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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, 2007

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 001-15283

IHOP CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

**450 North Brand Boulevard,
Glendale, California**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(818) 240-6055

95-3038279

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

91203-1903

(Zip Code)

(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

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

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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, 2007 |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 17,433,020 |

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PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**Item 1. Financial Statements.****IHOP CORP. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**

(In thousands, except share amounts)

| | March 31, 2007 (Unaudited) | December 31, 2006 |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Assets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 51,818 | \$ 19,516 |
| Receivables, net | 42,811 | 45,571 |
| Reacquired franchises and equipment held for sale, net | 445 | |
| Inventories | 415 | 396 |
| Prepaid expenses | 5,704 | 7,493 |
| Deferred income taxes | 5,664 | 5,417 |
| Total current assets | 106,857 | 78,393 |
| Long-term receivables | 298,172 | 302,088 |
| Property and equipment, net | 305,637 | 309,737 |
| Excess of costs over net assets acquired | 10,767 | 10,767 |
| Other assets | 80,096 | 67,885 |
| Total assets | \$ 801,529 | \$ 768,870 |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | \$ | \$ 19,738 |
| Accounts payable | 14,694 | 14,689 |
| Accrued employee compensation and benefits | 8,546 | 13,359 |
| Other accrued expenses | 13,241 | 11,317 |
| Capital lease obligations | 5,197 | 5,002 |
| Total current liabilities | 41,678 | 64,105 |
| Long-term debt, less current maturities | 175,000 | 94,468 |
| Deferred income taxes | 75,269 | 76,017 |
| Capital lease obligations | 168,633 | 170,412 |
| Other liabilities | 75,564 | 74,655 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | |
| Stockholders' equity | | |
| Preferred stock, \$1 par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized; none issued and outstanding | | |
| Common stock, \$.01 par value, 40,000,000 shares authorized; March 31, 2007: 23,035,223 shares issued and 17,457,970 shares outstanding; December 31, 2006: 22,818,007 shares issued and 17,873,548 shares outstanding | 228 | 227 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 138,029 | 131,748 |
| Retained earnings | 365,335 | 358,975 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | | (133) |
| Treasury stock, at cost (5,577,253 shares and 4,944,459 shares at March 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006, respectively) | (238,207) | (201,604) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 265,385 | 289,213 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 801,529 | \$ 768,870 |

See the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | |
|--|---------------------------|------------------|
| | March 31, | |
| | 2007 | 2006 |
| Revenues | | |
| Franchise revenues | \$ 47,050 | \$ 45,255 |
| Rental income | 33,010 | 33,350 |
| Company restaurant sales | 3,984 | 3,372 |
| Financing revenues | 6,080 | 6,540 |
| Total revenues | 90,124 | 88,517 |
| Costs and Expenses | | |
| Franchise expenses | 21,221 | 20,498 |
| Rental expenses | 24,581 | 24,648 |
| Company restaurant expenses | 4,558 | 3,756 |
| Financing expenses | 2,382 | 3,040 |
| General and administrative expenses | 16,121 | 15,090 |
| Other expense, net | 1,109 | 1,172 |
| Early debt extinguishment costs | 2,223 | |
| Total costs and expenses | 72,195 | 68,204 |
| Income before provision for income taxes | 17,929 | 20,313 |
| Provision for income taxes | 6,616 | 7,719 |
| Net Income | \$ 11,313 | \$ 12,594 |
| Net Income Per Share | | |
| Basic | \$ 0.63 | \$ 0.68 |
| Diluted | \$ 0.63 | \$ 0.68 |
| Weighted Average Shares Outstanding | | |
| Basic | 17,842 | 18,421 |
| Diluted | 18,046 | 18,650 |
| Dividends Declared Per Share | \$ 0.25 | \$ 0.25 |
| Dividends Paid Per Share | \$ 0.25 | \$ 0.25 |

See the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(In thousands)

(Unaudited)

| | Three Months Ended | |
|--|---------------------------|-------------|
| | March 31, | |
| | 2007 | 2006 |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| Net income | \$ 11,313 | \$ 12,594 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash flows provided by operating activities | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 5,180 | 5,025 |
| Debt extinguishment and other costs | 2,223 | |
| Deferred income taxes | (995) | (1,905) |
| Stock-based compensation expense | 1,065 | 809 |
| Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation | (1,498) | (269) |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities | | |
| Receivables | 2,637 | 725 |
| Inventories | (19) | (159) |
| Prepaid expenses | 1,789 | 1,441 |
| Accounts payable | 5 | 6,415 |
| Accrued employee compensation and benefits | (4,813) | (3,397) |
| Other accrued expenses | (1,713) | 798 |
| Other | 643 | (575) |
| Cash flows provided by operating activities | 15,817 | 21,502 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Additions to property and equipment | (784) | (241) |
| Additions to long-term receivables | (659) | (144) |
| Principal receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable | 3,934 | 4,242 |
| Additions to reacquired franchises held for sale | (429) | (239) |
| Property insurance proceeds | (26) | 2,226 |
| Cash flows provided by investing activities | 2,036 | 5,844 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, including revolving line of credit | 190,000 | |
| Repayment of long-term debt | (129,206) | (514) |
| Deferred debt issuance costs | (13,335) | |
| Prepayment penalties on early debt extinguishment | (1,219) | |
| Principal payments on capital lease obligations | (1,583) | (1,046) |
| Dividends paid | (4,464) | (4,603) |
| Purchase of treasury stock | (30,961) | (10,628) |
| Proceeds from stock options exercised | 3,719 | 984 |
| Excess tax benefit from stock-based compensation | 1,498 | 269 |
| Cash flows provided by (used in) financing activities | 14,449 | (15,538) |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents | 32,302 | 11,808 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 19,516 | 23,111 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$ 51,818 | \$ 34,919 |
| Supplemental disclosures | | |
| Interest paid | \$ 7,637 | \$ 5,940 |
| Income taxes paid | 2,660 | 732 |

See the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. General: The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of IHOP Corp. (the Company) have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles 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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. Operating results for the three month period ended March 31, 2007 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2007.

The consolidated balance sheet at December 31, 2006 has been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements at that date but does not include all of the information and footnotes required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles for complete financial statements.

For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.

2. Presentation: The Company's fiscal quarter ends on the Sunday closest to the last day of each quarter. For convenience, we report all fiscal quarter endings on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31.

3. Segments: Our revenues and expenses are recorded in four categories: franchise operations, rental operations, company restaurant operations and financing operations.

Franchise operations revenue consists primarily of royalty revenues, sales of proprietary products, advertising fees and the portion of franchise fees allocated to the Company's intellectual property. Franchise operations expenses include contributions to the national advertising fund, the cost of proprietary products, pre-opening training expenses and other franchise related costs.

Rental operations revenue includes revenue from operating leases and interest income from direct financing leases. Rental operations expenses are costs of operating leases and interest expense on capital leases on franchise-operated restaurants. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Company restaurant sales are retail sales at company-operated restaurants. Company restaurant expenses are operating expenses at company-operated restaurants and include food, labor and benefits, utilities, rent and other restaurant operating costs.

Financing operations revenue consists of the portion of franchise fees not allocated to the Company's intellectual property and sales of equipment as well as interest income from the financing of franchise fees and equipment leases. Financing operations expenses are primarily the cost of restaurant equipment and interest expense not associated with capital leases. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006.

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Information on segments and a reconciliation to income before income taxes are as follows:

| | Franchise Operations (In thousands) | Rental Operations | Company Restaurant Operations | Financing Operations | General and Administrative and Other | Consolidated Total |
|--|---|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 | | | | | | |
| Revenues from external customers | \$ 47,050 | \$ 33,010 | \$ 3,984 | \$ 6,080 | \$ | \$ 90,124 |
| Intercompany real estate charges | | 3,424 | 141 | | (3,565) | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 2,848 | 201 | | 2,131 | 5,180 |
| Interest expense | | 5,317 | 113 | 1,915 | | 7,345 |
| Provision for income taxes | | | | | 6,616 | 6,616 |
| Income (loss) before provision for income taxes | 25,829 | 8,429 | (574) | 3,698 | (19,453) | 17,929 |
| Total assets | 31,203 | 255,697 | 8,513 | 195,768 | 310,348 | 801,529 |
| Three Months Ended March 31, 2006 | | | | | | |
| Revenues from external customers | \$ 45,255 | \$ 33,350 | \$ 3,372 | \$ 6,540 | \$ | \$ 88,517 |
| Intercompany real estate charges | | 5,137 | 43 | | (5,180) | |
| Depreciation and amortization | | 1,594 | 89 | | 3,342 | 5,025 |
| Interest expense | | 5,415 | 74 | 2,000 | | 7,489 |
| Provision for income taxes | | | | | 7,719 | 7,719 |
| Income (loss) before provision for income taxes | 24,757 | 8,702 | (384) | 3,500 | (16,262) | 20,313 |
| Total assets | 26,670 | 253,169 | 6,919 | 211,299 | 276,933 | 774,990 |

4. New Accounting Pronouncements: In September 2006, the FASB issued *FASB Statement No. 157, Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS No. 157) which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 requires companies to disclose the fair value of their financial instruments according to a fair value hierarchy, as defined. SFAS No. 157 may require companies to provide additional disclosures based on that hierarchy. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact adoption of SFAS No. 157 may have on our consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the SEC issued *Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108, Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements* (SAB 108) which provides interpretive guidance on the consideration of the effects of prior year misstatements in quantifying current year misstatements for the purpose of a materiality assessment. Correcting prior year financial statements for immaterial errors would not require previously filed reports to be amended. If a Company determines that an adjustment to prior year financial statements is required upon adoption of SAB 108 and does not elect to restate its previous financial statements, then it must recognize the cumulative effect of applying SAB 108 in fiscal 2006 beginning balances of the affected assets and liabilities with a corresponding adjustment to the fiscal 2006 opening balance in retained earnings. SAB 108 is effective for interim periods of the first fiscal year ending after November 15, 2006. We are currently evaluating the impact of SAB 108 on our consolidated financial statements.

5. Income Taxes: The Company or one of its subsidiaries files income tax returns in the federal jurisdiction, Canada and various state jurisdictions. With few exceptions, the Company is no longer subject to federal, state or non-U.S. income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2002 for federal and 2000 for other jurisdictions. In November 2006, the Company reached a settlement with respect to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) examination of the Company's federal income tax returns for the years 2000 through 2003. The settlement requires the Company to accelerate the recognition of income related to the reporting of initial franchise fees to the years under examination. As a result of the settlement, the Company recognized additional taxable income of \$21.9 million in total for the tax years 2000 through 2003 and paid additional tax and interest of \$11.0 million. As provided in the settlement, the Company is

entitled to deduct the reversal of the \$21.9 million in the tax years 2004 through 2008 at a rate of \$4.4 million per year.

The Company adopted the provisions of FASB Interpretation No. 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes, on January 1, 2007. As a result of the implementation of Interpretation 48, the Company recognized approximately a \$0.7 million increase in the liability for unrecognized tax benefits, excluding related income tax benefits, which was accounted for as a reduction to the January 1, 2007, balance of retained earnings.

The total unrecognized tax benefit as of December 31, 2006 was \$4.4 million, excluding interest, penalties and related income tax benefits. The \$4.4 million would be included in the effective tax rate if recognized. The Company recognizes interest accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits and penalties as a component of income tax expense. As of December 31, 2006, the accrued interest and penalties were \$1.0 million and \$0.1 million, respectively, excluding any related income tax benefits.

As a result of the lapse of the applicable statute of limitations during the year ended December 31, 2007, uncertainty related to the recognition of certain income may be eliminated, resulting in the recognition of \$1.9 million of tax benefits, net of related income tax benefits.

6. Securitized Debt: *Securitization Transaction.* On March 16, 2007, IHOP Franchising, LLC and its wholly owned subsidiary, IHOP IP, LLC (collectively, the Co-Issuers), issued \$175 million of Series 2007-1 Fixed Rate Notes (the Fixed Rate Notes) and completed a securitized financing facility providing for the issuance of up to \$25 million of 2007-2 Variable Funding Notes (the Variable Funding Notes and together with the Fixed Rate Notes, the Notes). The Notes are the first issuances under a program that will allow the Co-Issuers to make additional borrowings through the sale of new series of notes from time to time.

The Fixed Rate Notes and the Variable Funding Notes were issued under a Base Indenture dated March 16, 2007 (the Base Indenture) and related Series Supplements, each dated March 16, 2007 (together with the Base Indenture, the Indenture) among the Co-Issuers and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the Indenture Trustee. The Notes are secured under the Indenture by various types of collateral as described herein. The Notes were issued in private transactions.

Fixed Rate Notes. The Fixed Rate Notes have a stated fixed interest rate of 5.144% per annum, an anticipated repayment date on the payment date in March 2012, and a legal final payment date on the payment date in March 2037. The effective interest rate on the Fixed Rate Notes is anticipated to be 7.218%, after taking account of the premium on the Insurance Policy (described below under Third Party Credit Enhancement) and the amortization of certain transaction related expenditures. The anticipated repayment date of the Fixed Rate Notes may be extended for two successive one-year periods at the election of the Co-Issuers subject to satisfaction of certain conditions as specified in the Indenture. The interest rate on the Fixed Rate Notes would increase by 0.25% during any such extension period.

Variable Funding Notes. The Variable Funding Notes allow for drawings on a revolving basis and have been issued pursuant to the Series 2007-2 Note Purchase Agreement, dated March 16, 2007 (the Variable Funding Note Purchase Agreement), among the Co-Issuers, International House of Pancakes, Inc. (IHOP Inc.), as Servicer, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Indenture Trustee and Administrative Agent, and certain investors and financial institutions. The Variable Funding Notes will be governed by the Variable Funding Note Purchase Agreement and by certain generally applicable terms contained in the Indenture. Interest on the Variable Funding Notes will generally be payable (a) in the event that commercial paper is issued to fund the Variable Funding Notes, at the rate, which is the per annum rate equivalent to the weighted average of the per annum rate payable by the commercial paper conduit in respect of promissory notes issued by the commercial paper conduit to fund the Variable Funding Notes, and (b) in the event that other means are used to fund the Variable Funding Notes, at per

annum rates equal to (i) a base rate of either the prime rate or the Federal funds rate, plus 0.40%, or (ii) a Eurodollar rate to be determined by reference to the British Bankers' Association Interest Settlement Rates for deposits in dollars for the applicable period. While no drawing was made on the Variable Funding Notes at closing, it is expected that amounts will be drawn under the Variable Funding Notes from time to time as needed by the Co-Issuers in connection with the operation of the IHOP franchising business. There is a commitment fee on the unused portion of the Variable Funding Notes of 0.15% per annum.

New Subsidiaries. The Co-Issuers are newly created indirect subsidiaries of IHOP Corp. that hold substantially all of the franchising assets used in the operation of the IHOP restaurant franchising business. In connection with the securitization transaction, two other limited liability companies, IHOP Property Leasing, LLC and IHOP Real Estate, LLC, were formed as subsidiaries of IHOP Franchising, LLC and an existing subsidiary, IHOP Properties, Inc. was transferred to IHOP Franchising, LLC and converted to a limited liability company. On and after the closing of the securitization transaction, these three subsidiaries (the Real Estate Subsidiaries) own the real property assets related to the IHOP franchising business, including the fee and leasehold interests on the real property on which many IHOP restaurants are located and the related leases and sub-leases, respectively, to franchisees.

Assets Transferred to Subsidiaries; Collateral for the Notes. In connection with the securitization transaction, the franchise agreements, franchise notes, area license agreements (related to the United States and Mexico), product sales agreements, equipment leases and other assets related to the IHOP franchising business were transferred to IHOP Franchising, LLC, the intellectual property related to the IHOP franchise business, among other things, was transferred to IHOP IP, LLC, the fee interests in real property and related franchisee leases were transferred to IHOP Real Estate, LLC and certain of the leasehold interests related to the IHOP franchised restaurants and the related subleases to franchisees were transferred to IHOP Property Leasing, LLC. The remaining leasehold interests and franchisee subleases are owned by IHOP Properties, LLC. The Co-Issuers have pledged all of their assets to the Indenture Trustee as security for the Notes. Although the Notes are expected to be repaid solely from these subsidiaries' assets, the Notes are solely obligations of the Co-Issuers and none of IHOP Corp., its direct or indirect subsidiaries, including the Real Estate Subsidiaries, guarantee or are in any way liable for the Co-Issuers' obligations under the Indenture, the Notes or any other obligation in connection with the issuance of the Notes. IHOP Corp. has agreed, however, to guarantee the performance of the obligations of IHOP Inc., its wholly owned direct subsidiary, in connection with the servicing of the assets included as collateral for the Notes and certain indemnity obligations relating to the transfer of the collateral assets to the Co-Issuers and the Real Estate Subsidiaries.

Third Party Credit Enhancement. The Notes are rated Aaa, and AAA by Moody's Investors Services, Inc. and Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, respectively. Timely payment of interest (other than contingent interest) and the outstanding principal of the Notes are insured under a financial guaranty insurance policy issued by Financial Guaranty Insurance Company (FGIC), the obligations of which are rated Aaa and AAA. The insurance policy has been issued under an Insurance and Indemnity Agreement among FGIC, IHOP Corp. and various IHOP Corp. subsidiaries.

Covenants/Restrictions. The Notes are subject to a series of covenants and restrictions under the Indenture customary for transactions of this type, including those relating to (i) the maintenance of specified reserve accounts to be used to make required payments in respect of the Notes, (ii) certain debt service coverage ratios to be met, the failure of which may result in early amortization of the outstanding principal amounts due in respect of the Notes or removal of IHOP Inc., as servicer, among other things, (iii) optional prepayment subject to certain conditions, (iv) IHOP Corp.'s maintenance of more than 50% ownership interest in IHOP Inc. and a restriction on IHOP Corp.'s merger with unaffiliated entities, unless IHOP Corp. is the surviving entity or the surviving entity assumes all of IHOP Corp.'s obligations in connection with the securitization transaction and certain other conditions are satisfied, (v) limitations on

indebtedness that may be incurred by IHOP Corp. on a consolidated basis, and (vi) recordkeeping, access to information and similar matters. The Notes are also subject to customary events of default, including events relating to non-payment of interest and principal due on or in respect of the Notes, failure to comply with covenants within certain time frames, certain bankruptcy events, breach of representations and warranties, failure of security interest to be effective, a valid claim being made under the relevant insurance policy and the failure to meet the applicable debt service coverage ratio.

Use of Proceeds. The net proceeds from the sale of the Fixed Rate Notes on March 16, 2007 was \$171.7 million. Of this amount, \$114.2 million was used to repay existing indebtedness of IHOP Corp; \$2,408,000 was deposited into an interest reserve account for the Fixed Rate Notes; and \$3,110,000 was deposited into a lease payment account for payment to third-party property lessors. IHOP Corp. intends to use the remaining proceeds primarily to pay the costs of the transaction and for share repurchases.

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

Forward-Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements in certain circumstances. Certain forward-looking statements are contained in this report. They use such words as may, will, expect, believe, anticipate, plan, or other similar terminology. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors, which may cause the actual results to be materially different than those expressed or implied in such statements. These factors include, but are not limited to: risks associated with the implementation of the Company's strategic growth plan, the availability of suitable locations and terms of the sites designated for development; the ability of franchise developers to fulfill their commitments to build new IHOP restaurants in the numbers and time frames covered by their development agreements; legislation and government regulation including the ability to obtain satisfactory regulatory approvals; conditions beyond the Company's control such as weather, natural disasters, disease outbreaks, epidemics or pandemics impacting the Company's customer base or food supplies or acts of war or terrorism; availability and cost of materials and labor; cost and availability of capital; competition; continuing acceptance of the IHOP and International House of Pancakes brands and concepts by guests and franchisees; the Company's overall marketing, operational and financial performance; economic and political conditions; adoption of new, or changes in, accounting policies and practices and other factors discussed from time to time in the Company's press releases, public statements and/or filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The following discussion and analysis provides information we believe is relevant to an assessment and understanding of our consolidated results of operations and financial condition. The discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in Item 1 of Part I of this Quarterly Report and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006.

Restaurant Data

The following table sets forth, for the current year and prior year, the number of effective restaurants in the IHOP system and information regarding the percentage change in sales at those restaurants compared to the same period in the prior year. Effective restaurants are the number of restaurants in a given period, adjusted to account for restaurants open for only a portion of the period. Information is presented for all effective restaurants in the IHOP system, which includes IHOP restaurants owned by the Company, as well as those owned by franchisees and area licensees. Sales at restaurants that are owned by franchisees and area licensees are not attributable to the Company. However, we believe that presentation of this information is useful in analyzing our revenues because franchisees and area licensees pay us royalties and advertising fees that are generally based on a percentage of their sales, as well as rental payments under leases that are usually based on a percentage of their sales. Management also uses this information to make decisions about future plans for the development of additional restaurants as well as evaluation of current operations.

| | Three Months Ended March 31, | |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------|
| | 2007 | 2006 |
| Restaurant Data | | |
| Effective restaurants(a) | | |
| Franchise | 1,128 | 1,079 |
| Company | 11 | 7 |
| Area license | 160 | 155 |
| Total | 1,299 | 1,241 |
| System-wide(b) | | |
| Sales percentage change(c) | 5.3 % | 9.4 % |
| Same-store sales percentage change(d) | 0.5 % | 5.1 % |
| Franchise(b) | | |
| Sales percentage change(c) | 5.2 % | 10.0 % |
| Same-store sales percentage change(d) | 0.6 % | 5.2 % |
| Company | | |
| Sales percentage change(c) | 18.1 % | (15.4)% |
| Same-store sales percentage change(d) | (9.5)% | N/A |
| Area License(b) | | |
| Sales percentage change(c) | 5.0 % | 6.1 % |

(a) Effective restaurants are the number of restaurants in a given fiscal period adjusted to account for restaurants open for only a portion of the period. Information is presented for all effective restaurants in the IHOP system, which includes IHOP restaurants owned by the Company as well as those owned by franchisees and area licensees.

(b) System-wide sales are retail sales at IHOP restaurants operated by franchisees, area licensees and the Company, as reported to the Company. Franchise restaurant sales were \$504.2 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007, and sales at area license restaurants were \$55.5 million for the first quarter ended March 31, 2007. Sales at restaurants that are owned by franchisees and area licensees are not attributable to the Company.

(c) Sales percentage change reflects, for each category of restaurants, the percentage change in sales in any given fiscal period compared to the prior fiscal period for all restaurants in that category.

(d) Same-store sales percentage change reflects the percentage change in sales, in any given fiscal period compared to the prior fiscal period, for restaurants that have been operated throughout both fiscal periods that are being compared and have been open for at least 18 months. Because of new unit openings and store closures, the restaurants open throughout both fiscal periods being compared will be different from period to period. Same-store sales percentage change does not include data on restaurants located in Florida.

The following table summarizes our restaurant development and franchising activity:

| | Three Months Ended March 31, 2007 2006 (Unaudited) | |
|--|--|-------|
| Restaurant Development Activity | | |
| Beginning of period | 1,302 | 1,242 |
| New openings | | |
| Company-developed | | |
| Franchisee-developed | 6 | 7 |
| International franchisee-developed | 2 | |
| Area license | | 3 |
| Total new openings | 8 | 10 |
| Closings | | |
| Company and franchise | (4 |) |
| Area license | | |
| End of period | 1,306 | 1,252 |
| Summary-end of period | | |
| Franchise | 1,133 | 1,090 |
| Company | 13 | 6 |
| Area license | 160 | 156 |
| Total | 1,306 | 1,252 |
| Restaurant Franchising Activity | | |
| Company-developed | | |
| Franchisee-developed | 6 | 7 |
| International franchisee-developed | 2 | |
| Rehabilitated and refranchised | 2 | 3 |
| Total restaurants franchised | 10 | 10 |
| Reacquired by the Company | (6 |) |
| Closed | (3 |) |
| Net addition | 1 | 8 |

General

Our approach to franchising is similar to that of most franchising systems in the foodservice industry. Franchisees can undertake individual store development or multi-store development. Under the single store development program, the franchisee is required to pay a non-refundable location fee of \$15,000. If the proposed site is approved for development, the location fee of \$15,000 is credited against an initial franchise fee of \$50,000. The franchisee then uses his or her own capital and financial resources to acquire the site, build and equip the business and fund working capital needs.

In addition to offering single store development agreements for individual restaurants, the Company offers multi-store development agreements for certain qualified franchisees. These multi-store development agreements provide franchisees with an exclusive right to develop new IHOP restaurants in designated geographic territories for a specified period of time. Multi-store developers are required to develop and operate a specified number of restaurants according to an agreed upon development schedule. Multi-store developers are required to pay a development fee of \$20,000 for each restaurant to be developed under a multi-store development agreement. Additionally, for each store which is actually developed, the franchise developer must pay an initial franchise fee of \$40,000 against which the

development fee of \$20,000 is credited. The Company recognizes the franchise fees as income upon the opening of each restaurant. The number of stores and the schedule of stores to be developed under multi-store development agreements are negotiated on an individual basis.

With respect to restaurants developed, the Company receives continuing revenues from the franchisee as follows: (1) a royalty equal to 4.5% of the restaurant's sales; (2) revenue from the sale of certain proprietary products, primarily pancake mixes; (3) local and national advertising fees totaling approximately 3% of the restaurant's sales, which is allocated between local and national advertising based on agreements with franchisees.

The following table represents our development commitments including options as of March 31, 2007:

| | Number of Signed Agreements at 3/31/07 | Scheduled Opening of Restaurants | | | 2010 and thereafter | Total |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|------|------|---------------------|-------|
| | | Remainder of 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | | |
| Single-store development agreements | 8 | 5 | 3 | | 8 | |
| Multi-store development agreements | 78 | 49 | 70 | 60 | 213 | |
| International territorial agreements | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 17 | |
| | 89 | 56 | 75 | 63 | 230 | |

Prior to 2004, we financed and developed the large majority of new IHOP restaurants prior to franchising them (the Old Business Model). Under the Old Business Model, when the restaurant was ultimately franchised, we typically became the franchisee's landlord and equipment lessor. Our new business model (the New Business Model) relies on franchisees to find sources of financing and develop IHOP restaurants. Under the New Business Model, we approve the franchisees' proposed sites but do not contribute capital or become the franchisee's landlord. Under the New Business Model, substantially all new IHOP restaurants are financed and developed by franchisees or area licensees.

Comparison of the Quarter Ended March 31, 2007 to the Quarter Ended March 31, 2006

Overview

Our results for the first quarter of 2007 were impacted by early debt extinguishment costs in the first quarter of 2007, as well as an increase in general and administrative expenses in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the first quarter of 2006. This was partially offset by an increase in franchise operations profit, due to higher revenues associated with franchise restaurant retail sales. A comparison of our financial results for the first quarter of 2007 to those in 2006 included:

- A decrease in net income of \$1.3 million or 10.2%;
- Early debt extinguishment costs in the amount of \$2.2 million related to the Company's securitized refinancing completed in March 2007;
- An increase in general and administrative expense of \$1.0 million or 6.8%;
- An increase in franchise operations profit of \$1.1 million or 4.3%;
- A decrease in diluted weighted average shares outstanding of 3.2%; and
- An decrease in net income per diluted share of \$0.05 or 7.4%.

Franchise Operations

Franchise revenues consist primarily of royalty revenues, sales of proprietary products, advertising fees and the portion of the franchise fees allocated to the Company's intellectual property. Franchise expenses include contributions to the national advertising fund, the cost of proprietary products,

pre-opening training expenses and other franchise related expenses. Key factors which can be used in evaluating and understanding our franchise operations segment include:

- Franchise retail sales; and
- Number of restaurants franchised.

Franchise operations profit, which is franchise revenues less franchise expenses, increased by \$1.1 million or 4.3% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The 4.3% increase in franchise operations profit was due to the changes in franchise revenues and expenses discussed below.

Franchise restaurant retail sales are sales recorded at restaurants that are owned by franchisees and area licensees and are not attributable to the Company. Franchise restaurant retail sales are useful in analyzing our franchise revenues because franchisees and area licensees pay us royalties and other fees that are generally based on a percentage of their sales.

Franchise revenues grew by \$1.8 million or 4.0% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. Franchise revenues grew primarily due to a 5.2% increase in franchise restaurant retail sales. The 5.2% increase in franchise restaurant retail sales was primarily attributable to the following:

- Effective franchise restaurants increased by 4.5%; and
- Same-store sales for franchise restaurants increased by 0.6%.

Effective restaurants are the number of restaurants in a given fiscal period adjusted to account for restaurants open for only a portion of the period. Effective franchise restaurants increased by 49 or 4.5% due to new restaurant openings in 2007 and the annualized effect of new restaurant development in 2006.

Franchise expenses increased by \$0.7 million or 3.5% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. Franchise expenses such as advertising and the cost of proprietary products are related to franchise restaurant retail sales. The increase in franchise expenses was primarily a result of the 5.2% increase in franchise restaurant retail sales, increasing advertising costs and the cost of proprietary products. Partially offsetting this increase, franchise expenses in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the first quarter of 2006 benefited from a reduction in the amount of financial relief granted to franchisees.

Rental Operations

Rental income includes revenue from operating leases and interest income from direct financing leases. Rental expenses are costs of prime operating leases and interest expense on prime capital leases on franchisee-operated restaurants.

A prime lease is a lease between the Company and a third party, the landlord, whereby the Company pays rent to the landlord. Restaurants on these leases are either subleased to a franchisee or, in a few instances, operated by the Company. A sublease is a lease between the Company and a franchisee, whereby the franchisee pays rent to the Company.

Rental operations profit, which is rental income less rental expenses, decreased by \$0.3 million or 3.1% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The primary reason for the decrease in rental operations profit in the first quarter of 2007 was the write-off of deferred rent resulting from terminated subleases on restaurants reacquired. Deferred rent on operating subleases is the difference between straight-line rent and the actual amount received. As a result of restaurants reacquired in 2007, deferred rent in the amount of \$0.3 million was written off in the first quarter of 2007 compared to \$0.2 million in the same period in 2006.

Company Restaurant Operations

Company restaurant operations is comprised of our dedicated research and development company-operations market in Cincinnati, Ohio. In addition, from time to time, restaurants developed by the Company under the Old Business Model are returned by franchisees to the Company and operated by the Company.

Company restaurant sales are retail sales at company-operated restaurants. Company restaurant expenses are operating expenses at company-operated restaurants and include food, labor and benefits, utilities, rent and other restaurant operating costs. Key factors which can be used in evaluating and understanding our company operations segment include:

- Company restaurant retail sales;
- Labor and benefits costs;
- Food costs; and
- Changes in the number of effective company-operated restaurants.

Company restaurant operations loss, which is company restaurant sales less company restaurant expenses, was \$0.6 million in the first quarter of 2007 or 49.5% more than the loss of \$0.4 million in the first quarter of 2006. Company restaurant operations loss in the first quarter of 2007 was due primarily to lower levels of sales at some recently opened locations in our Cincinnati market. At the end of the first quarter of 2007, we operated 13 restaurants, ten of which are located in our dedicated Company market of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Financing Operations

Financing revenues consist of franchise fees not allocated to the Company's intellectual property, sales of equipment, as well as interest income from the financing of franchise fees and equipment leases. Financing expenses are primarily the cost of restaurant equipment and interest expense not associated with capital leases. Key factors which can be used in evaluating and understanding our financing operations segment include:

- Changes in franchise and equipment note balances;
- Franchise fees of franchise restaurants, which are based on the number and the average price of company-developed restaurants refranchised; and
- Amount of debt outstanding.

Financing operations profit, which is financing revenues less financing expenses, increased by \$0.2 million or 5.7% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. The 5.7% increase in financing operations profit was primarily due to the changes in financing revenues and expenses discussed below. In addition, the first quarter of 2007 included the refranchising of two restaurants in Beaumont, Texas for a gain of \$0.7 million.

Financing revenues decreased by \$0.5 million or 7.0% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in the prior year. The decrease in revenues was primarily a result of the decrease in franchise and equipment note interest due to the expected reduction in franchise fee note balances.

Financing expenses decreased by \$0.7 million or 21.6% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in 2006. This is primarily due to a decrease in franchise and equipment costs associated with the decreased number of company-developed and rehabilitated and refranchised restaurants. In the first quarter of 2007, the Company had \$0.5 million in expenses associated with two refranchised restaurants, located in Beaumont, Texas, compared to \$1.0 million in expenses associated with three refranchised restaurants in the first quarter of 2006.

General and Administrative Expenses

General and administrative expenses increased by \$1.0 million or 6.8% in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in the prior year. The increase in general and administrative expenses was primarily due to increases in salaries and wages in the amount of \$0.7 million in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period in the prior year. In addition, general and administrative expenses were impacted by increased expenses related to our Performance Share Plans for executive management in the amount of \$0.4 million in the first quarter of 2007 compared to the prior year.

Early Debt Extinguishment Costs

Early debt extinguishment costs in the amount of \$2.2 million in the first quarter of 2007 resulted from early debt retirement through funds generated from a securitization transaction. These costs include \$1.2 million for prepayment penalties as a result of paying off pre-existing debt, and \$1.0 million related to the write-off of deferred financing costs.

Provision for Income Taxes

Our effective tax rate for the first quarter of 2007 was 36.9% compared to 38.0% for the first quarter of 2006. The decrease in our effective tax rate was primarily due to the effect of filing amended federal and New Jersey income tax returns to recover taxes previously paid.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Our cash from operations and principal receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable are the sources of cash that allow us to pursue our capital investment strategies and return cash to our stockholders. An additional source of cash in the first quarter of 2007 was the proceeds from the securitization transaction which was completed on March 16, 2007. Over the last several years we have utilized our excess cash flow to:

- Repurchase our common stock in order to return excess capital to our stockholders and provide further capital return to our stockholders through dividends, which we began paying in 2003;
- Invest in information technology which includes supporting point-of-sales systems in our franchise restaurants and improving franchise support at the Restaurant Support Center; and
- Invest in new assets related to the development of our company operations market in Cincinnati, Ohio for the purposed of developing operations initiatives, product testing and training programs.

At present, it is the Company's intention to continue to utilize excess cash flow for these and other corporate purposes.

Sources and Uses of Cash

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash provided by operating activities and principal receipts from notes and equipment contracts receivable from our franchisees. Principal uses of cash are common stock repurchases, payments of dividends, capital investment and payments on debt.

Cash provided by operating activities is primarily driven by revenues earned and collected from our franchisees. Franchise revenues primarily are royalties, advertising fees and sales of proprietary products which fluctuate with increases or decreases in franchise retail sales. Franchise retail sales are impacted by the development of IHOP restaurants by our franchisees and by fluctuations in same-store sales.

Cash provided by operating activities decreased to \$15.8 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$21.5 million in the same period in 2006. The decrease was due primarily due to a decrease in accounts payable as a result of the timing of tax payments in the first quarter of 2007.

Strategic Alternatives

We intend to seek opportunities for growth, including potentially significant investments in, or acquisitions of, other non-competitive restaurant businesses where we can do so on favorable economic terms. In the event the Company makes a significant investment in, or acquisition of other non-competitive restaurant businesses, the Company may need to seek additional financing.

Share Repurchases and Dividends

On August 21, 2006, our Board of Directors approved a 2.0 million share increase in the Company's ongoing share repurchase authorization. Based on this and previous share repurchase authorizations, the Company repurchased 659,359 shares of common stock for \$37.6 million in the first quarter of 2007 under our stock repurchase program. As of March 31, 2007, 1.5 million shares remained available for repurchase from the Company's total share repurchase authorization. Since 2003, the Company has bought back 5.7 million shares for a total of \$240.6 million.

The Company has paid regular quarterly dividends of \$0.25 per common share since May 2003. On April 5, 2007, the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per common share, payable on May 22, 2007, to stockholders of record as of May 1, 2007. Future dividends will be declared at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Capital Investment

Capital expenditures were increased to \$0.8 million in the first quarter of 2007 from \$0.2 million in the first quarter of 2006. The increase in capital expenditures primarily reflects an increased investment in information technology initiatives, including our disaster recovery program.

Debt Instruments and Related Covenants

On March 16, 2007, the Company refinanced all existing bank indebtedness through a securitization transaction consisting of \$175 million of Series 2007-1 Fixed Rate Notes and a securitized financing facility providing for the issuance of up to \$25 million of 2007-2 Variable Funding Notes. Please refer to Note 6 in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of the details of this transaction.

Critical Accounting Policies

We prepare our Consolidated Financial Statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of these financial statements requires senior management to make estimates, assumptions and subjective or complex judgments that are inherently uncertain and may significantly impact the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Changes in the estimates, assumptions and judgments affecting the application of these policies may result in materially different amounts being reported under different conditions or using different assumptions. We consider the following policies to be most critical in understanding the judgments that are involved in preparing our Consolidated Financial Statements.

Income Taxes

We provide for income taxes based on our estimate of federal and state tax liabilities. Our estimates include, but are not limited to, effective state and local income tax rates, allowable tax credits for items

such as FICA taxes paid on reported tip income and estimates related to depreciation expense allowable for tax purposes. We usually file our income tax returns several months after our fiscal year-end. All tax returns are subject to audit by federal and state governments, usually years after the returns are filed, and could be subject to differing interpretation of the tax laws.

Deferred tax accounting requires that we evaluate net deferred tax assets to determine if these assets will more likely than not be realized in the foreseeable future. This test requires projection of our taxable income into future years to determine if there will be taxable income sufficient to realize the tax assets. The preparation of the projections requires considerable judgment and is subject to change to reflect future events and changes in the tax laws.

In July 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation 48, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* (FIN 48), which became effective for the Company beginning in 2007. FIN 48 addresses the determination of how tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under FIN 48, the Company must recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than fifty percent likelihood of being realized upon ultimate resolution. The impact on the Company's reassessment of its tax positions in accordance with FIN 48 did not have a material impact on the results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

Leases

Of the 1,133 franchisee-operated restaurants, 61 were located on sites owned by us, 719 were located on sites leased by us from third parties and 353 were located on sites owned or leased by franchisees. We account for our leases under the provisions of FASB Statement No. 13, *Accounting for Leases* (SFAS 13) and subsequent amendments, which require that our leases be evaluated and classified as operating or capital leases for financial reporting purposes. We recognize rent expense for our operating leases, which have escalating rentals over the term of the lease, on the straight-line basis over the initial term. In addition, the lease term is deemed to commence when we take physical possession of the leased property. Prior to January 2006, we capitalized rent expense through the construction period and reported the related asset in property and equipment. Capitalized rent was amortized through depreciation and amortization expense over the estimated useful life of the related assets limited to the lease term. Beginning in January 2006, we expense rent on a straight-line basis from possession date through restaurant open date as an operating expense, in accordance with *FASB Staff Position No. 13-1, Accounting for Rental Costs Incurred During a Construction Period*. We use a consistent lease term when calculating depreciation of leasehold improvements, when determining straight-line rent expense and when determining classification of our leases as either operating or capital. Contingent rents are generally amounts due as a result of sales in excess of amounts stipulated in certain restaurant leases and are included in rent expense as they accrue.

Certain of our lease agreements contain tenant improvement allowances. For purposes of recognizing incentives, we amortize the incentives over the shorter of the estimated useful life or lease term. For tenant improvement allowances, we also record a deferred rent liability or an obligation in our non-current liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets.

Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with SFAS 123R. Under the provisions of SFAS 123R, stock-based compensation cost is estimated at the grant date based on the award's fair-value as calculated by a Black Scholes Merton option pricing model (the Black Scholes

model) and is recognized as expense ratably over the requisite service period. The Black Scholes model requires various highly judgmental assumptions including volatility, forfeiture rates, and expected option life. If any of the assumptions used in the model change significantly, stock-based compensation expense may differ materially in the future from that recorded in the current period.

Accounting for Long-Lived Assets

We regularly evaluate our long-lived assets for impairment at the individual restaurant level. Restaurant assets are evaluated for impairment on a quarterly basis or whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying value of a restaurant may not be recoverable. We consider factors such as the number of years the restaurant has been operated by the Company, sales trends, cash flow trends, remaining lease life, and other factors which apply on a case by case basis. These impairment evaluations require an estimation of cash flows over the remaining useful life of the asset.

Recoverability of the restaurant s assets is measured by comparing the assets carrying value to the undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated over the assets remaining useful life or remaining lease term, whichever is less. If the total expected undiscounted future cash flows are less than the carrying amount of the assets, the carrying amount is written down to the estimated fair value, and a loss resulting from impairment is recognized by a charge to earnings. The fair value is determined by discounting the estimated future cash flows based on our cost of capital.

Judgments and estimates made by the Company related to long-lived assets are affected by factors such as economic conditions, changes in franchise historical resale values, and changes in operating performance. As the Company assesses the ongoing expected cash flows and carrying value of its long-lived assets, these factors could cause the Company to realize impairment charges which would be reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2006, the FASB issued *FASB Statement No. 157, Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS No. 157) which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and requires enhanced disclosures about fair value measurements. SFAS No. 157 requires companies to disclose the fair value of their financial instruments according to a fair value hierarchy, as defined. SFAS No. 157 may require companies to provide additional disclosures based on that hierarchy. SFAS No. 157 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 and interim periods within those fiscal years. We are currently evaluating the impact adoption of SFAS No. 157 may have on our consolidated financial statements.

In September 2006, the SEC issued *Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 108, Considering the Effects of Prior Year Misstatements when Quantifying Misstatements in Current Year Financial Statements* (SAB 108) which provides interpretive guidance on the consideration of the effects of prior year misstatements in quantifying current year misstatements for the purpose of a materiality assessment. Correcting prior year financial statements for immaterial errors would not require previously filed reports to be amended. If a company determines that an adjustment to prior year financial statements is required upon adoption of SAB 108 and does not elect to restate its previous financial statements, then it must recognize the cumulative effect of applying SAB 108 in fiscal 2006 beginning balances of the affected assets and liabilities with a corresponding adjustment to the fiscal 2006 opening balance in retained earnings. SAB 108 is effective for interim periods of the first fiscal year ending after November 15, 2006. We are currently evaluating the impact of SAB 108 on our consolidated financial statements.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.

There were no material changes from the information contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K as of December 31, 2006.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

The Company's management, with the participation of the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of such period, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

There have been no significant changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the fiscal quarter to which this report relates that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Part II. OTHER INFORMATION**Item 1. Legal Proceedings.**

We are party to certain litigation arising in the ordinary course of business which, in the opinion of management, should not have a material adverse effect upon either the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There were no material changes from the information contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K as of December 31, 2006.

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

(a) (b) Not applicable

(c) The following table provides information relating to the Company's repurchases of stock for the three months ended March 31, 2007:

| Period | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Average Price Paid per Share | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs(1) | Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs(2) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|
| January 1, 2007 - January 31, 2007 | | \$ | | 2,208,424 |
| February 1, 2007 - February 28, 2007 | | \$ | | 2,208,424 |
| March 1, 2007 - March 31, 2007 | 659,359 | \$ 56.98 | 659,359 | 1,549,065 |
| Total | 659,359 | \$ 56.98 | 659,359 | 1,549,065 |

(1) Total number of shares repurchased through March 31, 2007 under the stock repurchase plan announced in January 2003 is 5,650,935. This includes 4,991,576 shares repurchased in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

(2) The above mentioned stock repurchase plan provided for the repurchase of up to 7.2 million shares, which includes a 2.0 million share increase authorized by our Board of Directors on August 21, 2006.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

None.

Item 5. Other Information.

None.

Item 6. Exhibits.

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- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation of IHOP Corp. (Exhibit 3.1 to IHOP Corp. s Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002 is incorporated herein by reference).
 - 3.2 Bylaws of IHOP Corp. (Exhibit 3.2 to IHOP Corp. s Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002 is incorporated herein by reference).
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- 3.3 Amendment to the bylaws of IHOP Corp. dated November 14, 2000 (Exhibit 3.3 to IHOP Corp. s Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2001 is incorporated herein by reference).
- 4.1 Base Indenture, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.
- 4.2 Servicing Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC, IHOP Property Leasing, LLC, IHOP Properties, LLC, IHOP Real Estate, LLC, International House of Pancakes, Inc. and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Indenture Trustee.
- 4.3 Parent Asset Sale Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2007, by IHOP Holdings, LLC, as Purchaser, and International House of Pancakes, Inc. as Seller.
- 4.4 Guaranty, dated as of March 16, 2007, by IHOP Corp., in favor of IHOP Holdings, LLC.
- 4.5 Series 2007-1 Fixed Rate Term Notes Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC, IHOP Corp, and Goldman and Sachs & Co.
- 4.6 Series Supplement for the Series 2007-1 Fixed Rate Term Notes, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association and Financial Guaranty Insurance Company.
- 4.7 Series Supplement for the Series 2007-2 Variable Funding Notes, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association and Financial Guaranty Insurance Company.
- 4.8 Variable Funding Note Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 16, 2007, by and among IHOP Franchising, LLC, IHOP IP, LLC, International House of Pancakes, Inc., Wells Fargo, National Association, as Indenture Trustee, certain conduit investors, as Conduit Investors, certain financial institutions, as Committed Note Purchaser, certain Funding Agents and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent.
- 11.0 Statement Regarding Computation of Per Share Earnings.
- 31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a), 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. Section 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. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

SIGNATURES

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

IHOP CORP.
(Registrant)

May 9, 2007
(Date)

BY:

/s/ JULIA A. STEWART
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

May 9, 2007
(Date)

/s/ THOMAS CONFORTI
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial Officer)