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**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, 2006**

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 1-9753

**GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation  
or organization)  
**115 Perimeter Center Place, Suite 460,**  
**Atlanta, Georgia**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**58-1563799**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)  
**30346**  
(Zip Code)

**(770) 395-4500**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code:)

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 is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of accelerated filer and large accelerated filer in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer

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

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

Class	Outstanding as of April 27, 2006
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	<b>34,202,696</b>

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**PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION.****Item 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.****GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES  
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>March 31, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,126	\$ 14,298
Receivables, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$2,457 in 2006 and 2005	111,244	118,193
Inventories	196,633	195,628
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	10,404	13,306
Deferred income taxes	4,986	5,091
Total current assets	336,393	346,516
Property, plant and equipment, net	398,330	401,412
Goodwill	77,720	77,720
Other assets, net	164,086	175,305
Total assets	\$ 976,529	\$ 1,000,953
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 30,000	\$ 49,300
Accounts payable	189,522	202,179
Interest payable	2,788	1,226
Accrued compensation	10,304	14,986
Income taxes payable	14,333	1,258
Other accrued liabilities	15,027	15,237
Total current liabilities	261,974	284,186
Long-term debt	194,339	229,339
Deferred income taxes	103,645	107,959
Other non-current liabilities	16,958	16,457
Total liabilities	576,916	637,941
Commitments and contingencies (note 8)		
Stockholders equity	399,613	363,012
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 976,529	\$ 1,000,953
Common shares outstanding	34,203	34,238

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands, except per share data</b>	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Net sales	\$ 567,873	\$ 645,409
Operating costs and expenses:		
Cost of sales	488,885	563,099
Selling, general and administrative expenses	20,213	15,850
Total operating costs and expenses	509,098	578,949
Operating income	58,775	66,460
Interest expense, net	(4,337 )	(5,447 )
Income before income taxes	54,438	61,013
Provision for income taxes	20,757	22,270
Net income	\$ 33,681	\$ 38,743
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.15
Diluted	\$ 0.98	\$ 1.13
Weighted average common shares:		
Basic	34,048	33,775
Diluted	34,376	34,331

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$ 33,681	\$ 38,743
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	15,889	15,678
Deferred income taxes	(4,209 )	(2,372 )
Tax (deficiency) benefit related to stock plans	(302 )	1,353
Stock based compensation	5,571	816
Change in operating assets, liabilities and other	16,810	(81,036 )
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	67,440	(26,818 )
Cash flows used in investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(11,963 )	(5,706 )
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net change in revolving line of credit	(54,300 )	15,900
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	10	2,410
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(1,032 )	(1,410 )
Tax benefits from employee share-based exercises	1,421	
Dividends paid	(2,748 )	(2,728 )
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(56,649 )	14,172
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1,172 )	(18,352 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	14,298	21,088
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 13,126	\$ 2,736

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

**GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)**

**1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 of America for complete financial statements. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements do reflect all the adjustments that, in the opinion of management, are necessary to present fairly the financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods reported. Such adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. Our operating results for the period ended March 31, 2006, are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2006.

These condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes to consolidated financial statements included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. There have been no material changes in the accounting policies followed by us during the period ended March 31, 2006, other than the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 123R, Share Based Payments, (See note 9).

**2. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In March 2006 the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued SFAS No. 156, *Accounting for Servicing of Financial Assets an amendment of FASB Statement No. 140*. SFAS No. 156 requires an entity to recognize a servicing asset or servicing liability each time it undertakes an obligation to service a financial asset by entering into a servicing contract in specific situations. Additionally, the servicing asset or servicing liability shall be initially measured at fair value, if practicable. SFAS No. 156 is effective as of an entity's first fiscal year beginning after September 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of this statement to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In February 2006 the FASB issued SFAS No. 155, *Accounting for Certain Hybrid Financial Instruments an amendment of FASB Statements No. 133 and 140*. SFAS No. 155 simplifies accounting for certain hybrid instruments currently governed by SFAS No. 133, *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, by allowing fair value remeasurement of hybrid instruments that contain an embedded derivative that otherwise would require bifurcation. SFAS No. 155 also eliminates the guidance in SFAS No. 133 Implementation Issue No. D1, *Application of Statement 133 to Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets*, which provides that such beneficial interests are not subject to SFAS No. 133. SFAS No. 155 amends SFAS No. 140, *Accounting for Transfers and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishments of Liabilities a Replacement of FASB Statement No. 125*, by eliminating the restriction on passive derivative instruments that a qualifying special-purpose entity may hold. This statement is effective for financial instruments acquired or issued by us after December 31, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of this statement to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

On September 15, 2005, the FASB's Emerging Issues Task Force ( EITF ) reached a consensus on EITF Issue No. 04-13, *Accounting for Purchases and Sales of Inventory with the Same Counterparty*. The consensus states that an entity would be required to treat sales and purchases of inventory between the entity and the same counterparty as one transaction for purposes of applying Accounting Principles Board ( APB ) Opinion No. 29, *Accounting for Nonmonetary Transactions*, when such transactions are entered into in contemplation of each other. When such transactions are legally contingent on each other, they

have been entered into in contemplation of each other. The consensus also defines other factors that should be considered in determining whether transactions have been entered into in contemplation of each other. EITF Issue No. 04-13 will be effective for new arrangements entered into, and modifications or renewals of existing arrangements, beginning in the first interim or annual reporting period beginning after March 15, 2006. We do not expect the adoption of EITF Issue No. 04-13 to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

### 3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE SECURITIZATION

We have an agreement pursuant to which we sell an undivided percentage ownership interest in a defined pool of our trade receivables on a revolving basis through a wholly owned subsidiary to third parties (the "Securitization"). As collections reduce accounts receivable included in the pool, we sell ownership interests in new receivables to bring the ownership interests sold up to a maximum of \$165.0 million, as permitted by the Securitization. At March 31, 2006, and December 31, 2005, the unpaid balance of accounts receivable in the defined pool was approximately \$294.5 million and \$277.3 million, respectively. The balances of receivables sold as of March 31, 2006, and December 31, 2005, were \$163.0 million and \$141.0 million, respectively.

### 4. INVENTORIES

The major classes of inventories were as follows:

In thousands	March 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Raw materials and supplies	\$ 71,370	\$ 69,116
Finished goods	125,263	126,512
Inventories	\$ 196,633	\$ 195,628

### 5. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following:

In thousands	March 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Machinery and equipment	\$ 955,620	\$ 951,649
Land and land improvements	28,091	27,034
Buildings	31,897	31,897
Construction-in-progress	31,623	26,498
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	1,047,231	1,037,078
Accumulated depreciation	(648,901)	(635,666)
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 398,330	\$ 401,412



**6. OTHER ASSETS, NET**

Other assets, net of accumulated amortization, consisted of the following:

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>March 31, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
Advances for long-term purchase contracts	\$ 110,898	\$ 112,920
Investment in joint ventures	18,228	20,138
Debt issuance costs	5,224	5,516
Prepaid pension costs	20,498	21,041
Other	9,238	15,690
Total other assets	\$ 164,086	\$ 175,305

**7. LONG-TERM DEBT**

Long-term debt consisted of the following:

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>March 31, 2006</b>	<b>December 31, 2005</b>
Revolving credit facility expires 2009	\$ 95,000	\$ 149,300
7.125% notes due 2013	100,000	100,000
Other	29,339	29,339
Total debt	224,339	278,639
Less current portion	30,000	49,300
Long-term debt	\$ 194,339	\$ 229,339

Over the next twelve months, we expect to pay off \$30.0 million of the borrowings under our revolving credit facility; therefore, we have classified this debt as current. At March 31, 2006, we had a maximum borrowing capacity of \$240.0 million under our revolving credit facility, and our unused revolving credit facility totaled \$138.4 million, net of outstanding letters of credit for \$6.6 million and borrowings of \$95.0 million.

Under the senior credit facility and the indenture related to the 7.125 percent notes, we are subject to certain restrictive covenants, the most significant of which require us to maintain certain financial ratios and limit our ability to pay dividends, make investments, grant liens, sell our assets and engage in certain other activities. As of and for the three months ended March 31, 2006, we were in compliance with all such covenants.

**8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

*Legal Proceedings.* We are a party to numerous individual and several class-action lawsuits filed against us, among other parties, arising out of an incident that occurred in September 1996 in which workers were exposed to a chemical substance on our premises in Plaquemine, Louisiana. The substance was later identified to be a form of mustard agent, which occurred as a result of an unforeseen chemical reaction. All of the actions claim one or more forms of compensable damages, including past and future wages, past and future physical and emotional pain and suffering. The lawsuits were originally filed in Louisiana state court in Iberville Parish.

In September 1998 the state court trial judge granted the plaintiffs' motion permitting the filing of amended petitions that added the additional allegations that we had engaged in intentional conduct against the plaintiffs. Amended petitions making such allegations were filed. Our two insurers notified us that they were reserving their rights to deny coverage to the extent liability could be established due to such intentional conduct in accordance with their insurance policies. We disputed the insurers' reservation



of rights. In December 1998, as required by the terms of the insurance policies, each insurer demanded arbitration of the issue of the insurers duties relating to the intentional conduct allegations. As a result of the arbitrations relating to the insurance issue, as permitted by federal statute, the insurers removed the cases to United States District Court in December 1998.

Following the above removal of these actions and unsuccessful attempts by plaintiffs to remand the cases, we were able to settle the claims of all but two worker plaintiffs (and their collaterals) who had filed suit prior to removal. These settlements included the vast majority of those claimants believed to be the most seriously injured. No further legal proceedings are required relating to these settled cases. Negotiations regarding the remaining claims of the two worker plaintiffs are ongoing.

Following these settlements, we were sued by approximately 400 additional plaintiff workers (and their collaterals) who claim that they were injured as a result of the incident. After negotiation, including a mediation, we reached an agreement for the settlement of these additional claims. This court-approved settlement, which is on a class basis, will resolve the claims of all workers who claim to have been exposed and injured as a result of the incident other than those workers who opt out of the class settlement. We are aware of two worker plaintiffs and several collaterals who have filed suit in state court who have opted not to participate in the class settlement, as well as the two worker plaintiffs and collaterals whose claims are pending in federal court (see discussion above). Based on the present status of the proceedings, we believe the liability ultimately imposed on us will not have a material effect on our financial position or on our results of operations.

Many of the workers injured in this accident were employed by contractors we hired to perform various services on our site. Under the contracts for services, the contractors agreed to hold us harmless and indemnify us for amounts we were required to pay for personal injuries to their workers. During the course of this litigation, we had made demands for the contractors to reimburse us for damage amounts we had paid to their employees. In August 2003 we recovered \$3.1 million as reimbursement for amounts paid by us to one contractor's employees. We continue to pursue additional repayments from other contractors, but we do not believe any future recoveries will be material.

In August 2004 and January and February 2005, the United States Environmental Protection Agency ( USEPA ) conducted environmental investigations of our manufacturing facilities in Aberdeen, Mississippi and Plaquemine, Louisiana, respectively. The USEPA has informed us that it has identified several areas of concern, and has indicated that such areas of concern may, in its view, constitute violations of applicable requirements, thus warranting monetary penalties and possible injunctive relief. In lieu of pursuing such relief through its traditional enforcement process, the USEPA has proposed that the parties enter into negotiations in an effort to reach a global settlement of the areas of concern and that such a global settlement cover our manufacturing facilities at Lake Charles, Louisiana and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma as well. It is likely that any such global settlement, if achieved, will result in the imposition of monetary penalties, capital expenditures for installation of environmental controls, and/or other relief. We do not know the total cost of monetary penalties, environmental projects, or other relief that would be imposed in any settlement or order. While we expect that such costs will exceed \$100,000, we do not expect that such costs will have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

In addition, we are subject to other claims and legal actions that may arise in the ordinary course of business. We believe that the ultimate liability, if any, with respect to these other claims and legal actions will not have a material effect on our financial position or on our results of operations.

*Environmental Regulation.* Our operations are subject to increasingly stringent federal, state and local laws and regulations relating to environmental quality. These regulations, which are enforced principally by the USEPA and comparable state agencies, govern the management of solid hazardous waste, emissions into the air and discharges into surface and underground waters, and the manufacture of chemical substances.

In October 2004 the USEPA notified us that we have been identified as a potentially responsible party ( PRP ) for a Superfund site in Galveston, Texas. The site is a former industrial waste recycling, treatment and disposal facility. Over one thousand PRPs have been identified by the USEPA. We contributed a relatively small proportion of the total amount of waste shipped to the site. In the notice, the USEPA informed us of the agency s willingness to settle with us and other PRPs that contributed relatively small proportions of the total quantity of waste shipped to the Superfund site. We believe that we can reach a settlement with the USEPA in this matter, and although there can be no assurance, we expect the amount of the settlement to be less than \$100,000.

There are several serious environmental issues concerning the VCM facility at Lake Charles, Louisiana we acquired from CONDEA Vista Company ( CONDEA Vista is now Sasol North America, Inc.) on November 12, 1999. Substantial investigation of the groundwater at the site has been conducted, and groundwater contamination was first identified in 1981. Groundwater remediation through the installation of groundwater recovery wells began in 1984. The site currently contains about 90 monitoring wells and 18 recovery wells. Investigation to determine the full extent of the contamination is ongoing. It is possible that offsite groundwater recovery will be required, in addition to groundwater monitoring. Soil remediation could also be required.

Investigations are currently underway by federal environmental authorities concerning contamination of an estuary near the Lake Charles VCM facility we acquired known as the Calcasieu Estuary. It is likely that this estuary will be listed as a Superfund site and be the subject of a natural resource damage recovery claim. It is estimated that there are about 200 PRPs associated with the estuary contamination. CONDEA Vista is included among these parties with respect to its Lake Charles facilities, including the VCM facility we acquired. The estimated cost for investigation and remediation of the estuary is unknown and could be quite costly. Also, Superfund statutes may impose joint and several liability for the cost of investigations and remedial actions on any company that generated the waste, arranged for disposal of the waste, transported the waste to the disposal site, selected the disposal site, or presently or formerly owned, leased or operated the disposal site or a site otherwise contaminated by hazardous substances. Any or all of the responsible parties may be required to bear all of the costs of cleanup regardless of fault, legality of the original disposal or ownership of the disposal site. Currently, we discharge our wastewater to CONDEA Vista, which has a permit to discharge treated wastewater into the estuary.

CONDEA Vista has agreed to retain responsibility for substantially all environmental liabilities and remediation activity relating to the vinyls business we acquired from it, including the Lake Charles, Louisiana VCM facility. For all matters of environmental contamination that were currently known at the time of acquisition, we may make a claim for indemnification at any time; for environmental matters that were then unknown, we must generally make claims for indemnification before November 12, 2009. Further, Georgia Gulf s agreement with CONDEA Vista provides that CONDEA Vista will be subject to the presumption that all later discovered on-site environmental contamination arose before closing, and is therefore CONDEA Vista s responsibility; this presumption may only be rebutted if CONDEA Vista can show that we caused the environmental contamination by a major, unaddressed release.

At our Lake Charles VCM facility, CONDEA Vista will continue to conduct the ongoing remediation at its expense until November 12, 2009. After November 12, 2009, we will be responsible for remediation costs up to about \$150,000 of expense per year, as well as costs in any year in excess of this annual amount up to an aggregate one-time amount of about \$2.3 million. As part of our ongoing assessment of our environmental contingencies, we determined these remediation costs to be probable and estimable and therefore recorded an accrual to other non-current liabilities of \$2.7 million.

The property owned by CONDEA Vista in Mansfield, Massachusetts, for which we negotiated an early lease termination, has been the subject of ongoing environmental investigations under an order with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Groundwater investigations continue at the

Mansfield property to address identified on-site groundwater contamination and investigate the possible off-site migration of contaminated groundwater. It is also possible that the USEPA may list the property as a Superfund site. The environmental investigations and actions are associated with the past operations at the property and were not assumed in our lease of the property. In addition, CONDEA Vista has indemnified us for claims related to this environmental contamination beyond an aggregate threshold amount of about \$0.3 million, including coverage for potential joint and several liabilities under the environmental statutes. Upon removal of manufacturing equipment and termination of the lease, the site with buildings and infrastructure equipment reverted to CONDEA Vista.

As for employee and independent contractor exposure claims, CONDEA Vista is responsible for exposures before November 12, 2009, and we are responsible for exposures after November 12, 2009, on a pro rata basis determined by years of employment or service before and after November 12, 1999, by any claimant. There is, however, a presumption for claims brought before November 12, 2004, by current or former CONDEA Vista employees and contractors that, absent a showing of new acute exposure after November 12, 1999, all responsibility will be deemed to have arisen before November 12, 1999, and will be solely CONDEA Vista's.

We believe that we are in material compliance with all current environmental laws and regulations. We estimate that any expenses incurred in maintaining compliance with these requirements will not materially affect earnings or cause us to exceed our level of anticipated capital expenditures. However, there can be no assurance that regulatory requirements will not change, and it is not possible to accurately predict the aggregate cost of compliance resulting from any such changes.

## 9. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

On January 1, 2006, we adopted SFAS No. 123R, *Share Based Payment*, using the modified prospective method of adoption. SFAS No. 123R requires all share-based payments to employees, including grants of employee stock options and shares purchased under an employee stock purchase plan to be recognized in the financial statements based on their fair values.

Upon our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we began recording compensation cost related to the continued vesting of all stock options that remained unvested as of January 1, 2006, as well as for all new stock option grants after our adoption date. The compensation cost to be recorded is based on the fair value at the grant date. The adoption of SFAS No. 123R did not have an effect on our recognition of compensation expense relating to restricted stock grants. SFAS No. 123R required the elimination of unearned compensation (contra-equity account) related to earlier awards against the appropriate equity accounts, additional paid in capital, in our circumstance.

Prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123R, cash flows resulting from the tax benefit related to stock-based compensation was presented in operating activities in the statement of cash flows, along with other tax cash flows, in accordance with the provisions of EITF Issue No. 00-15, *Classification in the Statement of Cash Flows of the Income Tax Benefit Received by a Company upon Exercise of a Nonqualified Employee Stock Option*. SFAS No. 123R superseded EITF Issue No. 00-15, amended SFAS No. 95, *Statement of Cash Flows*, and requires tax benefits relating to excess share-based compensation deductions to be prospectively presented in the statement of cash flows as a financing activity cash inflow.

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The impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on our operating income, income before income taxes, net income, net cash provided by operating activities, net cash provided by financing activities, and basic and diluted earnings per share for the three-month ended March 31, 2006, is as follows:

**In thousands, except per share data**

Operating income, as reported	\$ 58,775
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on operating income	2,935
Operating income, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R	61,710
Income before income taxes, as reported	54,438
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on income before income taxes	2,935
Income before income taxes, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R	57,373
Net income, as reported	33,681
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on net income	1,816
Net income, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R	35,497
Net cash provided by operating activities, as reported	67,440
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on net cash provided by operating activities	1,421
Net cash provided by operating activities, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R	68,861
Net cash used in financing activities, as reported	(56,649 )
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on net cash provided by financing activities	1,421
Net cash used in financing activities, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R	\$ (58,070 )
Net income per share, as reported:	
Basic	0.99
Diluted	0.98
Impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R on net income per share, basic and diluted	0.05
Net income per share, excluding the impact of adopting SFAS No. 123R:	
Basic	1.04
Diluted	1.03

Prior to our adoption of SFAS No. 123R, we accounted for our stock-based compensation plans in accordance with APB Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and complied with SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation, as amended*, for disclosure purposes. Under these provisions, no compensation was recognized for our stock option plans or our employee stock purchase plan. For SFAS No. 123 purposes, the fair value of each stock option and stock purchase right for 2005 has been estimated as of the date of the grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	<b>Three months ended March 31, 2005</b>	<b>Stock option grants</b>
	<b>Stock purchase plan rights</b>	
Grant date fair value	\$ 8.62	\$ 19.35
Assumptions:		
Risk-free interest rate	2.75%	3.97%
Expected life	1.0 year	4.7 years
Expected volatility	33%	39%
Expected dividend yield	0.64%	0.61%

Using the above assumptions, additional compensation expense under the fair value method would be:

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Three months ended March 31, 2005</b>
For stock option grants	\$ 730
For stock purchase plan rights	305
Total	1,035
Provision for income taxes	393
Total, net of taxes	\$ 642

Had compensation expense been determined consistently with SFAS No. 123, utilizing the assumptions previously detailed, our net income and earnings per common share would have been the following pro forma amounts:

<b>In thousands, except per share data</b>	<b>Three months ended March 31, 2005</b>
Net income, as reported	\$ 38,743
Stock-based compensation included in net income, as reported	499
Stock-based compensation under SFAS No. 123	(1,141 )
Pro forma net income	\$ 38,101
Basic earnings per share:	
As reported	\$ 1.15
Pro forma	1.13
Diluted earnings per share:	
As reported	\$ 1.13
Pro forma	1.12

Under the 1998 and 2002 Equity and Performance Incentive Plans, we are authorized by our stockholders to grant up to 4,500,000 shares of our common stock for stock options and restricted stock to employees and non-employee directors.

As of March 31, 2006, we had various types of share-based payment arrangements with our employees and non-employee directors; restricted and deferred stock units, stock options and the employee stock purchase plan ( ESPP ), which are described below.

*Restricted and Deferred Stock.* For the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, we granted 136,902 restricted stock units and deferred stock units and 116,375 shares of restricted stock and deferred stock units, respectively, to our key employees and non-employee directors. The restricted stock units and restricted stock vest over a three-year period and the deferred stock units vest over one-year period. The weighted average grant date fair value per share of restricted and deferred stock units and restricted stock granted during the first three months of 2006 and 2005 was \$28.70 and \$52.81, respectively. Share-based compensation expense for the first quarter of 2006 from restricted and deferred stock units was approximately \$2.6 million and the related tax benefit was about \$1.0 million. During the same period of 2005, share-based compensation expense and the related tax benefit were about \$0.8 million and \$0.3 million, respectively.

A summary of restricted stock units and awards activity is as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2006			
	Shares	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Terms	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Aggregate intrinsic Value (In thousands)
Outstanding at beginning of year	225,441		\$ 38.99	
Granted	136,902		28.70	
Vested	(105,378 )		33.34	\$ 2,739
Cancelled				
Outstanding at end of period	256,965	2.3 years	35.82	6,679
Vested or expected to vest at end of period	256,965	2.3 years	35.82	\$ 6,511

*Stock Options and ESPP.* For the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, we granted 351,996 and 314,700 stock options, respectively, to our key employees and non-employee directors. Option prices are equal to the closing price of our common stock on the day prior to the date of grant. Options vest over a one or three-year period from the date of grant and expire no more than ten years after the date of grant.

A summary of stock option activity under all plans is as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2006			
	Shares	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Terms	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Aggregate intrinsic Value (In thousands)
Outstanding at beginning of year	1,632,608		\$ 30.47	
Granted	351,996		28.91	
Exercised	(500 )		19.49	3
Forfeited				
Expired				
Outstanding at end of period	1,984,104	6.8 years	\$ 30.20	3,971
Vested or expected to vest at end of period	1,963,265	6.7 years	\$ 30.14	3,971
Exercisable at end of period	1,328,592	5.5 years	\$ 27.21	3,971

The fair value of each stock option and the ESPP shares for 2006 has been estimated as of the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The use of a valuation model requires us to make certain assumptions with respect to selected model inputs. We use the historical volatility for our stock as we believe that historical volatility is more representative than implied volatility. The expected life of the awards is based on historical and other economic data trended into the future. The risk-free interest rate assumption is based on observed interest rates appropriate for the terms of our awards. The dividend yield assumption is based on our history and expectation of dividend payouts. The weighted average fair value derived from the Black-Scholes model and the related weighted-average assumptions used in the model are as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2006	Stock option grants
	Stock purchase plan rights	
Grant date fair value	\$ 8.50	\$ 10.21
Assumptions		
Risk-free interest rate	4.85%	4.82%
Expected life	1.0 year	4.5 years
Expected volatility	44%	39%
Expected dividend yield	1.23%	1.11%





In the quarter ended March 31, 2006, we recognized stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$2.9 million related to the vesting of stock options and ESPP shares and the related tax benefit of approximately \$1.1 million.

*Nonvested shares.* A summary of the status of the nonvested shares activity under all plans is as follows:

	Three months ended March 31, 2006	
	Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested at beginning of year	837,092	\$ 21.65
Granted	488,898	15.39
Vested	(413,513 )	18.61
Forfeited		
Expired		
Nonvested at end of period	912,477	\$ 19.67

As of March 31, 2006, we had approximately \$14.1 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation, which we will record in our statement of income over a weighted average recognition period of less than two years. The total fair value of shares vested during the quarters ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, was \$7.7 million and \$5.5 million, respectively.

## 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

There are no adjustments to Net income or Income before income taxes for the diluted earnings per share computations.

The following table reconciles the denominator for the basic and diluted earnings per share computations shown on the condensed consolidated statements of income:

In thousands	Three months ended March 31,	
	2006	2005
Weighted average common shares - basic	34,048	33,775
Plus incremental shares from assumed conversions:		
Options and awards	324	537
Employee stock purchase plan rights	4	19
Weighted average common shares - diluted	34,376	34,331

For the quarters ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, outstanding options to purchase 0.6 million and 0.3 million shares, respectively, of common stock were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share as the exercise prices of these options were antidilutive during these periods.

**11. COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS) INFORMATION**

Our comprehensive income is comprised of net income (loss) and an additional minimum pension liability, net of related income taxes. The components of accumulated other comprehensive loss and total comprehensive income (loss) are shown as follows:

**Accumulated other comprehensive loss net of tax**

In thousands	March 31, 2006	December 31, 2005
Minimum pension liability	\$ (199 )	\$ (199 )
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (199 )	\$ (199 )

**Total comprehensive income (loss)**

There were no components of comprehensive income other than net income for the three months ended March 31, 2006 and March 31, 2005. Therefore, comprehensive income for these periods is the same as net income.

**12. EMPLOYEE PENSION PLANS**

The following table provides the components for the net periodic benefit cost for all pension plans:

In thousands	Three months ended March 31,	
	2006	2005
Service cost	\$ 925	\$ 819
Interest cost	1,382	1,292
Expected return on plan assets	(1,928 )	(1,787 )
Other	(4 )	)
Amortization of:		
Transition obligation	54	54
Prior service cost	76	76
Net loss	84	14
Total amortization	214	144
Total benefit cost	\$ 589	\$ 468

Our major assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost for pension plans are presented as weighted-averages:

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2006	2005
Discount rate	5.75 %	6.00 %
Expected return on assets	8.25 %	8.50 %
Rate of compensation increase	4.26 %	4.31 %

As of the three months ended March 31, 2006, we had made no contributions to the plan trust and we made \$0.5 million and \$0.6 million in the form of direct benefit payments for the three months ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

**13. SEGMENT INFORMATION**

We have two reportable segments through which we conduct our operating activities: chlorovinyls and aromatics. These two segments reflect the organization that we use for internal reporting. The chlorovinyls segment is a highly integrated chain of products that includes chlorine, caustic soda, vinyl chloride monomer and vinyl resins and compounds. The aromatics segment is also vertically integrated and includes cumene and the co-products phenol and acetone.

Earnings of each segment exclude interest income and expense, unallocated corporate expenses and general plant services, and provision for (benefit from) income taxes. Intersegment sales and transfers are insignificant.

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Three months ended</b>	
	<b>March 31,</b>	<b>2005</b>
	<b>2006</b>	
Segment net sales:		
Chlorovinyls	\$ 441,600	\$ 397,115
Aromatics	126,273	248,294
Net sales	\$ 567,873	\$ 645,409
Segment operating income (loss):		
Chlorovinyls	\$ 75,700	\$ 58,951
Aromatics	(4,966 )	14,276
Unallocated corporate expenses	(11,959 )	(6,767 )
Total operating income	\$ 58,775	\$ 66,460

**14. SUPPLEMENTAL GUARANTOR INFORMATION**

Our payment obligations under our 7.125 percent senior subordinated notes are guaranteed by Great River Oil & Gas Corporation, Georgia Gulf Lake Charles, LLC and Georgia Gulf Chemicals & Vinyls, LLC, some of our wholly owned subsidiaries (the Guarantor Subsidiaries ). The guarantees are full, unconditional and joint and several. Georgia Gulf Corporation is in essence a holding company for all of its wholly owned subsidiaries. The following unaudited condensed consolidating balance sheets, statements of income and statements of cash flows present the financial statements of the parent company, and the combined financial statements of our Guarantor Subsidiaries and our remaining subsidiaries (the Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries ). Provisions in our senior credit facility limit payment of dividends, distributions, loans and advances to us by our subsidiaries.

**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet**  
**March 31, 2006**  
**(Unaudited)**

In thousands	Parent Company	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	\$ 13,114	\$ 12	\$	\$ 13,126
Receivables, net	135,275	40,160	129,097	(193,288 )	111,244
Inventories		196,633			196,633
Prepaid expenses		10,383	21		10,404
Deferred income taxes		4,986			4,986
Total current assets	135,275	265,276	129,130	(193,288 )	336,393
Property, plant and equipment, net	163	398,167			398,330
Goodwill		77,720			77,720
Other assets, net	8,233	155,853			164,086
Investment in subsidiaries	457,204	118,060		(575,264 )	
Total assets	\$ 600,875	\$ 1,015,076	\$ 129,130	\$ (768,552 )	\$ 976,529
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS</b>					
<b>EQUITY</b>					
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	\$ 30,000	\$	\$	\$ 30,000
Accounts payable	60,763	310,966	11,081	(193,288 )	189,522
Interest payable	2,557	231			2,788
Accrued compensation	185	10,119			10,304
Income taxes payable		14,333			14,333
Other accrued liabilities		15,027			15,027
Total current liabilities	63,505	380,676	11,081	(193,288 )	261,974
Long-term debt, net of current portion	129,339	65,000			194,339
Deferred income taxes		103,645			103,645
Other non-current liabilities	8,418	8,540			16,958
Total liabilities	201,262	557,861	11,081	(193,288 )	576,916
Stockholders' equity	399,613	457,215	118,049	(575,264 )	399,613
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 600,875	\$ 1,015,076	\$ 129,130	\$ (768,552 )	\$ 976,529

**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheet**  
**December 31, 2005**  
**(Unaudited)**

In thousands	Parent Company	Guarantor Subsidiaries	Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries	Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	\$ 14,296	\$ 2	\$	\$ 14,298
Receivables, net	139,077	53,571	134,081	(208,536 )	118,193
Inventories		195,628			195,628
Prepaid expenses and other		13,272	34		13,306
Deferred income taxes		5,091			5,091
Total current assets	139,077	281,858	134,117	(208,536 )	346,516
Property, plant and equipment, net	173	401,239			401,412
Goodwill		77,720			77,720
Other assets, net	15,657	159,648			175,305
Investment in subsidiaries	419,400	116,230		(535,630 )	
Total Assets	\$ 574,307	\$ 1,036,695	\$ 134,117	\$ (744,166 )	\$ 1,000,953
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS</b>					
<b>EQUITY</b>					
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	\$ 49,300	\$	\$	\$ 49,300
Accounts payable	73,258	319,561	17,896	(208,536 )	202,179
Interest payable	597	629			1,226
Accrued compensation		14,986			14,986
Income taxes payable		1,258			1,258
Other accrued liabilities		15,237			15,237
Total current liabilities	73,855	400,971	17,896	(208,536 )	284,186
Long-term debt	129,339	100,000			229,339
Deferred income taxes		107,959			107,959
Other non-current liabilities	8,101	8,356			16,457
Total liabilities	211,295	617,286	17,896	(208,536 )	637,941
Stockholders equity	363,012	419,409	116,221	(535,630 )	363,012
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 574,307	\$ 1,036,695	\$ 134,117	\$ (744,166 )	\$ 1,000,953

**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Statement of Income**  
**Three Months Ended March 31, 2006**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Parent Company</b>	<b>Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Net sales	\$ 3,322	\$ 567,873	\$ 4,417	\$ (7,739 )	\$ 567,873
Operating costs and expenses:					
Cost of sales		488,885			488,885
Selling, general and administrative expenses	8,935	16,429	2,588	(7,739 )	20,213
Total operating costs and expenses	8,935	505,314	2,588	(7,739 )	509,098
Operating income (loss)	(5,613 )	62,559	1,829		58,775
Other (expense) income:					
Interest expense, net	(1,052 )	(3,285 )			(4,337 )
Equity in income of subsidiaries	37,804	1,830		(39,634 )	
Income before taxes	31,139	61,104	1,829	(39,634 )	54,438
Provision (benefit) for (from) income taxes	(2,542 )	23,299			20,757
Net income	\$ 33,681	\$ 37,805	\$ 1,829	\$ (39,634 )	\$ 33,681

**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Statement of Income**  
**Three Months Ended March 31, 2005**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Parent Company</b>	<b>Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
Net sales	\$ 2,699	\$ 645,409	\$ 2,890	\$ (5,589 )	\$ 645,409
Operating costs and expenses:					
Cost of sales		563,099			563,099
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,971	14,592	1,876	(5,589 )	15,850
Total operating costs and expenses	4,971	577,691	1,876	(5,589 )	578,949
Operating income (loss)	(2,272 )	67,718	1,014		66,460
Other (expense) income:					
Interest expense, net	(710 )	(4,737 )			(5,447 )
Equity in income of subsidiaries	40,637	1,017		(41,654 )	
Income before taxes	37,655	63,998	1,014	(41,654 )	61,013
Provision (benefit) for (from) income taxes	(1,088 )	23,358			22,270
Net income	\$ 38,743	\$ 40,640	\$ 1,014	\$ (41,654 )	\$ 38,743



**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Three Months Ended March 31, 2006**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Parent Company</b>	<b>Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>					
Net income	\$ 33,681	\$ 37,805	\$ 1,829	\$ (39,634 )	\$ 33,681
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:</b>					
Depreciation and amortization	69	15,809	11		15,889
Deferred income taxes		(4,209 )			(4,209 )
Tax (deficiency) benefit related to stock plans	(302 )				(302 )
Stock based compensation	5,571				5,571
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(37,804 )	(1,830 )		39,634	
Change in operating assets, liabilities and other	1,134	17,506	(1,830 )		16,810
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	2,349	65,081	10		67,440
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities:</b>					
Capital expenditures		(11,963 )			(11,963 )
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>					
Net change in revolving line of credit		(54,300 )			(54,300 )
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	10				10
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(1,032 )				(1,032 )
Tax benefits from employee share-based exercises	1,421				1,421
Dividends paid	(2,748 )				(2,748 )
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(2,349 )	(54,300 )			(56,649 )
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(1,182 )	10		(1,172 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		14,296	2		14,298
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	\$ 13,114	\$ 12	\$	\$ 13,126

**Georgia Gulf Corporation and Subsidiaries**  
**Supplemental Condensed Consolidating Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Three Months Ended March 31, 2005**  
**(Unaudited)**

<b>In thousands</b>	<b>Parent Company</b>	<b>Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Non-Guarantor Subsidiaries</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>					
Net income	\$ 38,743	\$ 40,640	\$ 1,014	\$ (41,654 )	\$ 38,743
<b>Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:</b>					
Depreciation and amortization	166	15,483	29		15,678
Deferred income taxes		(2,372 )			(2,372 )
Tax (deficiency) benefit related to stock plans	1,353				1,353
Stock based compensation	816				816
Equity in net income of subsidiaries	(40,637 )	(1,017 )		41,654	
Change in operating assets, liabilities and other	1,287	(81,284 )	(1,039 )		(81,036 )
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	1,728	(28,550 )	4		(26,818 )
<b>Cash flows used in investing activities:</b>					
Capital expenditures		(5,706 )			(5,706 )
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>					
Net change in revolving line of credit		15,900			15,900
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	2,410				2,410
Purchase and retirement of common stock	(1,410 )				(1,410 )
Dividends paid	(2,728 )				(2,728 )
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(1,728 )	15,900			14,172
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(18,356 )	4		(18,352 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		21,082	6		21,088
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$	\$ 2,726	\$ 10	\$	\$ 2,736

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

**Overview**

We are a leading North American manufacturer and an international marketer of two integrated chemical product lines categorized into two operating segments, chlorovinyls and aromatics chemicals. Our primary chlorovinyls products include chlorine, caustic soda, vinyl chloride monomer ( VCM ), vinyl resins and vinyl compounds; our primary aromatic products include cumene, phenol and acetone. Most of our products are used by customers as raw materials to manufacture a diverse range of products, which serve numerous consumer markets for durable and non-durable goods and construction.

**Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth our condensed consolidated statement of income data for the periods ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, and the percentage of net sales of each line item for the periods presented.

Dollars in millions	Three months ended		March 31, 2005	
	March 31, 2006			
Net sales	\$ 567.9	100.0 %	\$ 645.4	100.0 %
Cost of sales	488.9	86.1 %	563.1	87.2 %
Gross margin	79.0	13.9 %	82.3	12.8 %
Selling, general and administrative expenses	20.2	3.5 %	15.8	2.5 %
Operating income	58.8	10.4 %	66.5	10.3 %
Net interest expense	4.3	0.8 %	5.5	0.8 %
Provision for income taxes	20.8	3.7 %	22.3	3.5 %
Net income	\$ 33.7	5.9 %	\$ 38.7	6.0 %

The following table sets forth certain financial data by segment for the periods ended March 31, 2006 and 2005, and the percentage of total of each line item for the periods presented.

Dollars in millions	Three months ended		March 31, 2005	
	March 31, 2006			
Net sales				
Chlorovinyls	\$ 441.6	77.8 %	\$ 397.1	61.5 %
Aromatics	126.3	22.2 %	248.3	38.5 %
Total net sales	\$ 567.9	100.0 %	\$ 645.4	100.0 %
Gross margin				
Chlorovinyls	\$ 82.7	104.7 %	\$ 66.7	81.0 %
Aromatics	(3.7 )	(4.7 )%	15.6	19.0 %
Total gross margin	\$ 79.0	100.0 %	\$ 82.3	100.0 %

**Three Months Ended March 31, 2006 Compared With Three Months Ended March 31, 2005**

*Net Sales.* For the three months ended March 31, 2006, net sales were \$567.9 million, a decrease of 12 percent compared to \$645.4 million for the same quarter last year primarily as a result of a 15 percent decrease in overall sales volumes. Our overall sales volume decrease from the same period last year is mainly attributable to a decrease in demand for our aromatics products as a result of increased global phenol capacity coming on line during 2005 and lower cumene spot sales. Our overall average sales price increase of 3 percent is primarily a result of increases in the prices of caustic soda and vinyl resins and compounds.

Chlorovinyls segment net sales totaled \$441.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, an increase of 11 percent compared to net sales of \$397.1 million for the same quarter last year. Our overall average sales price increased by 13 percent, primarily as a result of increases in the prices of caustic soda of 48 percent, vinyl resins of 12 percent and vinyl compounds of 20 percent. The vinyl resins and compounds price increases reflect higher prices for the feedstock ethylene. Our overall chlorovinyls sales volumes were down 2 percent from the first quarter of 2005 due to our customers more tightly managing their inventories.

Aromatics segment net sales were \$126.3 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2006, a decrease of 49 percent compared to \$248.3 million for the first quarter of 2005. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease in our overall aromatics sales volumes of 41 percent as a result of cumene and phenol sales volume decreases of 58 percent and 14 percent, respectively. These decreases were due primarily to a 33 percent decrease in our phenol export sales volumes from the same quarter last year as a result of increased global phenol capacity during 2005 and a 91 percent decrease in our cumene export sales volume as a result of lower spot sales due to increased cumene capacity. The North American cumene, phenol and acetone industry operating rates were all in the mid to upper seventy percentiles for the first quarter of 2006, or down about 15 percent from the same quarter in 2005. Our overall average selling price decreased as a result of decreases in the prices of cumene of 14 percent, phenol of 15 percent and acetone of 18 percent. These sales price decreases reflect lower prices for the feedstock benzene and low industry operating rates.

*Gross Margin.* Total gross margin increased from 13 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2005, to 14 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2006. Gross margin remained relatively flat as higher sales prices offset higher raw materials and energy costs and lower sales and production volumes. Some of our primary raw materials and natural gas costs in both segments normally track crude oil and natural gas industry prices. Crude oil and natural gas industry prices experienced increases of 27 percent and 35 percent, respectively, from the first quarter of 2005 to the first quarter of 2006.

Chlorovinyls segment gross margin increased from 17 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2005, to 19 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2006. This \$16.4 million increase primarily reflects increases in the sales prices of all our chlorovinyls products outpacing increases in raw materials prices and lower overall sales and production volumes. Our overall raw materials and natural gas prices increased 17 percent compared to the first quarter of 2005.

Aromatics segment gross margin decreased from 6 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2005, to a negative 3 percent of sales for the three months ended March 31, 2006. This \$19.3 million decrease from the same three months last year is due primarily to lower sales prices and volumes in all products and higher energy prices outpacing lower benzene prices. Our aromatics operating rate decreased from about 89 percent for the first quarter of 2005 to about 52 percent for the same period in 2006 due primarily to increased global phenol capacity during 2005 and lower cumene spot sales due to increased cumene capacity.

*Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses totaled \$20.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, an increase of \$4.4 million from \$15.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2005. This increase was largely due to an increase in share-based compensation expense of \$4.4 million primarily as a result of the adoption of a new accounting pronouncement requiring all share-based payments to employees to be recognized in the financial statements based on their fair values and an increase in the discount on sale of an interest in our trade receivables of \$0.7 million due to an increase in the commercial paper rate in the three months ended March 31, 2006, as compared to the same period in 2005. The increases in selling, general and administrative expenses were partially offset by a decrease in legal and professional fees of \$0.4 million and

a decline in profit share incentive of \$0.5 million. Chlorovinyls and aromatics segment selling, general and administrative expenses remained relatively flat compared to the same period last year.

*Net Interest Expense.* Net interest expense decreased to \$4.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, from \$5.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2005. This decrease was attributable to lower overall debt balances during the first quarter of 2006 compared to the same quarter last year.

*Provision for Income Taxes.* The provision for income taxes was \$20.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, compared with \$22.3 million for the three months ended March 31, 2005. The decrease in income taxes primarily resulted from a \$6.6 million decrease in pre-tax income. In addition, our overall effective income tax rate increased from 37 percent during the first quarter of last year to 38 percent for the same period in 2006 due to the phase out of the extraterritorial income tax deduction and other tax law changes.

### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Our financial condition for the three months ended March 31, 2006 continued to improve as total debt was reduced \$54.3 million by cash provided from operations.

*Operating Activities.* For the three months ended March 31, 2006, we generated \$67.4 million of cash flow from operating activities as compared with \$26.8 million of cash used for the three months ended March 31, 2005. The increase in cash flow from operations of \$94.2 million from the first three months of 2005 to the first three months of 2006 is due primarily to a \$79.0 million advance payment for a long-term raw materials supply contract in the first quarter of 2005 and an increase of \$22.0 million in the interest sold in our trade receivables in the first quarter of 2006 as a result of an increase in eligible receivables under our securitization program. These increases in cash flows from operations were offset partially by a \$15.1 million increase in trade receivables in 2006. The major sources of cash flow for the first three months of 2006 were net income of \$33.7 million, the \$22.0 million increase in the interest sold in our trade receivables and the non-cash provision of \$15.9 million for depreciation and amortization. Total working capital at March 31, 2006, was a surplus of \$74.4 million versus a surplus of \$62.3 million at December 31, 2005. Significant changes in working capital for the first three months of 2006 included an increase in accounts receivable and a decrease in trade payables. The increase in accounts receivable was due mainly to higher sales volumes. The decrease in trade payables was primarily due to a decrease in raw material prices in chlorovinyls as well as a decrease in our overall natural gas price. The accounts payable decrease was mostly offset by an increase in our income taxes payable balance of \$13.1 million.

*Investing Activities.* Net cash used in investing activities was \$12.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, as compared to \$5.7 million for the same period last year. The increase is due primarily to a vinyl resins modernization project at our Plaquemine, Louisiana facility, which we announced in the first quarter of 2006. The total modernization project cost will be about \$100.0 million and is expected to increase our vinyl resin capacity by approximately 450 million pounds in early 2008.

*Financing Activities.* Cash used in financing activities was \$56.6 million for the three months ended March 31, 2006, as compared to \$14.2 million of cash provided by financing activities for the same period last year. The change during the first three months of 2006 compared to the same period in 2005 was primarily due to reducing total debt by \$54.3 million in 2006 and increasing it by \$15.9 million in 2005. In 2006, we reduced debt through the use of cash provided by operations of \$32.3 million and by increasing the interest sold in our trade receivables by \$22.0 million.

On March 31, 2006, our balance sheet debt consisted of a \$95.0 million senior secured revolving credit facility, which matures on November 21, 2009; \$100.0 million principal amount of 7.125 percent senior unsecured notes, which are due December 15, 2013; and \$29.3 million in other debt. Under our revolving



credit facility, we have a maximum borrowing capacity of \$240.0 million. At March 31, 2006, our unused revolving credit facility totaled \$138.4 million, net of outstanding letters of credit for \$6.6 million and current borrowings of \$95.0 million. Over the next twelve months, assuming adequate cash flows, we expect to pay off \$30.0 million of our revolving credit facility of \$95.0 million, and therefore, we have classified this debt as current.

Under our senior credit facility and the indenture related to the 7.125 percent notes, we are subject to certain restrictive covenants, the most significant of which require us to maintain certain financial ratios. Our ability to meet these covenants, satisfy our debt obligations and pay principal and interest on our debt, fund working capital, and make anticipated capital expenditures will depend on our future performance, which is subject to general macroeconomic conditions and other factors, some of which are beyond our control. Management believes that based on current and projected levels of operations and conditions in our markets, cash flow from operations, together with our cash and cash equivalents of \$13.1 million and the availability to borrow an additional \$138.4 million under the revolving credit facility at March 31, 2006, will be adequate for the foreseeable future to make required payments of principal and interest on our debt, meet certain restrictive covenants that require us to maintain certain financial ratios, and fund our working capital and capital expenditure requirements. However, if our expectations regarding our business prove incorrect, we may not be able to meet certain restrictive covenants and maintain compliance with certain financial ratios. In that event, we would attempt to obtain waivers or covenant relief from our lenders. Although we have successfully negotiated covenant relief in the past, there can be no assurance we can do so in the future. As of and for the three months ended March 31, 2006, we were in compliance with all such covenants.

During the first three months of 2006 and 2005, we paid quarterly dividends of \$0.08 per share, or \$2.7 million in both quarters.

We conduct our business operations through our wholly owned subsidiaries as reflected in the consolidated financial statements. As we are essentially a holding company, we must rely on distributions, loans and other intercompany cash flows from our wholly owned subsidiaries to generate the funds necessary to satisfy the repayment of our existing debt. Provisions in the senior credit facility and the indenture related to the 7.125 percent notes limit payments of dividends, distributions, loans or advances to us by our subsidiaries.

*Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement.* We have an agreement pursuant to which we sell an undivided percentage ownership interest in a defined pool of our trade receivables on a revolving basis through a wholly owned subsidiary to a third party (the *Securitization*). Our *Securitization* provides one of our cheapest sources of funds and enables us to reduce our annual interest expense. The funded balance has the effect of reducing accounts receivable and short-term liabilities by the same amount. As collections reduce accounts receivable included in the pool, we sell ownership interests in new receivables to bring the ownership interests sold up to \$165.0 million, as permitted by the *Securitization*. The balance in the interest of receivables sold at March 31, 2006, and December 31, 2005, was \$163.0 million and \$141.0 million, respectively. We used the \$22.0 million in proceeds to pay down our revolving credit facility.

Continued availability of the *Securitization* is conditioned upon compliance with covenants, related primarily to operation of the *Securitization* as set forth in the related agreements. As of March 31, 2006, we were in compliance with all such covenants. If the *Securitization* agreement was terminated, we would not be required to repurchase previously sold receivables, but would be prevented from selling additional receivables to the third party. In the event that the *Securitization* agreement was terminated, we would have to source these funding requirements with availability under our senior credit facility or obtain alternative financing.

*Contractual Obligations.* Our aggregate future payments under contractual obligations by category at March 31, 2006, were as follows:

In Millions	Total	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011 and thereafter
<b>Contractual obligations:</b>							
Long-term debt obligations	\$ 311	\$ 12	\$ 14	\$ 14	\$ 125	\$ 7	\$ 139
Operating lease obligations	75	16	17	13	10	6	13
Purchase obligations	4,709	631	745	727	628	454	1,524
Asset retirement obligations	11						11
Other	1	1					
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,107</b>	<b>\$ 660</b>	<b>\$ 776</b>	<b>\$ 754</b>	<b>\$ 763</b>	<b>\$ 467</b>	<b>\$ 1,687</b>

(1)

*Long-Term Debt.* Includes principal and interest payments based upon our interest rates as of March 31, 2006. Long-term debt obligations are listed based on when they are contractually due. Therefore, the \$95.0 million balance on our revolving credit facility is included in 2009.

*Operating Leases.* We lease railcars, storage terminals, computer equipment, automobiles and warehouse and office space under non-cancelable operating leases with varying maturities through the year 2014. We did not have any capital lease obligations as of March 31, 2006.

*Purchase Obligations.* The purchase obligations include agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable and legally binding and that specify all significant terms. We have certain long-term raw material supply contracts and energy purchase agreements with various terms extending through 2014. These commitments are designed to assure sources of supply for our normal requirements. Amounts are based upon contractual raw material volumes and market rates as of March 31, 2006.

*Asset Retirement Obligations.* We have acquired certain assets that are subject to certain legal obligations upon asset retirement (i.e. removal of hazardous waste, demolition, etc.). We estimate the asset retirement obligations by capitalizing the present value of such obligations based on a credit-adjusted risk-free rate, recording an equivalent liability, and depreciating the asset and accreting the liability over the estimable life of the obligation.

## Outlook

The second quarter has traditionally been one of our stronger quarters due to the spring building season. Based on current chemical industry forecasts, we believe we will have increased overall sales and earnings in the second quarter of 2006 as compared to the same quarter last year due primarily to anticipated continued strong industry supply and demand fundamentals in our chlorovinyls segment. In addition, we experienced planned and unplanned outages in our chloralkali plant during the second quarter of last year. Chemical Data, Inc. ( CDI ) is currently projecting the second quarter North American industry operating rates for vinyl resins, our primary business in this segment, to increase from 93 percent in the second quarter of 2005 to 95 percent in the second quarter of 2006. Based on the forecasted operating rates, we believe we will be able to increase sales prices and recover increased costs for feedstocks and energy.

As for our aromatics business, we expect only modest improvements, as this segment will continue to be negatively impacted by the 2005 start-up of additional global phenol capacity. CDI projects North American industry operating rates for phenol and acetone to decrease from about 84 percent in the second quarter of 2005 to an average of about 80 percent for the same period in 2006, which includes announced incremental capacity additions. CDI projects cumene North American industry operating rates to decrease





to 80 percent largely due to the January 2006 restart of a one billion pound cumene facility that represents about 11 percent of the North American capacity.

With regard to feedstock costs, Chemical Market Associates, Inc. forecasts crude oil to increase about 21 percent and natural gas prices to remain flat, from the second quarter of 2005 to 2006. This would adversely impact the cost of most of our raw materials, including ethylene, benzene and propylene, which are derivatives of crude oil and natural gas.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Form 10-Q and other communications to stockholders may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements relate to, among other things, our outlook for future periods, supply and demand, pricing trends and market forces within the chemical industry, cost reduction strategies and their results, planned capital expenditures, long-term objectives of management and other statements of expectations concerning matters that are not historical facts. Predictions of future results contain a measure of uncertainty and, accordingly, actual results could differ materially due to various factors. Factors that could change forward-looking statements are, among others:

- changes in the general economy;
- changes in demand for our products or increases in overall industry capacity that could affect production volumes and/or pricing;
- changes and/or seasonality and cyclicity in the industries to which our products are sold;
- availability and pricing of raw materials;
- technological changes affecting production;
- difficulty in plant operations and product transportation;
- governmental and environmental regulations; and
- other unforeseen circumstances.

A number of these factors are discussed in this Form 10-Q and in our other periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005.

#### **Critical Accounting Policies**

*We have adopted a new accounting policy in addition to those critical accounting policies listed in Part II. Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Conditions and Results of Operations in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005.*

*Stock-Based Compensation Expense for 2006 and Thereafter.* Effective January 1, 2006 we adopted SFAS No. 123 (revised 2004), Share-Based Payment, or SFAS 123R. SFAS 123R requires all share-based payments to employees and non-employee directors, including grants of stock options, restricted and deferred stock units, restricted stock and employee stock purchase rights, to be recognized in our financial statements based on their respective grant date fair values. Under this standard, the fair value of each share-based payment award is estimated on the date of grant using an option pricing model that meets certain requirements. We currently use the Black-Scholes option pricing model to estimate the fair value of our share-based payment awards. The Black-Scholes model meets the requirements of SFAS 123R; however, the fair values generated by the model may not be indicative of the actual fair values of our awards as it does not consider certain factors important to our awards, such as continued employment, periodic vesting requirements and limited transferability. The determination of the fair value of share-based payment awards utilizing the Black-Scholes model is affected by our stock price and a number of



assumptions, including expected volatility, expected life, risk-free interest rate and expected dividends. We use the historical volatility for our stock as we believe that historical volatility is more representative than implied volatility. The expected life of the awards is based on historical and other economic data trended into the future. The risk-free interest rate assumption is based on observed interest rates appropriate for the terms of our awards. The dividend yield assumption is based on our history and expectation of dividend payouts. The fair value of our restricted and deferred stock units and restricted stock is based on the fair market value of our stock on the date of grant. Forfeitures are estimated at the time of grant and revised, if necessary, in subsequent periods if actual forfeitures differ from those estimates. Stock-based compensation expense recognized in our financial statements in 2006 and thereafter is based on awards that are ultimately expected to vest. We evaluate the assumptions used to value our awards on a quarterly basis. If factors change and we employ different assumptions, stock-based compensation expense may differ significantly from what we have recorded in the past. If there are any modifications or cancellations of the underlying unvested securities, we may be required to accelerate, increase or cancel any remaining unearned stock-based compensation expense. Future stock-based compensation expense and unearned stock-based compensation will increase to the extent that we grant additional equity awards to employees or we assume unvested equity awards in connection with acquisitions. Had we adopted SFAS 123R in prior periods, the magnitude of the impact of that standard on our results of operations would have approximated the impact of SFAS 123 assuming the application of the Black-Scholes option pricing model as described in the disclosure of pro forma net income and pro forma net income per share in Notes 9 of our Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Item 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

For a discussion of certain market risks related to Georgia Gulf, see Part II, Item 7A, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk, in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. There have been no significant developments with respect to our exposure to market risk.

**Item 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

*Enterprise Resource Planning System ( ERP )*

We are in the process of implementing phase I of a multiple phase implementation of a new ERP information system throughout our wholly owned subsidiaries. Implementing a new ERP system results in changes to business processes and related internal controls. We believe that we are adequately controlling the transition to the new processes and controls such that we do not expect any material adverse impact to our internal control over financial reporting.

*Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures*

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e). Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of March 31, 2006, to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms.

*Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting*

There were no changes, including the changes for the new ERP system noted above, in our internal control over financial reporting during our fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2006, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the our internal control over financial reporting.

**PART II. OTHER INFORMATION****Item 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

We are involved in certain other legal proceedings that are described in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005. During the three months ended March 31, 2006, there were no material developments in the status of these proceedings.

In addition, we are subject to other claims and legal actions that may arise in the ordinary course of business. We believe that the ultimate liability, if any, with respect to these other claims and legal actions will not have a material effect on our financial position or on our results of operations.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

In addition to those risk factors listed in Part I. Item 1A. Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, we are highly dependent on our information systems infrastructure in order to process orders, track inventory, ship products in a timely manner, prepare invoices to our customers and otherwise carry on our business in the ordinary course. Key to the success of our strategy to drive greater productivity and cost savings was the implementation of phase I in the first quarter of 2006 of a multiple phase implementation of a new ERP information system. If we experience significant problems with the implementation of this system, the resulting disruption could adversely affect our business, sales, results of operations and financial condition. The transition to our new ERP system involves numerous risks, including:

- difficulties in integrating the system with our current operations;
- potential delay in the processing of customer orders for shipment of products;
- diversion of management's attention away from normal daily business operations;
- increased demand on our operations support personnel;
- initial dependence on an unfamiliar system while training personnel in its use; and
- increased operating expenses resulting from training, conversion and transition support activities.

**Item 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS**

The table below sets forth information regarding repurchases by Georgia Gulf Corporation of shares of its common stock on a monthly basis during the quarter ended March 31, 2006.

## Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities(1)

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share
January 1 - January 31, 2006		\$
February 1 - February 28, 2006	11,630	28.70
March 1 - March 31, 2006	23,827	29.29
Total	35,457	\$ 29.10

(1) Georgia Gulf did not repurchase any of its equity securities during the period covered by this report pursuant to any publicly announced plan or program, and no such plan or program is presently in effect. All purchases reflected in the table above reflect acquisitions of common stock in connection with the transfer of common stock to Georgia Gulf by employees in satisfaction of tax withholding obligations upon vesting of restricted stock awards.



**Item 6.** EXHIBITS

Exhibits

- 31 Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certifications.
- 32 Section 1350 Certifications.

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**SIGNATURES**

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

GEORGIA GULF CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: May 5, 2006

/s/ EDWARD A. SCHMITT  
Edward A. Schmitt  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

Date: May 5, 2006

/s/ JAMES T. MATTHEWS  
James T. Matthews  
*Vice President Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial*  
*Officer (Principal Financial Officer)*