesting periods. As PCA's Board of Directors has the ability to accelerate vesting of restricted stock upon an employee's retirement, the Company accelerates the recognition of compensation expense for certain employees approaching normal retirement age. As of June 30, 2010, there was \$15.8 million of total unrecognized compensation costs related to the above restricted stock awards. The Company expects to recognize the cost of these stock awards over a weighted-average period of 3.2 years.

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6. Inventories

The components of inventories are as follows:

	<u>June 30, 2010</u>	<u>December 31, 2009</u>
(In thousands)		(Audited)
Raw materials	\$104,378	\$101,429
Work in process	7,603	6,600
Finished goods	69,729	66,994
Supplies and materials	<u>96,532</u>	<u>100,919</u>
Inventories at FIFO or average cost	278,242	275,942
Excess of FIFO or average cost over LIFO cost	<u>(70,375)</u>	<u>(62,546)</u>
Inventories, net	<u>\$207,867</u>	<u>\$213,396</u>

An actual valuation of inventory under the LIFO method is made only at the end of each year based on the inventory levels and costs at that time. Accordingly, interim LIFO calculations must necessarily be based on management's estimates of expected year-end inventory levels and costs. Because these are subject to many factors beyond management's control, interim results are subject to the final year-end LIFO inventory valuation.

7. Other Intangible Assets

The components of other intangible assets are as follows:

	<u>As of June 30, 2010</u>	<u>As of December 31, 2009</u>
	<u>Gross Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Gross Carrying Amount</u>
	<u>Weighted Average Remaining Life</u>	<u>Accumulated Amortization</u>
(In thousands)		(Audited)
Customer lists and relations	31.5 years	\$17,441
		\$6,059
		\$17,441
		\$5,651

8. Employee Benefit Plans and Other Postretirement Benefits

For the three- and six-months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, net pension costs were comprised of the following:

	<u>Three Months Ended June 30,</u>		<u>Six Months Ended June 30,</u>	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
(In thousands)				
Components of Net Pension Costs				
Service cost for benefits earned during the year	\$ 4,579	\$ 4,489	\$ 9,158	\$ 8,977
Interest cost on accumulated benefit obligation	3,023	2,524	6,045	5,161
Expected return on assets	(2,802)	(2,143)	(5,604)	(4,286)
Net amortization of unrecognized amounts	1,483	1,426	2,966	2,853
Other	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(126)</u>
Net pension costs	<u>\$ 6,283</u>	<u>\$ 6,296</u>	<u>\$12,565</u>	<u>\$12,579</u>

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8. Employee Benefit Plans and Other Postretirement Benefits (Continued)

The Company makes pension plan contributions that are sufficient to fund its actuarially determined costs, generally equal to the minimum amounts required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA). However, from time to time the Company may make discretionary contributions in excess of the required minimum amounts. The Company expects to contribute \$14.0 million to the pension plans in 2010, of which \$4.5 million has been contributed through June 30, 2010.

For the three- and six-months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, net postretirement costs were comprised of the following:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
(In thousands)				
Components of Net Postretirement Costs				
Service cost for benefits earned during the year	\$350	\$335	\$ 700	\$ 670
Interest cost on accumulated benefit obligation	283	256	565	512
Net amortization of unrecognized amounts	<u>(19)</u>	<u>(22)</u>	<u>(37)</u>	<u>(44)</u>
Net postretirement costs	<u><u>\$614</u></u>	<u><u>\$569</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,228</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,138</u></u>

9. Transfers of Financial Assets

PCA has an on-balance sheet securitization program for its trade accounts receivable that is accounted for as a secured borrowing under ASC 860, "Transfers and Servicing." To effectuate this program, the Company formed a wholly owned, limited-purpose subsidiary, Packaging Credit Company, LLC ("PCC"), which in turn formed a wholly owned, bankruptcy-remote, special-purpose subsidiary, Packaging Receivables Company, LLC ("PRC"), for the purpose of acquiring receivables from PCC. Both of these entities are included in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. Under this program, PCC purchases on an ongoing basis substantially all of the receivables of the Company and sells such receivables to PRC. PRC and lenders established a \$150.0 million receivables-backed revolving credit facility ("Receivables Credit Facility") through which PRC obtains funds to purchase receivables from PCC. The receivables purchased by PRC are solely the property of PRC. In the event of liquidation of PRC, the creditors of PRC would be entitled to satisfy their claims from PRC's assets prior to any distribution to PCC or the Company. Credit available under the receivables credit facility is on a borrowing-base formula. As a result, the full amount of the facility may not be available at all times. At June 30, 2010, \$109.0 million was outstanding and included in "Short-term debt and current maturities of long-term debt" on the condensed consolidated balance sheet. Approximately \$280.2 million of accounts receivable at June 30, 2010 have been sold to PRC and are included in "Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts and customer deductions" on the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

10. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Company records its derivatives in accordance with ASC 815, "Derivatives and Hedging." The guidance requires the Company to recognize derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities in the balance sheet at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of a derivative depends on the intended use and designation of the derivative instrument. For a derivative designated as a fair value hedge, the gain or loss on the derivative is recognized in earnings in the period of change in fair value together with the offsetting gain or loss on the hedged item. For a derivative instrument designated as a cash flow hedge, the effective portion of the derivative's gain or loss is initially reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) ("OCI") and is

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10. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (Continued)

subsequently recognized in earnings when the hedged exposure affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss is recognized in earnings.

Hedging Strategy

PCA is exposed to certain risks relating to its ongoing operations. When appropriate, the Company uses derivatives as a risk management tool to mitigate the potential impact of certain market risks. The primary risks managed by using derivative financial instruments are interest rate and foreign currency exchange rate risks. PCA does not enter into derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Interest Rate Risk

The Company has historically used treasury lock derivative instruments to manage interest costs and the risk associated with changing interest rates. On June 12, 2003 and January 17, 2008, in connection with contemplated issuances of ten-year debt securities, PCA entered into interest rate protection agreements with counterparties to protect against increases in the ten-year U.S. Treasury Note rate. These treasury rates served as references in determining the interest rates applicable to the debt securities the Company issued in July 2003 and March 2008, respectively. As a result of changes in the interest rates on those treasury securities between the time PCA entered into the agreements and the time PCA priced and issued the debt securities, the Company: (1) received a payment of \$22.8 million from the counterparty upon settlement of the 2003 interest rate protection agreement on July 21, 2003; and (2) made a payment of \$4.4 million to the counterparty upon settlement of the 2008 interest rate protection agreement on March 25, 2008. The Company recorded the settlements in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

On May 25, 2010, in connection with a contemplated issuance of ten-year debt securities to eventually refinance PCA's currently outstanding \$400.0 million of senior notes that mature in 2013, PCA entered into interest rate protection agreements with counterparties to protect against increases in the ten-year U.S. Treasury Note rate. The treasury rate will serve as a reference in determining the interest rate applicable to the new debt securities the Company expects to issue in the future. The interest rate protection agreements were properly documented and designated as cash flow hedges at inception. At June 30, 2010, the Company had a notional value of \$400.0 million in interest rate protection agreements outstanding that are expected to settle by the end of 2012.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

In connection with the energy optimization projects at its Valdosta, Georgia mill and Counce, Tennessee mill, the Company entered into foreign currency forward contracts on December 18, 2009 and May 6, 2010 to hedge its exposure to forecasted purchases of machinery and equipment denominated in foreign currencies. The foreign currency forward contracts were properly documented and designated as cash flow hedges at inception. At June 30, 2010, the Company had a notional value of \$8.0 million in foreign currency exchange contracts outstanding that are expected to settle by the end of 2010.

Counterparty Credit Risk

The Company is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by counterparties to these derivative financial instruments. The amount of counterparty credit exposure is the unrealized gains, if any, on such derivative contracts. To minimize credit risk, the Company only enters into these types of transactions with investment grade counterparties. On a quarterly basis, the Company evaluates each hedge's net position relative to the counterparty's ability to cover its position. Although no assurances can be given, the Company does not expect any of the counterparties to these derivative financial instruments to fail to meet its obligations.

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10. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (Continued)

Derivative Instruments

The fair value of the Company's treasury locks and foreign currency forward contracts at June 30, 2010 was \$11.0 million and \$0.9 million, respectively. The interest rate contracts are included in "Other long-term liabilities," and the foreign currency forward contracts are included in "Accrued liabilities" on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet at June 30, 2010.

The impact of derivative instruments on the condensed consolidated statements of income and OCI is as follows:

	Amount of Net Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI (Effective Portion) June 30, 2010	Amount of Gain (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion)		
		Location	Three Months Ended June 30, 2010	Six Months Ended June 30, 2010
<i>(In thousands)</i>				
Treasury locks, net of tax	\$(4,504)	Interest expense, net.	\$461	\$923
Foreign currency exchange contracts, net of tax	<u>(925)</u>	Cost of sales	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total	<u><u>\$(5,429)</u></u>	Total	<u><u>\$461</u></u>	<u><u>\$923</u></u>

The net amount of settlement gains or losses on derivative instruments included in accumulated OCI to be realized during the next 12 months is a net gain of \$1.8 million (\$1.1 million after tax) at June 30, 2010. Mark to market gains and losses on derivative instruments included in accumulated OCI will be reclassified into earnings in the same periods during which the hedged transactions affect earnings. There were no ineffective portions of these contracts during the period.

11. Financial Instruments

The carrying and estimated fair values of PCA's financial instruments at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009 were as follows:

	June 30, 2010		December 31, 2009	
	Carrying Amount	Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
<i>(In thousands)</i>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 181,511	\$ 181,511	\$ 260,727	\$ 260,727
Long-term debt —				
5.75% senior notes	(398,972)	(431,000)	(398,800)	(427,000)
6.50% senior notes	(149,952)	(162,000)	(149,949)	(163,500)
Receivables credit facility	(109,000)	(109,000)	(109,000)	(109,000)
Capital lease obligations	(22,821)	(22,821)	(23,129)	(23,129)

The fair value of cash and cash equivalents approximates its carrying amounts due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

The fair value of the receivables credit facility approximates its carrying amount due to the variable interest-rate feature of the instrument. The fair values of the senior notes are based on quoted market prices. The fair value of the capital lease obligations was estimated to not be materially different from the carrying amount.

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12. Fair Value Measurements

The following presents information about PCA's assets and liabilities measured at fair value and the valuation techniques used to determine those fair values. The inputs used in the determination of fair values are categorized according to the fair value hierarchy as follows:

Level 1 — observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets

Level 2 — inputs, other than quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly

Level 3 — unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which require the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions

The valuation techniques are as follows:

(a) Market approach — prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets or liabilities

(b) Cost approach — amount that would be required to replace the service capacity of an asset (replacement cost)

(c) Income approach — techniques to convert future amounts to a single present amount based on market expectations (including present value techniques, option-pricing and excess earnings models)

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis are as follows:

	<u>As of June 30, 2010</u>				<u>As of December 31, 2009</u>	
	<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Measurement Approach</u>		<u>Carrying Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
			<u>Level</u>	<u>Valuation Technique</u>		
<i>(In thousands)</i>					<i>(Audited)</i>	
<i>Current Assets</i>						
Money market funds	\$181,013	\$181,013	1	(a)	\$260,230	\$260,230
<i>Current Liabilities</i>						
Foreign currency exchange contracts	915	915	2	(a)	—	—
<i>Long-Term Liabilities</i>						
Treasury locks	10,967	10,967	2	(a)	—	—

The money market funds PCA invests in include funds comprised of U.S. Treasury obligations or backed by U.S. Treasury obligations. The Company measures the fair value of money market funds based on quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.

The Company calculates the fair value of its Treasury locks and foreign currency forward contracts using quoted treasury rates and currency spot rates, respectively, plus or minus forward points to calculate forward rates.

There were no changes in the Company's valuation techniques used to measure fair values on a recurring basis as a result of adopting ASC 820. PCA had no assets or liabilities that were measured on a nonrecurring basis.

13. Environmental Liabilities

The potential costs for various environmental matters are uncertain due to such factors as the unknown magnitude of possible cleanup costs, the complexity and evolving nature of governmental laws and regulations and their interpretations, and the timing, varying costs and effectiveness of alternative cleanup technologies. From 1994 through June 30, 2010, remediation costs at PCA's mills and corrugated plants totaled approximately \$3.2 million. As of June 30, 2010, the Company maintained an environmental reserve of \$9.1 million relating to on-site landfills and surface impoundments as well as ongoing and anticipated remedial projects. Liabilities recorded for environmental contingencies are estimates of the probable costs based upon available information and assumptions.

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13. Environmental Liabilities (Continued)

Because of these uncertainties, PCA's estimates may change. As of the date of this filing, the Company believes that it is not reasonably possible that future environmental expenditures and asset retirement obligations above the \$9.1 million accrued as of June 30, 2010, will have a material impact on our financial condition, results of operations, or cash flows.

14. Stock Repurchase Program

On October 17, 2007, PCA announced that its Board of Directors authorized a \$150.0 million common stock repurchase program. There is no expiration date for the common stock repurchase program. Through June 30, 2010, the Company repurchased 3,968,729 shares of common stock, with 150,000 shares repurchased for \$3.1 million during the second quarter of 2010. All repurchased shares were retired prior to June 30, 2010. As of June 30, 2010, \$61.9 million of the \$150.0 million authorization remained available for repurchase of the Company's common stock.

15. Alternative Fuel Mixture Tax Credits

The Company generates "black liquor" as a by-product of its pulp manufacturing process and uses it in a mixture with diesel fuel to produce energy at its Counce, Tennessee, Valdosta, Georgia, and Tomahawk, Wisconsin mills. Through December 31, 2009, the U.S. Internal Revenue Code provided a \$0.50 per gallon refundable tax credit for taxpayers who use alternative fuels in their trade or business. The Company filed applications with the Internal Revenue Service (the "IRS") in December 2008 to be registered as an alternative fuel mixer and received approval in April 2009. As a registered alternative fuel mixer, the Company believes the use of black liquor as an alternative fuel through December 31, 2009 qualified for this tax credit. The laws governing this credit, as well as the taxability of benefits received from this credit, are complex and not completely defined. After December 31, 2009, the alternative fuel mixture credit for a mixture of black liquor and diesel fuel used is no longer available. During the first quarter of 2010, the Chief Counsel's Office of the Internal Revenue Service released Memorandum AM2010-001, which provided clarification about the calculation of the alternative fuel mixture credit for black liquor. As a result, during the first quarter of 2010 the Company released the reserve of \$9.2 million that was established in 2009 due to the ambiguity in the calculation of the credit. The total alternative fuel mixture credits earned by PCA in 2008 and 2009 were \$185.4 million. The Company applied \$41.0 million of these credits against its second quarter 2010 federal cash tax payments. Through June 30, 2010, the total credits applied against federal cash tax payments were \$89.4 million, resulting in a receivable of \$96.0 million for the remaining balance of the alternative fuel mixture tax credits earned through December 31, 2009 that is included on the Company's balance sheet at June 30, 2010.

In a memorandum dated June 28, 2010, the IRS concluded that "black liquor" qualifies for the taxable cellulosic bio-fuel credit of \$1.01 per gallon of bio-fuel produced in 2009. PCA filed an application in July 2010 to receive the required registration code to become a registered cellulosic bio-fuel producer and expects to receive this registration code sometime during the third quarter of 2010. Based upon both the memorandum and IRS guidance regarding the cellulosic bio-fuel credit, the Company is analyzing the additional potential benefits from claiming the cellulosic bio-fuel producer credit for 2009 instead of the alternative fuel mixture credit, or claiming a combination of the two credits for 2009. The amount of credits that the Company can apply against future federal taxes owed will be dependent upon the timing and amount of PCA's future taxable income.

16. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through the filing date of this Form 10-Q and determined there were no events to disclose.

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

Overview

Packaging Corporation of America, or PCA, is the fifth largest producer of containerboard and corrugated products in the United States, based on production capacity. We produce a wide variety of corrugated products ranging from basic corrugated shipping containers to specialized packaging, such as wax-coated boxes for the agriculture industry. We also have multi-color printing capabilities to make high-impact graphics boxes and displays that offer our customers more attractive packaging. Our operating facilities and customers are located primarily in the United States.

In analyzing our operating performance, we focus on the following factors that affect our business and are important to consider when reviewing our financial and operating results:

- containerboard and corrugated products demand;
- corrugated products and containerboard pricing and mix;
- cost trends and volatility for our major costs, including wood and recycled fiber, purchased fuels, electricity, labor and fringe benefits, and transportation costs; and
- cash flow from operations and capital expenditures.

The cost to manufacture containerboard is dependent, in large part, on the costs of wood fiber, recycled fiber, purchased fuels, electricity and labor and fringe benefits. Excluding the cost of containerboard, labor and benefits costs make up the largest component of corrugated products' manufactured costs.

The market for containerboard is generally subject to changes in the U.S. economy. Historically, supply and demand, as well as industry-wide inventory levels, have influenced prices of containerboard and corrugated products. In addition to U.S. shipments, approximately 10% of domestically produced containerboard has been exported annually for use in other countries.

Industry Conditions

Market conditions for containerboard and corrugated products continued to improve in the second quarter of 2010. As reported by the Fibre Box Association, industry-wide shipments of corrugated products increased 4.6% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009, and second quarter 2010 industry containerboard production increased 8.2% from the second quarter of 2009. Industry containerboard export shipments also increased 5.6% over the same timeframe. Industry published prices for containerboard increased \$60 per ton in April after having increased \$50 per ton in January. Reported industry containerboard inventories at the end of the second quarter 2010 were at their lowest June ending level in 30 years, at approximately 1,999,000 tons, or 246,000 tons below June 2009.

PCA Operations Summary

During the second quarter of 2010, we produced approximately 589,000 tons of containerboard at our mills after taking a total of 35,000 tons of downtime due to maintenance outages at our Valdosta, Georgia, Tomahawk Wisconsin and Filer City, Michigan mills. Our maintenance outage at Valdosta was an extended outage of fifteen days in order to complete major improvements on the paper machine while the other two outages were routine, lasting five days each.

Our corrugated products manufacturing plants sold about 7.9 billion square feet ("bsf") of corrugated products during the second quarter of 2010. Our corrugated products shipments were up 8.0% compared to the second quarter of 2009 and essentially equalled our pre-recession corrugated products volume achieved in the second quarter of 2008. Containerboard volume sold to domestic and export customers increased 11.9% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009. Sales prices of containerboard and corrugated products were higher than the second quarter of 2009 as a result of the January and April containerboard price increases and the pass-through of those price increases to corrugated products. Recycled fiber prices remained at high levels during the quarter, dropping just \$5 per ton from the first quarter average price. Wood fiber costs were lower in the second quarter compared to the first quarter of 2010 as weather and logging conditions improved, especially around our Counce, Tennessee linerboard mill which had been significantly impacted by bad weather in the first quarter of

2010, making wood procurement difficult. Purchased energy costs were lower than last year's second quarter and the first quarter of 2010 with prices paid for fuels decreasing by approximately 15% compared to the prior year and approximately 8% compared to the first quarter.

In a memorandum dated June 28, 2010, the IRS concluded that black liquor qualifies for the taxable cellulosic bio-fuel producer credit of \$1.01 per gallon of bio-fuel produced in 2009. PCA filed an application in July 2010 to receive the required registration code to become a registered cellulosic bio-fuel producer, and we expect this registration will be received during the third quarter. PCA has not filed a claim for any black liquor tax credits earned in 2009 since our 2009 tax return is not due until September 15, 2010. The total alternative fuel mixture credits earned by PCA in 2008 and 2009 were \$185.4 million. Through June 30, 2010, the total credits applied against federal cash tax payments were \$89.4 million, resulting in a receivable of \$96.0 million for the remaining balance of the alternative fuel mixture tax credits earned through December 31, 2009. Based upon both the memorandum and IRS guidance regarding the cellulosic bio-fuel credit, PCA is analyzing the additional potential benefits from claiming the cellulosic bio-fuel producer credit for 2009 instead of the alternative fuel mixture credit, or claiming a combination of the two credits for 2009. The amount of credits that the Company can apply against future federal taxes owed will be dependent upon the timing and amount of PCA's future taxable income. See Note 15 to the condensed consolidated financial statements included in this report for a description of the alternative fuel mixture tax credits and the cellulosic bio-fuel producer credit.

Looking ahead to the third quarter of 2010, our earnings are expected to be significantly higher than the second quarter of 2010 from a full quarter's benefit of the second quarter corrugated products price increase, higher sales volumes and increased mill production. In addition, lower costs for recycled fiber, wood fiber and purchased fuels are expected to improve earnings.

Results of Operations

Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 Compared to Three Months Ended June 30, 2009

The historical results of operations of PCA for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 are set forth below:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Change
	2010	2009	
(In thousands)			
Net sales	<u>\$615,459</u>	<u>\$549,381</u>	<u>\$ 66,078</u>
Income from operations	\$ 67,746	\$135,717	\$(67,971)
Interest expense, net	<u>(8,093)</u>	<u>(8,830)</u>	<u>737</u>
Income before taxes	59,653	126,887	(67,234)
Provision for income taxes	<u>(21,623)</u>	<u>(18,006)</u>	<u>(3,617)</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 38,030</u>	<u>\$108,881</u>	<u>\$(70,851)</u>

Net Sales

Net sales increased by \$66.1 million, or 12.0%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from the comparable period in 2009, primarily as a result of increased sales volume (\$47.2 million) and higher prices (\$18.9 million) of corrugated products and containerboard to third parties.

Corrugated products shipments for the second quarter increased 8.0% compared to the second quarter of 2009 both on a total basis and a shipments-per-workday basis. Total corrugated products volume sold for the three months ended June 30, 2010 increased 0.6 billion square feet ("bsf") to 7.9 bsf compared to 7.3 bsf in the second quarter of 2009. The second quarter of 2010 and 2009 both contained 63 workdays, those days not falling on a weekend or holiday. Containerboard volume sold to domestic and export customers increased 11.9% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2009. Containerboard mill production for the three months ended June 30, 2010 was 589,000 tons compared to 555,000 tons during the same period in 2009. During the second quarter 2010 we took approximately 35,000 tons of downtime for annual mill maintenance outages at three of our containerboard mills.

Income from Operations

Income from operations decreased by \$68.0 million, or 50.1%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the three months ended June 30, 2009, primarily due to alternative fuel mixture tax credits in 2009 (\$79.7 million), which was not available in 2010. Excluding the alternative fuel mixture tax credits and 2010 energy project related asset disposals (\$1.7 million), income from operations increased \$13.4 million, or 23.9% compared to second quarter 2009. Such increase primarily resulted from increased sales prices (\$18.9 million) and volume (\$13.6 million), and lower energy costs (\$3.0 million) partially offset by higher costs for recycled fiber (\$10.4 million), wood fiber (\$5.1 million), transportation (\$3.4 million) and maintenance and building repairs (\$2.4 million).

Gross profit increased \$14.5 million, or 12.2%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from the comparable period in 2009, excluding energy project related asset disposals, primarily due to the sales price and volume increases described above. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 21.6% of net sales for both the second quarter 2009 and second quarter 2010.

Selling and administrative expenses increased \$1.9 million, or 4.4%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009, as a result of increased expenses for travel, entertainment and meetings (\$0.8 million), salaried merit increases (\$0.7 million), and related fringe benefits (\$0.2 million).

Corporate overhead decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.4%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009.

Other expense for the three months ended June 30, 2010 decreased \$0.4 million or 9.0% compared to the second quarter of 2009, primarily due to a decrease in legal expenses (\$0.4 million).

Interest Expense, Net and Income Taxes

Net interest expense decreased \$0.7 million, or 8.3%, for the three months ended June 30, 2010 from the three months ended June 30, 2009, primarily as a result of higher capitalized interest (\$0.6 million) being recorded related to the Counce and Valdosta energy optimization projects during the three months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009.

PCA's effective tax rate was 36.2% for the three months ended June 30, 2010 and 14.2% for the comparable period in 2009. The effective tax rate varies from the U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 35% principally due to the impact of state and local income taxes and the domestic manufacturers' deduction. Additionally, the 2009 effective tax rate was impacted by the alternative fuel mixture tax credit.

Six Months Ended June 30, 2010 Compared to Six Months Ended June 30, 2009

The historical results of operations of PCA for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 are set forth below:

	For the Six Months Ended June 30,		Change
	2010	2009	
(In thousands)			
Net sales	<u>\$1,166,191</u>	<u>\$1,061,759</u>	<u>\$104,432</u>
Income from operations	\$ 101,362	\$ 185,324	\$(83,962)
Interest expense, net	<u>(16,816)</u>	<u>(17,568)</u>	<u>752</u>
Income before taxes	84,546	167,756	(83,210)
Provision for income taxes	<u>(27,322)</u>	<u>(33,199)</u>	<u>5,877</u>
Net income	<u>\$ 57,224</u>	<u>\$ 134,557</u>	<u>\$(77,333)</u>

Net Sales

Net sales increased by \$104.4 million, or 9.8%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from the comparable period in 2009 primarily as a result of increased sales volume of corrugated products and containerboard to third parties (\$128.1 million), partially offset by lower average prices for the first half of 2010 (\$23.7 million) compared to the first half of 2009.

First half 2010 corrugated products shipments increased 11.0%, or 1.5 bsf to 15.6 bsf compared to 14.0 bsf in the first half of 2009. On a shipments-per-workday basis, corrugated products volume increased 10.1% in the first half of 2010 compared to the first half of 2009. The percentage increase, on a shipments-per-workday basis, was lower than on a total basis due to one more workday in the first six months of 2010 (126 days), those days not falling on a weekend or holiday, than the first half of 2009 (125 days). Containerboard volume sold to domestic and export customers increased 28.2% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009. Containerboard mill production during the first half of 2010 was approximately 1,158,000 tons compared to 1,070,000 tons produced in the first half of 2009.

Income from Operations

Income from operations decreased by \$84.0 million, or 45.3%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009, primarily attributable to the alternative fuel mixture tax credits of \$79.7 million described previously which was recorded in the second quarter of 2009 partially offset by an additional \$9.2 million recorded in the first quarter 2010. Excluding the alternative fuel mixture tax credits, energy project related asset disposals (\$3.6 million) in 2010 and costs related to the closure of the Ackerman Mississippi sawmill (\$2.0 million) in 2010, income from operations decreased \$7.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009. Such decrease was primarily attributable to increased costs for fiber (\$31.2 million) and lower average sales prices (\$23.7 million), partially offset by increased sales volume (\$39.7 million) and lower energy costs (\$9.7 million).

Gross profit decreased \$7.1 million, or 3.1%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from the comparable period in 2009 excluding energy project related asset disposals. Gross profit as a percentage of net sales decreased from 21.5% of net sales in the six months ended June 30, 2009 to 19.0% of net sales in the first half of 2010 due primarily to the cost increases and lower average prices previously described.

Selling and administrative expenses increased \$2.9 million, or 3.3%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009, primarily as a result of higher expenses for salaries (\$0.8 million), related fringe benefits (\$0.6 million), travel, entertainment and meetings (\$0.8 million), and broker commissions (\$0.5 million).

Corporate overhead for the first half of 2010 decreased \$0.9 million or 3.0% compared to the same period in 2009, primarily due to decreased incentive expense (\$1.4 million), partially offset by increased travel, entertainment and meeting expenses (\$0.5 million).

Other expense for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased \$1.5 million or 18.5% above other expense for the first half of 2009, primarily due to costs to close the Ackerman, Mississippi sawmill in the first quarter of 2010 (\$2.0 million) and higher expenses related to tax matters (\$0.2 million), partially offset by lower legal costs (\$0.8 million).

Interest Expense, Net and Income Taxes

Net interest expense decreased \$0.8 million, or 4.3%, for the six months ended June 30, 2010 from the six months ended June 30, 2009, primarily as a result of higher capitalized interest (\$0.7 million) being recorded related to the Counce and Valdosta energy optimization projects during the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009.

PCA's effective tax rate was 32.3% for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 19.8% for the comparable period in 2009. The effective tax rate varies from the U.S. federal statutory tax rate of 35% principally due to the impact of the alternative fuel mixture tax credit, state and local income taxes, and the domestic manufacturers' deduction. The Company had no material changes impacting FIN No. 48 during the first half of 2010.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The following table presents a summary of our cash flows for the periods presented:

	Six Months Ended June 30,		Change
	2010	2009	
<i>(In thousands)</i>			
Net cash provided by (used for):			
Operating activities	\$ 108,584	\$141,248	\$ (32,664)
Investing activities	(156,967)	(52,066)	(104,901)
Financing activities	(30,833)	(45,635)	14,802
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ (79,216)</u>	<u>\$ 43,547</u>	<u>\$(122,763)</u>

Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities for the six months ended June 30, 2010 was \$108.6 million compared to \$141.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2009, a decrease of \$32.7 million, or 23.1%. Net income, excluding the income from the alternative fuel mixture tax credits (described in Note 15 to the financial statements included in this report) of \$9.2 million in 2010 and \$80.2 million in 2009, was \$48.0 million and \$54.3 million, respectively, for the first six months of 2010 and 2009, a decrease of \$6.3 million that reduced net cash provided by operating activities. Additionally, the deferred tax provision in 2010 was lower by \$10.1 million and requirements for operating assets and liabilities were higher by \$41.6 million during the first six months of 2010 compared to the same period in 2009. This was primarily due to higher accounts receivable levels in 2010 of \$57.2 million as a result of both higher sales prices and increased sales volumes previously described. These decreases in net cash provided by operating activities were partially offset by an additional \$22.3 million of alternative fuel mixture tax credits used to reduce federal tax payments during the first six months of 2010 compared to the same period in 2009. Cash requirements for operating activities are subject to PCA's operating needs, the timing of collection of receivables and payments of payables and expenses, and seasonal fluctuations in the Company's operations.

Investing Activities

Net cash used for investing activities for the six months ended June 30, 2010 increased \$104.9 million, or 201.5%, to \$157.0 million, compared to the six months ended June 30, 2009. The increase was primarily related to higher additions to property, plant and equipment of \$105.1 million, which included \$89.2 million for the major energy optimization projects, during the six months ended June 30, 2010 compared to the same period in 2009.

Financing Activities

Net cash used for financing activities totaled \$30.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2010, a difference of \$14.8 million, or 32.4%, compared to the same period in 2009. The difference was primarily attributable to lower common stock dividends paid of \$15.2 million and higher proceeds from the exercise of stock options of \$2.2 million during the first six months of 2010 compared to the same period in 2009, partially offset by repurchases of PCA common stock of \$3.1 million during the first six months of 2010.

PCA's primary sources of liquidity are net cash provided by operating activities, borrowings under PCA's revolving credit facility, and additional borrowings under PCA's receivables credit facility. As of June 30, 2010, PCA had \$172.2 million in unused borrowing capacity under its existing credit agreements, net of the impact on this borrowing capacity of \$18.8 million of outstanding letters of credit. Currently, PCA's primary uses of cash are for

operations, capital expenditures, debt service and declared common stock dividends, which it expects to be able to fund from these sources.

The following table provides the outstanding balances and the weighted average interest rates as of June 30, 2010 for PCA's revolving credit facility, the receivables credit facility, and the senior notes:

<u>Borrowing Arrangement</u> (In thousands)	<u>Balance at June 30, 2010</u>	<u>Weighted Average Interest Rate</u>	<u>Projected Annual Cash Interest Payments</u>
Revolving Credit Facility	\$ —	N/A	N/A
Receivables Credit Facility	109,000	1.65%	\$ 1,797
5¾% Senior Notes (due August 1, 2013)	400,000	5.75	23,000
6½% Senior Notes (due March 15, 2018)	<u>150,000</u>	<u>6.50</u>	<u>9,750</u>
Total	<u>\$659,000</u>	<u>5.24%</u>	<u>\$34,547</u>

The above table excludes unamortized debt discount of \$1.1 million at June 30, 2010. It also excludes from the projected annual cash interest payments, the non-cash income from the annual amortization of the \$22.8 million received in July 2003 and the non-cash expense from the annual amortization of the \$4.4 million paid in March 2008 to settle the treasury locks related to the 5¾% senior notes due 2013 and 6½% senior notes due 2018. The amortization is being recognized over the terms of the 5¾% senior notes due 2013 and 6½% senior notes due 2018 and is included in interest expense, net.

On April 14, 2010, PCA extended its \$150.0 million receivables-backed credit facility through March 1, 2011.

The instruments governing PCA's indebtedness contain financial and other covenants that limit, among other things, the ability of PCA and its subsidiaries to:

- enter into sale and leaseback transactions,
- incur liens,
- incur indebtedness at the subsidiary level,
- enter into certain transactions with affiliates, or
- merge or consolidate with any other person or sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the assets of PCA.

These limitations could limit corporate and operating activities.

In addition, PCA must maintain minimum net worth and maximum debt to total capitalization and minimum interest coverage ratios under the revolving credit facility. A failure to comply with the restrictions contained in the revolving credit facility could lead to an event of default, which could result in an acceleration of any outstanding indebtedness and/or prohibit PCA from drawing on the revolving credit facility. Such an acceleration may also constitute an event of default under the senior notes indentures and the receivables credit facility. As of June 30, 2010, PCA was in compliance with these covenants.

PCA currently expects to incur capital expenditures of about \$300.0 million in 2010, including up to \$180.0 million for major energy optimization projects at its Counce and Valdosta mills. The remaining \$120.0 million in expenditures will be used primarily for maintenance capital, cost reduction, business growth and environmental compliance. As of June 30, 2010, PCA spent \$155.3 million for capital expenditures and had committed to spend an additional \$214.5 million in the remainder of 2010 and beyond.

PCA believes that net cash generated from operating activities, available cash reserves, alternative fuel mixture tax credit receivable, available borrowings under its committed credit facilities and available capital through access to capital markets will be adequate to meet its liquidity and capital requirements, including payments of any declared common stock dividends, for the foreseeable future. As its debt or credit facilities become due, PCA will need to repay, extend or replace such facilities, which will be subject to future economic conditions and financial, business and other factors, many of which are beyond PCA's control.

Market Risk and Risk Management Policies

PCA is exposed to the impact of interest rate changes and changes in the market value of its financial instruments. PCA periodically enters into derivatives in order to minimize these risks, but not for trading purposes. For a discussion of derivatives and hedging activities, see Note 10 to PCA's condensed consolidated financial statement included elsewhere in this report.

The interest rates on approximately 84% of PCA's debt are fixed. A one percent increase in interest rates related to variable rate debt would have resulted in an increase in interest expense and a corresponding decrease in income before taxes of \$1.1 million annually. In the event of a change in interest rates, management could take actions to mitigate its exposure to the change. However, due to the uncertainty of the specific actions that would be taken and their possible effects, the sensitivity analysis assumes no changes in PCA's financial structure.

Environmental Matters

PCA is subject to, and must comply with, a variety of federal, state and local environmental laws, particularly those relating to air and water quality, waste disposal and the cleanup of contaminated soil and groundwater. The most significant of these laws affecting the Company are:

- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA);
- Clean Water Act (CWA);
- Clean Air Act (CAA);
- The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know-Act (EPCRA);
- Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA); and
- Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

PCA believes that it is currently in material compliance with these and all applicable environmental rules and regulations. Because environmental regulations are constantly evolving, the Company has incurred, and will continue to incur, costs to maintain compliance with these and other environmental laws. PCA works diligently to anticipate and budget for the impact of applicable environmental regulations, and does not currently expect that future environmental compliance obligations will materially affect its business or financial condition.

Impact of Inflation

PCA does not believe that inflation has had a material impact on its financial position or results of operations during the three- and six-month periods ending June 30, 2010 and 2009.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

PCA does not have any off-balance sheet arrangements as of June 30, 2010 that would require disclosure under SEC FR-67, "Disclosure in Management's Discussion and Analysis About Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement and Aggregate Contractual Obligations."

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

Management's discussion and analysis of PCA's financial condition and results of operations are based upon the Company's consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. On an ongoing basis, PCA evaluates its estimates, including those related to bad debts, inventories, intangible assets, pensions and other postretirement benefits, income taxes, contingencies and litigation. PCA bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

PCA has included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009, a discussion of its critical accounting policies which it believes affect its more significant judgments and estimates used in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements. PCA has not made any changes in any of these critical accounting policies during the first six months of 2010.

Forward-Looking Statements

Some of the statements in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, and in particular, statements found in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, that are not historical in nature are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are often identified by the words "will," "should," "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "intend," "estimate," "hope," or similar expressions. These statements reflect management's current views with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties. There are important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in forward-looking statements, many of which are beyond our control. These factors, risks and uncertainties include the following:

- the impact of general economic conditions;
- containerboard and corrugated products general industry conditions, including competition, product demand and product pricing;
- fluctuations in wood fiber and recycled fiber costs;
- fluctuations in purchased energy costs;
- the possibility of unplanned outages or interruptions at our principal facilities; and
- legislative or regulatory actions or requirements, particularly concerning environmental or tax matters.

Our actual results, performance or achievement could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements, and accordingly, we can give no assurances that any of the events anticipated by the forward-looking statements will transpire or occur, or if any of them do occur, what impact they will have on our results of operations or financial condition. In view of these uncertainties, investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. We expressly disclaim any obligation to publicly revise any forward-looking statements that have been made to reflect the occurrence of events after the date hereof. For a discussion of other factors, risks and uncertainties that may affect our business, see Item 1A. Risk Factors included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Item 3. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.*

For a discussion of market risks related to PCA, see Part I, Item 2, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Market Risk and Risk Management Policies" in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 4. *Controls and Procedures.*

PCA maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that are designed to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed in PCA's filings under the Securities Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the periods specified in the rules and forms of the SEC and that such information is accumulated and communicated to PCA's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Prior to filing this report, PCA completed an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of PCA's management, including PCA's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of PCA's disclosure controls and procedures as of June 30, 2010. The evaluation of PCA's disclosure controls and procedures included a review of the controls' objectives and design, PCA's implementation of the controls and the effect of the controls on the information generated for use in this report. Based on this evaluation, PCA's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that PCA's disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of June 30, 2010.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2010, there were no changes in internal controls over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, PCA's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II
OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

PCA is a party to various legal actions arising in the ordinary course of our business. These legal actions cover a broad variety of claims spanning our entire business. As of the date of this filing, we believe it is not reasonably possible that the resolution of these legal actions will, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

The following table summarizes the Company's stock repurchases in the second quarter of 2010:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased</u>	<u>Average Price Paid per Share</u>	<u>Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs</u>	<u>Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that may yet be Purchased Under the Plan or Program</u> (In thousands)
April 1, 2010 to April 30, 2010	—	\$ —	—	\$64,974
May 1, 2010 to May 31, 2010	—	—	—	64,974
June 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010	<u>150,000</u>	<u>20.74</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>61,863</u>
Total	<u>150,000</u>	<u>\$20.74</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>\$61,863</u>

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Not Used.

Item 5. Other Information.

None.

Item 6. Exhibits.

- 10.1 PCA Performance Incentive Plan, effective as of May 14, 2010 (Incorporated by reference to Appendix A of PCA's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the Commission on March 30, 2010).
- 10.2 Employment Agreement, dated June 28, 2010, between Packaging Corporation of America and Paul T. Stecko (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by the registrant on June 29, 2010).
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
- 101 The following financial information from Packaging Corporation of America's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2010, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009, (ii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, (iii) Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the six months ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, and (iv) the Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, tagged as blocks of text.

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.

PACKAGING CORPORATION OF AMERICA
(Registrant)

By: /s/ MARK W. KOWLZAN

Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ RICHARD B. WEST

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 4, 2010

CERTIFICATION

I, Mark W. Kowlzan, certify that:

- (1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Packaging Corporation of America (PCA);
- (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 PCA as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- (4) PCA'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 PCA 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 PCA, 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 PCA'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 PCA's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during PCA's most recent fiscal quarter (PCA's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, PCA's internal control over financial reporting; and
- (5) PCA's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to PCA's auditors and the Audit Committee of PCA'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 PCA'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 PCA's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ MARK W. KOWLZAN

Mark W. Kowlzan
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 4, 2010

CERTIFICATION

I, Richard B. West, certify that:

- (1) I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Packaging Corporation of America (PCA);
- (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 PCA as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- (4) PCA'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 PCA 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 PCA, 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 PCA'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 PCA's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during PCA's most recent fiscal quarter (PCA's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, PCA's internal control over financial reporting; and
- (5) PCA's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to PCA's auditors and the Audit Committee of PCA'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 PCA'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 PCA's internal control over financial reporting.

/s/ RICHARD B. WEST

Richard B. West
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 4, 2010

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

I, Mark W. Kowlzan, Chief Executive Officer of Packaging Corporation of America (the “Company”), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Quarterly Report of the Company on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2010 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in such Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ MARK W. KOWLZAN

Mark W. Kowlzan
Chief Executive Officer

August 4, 2010

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

I, Richard B. West, Chief Financial Officer of Packaging Corporation of America (the “Company”), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

- (1) The Quarterly Report of the Company on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2010 fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in such Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ RICHARD B. WEST

Richard B. West
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

August 4, 2010