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Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

# **CURRENT REPORT**

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 30, 2010

# **GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

1-13888 (Commission 27-2496053 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)
12900 Snow Road

**Identification Number)** 

# Parma, Ohio 44130

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code: 216-676-2000

# **GrafTech Holdings Inc.**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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On November 30, 2010 (the Closing Date ), the transactions contemplated by (i) that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2010, by and among GrafTech International Ltd., GrafTech Holdings Inc., GrafTech Delaware I Inc., GrafTech Delaware II Inc., Seadrift Coke L.P. (Seadrift) and certain partners of Seadrift (the Seadrift Merger Agreement), and (ii) that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2010, by and among GrafTech International Ltd., GrafTech Holdings Inc., GrafTech Delaware III Inc., C/G Electrodes LLC (C/G) and certain members of C/G (the C/G Merger Agreement) were consummated. The entry by GrafTech International Ltd. and GrafTech Holdings Inc. into the Seadrift Merger Agreement and the C/G Merger Agreement was previously reported in Item 5 Other Information of Part II of GrafTech International Ltd. a Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2010, filed on April 29, 2010. The terms of the Seadrift Merger Agreement and the C/G Merger Agreement are also more thoroughly described in the Prospectus, dated November 19, 2010, which is a part of Amendment No. 2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-167446) filed by GrafTech Holdings Inc. with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the S-4 Registration Statement).

#### The Reorganization

Immediately prior to effectuating the reorganization of its holding company structure, on November 30, 2010, GrafTech International Ltd. (Old GTI) amended its existing Restated Certificate of Incorporation to eliminate the previously designated 1,000,000 shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock. No shares of Series A Junior Participating Preferred stock were ever issued by Old GTI. A copy of the Certificate of Elimination of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock (the Certificate of Elimination) as filed by Old GTI with the Secretary of State of Delaware as filed as Exhibit 3.1.0 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Following the filing of the certificate of Elimination, on the Closing Date, Old GTI and GrafTech Holdings Inc. ( New GTI ) reorganized their holding company structure (the Reorganization ) pursuant to Section 251(g) of the Delaware General Corporation Law ( DGCL ) and the provisions of the Seadrift Merger Agreement. In connection with the Reorganization, New GTI became the parent public reporting company and changed its name to GrafTech International Ltd. In addition, the former public reporting company, Old GTI, changed its name to GrafTech Holdings Inc. and became a wholly-owned subsidiary of New GTI.

As part of the Reorganization, each outstanding share of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of Old GTI was converted into one share of common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of New GTI having the same rights, powers, preferences, qualifications, limitations and restrictions as the common stock of Old GTI.

The certificate of incorporation and bylaws of New GTI immediately following consummation of the Reorganization are identical to those of Old GTI immediately prior to the consummation of the Reorganization (other than provisions regarding certain technical matters, as permitted by Section 251(g) of the DGCL), and the directors and officers of New GTI immediately following consummation of the Reorganization are identical to the directors and officers of Old GTI immediately prior to consummation of the Reorganization. Copies of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of New GTI and the Amended and Restated Bylaws of New GTI as effective immediately following consummation of the Reorganization are filed as Exhibits 3.2.0 and 3.3.0, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The shares of common stock of New GTI have been listed on the New York Stock Exchange in lieu of the shares of common stock of Old GTI and will continue to trade under the same GTI symbol and the same CUSIP Number (384313201).

New GTI is deemed the successor to Old GTI pursuant to Rule 12g-3(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ), and the common stock of New GTI is deemed to be registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act. New GTI will be deemed a large accelerated filer for purposes of Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act. New GTI has succeeded to Old GTI s Commission file number and will continue to file reports thereunder.

In connection with the Reorganization, all outstanding equity awards, including options, restricted stock, performance-based units or other rights to receive shares of common stock of Old GTI under the GrafTech International Ltd. 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, the GrafTech International Ltd. Management Stock Incentive Plan (Senior Management Version), the GrafTech International Ltd. Management Stock Incentive Plan (Mid-Management Version) and the GrafTech International Ltd. Management Stock Incentive Plan (Original Version), each as amended (collectively, the Equity Compensation Plans ), were converted into equity awards, including options, restricted stock, performance-based units or other rights, respectively, for the same number of shares of common stock of New GTI upon the same terms and conditions as the existing equity awards. New GTI also assumed all of old GTI s obligations with respect to shares registered on Form S-8 for distribution pursuant to outstanding awards, and awards to be granted, under the Equity Compensation Plans.

New GTI assumed all obligations of Old GTI under each of the Severance Compensation Agreements with certain executives of Old GTI and its subsidiaries (the Severance Agreements) as well as the GrafTech International Ltd. Incentive Compensation Plan and the GrafTech International Ltd. Executive Incentive Compensation Plan (collectively, the Cash Incentive Plans). Each outstanding award under the Cash Incentive Plans was converted into the right to receive the same benefit from New GTI under the same terms and conditions as the existing awards. Each executive who was a party to a Severance Agreement consented to the assumption of the agreement by New GTI and the clarifications made under the agreements relating to Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

New GTI also assumed all obligations of Old GTI under each of the Indemnification Agreements entered into between Old GTI and certain directors and officers of Old GTI.

#### Acquisitions of Seadrift and C/G

Immediately following the consummation of the Reorganization, New GTI consummated the acquisitions of Seadrift and C/G pursuant to the Seadrift Merger Agreement and the C/G Merger Agreement, respectively.

Pursuant to the Seadrift Merger we acquired from the equity holders of Seadrift the 81.1% of the equity interests in Seadrift that we did not already own. Seadrift is one of the world s largest manufacturers of petroleum-based needle coke and owns the world s only known stand-alone petroleum-based needle coke plant, located in Port Lavaca, Texas. The plant s capacity in 2009 was approximately 150,000 metric tons per year. In addition to calcined needle coke, the plant produces naphtha, gas oil and electricity as by-products. We believe that Seadrift produces approximately 17% of the world s needle coke supply. Needle coke is the key raw material used to make graphite electrodes, including premium UHP graphite electrodes, which are critical consumables in electric arc furnace (EAF) steel production. Seadrift shipped approximately 144,000 metric tons and 148,000 metric tons of needle coke in 2007 and 2008, respectively. In 2009, shipments declined dramatically in light of the global economic crisis to 39,000 metric tons. Seadrift s manufacturing facility is located on approximately 450 acres of land. The plant occupies approximately 80 of those acres. At December 31, 2009, Seadrift had approximately 150 employees.

Pursuant to the C/G Merger we acquired from the equity holders of C/G 100% of the equity interests in C/G. C/G is a manufacturer of large diameter UHP graphite electrodes used in the EAF steel making process.

The principal products produced by C/G are UHP graphite electrodes ranging in diameter from 18 to 30 inches, in length from 72 to 120 inches and in weight from 1,200 to over 5,000 pounds. C/G ships graphite electrodes to more than 55 EAF steel mills worldwide. C/G estimates that it supplied approximately 1% of all graphite electrodes purchased worldwide in 2009. While graphite electrodes comprise 95% of C/G s net revenues, C/G also sells various other graphite-related products, including specialty graphite blocks, granular graphite and partially processed electrodes. C/G s production facility is located in St. Mary s, Pennsylvania. It is comprised of 20 buildings located on approximately 150 acres and has a current shipment capacity of 26,500 metric tons of electrodes per year. At December 31, 2009, C/G had 155 employees.

For financial information concerning Seadrift and C/G, see Item 9.01, Financial Statements and Exhibits of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The consideration paid for Seadrift consisted of \$90.0 million in cash (including working capital adjustments), approximately 12,000,000 shares of New GTI common stock and \$100 million in aggregate face amount of non-interest bearing senior subordinated promissory notes of New GTI due 2015. The consideration paid for C/G consisted of \$160.6 million in cash (including working capital adjustments), approximately 12,000,000 shares of New GTI common stock and \$100 million in aggregate face amount of non-interest bearing senior subordinated promissory notes of New GTI due 2015. Of the aggregate cash consideration, approximately \$165 million was funded through borrowings under New GTI s principal revolving credit facility (the Revolving Facility ). The balance of the cash portion of the purchase price, approximately \$86 million, was paid from cash on hand.

#### **Promissory Notes**

The senior subordinated promissory notes issued to holders of equity in Seadrift and C/G on the Closing Date (the Promissory Notes ) as part of the consideration for the acquisitions of Seadrift and C/G are substantially identical. Each Promissory Note will mature on the fifth anniversary the Closing.

The Promissory Notes are non-interest bearing and are subordinated on a senior subordinated basis to senior debt of New GTI and certain of its subsidiaries (including Seadrift and C/G). Senior debt includes: (i) indebtedness, obligations and guarantees under the Revolving Facility in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$390 million; (ii) indebtedness and obligations under foreign liquidity facilities in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$145 million; and (iii) other indebtedness for borrowed money (and related guarantees of subsidiaries) if, on the date of incurrence (or, if earlier, the date of entry into the agreement with respect to such indebtedness or guarantee) and after giving pro forma effect thereto, New GTI s leverage ratio (its ratio of consolidated net debt to consolidated EBITDA) would not exceed 4:00 to 1:00. If any indebtedness for borrowed money described in clause (iii) of the preceding sentence is incurred and after giving pro forma effect thereto New GTI s leverage ratio would exceed 4:00 to 1:00, New GTI and its subsidiaries will grant the holders of the Promissory Notes a security interest on a pari passu basis with any security interest granted to the holders of such indebtedness.

New GTI s significant U.S. subsidiaries (Subsidiary Guarantors), including Seadrift and C/G, have provided senior subordinated guarantees of the Promissory Notes, which are subordinated and secured to the same extent as New GTI s obligations under the Promissory Notes.

New GTI may redeem the Promissory Notes at any time, upon 30 days notice, at 100% of the principal amount of the Promissory Notes.

The Promissory Notes may be accelerated upon the occurrence of certain events of default, and the Promissory Notes will be automatically accelerated upon an insolvency event of default with respect to New GTI or any of the Subsidiary Guarantors. The holders of a majority in outstanding principal amount of the Promissory Notes may accelerate the Promissory Notes upon the occurrence of the following events of default:

the failure of New GTI or any of the Subsidiary Guarantors to comply with any term under the Promissory Notes for 30 days after written notice of default; the acceleration of senior debt of New GTI, any significant subsidiary or any Subsidiary Guarantor in excess of \$50 million; or a change in control.

For purposes of the Promissory Notes, a change in control generally occurs on the date on which:

any person or group becomes the beneficial owner of more than 35% of New GTI s outstanding common stock or voting securities (not including securities held by its employee benefit plans or related trusts);

any person or group acquires the right to vote on any matter, by proxy or otherwise, with respect to more than 35% of New GTI s outstanding common stock or voting securities (not including securities held by its employee benefit plans or related trusts);

New GTI s stockholders approve a plan of dissolution or complete or substantially complete liquidation or its Board approves such a plan other than in connection with a reorganization, recapitalization or similar transaction following which all or a majority of the business of New GTI and its subsidiaries (taken as a whole) are continued by New GTI or any successor thereto;

any consummation of a merger or other business combination unless, following such business combination, the beneficial owners of the common stock and the voting securities of New GTI prior to such business combination beneficially own more than 50% of the common equity and voting securities of the surviving entity in substantially the same proportions as prior to such business combination, no person or group (excluding its employee benefit plans or related trusts) beneficially owns more than 50% of the common equity or voting securities of the surviving entity and at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the surviving entity were members of New GTI s Board prior to such business combination; or

any consummation of a sale, lease or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of New GTI, whether held directly or indirectly through one or more subsidiaries (excluding a grant of security interest, sale-leaseback or similar transaction in the ordinary course of business, or in connection with a credit facility or other financing, but including any foreclosure sale).

A change in control will not be deemed to have occurred for purposes of the Promissory Notes, however, to the extent that the Milikowsky Holders (as defined under Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement below) and their related parties initiate or participate in an event or circumstance prescribed by the standstill provisions of the Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement, regardless of whether it would be permitted thereby.

The holders of a majority in outstanding principal amount of the Promissory Notes have the sole right to waive any default and any such waiver is binding on all holders. No holder of a Promissory Note may institute against New GTI, or join with or assist any person in instituting against New GTI, any bankruptcy or similar action.

The foregoing description of the Promissory Notes does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the form of Promissory Note filed as Exhibit 10.1.0 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### **Issuance of Unregistered Shares of New GTI Common Stock**

In connection with the Closing of the Seadrift Merger and the C/G Merger, New GTI issued to the equity holders of Seadrift and the equity holders of C/G an aggregate of approximately 24,000,000 shares of New GTI common stock as part of the merger consideration. The shares were issued in reliance on the exemption set forth

in Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933 and Regulation D promulgated thereunder. No cash proceeds were received from the issuance of these shares of common stock.

#### Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement

On the Closing Date, New GTI entered into a Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, with certain of the equity holders of Seadrift and C/G who received shares of common stock of New GTI as part of the consideration for their equity interests in Seadrift and C/G. The Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement contains lock-up and standstill provisions, transfer restrictions, director nomination rights and registration rights with respect to the shares of New GTI common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, issued to the equity holders of Seadrift and C/G. As used herein, the term Milikowsky Holders means Nathan Milikowsky, Daniel Milikowsky, The Rebecca and Nathan Milikowsky Family Foundation, The Daniel and Sharon Milikowsky Family Foundation, Inc., NMDM Investments LLC, Rebecca Milikowsky, Brina Milikowsky, Shira Milikowsky, Daniel Milikowsky Family Holdings, LLC and Seadrift Coke LLC.

#### Lock-up and Standstill Provisions

Each of the Milikowsky Holders agreed, for two (2) years following consummation of the Seadrift Merger and thereafter until six (6) months after the later of (i) the termination of the Milikowsky Holders right to nominate an individual for election as a director of New GTI (see, *Board Nomination Rights*, below) and (ii) the date on which any such nominated director ceases to be a member of New GTI s Board, that:

it will not enter into, and will not permit any of its controlled affiliates or related parties to enter into, any contract to purchase, sell, borrow, lend, pledge, or otherwise acquire or transfer, directly or indirectly, any securities of New GTI; and

it will not enter into, and will not permit any of its controlled affiliates or related parties to enter into, any economic or voting derivative, swap or other contract that transfers to, or acquires from, any other person any of the voting rights or economic consequences of ownership of any securities of New GTI or the value of which is measured or determined by, or with respect to, the value of any securities of New GTI.

The foregoing lock-up terminates upon (i) a change in control as described below (except that the percentage thresholds in the first two bullets of the definition of change in control shall be 50% (and not 35%)); (ii) bankruptcy of New GTI or any of its significant subsidiaries; (iii) New GTI s failure to comply in any material respect with the board nomination rights; (iv) the delisting of New GTI s common stock from the New York Stock Exchange (other than in connection with relisting on another national or international exchange); or (v) the transfer by the Milikowsky Holders and their related parties of at least 90% of the New GTI common stock owned by them to persons other than related parties.

Each of the Milikowsky Holders agreed not to take any of the following actions for a period of two (2) years following consummation of the Seadrift Merger and thereafter until six (6) months after the later of (i) the termination of the Milikowsky Holders right to nominate an individual for election as a director of New GTI and (ii) the date on which any such nominated director ceases to be a member of New GTI s Board (the standstill):

initiate or participate in any solicitation of proxies to vote any securities of New GTI;

advise or influence any person (other than a related party) with respect to the voting of any securities of New GTI;

take any action to change, control or influence the management (including the composition of New GTI s Board) or policies of New GTI (except in connection with the exercise of the fiduciary duties of the board nominee of the Milikowsky Holders if he is then serving as a member of New GTI s Board) or to obtain representation on the Board (except for the board designation rights in the Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement);

make any public announcement with respect to, submit a public proposal for or make any public offer as to any extraordinary transaction involving New GTI;

form, assist or participate in a group in connection with any of the foregoing;

enter into any discussions, arrangements or contracts with any other person regarding any of the foregoing; or

take any action that would require New GTI under applicable laws, due to fiduciary duties, or otherwise, to make any public announcement relating to any of the foregoing or any extraordinary transaction.

The standstill provisions terminate upon (i) a change in control as described below (except that the percentage thresholds in the first two bullets of the definition of change in control shall be 50% (and not 35%)); (ii) bankruptcy of New GTI or any of its significant subsidiaries; (iii) New GTI s failure to comply in any material respect with the board nomination rights; or (iv) the delisting of New GTI s common stock from the New York Stock Exchange (other than in connection with relisting on another national or international exchange).

Notwithstanding the lock-up and standstill provisions, Nathan Milikowsky and Rebecca Milikowsky may transfer up to an aggregate of 1,600,000 shares (as adjusted for any stock split, stock dividend, combination or other recapitalization or reclassification transactions by us) of New GTI common stock to The Rebecca and Nathan Milikowsky Family Foundation and Daniel Milikowsky and Daniel Milikowsky Family Holdings LLC may transfer up to an aggregate of 1,600,000 shares (as adjusted for any stock split, stock dividend, combination or other recapitalization or reclassification transactions by us) of New GTI common stock to The Daniel and Sharon Milikowsky Family Foundation, Inc. Following the transfer of any such shares to one of such foundations (Exempt Shares), the applicable foundation may transfer such shares without restriction under the lock-up and standstill provisions.

Notwithstanding the lock-up and standstill provisions, at any time after six (6) months following the consummation of the Seadrift Merger, each of Nathan Milikowsky (and his affiliates and related parties) and Daniel Milikowsky (and his affiliates and related parties) may sell New GTI common stock in transactions exempt from registration under the Securities Act under Rule 144, or otherwise, or in a public offering; provided, that the aggregate number of shares each such group may sell in any three (3) month period may not exceed one percent (1%) of the outstanding shares of New GTI common stock (but excluding Exempt Shares for these purposes).

Notwithstanding the lock-up and standstill provisions, (a) if New GTI issues additional shares of its common stock or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for shares of its common stock, each of the Milikowsky Holders has the right to purchase, in connection with the offering thereof or thereafter in the open market, up to such additional number of shares of New GTI common stock or such securities so that its relative percentage of beneficial ownership of New GTI common stock is the same, after giving effect to such purchase, as it was immediately prior to such issuance and (b) each Seadrift equity holder and C/G equity holder who received shares of New GTI common stock in the Seadrift Merger or C/G Merger, respectively, has the right to transfer shares of New GTI common stock (i) in connection with the consummation of, or otherwise pursuant to, a merger, tender offer, exchange offer or other business combination, so long as such transaction has been approved or recommended by New GTI s Board, (ii) as required pursuant to any law or order, or (iii) two (2) years following consummation of the Seadrift Merger.

For purposes of the Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement, a change in control generally occurs on the date on which:

any person or group becomes the beneficial owner of more than 35% of the then outstanding common stock or voting securities of New GTI (not including securities held by its employee benefit plans or related trusts);

any person or group acquires the right to vote on any matter, by proxy or otherwise, with respect to more than 35% of the then outstanding common stock or voting securities of New GTI (not including securities held by its employee benefit plans or related trusts);

stockholders approve a plan of dissolution or complete or substantially complete liquidation of New GTI or its Board approves such a plan other than in connection with a reorganization, recapitalization or similar transaction following which all or a majority of the business of New GTI and its subsidiaries (taken as a whole) shall be continued by New GTI or any successor thereto;

any consummation of a merger or other business combination unless, following such business combination, the beneficial owners of the common stock and the voting securities of New GTI prior to such business combination beneficially own more than 50% of the common equity and voting securities of the surviving entity in substantially the same proportions as prior to such business combination, no person or group (excluding its employee benefit plans or related trusts) beneficially owns more than 50% of the common equity or voting securities of the surviving entity and at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the surviving entity were members of New GTI s Board prior to such business combination; or

any consummation of a sale, lease or other transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of New GTI, whether held directly or indirectly through one or more subsidiaries (excluding a grant of security interest, sale-leaseback or similar transaction in the ordinary course of business or in connection with a credit facility or other financing, but including any foreclosure sale).

# Registration Rights

New GTI granted customary registration rights to the Seadrift equity holders and C/G equity holders, which include up to four (4) demand registrations (two (2) of which may be underwritten offerings) exercisable at any time after sixty (60) days prior to the second anniversary of the Closing and piggyback rights on certain registrations by New GTI (whether for its own account or for the account of other stockholders). New GTI agreed to (a) within five (5) days following the Closing, include in any shelf registration statement which it may file to register resales of New GTI common stock by directors and officers of New GTI, shares of New GTI common stock issued in connection with the Seadrift Merger to the Milikowsky Holders (and their related parties and affiliates), (b) within five (5) days following the Closing, file a registration statement covering the shares of New GTI common stock issued in connection with the Seadrift Merger to the other equity holders of Seadrift, and each such other equity holder agreed to use its best efforts to limit sales under such registration statement to not more than (i) 50,000 shares per week (to the extent such equity holder holds less than 200,000 shares of New GTI common stock) and (ii) 125,000 shares per week (to the extent such equity holder holds at least 200,000 shares of New GTI common stock) and (c) within five (5) days following the Closing, file a registration statement covering the shares of New GTI common stock issued in connection with the C/G Merger to the other equity holders of C/G, and each such other equity holders agreed to use best efforts to limit sales under such registration statement to not more than (i) 50,000 shares per week (to the extent such equity holder holds less than 200,000 shares of New GTI common stock) and (ii) 125,000 shares per week (to the extent such equity holder holds at least 200,000 shares of New GTI common stock). The Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement contains customary registration procedures and indemnification provisions relating to the registration rights, and New GTI agreed to pay all expenses (other than commissions, discounts and stock transfer taxes) relating to such registrations. The registration rights provisions (other than the indemnification provisions) terminate on the earlier of (a) the date that the Seadrift equity holders and the C/G equity holders no longer beneficially own any registrable securities and (b) the consummation of a change in control unless New GTI (or any successor thereto as a result of the change in control) is a reporting company under the Exchange Act.

#### **Board Nomination Rights**

Following the acquisitions of Seadrift and C/G, and pursuant to the Registration Rights and Stockholders—Agreement, we agreed to (i) increase the size of our Board of Directors by one (1) and elect a representative of the Milikowsky Holders (and their related parties and affiliates) to our Board of Directors and (ii) nominate such representative for re-election in subsequent years, provided the Milikowsky Holders (and their related parties and affiliates) continue to hold in the aggregate at least twelve million shares of our common stock (as adjusted for any stock split, stock dividend, combination, or other recapitalization or reclassification transactions by us). If at least three years have passed since the initial representative (or a then prior designee) was elected to our Board of Directors or, if prior to such three year period, such initial representative (or prior designee) ceases to serve due to death, disability or mandatory retirement, the Milikowsky Holders (and their related parties and affiliates) may designate a different representative to be nominated to our Board of Directors, provided, that such replacement representative is reasonably acceptable to our Board of Directors. The representative of the Milikowsky Holders (and their related parties and affiliates) must meet the requirements of an independent director under the listing rules of the New York Stock Exchange and must otherwise satisfy the requirements of our corporate policies relating to directors. Mr. Nathan Milikowsky will be elected to our Board of Directors as the initial representative of the Milikowsky Holders. Our obligations with respect to the board nomination rights shall terminate upon the consummation of a change in control (except that the percentage thresholds in the first two bullets of the definition of change in control shall be 67% (and not 35%)).

The foregoing description of the Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement filed as Exhibit 10.2.0 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhi	bit 2.1.0	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2010, by and among GrafTech International Ltd., GrafTech Inc., GrafTech Delaware I Inc., GrafTech Delaware II Inc., Seadrift Coke L.P. and certain partners of Seadrift Cok (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.9.0 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed by GrafTech Holdings the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 10, 2010 (Registration No. 333-167446)).	ke L.P.
Exhi	bit 2.2.0	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2010, by and among GrafTech International Ltd., GrafTech Inc., GrafTech Delaware III Inc., C/G Electrodes LLC and certain members of C/G Electrodes LLC (incorporated reference to Exhibit 2.10.0 to the Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed by GrafTech Holdings Inc. with the Se and Exchange Commission on June 10, 2010 (Registration No. 333-167446)).	l by
	bit 3.1.0	Certificate of Elimination of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock of GrafTech International Ltd.	
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Exhi	bit 3.3.0	Amended and Restated Bylaws of GrafTech International Ltd.	

Exhibit 10.1.0	Form of Senior Subordinated Promissory Note.
Exhibit 10.2.0	Registration Rights and Stockholders Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2010, by and among GrafTech International Ltd. and each of the stockholders party thereto.
Exhibit 23.1.0	Consent of Alpern Rosenthal for report relating to consolidated financial statements of Seadrift Coke L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 and for two years then ended.
Exhibit 23.2.0	Consent of Alpern Rosenthal for report relating to consolidated financial statements of Seadrift Coke L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 and for two years then ended.
Exhibit 23.3.0	Consent of Alpern Rosenthal for report relating to consolidated financial statements of C/G Electrodes LLC and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 and for two years then ended.
Exhibit 23.4.0	Consent of Alpern Rosenthal for report relating to consolidated financial statements of C/G Electrodes LLC and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 and for two years then ended.
Exhibit 99.1.0	Press release issued by GrafTech International Ltd. on November 30, 2010, relating to the acquisitions of Seadrift Coke L.P. and C/G Electrodes LLC. Such press release shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

To the Partners

Seadrift Coke, L.P.

Port Lavaca, Texas

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in partners equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Partnership s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Alpern Rosenthal

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 17, 2009

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

December 31	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 354,000	\$ 7,308,151
Accounts receivable (includes related party accounts receivable of \$2,027,157 in 2007 Note 9)	26,838,531	16,297,200
Inventories Note 2	21,626,725	28,100,063
Prepaid inventory		3,122,902
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	541,249	591,392
Total Current Assets	49,360,505	55,419,708
Property, Plant and Equipment Net of accumulated depreciation Note 3	76,174,301	41,044,482
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Other Assets Note 4	362,958	594,345
Total Assets	\$ 125,897,764	\$ 97,058,535
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LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt Note 5	\$ 22,216	\$ 6,036,861
Line of credit Note 5		
Accounts payable	5,402,371	6,673,038
Accrued maintenance costs		3,600,000
Accrued manufacturing costs	557,019	603,818
Accrued property taxes	1,093,805	945,928
Accrued vacation	619,670	425,809
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	1,048,196	978,555
Total Current Liabilities	8,743,277	19,264,009
Long-term Liabilities		
Line of credit Note 5	31,343,470	210,529
Long-term debt net of current portion Note 5	31,313,170	20,272,216
Interest rate swap liability Note 10	1,288,483	662,100
Commitments and contingent liabilities Note 12	800,000	800,000
Other long-term liabilities	242,204	,
Total Liabilities	42,417,434	41,208,854
	12,111,101	72,200,00
Partners Equity Note 6		
Partners capital	9,781,100	9,780,100
Retained earnings	73,699,230	46,731,681
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(662,100)
Total Partners Equity	83,480,330	55,849,681
Total Liabilities and Partners Equity	\$ 125,897,764	\$ 97,058,535

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Income**

For the Years Ended December 31	2008	2007
Net Sales		
Net sales (Includes related party net sales of \$37,936,198 in 2008 and \$23,419,750 in 2007 Note 9)	\$ 329,681,560	\$ 239,203,121
<b>Cost of Sales</b> (Includes related party cost of sales of \$26,614,198 in 2008 and \$15,962,229 in 2007 Note 9)	269,061,424	163,033,978
Gross Profit	60,620,136	76,169,143
Operating Expenses	13,171,965	11,839,778
Income From Operations	47,448,171	64,329,365
Other Expenses		
Interest expense net	1,198,983	3,621,246
Fair value adjustment interest rate swap Note 10	1,288,483	
Loss on extinguishment of debt Note 5		1,543,318
Total Other Expenses	2,487,466	5,164,564
Net Income	\$ 44,960,705	\$ 59,164,801

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# Consolidated Statements of Changes in Partners Equity

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

			Accumulated Other		
	Partners Capital	Retained Earnings	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance January 1, 2007	\$ 9,889,200	\$ 4,332,572	\$	Theome (Loss)	\$ 14,221,772
Partner distributions	, ,	(15,642,692)			(15,642,692)
Partner units issued for services Note 6	16,000	160,000			176,000
Purchase of partnership units Note 6	(125,100)	(1,283,000)			(1,408,100)
Comprehensive income					
Change in fair value of interest rate swap Note					
10			(662,100)	\$ (662,100)	(662,100)
Net income		59,164,801		59,164,801	59,164,801
Comprehensive income				\$ 58,502,701	
Balance December 31, 2007	9,780,100	46,731,681	(662,100)		55,849,681
Partner distributions		(18,065,156)			(18,065,156)
Partner units issued for services Note 6	1,000	72,000			73,000
Comprehensive income					
Amount reclassified to income unrealized loss on					
interest rate swap Note 10			662,100	\$ 662,100	662,100
Net income		44,960,705		44,960,705	44,960,705
Comprehensive income				\$ 45,622,805	
Balance December 31, 2008	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 73,699,230	\$		\$ 83,480,330

 ${\it The\ accompanying\ notes\ are\ an\ integral\ part\ of\ these\ consolidated\ financial\ statements}.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Years Ended December 31	2008	2007
Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 44,960,705	\$ 59,164,801
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	3,522,274	3,641,972
LIFO inventory reserves	5,327,796	7,385,682
Loss on extinguishment of debt		1,543,318
Unrealized losses on interest rate swap	1,288,483	
Noncash line-of-credit fees	96,664	239,399
Partnership units issued for services	73,000	176,000
Accretion of debt discount		95,240
Changes in		
Accounts receivable	(10,541,331)	(4,661,686)
Inventories	1,145,542	(14,051,386)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(4,263,883)	8,955,183
Other assets	3,213,005	(1,306,275)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	44,822,255	61,182,248
Cash Used for Investing Activities	(27.262.526)	(10.229.700)
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(37,263,536)	(10,228,790)
Capitalized interest on machinery under construction	(1,107,439)	(126,879)
Net Cash Used for Investing Activities	(38,370,975)	(10,355,669)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Financing Activities		
Net proceeds (payments) on line of credit	6,382,941	(19,952,941)
Proceeds from long-term debt	14,903,336	
Payments on long-term debt	(16,536,861)	(6,504,601)
Loan acquisition fees	(89,691)	(49,475)
Purchase of partnership units		(1,408,100)
Partner distributions	(18,065,156)	(15,642,692)
Net Cash Used for Financing Activities	(13,405,431)	(43,557,809)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# $Consolidated \ Statements \ of \ Cash \ Flows \ (Continued)$

For the Years Ended December 31	2008	2007
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(6,954,151)	7,268,770
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of year	7,308,151	39,381
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of year	\$ 354,000	\$ 7,308,151
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information		
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ 2,132,676	\$ 3,399,870
Supplemental Disclosures of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities		
Proceeds from note payable line of credit	\$ 24,750,000	\$ 1,333,889
Proceeds from note payable bank	\$	\$ 19,500,000
Payment of note payable bank	\$ 24,750,000	\$
Payment of subordinated note payable	\$	\$ 19,071,440

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

#### Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Organization and Basis of Consolidation

Seadrift Coke, L.P. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Seadrift Coke Export, Inc., a Delaware limited partnership (collectively the Partnership) is primarily engaged in the manufacturing and distribution of needle coke for sale to customers in the steel and aluminum manufacturing industries. The Partnership s principal operating location is in Port Lavaca, Texas. The Partnership sells to customers primarily in North America, Europe and Asia.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Seadrift Coke, L.P and its wholly owned subsidiary, Seadrift Coke Export Inc., an Interest Charge Domestic International Sales Corporation (IC-DISC). All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### **B.** Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Partnership considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of less than three months as cash equivalents. All of the Partnership s cash is maintained in one financial institution located in Texas.

#### D. Accounts Receivable

Trade accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances at year end. Based on management s assessment of the credit history with customers having outstanding balances and current relationships with them, it believes that realization losses on balances outstanding at year end will be immaterial. Accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is deemed necessary.

Six customers accounted for approximately 83% of gross sales in 2008 and four customers accounted for approximately 64% of gross sales in 2007. Accounts receivable relating to these customers represented approximately 64% of total accounts receivable at December 31, 2008 and 77% at December 31, 2007.

Total sales to customers located in foreign countries were approximately 36% of 2008 sales and 42% of 2007 sales. Needle coke sales to customers in foreign countries were approximately 49% of 2008 needle coke sales and 57% of 2007 needle coke sales.

#### E. Revenue Recognition

Sales and related costs of sales are generally recorded when goods are shipped and title, ownership and risk of loss has passed to the customer, all of which occurs upon shipment or delivery of the product based upon the applicable shipping terms. The shipping terms may vary depending on the nature of the customer, domestic or foreign, and the type of transportation used. Shipping and handling costs are recognized as a component of cost of sales as sales occur.

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### F. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. For all of the Partnership s inventory, except certain by-products and its supplies inventory, costs have been determined by the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. The remainder of the Partnership s inventory cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

#### G. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost including expenditures for additions and major improvements. Maintenance and repairs which are not considered to extend the useful lives of assets are charged to operations as incurred. The cost of assets sold or retired and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gains or losses are reflected in other (income) expenses for the year.

For financial reporting, depreciation of property, plant and equipment is computed using the straight-line method at rates calculated to amortize costs over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The ranges of estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Buildings and leasehold improvements	5 - 25
Machinery and equipment	5 - 20
Computer software	5 - 10

Property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Partnership has determined there is no impairment at December 31, 2008 and 2007.

# H. Other Assets

Loan acquisition fees are capitalized and are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the related debt (Note 4).

Non-compete and licensing agreements are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the related agreements (Note 4).

### I. Financial Instruments

The Partnership accounts for its derivative activity in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 (SFAS 133), Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, as amended, which establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for certain derivative instruments and certain hedging activities. The Partnership's derivative instrument, an interest rate swap, is recognized as an asset or liability in the consolidated balance sheets at its fair value with subsequent changes in fair value reported in net income or other comprehensive income based on the effectiveness of the hedged transaction. Changes in fair value are also reflected as an adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

During 2007, the Partnership elected hedge accounting for its derivative financial instrument and, therefore, changes in fair value were recorded in other comprehensive income (loss).

During 2008, substantive amendments were made to the Partnership s credit agreement (Note 5) and, as a result of the amendments, hedge accounting was not elected for the derivative financial instrument and changes

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

in fair value were recorded in the consolidated statements of income. Amounts previously accounted for in other comprehensive income (loss) during 2007 related to the prior credit agreement have been reclassified to the consolidated statements of income as a component of other expense.

#### J. Income Taxes

As a limited partnership, the Partnership is not subject to income taxes. The taxable income or loss of the Partnership is includible in the individual income tax returns of its partners based upon their percentage of ownership. The IC-DISC is not subject to Federal or state income taxes. Consequently, no provision for income taxes is provided in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

#### K. Stock-based Compensation

The Partnership has a unit award plan and has accounted for the award plan in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R) (SFAS 123(R)), *Share-based Payment*. SFAS 123(R) requires companies to measure the cost of employee services rendered in exchange for unit awards based on a fair value calculation at the grant date. Stock-based compensation represents the cost related to stock-based awards granted to employees. The Partnership measures compensation expense at the grant date based on the fair value of the award and recognizes the cost as expense on a straight-line basis over the employee requisite service period, which is generally the vesting period, as required by SFAS 123(R). The Partnership estimates the fair value of its unit awards using a market approach for transactions involving identical unit awards.

## L. Planned Major Maintenance Expenses

The Partnership accounts for their planned major maintenance expenses using the direct expensing method where actual costs incurred are expensed directly when maintenance is performed. The Partnership recognized planned major maintenance expenses, which are included in cost of sales, of approximately \$14,500,000 during 2008 and \$3,100,000 during 2007.

#### M. Fair Value Measurements

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157 (SFAS 157), *Fair Value Measurements*. SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Certain provisions of SFAS 157 were effective for the Partnership in 2008 and the remaining provisions are effective in 2009. The Partnership does not expect that the provisions of SFAS 157 will have a significant impact on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

SFAS 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. SFAS 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and (2) an entity s own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under SFAS 157 are described below:

Level 1 Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

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

Level 3 Unobservable inputs in which there is little or no market data, which requires the reporting entity to develop its own assumptions.

The Partnership's financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy as prescribed by SFAS 157 are more fully disclosed in Note 10 of the consolidated financial statements.

#### N. Recent Pronouncements

In June 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109.* FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity s financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes.* This Interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. In addition, FIN 48 provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition.

The Interpretation was originally effective for nonpublic entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. FASB Staff Position No. FIN 48-3 permits nonpublic entities to defer the effective date of FIN 48 until fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Partnership has elected to defer the application of FIN 48 and is evaluating the impact of the provisions of FIN 48 on the Partnership s consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161 (SFAS 161), *Disclosure About Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. SFAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures regarding an entity s derivative and hedging activities. SFAS 161 is effective as of the beginning of an entity s first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2008. The Partnership is currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS 161 on its consolidated financial statements.

#### O. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2007 financial statements to conform with the 2008 presentation.

#### Note 2 Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Raw materials	\$ 18,632,045	\$ 18,950,415
Work-in-process	10,586,412	3,310,637
Finished goods	7,076,231	15,458,752
Supplies	2,721,873	2,442,299
	39,016,561	40,162,103
Less: Amount to reduce certain inventories to LIFO value	17,389,836	12,062,040
Total inventories	\$ 21,626,725	\$ 28,100,063

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

The use of LIFO decreased net income by approximately \$5,328,000 in 2008 and \$7,386,000 in 2007.

Approximately 91% and 81% of the Partnership s inventories at December 31, 2008 and 2007 are costed at the lower of LIFO cost or market.

# Note 3 Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Land	\$ 207,388	\$ 207,388
Buildings and leasehold improvements	1,679,491	1,183,487
Machinery and equipment	43,750,904	36,539,740
Computer software	1,513,559	127,750
Machinery under construction	39,432,640	10,154,642
	86,583,982	48,213,007
Less: Accumulated depreciation	10,409,681	7,168,525
	\$ 76,174,301	\$ 41,044,482

Depreciation expense, included in cost of sales and operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$3,241,000 for 2008 and \$2,894,000 for 2007. Capitalized interest on machinery under construction amounted to approximately \$1,107,000 in 2008 and \$127,000 in 2007.

#### Note 4 Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Intangible assets	\$ 129,617	\$ 129,617
Deferred loan origination costs	947,847	858,156
Other non-amortizable	53,280	93,240
	1,130,744	1,081,013
Less: Accumulated amortization	767,786	486,668
	\$ 362,958	\$ 594,345

Intangible assets consist of non-compete, licensing agreements and other intangibles. Amortization expense of intangibles, included in operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$26,000 in 2008 and 2007.

Amortization of debt-related costs, included in interest expense, amounted to approximately \$255,000 in 2008 and \$722,000 in 2007. Included in the amortization of debt-related costs in 2007 is approximately \$497,000 relating to the write off of deferred loan origination costs in connection with the payoff of the subordinated notes payable (Note 5) and the write off of capitalized costs related to an interest rate cap (Note 10).

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

The estimated amortization expense for intangible assets and deferred loan origination costs subsequent to December 31, 2008 is as follows:

Year Ending	Amount
2009	\$ 238,000
2010	72,000
Total	\$ 310,000

#### Note 5 Line of Credit and Long-term Debt

The Partnership has a credit agreement (the agreement) with a bank which provides for a working capital revolving line of credit and provided for a term loan. The agreement grants the bank a first lien security interest in substantially all of the Partnership s assets.

#### Line of Credit

Prior to February 1, 2008, the agreement provided for maximum borrowings on the line of credit of \$25,000,000.

On February 1, 2008, the existing agreement was amended and restated to refinance the previously existing line of credit and term loan (see below). The amended and restated agreement (the new agreement) provides for maximum borrowings of \$60,000,000 on a line of credit through January 15, 2011. Borrowings under the line cannot exceed \$30,000,000 plus 85% of eligible accounts receivable and 65% of the eligible inventory less reserves. The maximum borrowing commitment has been reduced by \$7,500,000 at December 31, 2008 and will be reduced by an additional \$7,500,000 at December 31, 2009.

The Partnership has the option of selecting a base interest rate plus an applicable margin or the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable margin for the revolving line of credit. The Partnership elected LIBOR, which is 1.423% at December 31, 2008, plus the applicable margin of 1.375%. For 2007, the Partnership elected the base rate which is prime, 7 \(^{1}/4\%\) at December 31, 2007 minus 1 \(^{3}/4\%\).

The new agreement provides for the issuance of letters of credit, which are not to exceed certain amounts as defined in the agreement. At December 31, 2008, the Partnership has \$2,000,000 of letters of credit outstanding.

The Partnership must pay an unused line fee on each payment date at a rate of <sup>1</sup>/8% per annum on the daily average unused amount. The new agreement contains various covenants which, among other things, require the Partnership to maintain minimum financial ratios including a fixed coverage ratio, debt to EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) ratio, and tangible net worth.

#### Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consisted of the following at December 31:

Term loan Capital lease payable	2008 \$ 22,216	<b>2007</b> \$ 26,250,000 59,077
Less: Current portion	22,216 22,216	26,309,077 6,036,861
	\$	\$ 20,272,216

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### Term Loan

The Partnership had a term loan which required a quarterly payment of \$750,000 on April 1, 2007. The term loan agreement required payments of \$1,500,000, plus interest, commencing on July 1, 2007. The remaining principal balance was due on April 1, 2010. On February 1, 2008, the term loan was paid off as part of the new agreement (see above).

On July 2, 2008, the new agreement was further amended and restated to provide for a new term loan in the amount of \$15,000,000. The new term loan required three equal installments of \$5,000,000, commencing on August 31, 2008. The final unpaid principal balance, including accrued and unpaid interest, was due and paid on December 31, 2008. The new term loan incurred interest at 2%.

#### Subordinated Note Payable

The Partnership had a subordinated note payable that was prepaid in full, including a prepayment fee of \$600,000, on May 1, 2007 with proceeds from an increase in the Partnership s term loan of \$19,500,000 and an additional draw on the Partnership s line of credit of \$1,333,889.

The subordinated note was issued with 15,000 units representing limited partnership interests in the Partnership. The units were valued at \$1,500,000 at the date of issuance. The subordinated note, in the face amount of \$20,000,000, was discounted for the fair value of these units. The note was being accreted to its face value over its term. The subordinated note was accreted to its face value at the date of prepayment of the note. The loss on extinguishment of the debt includes approximately \$929,000 related to the accretion, \$600,000 related to prepayment fees and other costs of approximately \$14,000.

In addition, 3,500 units were purchased by the issuer of the subordinated debt as an equity interest in the Partnership interest in 2005. The Partnership entered into a put option, which was exercisable by the subordinated debt issuer beginning May 1, 2011. The put option provided for purchase of each unit based on fair value at the date of the put notice; however, in July 2008, the subordinated debt issuer sold their ownership interest in the Partnership to a third party at a price of \$7,300 per unit.

#### Note 6 Partners Equity

Partners equity consisted of the following at December 31, 2008 and 2007:

	Partners Capital	Retained Earnings
At December 31, 2008	- · · ·	
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 698,439
Limited Partners	9,688,400	73,000,791
Total	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 73,699,230
At December 31, 2007		
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 451,705
Limited Partners	9,687,400	45,617,876
Total	\$ 9,780,100	\$ 46,069,581

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Employee Unit Purchase Plan

During January 2006, the Partnership established an employee unit purchase plan (the Employee Plan) for certain employees, selected at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Partnership. Under the terms of the Employee Plan, employees had options to purchase up to 3,000 limited partnership units at a price of \$100 per unit, the estimated fair value of a unit at the grant date. The employees exercised options to purchase 1,392 units before the Employee Plan and the unexercised partnership units expired on January 31, 2006.

The Employee Plan has a call option which provides for the Partnership to acquire the units upon the employees termination. The Employee Plan also contains a put option that provides, at the discretion of the employee, at termination of employment for other than cause as defined, to require the Partnership to purchase all of the units held by the employee. The call option and the put option provide for the purchase of each unit based on fair value as determined by the Partnership at the date of the put notice.

#### Employee Equity Award Plan

During January 2007, the Partnership established an employee equity award plan (the Equity Plan). The Equity Plan awarded 160 partnership units to selected employees as compensation for service. The employees were immediately vested in the award. As a condition for receiving the awards, the employees entered into a non-compete agreement with the Partnership. The partnership units were valued by the Partnership at the grant date at \$1,100 per unit using a market approach for transactions involving identical unit awards.

During July 2008, the Partnership issued an additional 10 units to an employee under the Equity Plan. The employee was immediately vested in the award. As a condition for receiving the award, the employee entered into a non-compete agreement with the Partnership. The partnership units were valued by the Partnership at the grant date at \$7,300 per unit using a market approach for transactions involving identical unit awards.

The Equity Plan has a call option which provides for the Partnership to acquire the units upon the employees termination. The Equity Plan also contains a put option that provides, at the discretion of the employee, at termination of employment for other than cause as defined, to require the Partnership to purchase all of the units held by the employee. The call option and the put option provide for the purchase of each unit based on a fair value as determined by the Partnership at the date of the put notice.

#### Other

The Partnership purchased 931 partnership units at a price of \$1,100 per unit from the majority partner in January 2007 and 320 partnership units at a price of \$1,200 per unit from a partner in June 2007.

## Note 7 Retirement Plan

The Partnership maintains a defined contribution profit sharing plan in accordance with the provisions of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan covers substantially all employees. The plan provides for employee elective contributions and Partnership matching contributions. Partnership matching contributions were approximately \$708,000 for 2008 and \$659,000 for 2007.

#### **Note 8 Profit Sharing Plan**

On January 1, 2007, the Partnership established a bonus profit sharing plan. The Partnership is required to contribute to the profit sharing plan if various pre-established goals are achieved. Partnership contributions relating to the bonus profit sharing plan were approximately \$861,000 for 2008 and \$825,000 for 2007.

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### **Note 9 Related Party Transactions**

The Partnership has sales to C/G Electrodes LLC (C/G), a related party through common ownership and control. Sales to C/G were approximately \$37,936,000, excluding freight revenue of approximately \$3,857,000, in 2008 and \$23,420,000 in 2007. There were no outstanding receivables from C/G at December 31, 2008. Accounts receivable from C/G amounted to approximately \$2,027,000 at December 31, 2007.

#### **Note 10 Fair Value of Financial Instruments**

In management s opinion, the carrying value of the Partnership s financial instruments, primarily accounts receivable, accounts payable and bank debt, approximates fair value. The carrying values of the Partnership s variable rate credit facilities approximate fair value given that the interest rates of the debt reset periodically based on market interest rates.

On May 1, 2007, the Partnership entered into an interest rate swap (the swap) with the intent of managing its exposure to fluctuations in the Partnership s variable rate debt instrument. The swap fixed the interest rate on a portion of the Partnership s variable rate debt from LIBOR to a fixed rate of 5.125%. The swap expires on May 1, 2012.

The swap is measured at fair value as determined on a discounted cash flow method using the applicable inputs from forward interest rate yield curves (Level 2 significant other observable inputs) with the differential between the forward rate and the original stated interest rate of the swap discounted back from the settlement date of the swap contract to December 31, 2008. The fair value of the swap is a liability at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The fair value of the swap resulted in unrealized losses of approximately \$626,000 in 2008 and \$662,100 in 2007. During 2007, unrealized losses related to the fair value of the swap were recorded in other comprehensive income (loss).

During 2008, as a result of substantive amendments to the Partnership's credit agreement (Note 5), hedge accounting was not elected for the derivative financial instrument and changes in fair value were recorded in the consolidated statements of income. Amounts previously accounted for in other comprehensive income (loss) during 2007 have been reclassified as a component of interest expense in the consolidated statements of income.

## Note 11 Major Suppliers

The Partnership purchased approximately \$127,380,000 in 2008 and \$104,137,000 in 2007 of its raw material inventory through two brokers. Management believes that there are alternative sources that could provide these raw materials on similar terms without any interruption in business operations.

#### Note 12 Product Supply Agreement

In October 2006, the Partnership and one of its customers entered into a product supply agreement to provide 17,000 metric tons of needle coke during 2008 and 19,000 metric tons of needle coke during 2009 for a fixed-base price plus annual adjustment. In addition, the supply agreement contains a calculation for oil surcharges based on changes in commodity prices underlying the Partnership s raw materials.

### Note 13 Commitments and Contingencies

The operations of the Partnership generate both hazardous and non-hazardous wastes. The treatment, storage, transportation and disposals of these materials are subject to various local, state and Federal laws relating to the protection of the environment.

#### SEADRIFT COKE, L.P. AND SUBSIDIARY

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

The Partnership accounts for its environmental remediation expenses in accordance with Statement of Position 96-1, *Environmental Remediation Liabilities*. Environmental remediation expenses are accrued as period costs and included in results from operations when the Partnership s liability is probable and costs are reasonably estimable.

During 2007, the Partnership identified contaminated soil within their production facility. The Partnership is currently in the process of investigating the impact of this contamination and is developing a remediation plan for the affected locations at the Partnership s production facility. The Partnership has incurred costs of approximately \$408,000 in 2008 and \$177,000 in 2007, which are included in operating expenses, related to the investigation of the oil contamination. At this stage, the Partnership estimates the total loss that will result from remediation to be approximately \$1,000,000 to be incurred over a period of up to 10 years. The Partnership has discounted the estimated liability at 6 \(^1/2\%\) over the estimated period. The discounted amount of \$800,000 is recorded in accrued expenses and other current liabilities.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

#### To the Partners

#### Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary

Port Lavaca, Texas

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in partners—equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Partnership—s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the consolidated results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Alpern Rosenthal

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 15, 2010, except for Note 13, as to which the date is May 21, 2010

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

December 31	2009	2008
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,329	\$ 354,000
Accounts receivable (includes related party accounts receivable of \$3,686,063 in 2009 Note 9)	14,253,160	26,838,531
Inventories Note 2	15,970,063	21,626,725
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	470,554	541,249
Total Current Assets	30,697,106	49,360,505
Property, Plant and Equipment Net of accumulated depreciation Note 3	70,999,630	76,174,301
Other Assets Note 4	217,387	362,958
Total Assets	\$ 101,914,123	\$ 125,897,764
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt Note 5	\$ 12,039,578	\$ 22,216
Line of credit Note 5	2,985,928	
Accounts payable	778,580	5,402,371
Accrued property taxes	1,180,580	1,093,805
Accrued vacation	466,833	619,670
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	774,479	1,605,215
Total Current Liabilities	18,225,978	8,743,277
Long-term Liabilities		
Line of credit Note 5		31,343,470
Long-term debt net of current portion Note 5	172,464	
Interest rate swap liability Note 10	686,947	1,288,483
Commitments and contingent liabilities Note 12	800,000	800,000
Other long-term liabilities	726,613	242,204
Total Liabilities	20,612,002	42,417,434
Partners Equity Note 6		
Partners' capital	9,781,100	9,781,100
Retained earnings	71,521,021	73,699,230
Total Partners Equity	81,302,121	83,480,330
Total Liabilities and Partners Equity	\$ 101,914,123	\$ 125,897,764
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# **Consolidated Statements of Operations**

For the Years Ended December 31	2009	2008
Net Sales		
Net sales (Includes related party net sales of \$7,003,489 in 2009 and \$37,936,198 in 2008 Note 9)	\$ 74,309,395	\$ 329,681,560
Cost of Sales (Includes related party cost of sales of \$5,208,831 in 2009 and \$26,614,198 in 2008 Note 9)	55,631,682	269,061,424
Gross Profit	18,677,713	60,620,136
Operating Expenses	7,044,743	13,171,965
Income From Operations	11,632,970	47,448,171
Other (Income) Expenses		
Loss on abandonment of machinery under construction Note 3	11,640,190	
Interest expense net	1,955,591	1,198,983
Fair value adjustment interest rate swap Note 10	(601,536)	1,288,483
Total Other Expenses	12,994,245	2,487,466
Net Income (Loss)	\$ (1,361,275)	\$ 44,960,705

# Consolidated Statements of Changes in Partners Equity

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

			Accumulated Other		
	Partners Capital	Retained Earnings	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total
Balance January 1, 2008	\$ 9,780,100	\$ 46,731,681	\$ (662,100)		\$ 55,849,681
Partner distributions		(18,065,156)			(18,065,156)
Partner units issued for services Note 6	1,000	72,000			73,000
Comprehensive income					
Amount reclassified to income unrealized loss on					
interest rate swap Note 10			662,100	\$ 662,100	662,100
Net income		44,960,705		44,960,705	44,960,705
Comprehensive income				\$ 45,622,805	
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Balance December 31, 2008	9,781,100	73,699,230			83,480,330
Partner distributions		(816,934)			(816,934)
Comprehensive loss					
Net loss		(1,361,275)		\$ (1,361,275)	(1,361,275)
Comprehensive loss				\$ (1,361,275)	
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Balance December 31, 2009	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 71,521,021	\$		\$ 81,302,121

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Years Ended December 31	2009	2008
Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Net income (loss)	\$ (1,361,275)	\$ 44,960,705
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities		
Loss on abandonment of machinery under construction	11,640,190	
Depreciation and amortization	4,167,896	3,522,274
LIFO inventory reserves	2,330,919	5,327,796
(Gains) losses on interest rate swap	(601,536)	1,288,483
Noncash line-of-credit fees		96,664
Partnership units issued for services		73,000
Changes in		
Accounts receivable	12,585,371	(10,541,331)
Inventories	3,325,743	1,145,542
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(5,036,180)	(4,263,883)
Other assets	110,656	3,213,005
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	27,161,784	44,822,255
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Cash Used for Investing Activities		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(9,744,359)	(37,263,536)
Capitalized interest on machinery under construction	(305,141)	(1,107,439)
Net Cash Used for Investing Activities	(10,049,500)	(38,370,975)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Financing Activities	(20.255.542)	( 202 0 41
Net proceeds (payments) on line of credit	(28,357,542)	6,382,941
Proceeds from long-term debt	12,000,000	14,903,336
Payments on long-term debt	(31,731)	(16,536,861)
Loan acquisition fees	(256,748)	(89,691)
Partner distributions	(816,934)	(18,065,156)
Net Cash Used for Financing Activities	(17,462,955)	(13,405,431)

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)

For the Years Ended December 31	2009	2008
Decrease in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(350,671)	(6,954,151)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of year	354,000	7,308,151
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of year	\$ 3,329	\$ 354,000
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information		
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$ 1,878,410	\$ 2,132,676
Supplemental Disclosures of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities		
Capital lease obligation incurred for the acquisition of equipment	\$ 221,557	\$
Proceeds from note payable line of credit	\$	\$ 24,750,000
Payment of note payable bank	\$	\$ 24,750,000

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

# A. Organization and Basis of Consolidation

Seadrift Coke, L.P. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Seadrift Coke Export, Inc., a Delaware limited partnership (collectively, the Partnership), is primarily engaged in the manufacture and distribution of needle coke for sale to customers in the graphite electrode manufacturing industry. The Partnership is principal operating location is in Port Lavaca, Texas. The Partnership sells to customers in North America, Europe and Asia.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Seadrift Coke, L.P and its wholly owned subsidiary, Seadrift Coke Export, Inc., an Interest Charge Domestic International Sales Corporation (IC-DISC). All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### B. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Partnership considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of less than three months as cash equivalents. All of the Partnership s cash is maintained in one financial institution located in Texas.

#### D. Accounts Receivable

Trade accounts receivable are stated at the amount expected to be collected from outstanding customer balances at year end. Based on management s assessment of the credit history with the Partnership s customers, it believes that realization losses on balances outstanding at year end will not be material. Accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is deemed necessary.

Four customers accounted for approximately 80% of gross sales in 2009 and six customers accounted for approximately 80% of gross sales in 2008. Accounts receivable relating to these customers represented approximately 98% of total accounts receivable at December 31, 2009 and 65% at December 31, 2008.

Sales to customers located in foreign countries were approximately 52% of 2009 total sales and 36% of 2008 total sales.

# E. Revenue Recognition

Sales and related costs of sales are generally recorded when goods are shipped and title, ownership and risk of loss have passed to the customer, all of which occurs upon shipment or delivery of the product based on applicable shipping terms. The shipping terms may vary depending on the nature of the customer, domestic or foreign, and the type of transportation used. Shipping and handling costs are recognized as a component of cost of sales.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### F. Taxes on Revenue Producing Transactions

Taxes assessed by governmental authorities on revenue producing transactions, including sales, excise and use taxes, are recorded on a net basis (excluded from revenue) in the consolidated statements of operations.

#### G. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Elements of cost in inventories include raw materials, direct labor and manufacturing overhead. For all of the Partnership s inventory, except certain by-products and its supplies inventory, costs have been determined by the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. The remainder of the Partnership s inventory cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

### H. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost including expenditures for additions and major improvements. Maintenance and repairs which are not considered to extend the useful lives of assets are charged to operations as incurred. The cost of assets sold or retired and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gains or losses are reflected in other (income) expenses for the year.

For financial reporting, depreciation of property, plant and equipment is computed using the straight-line method at rates calculated to amortize costs over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The ranges of estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Buildings and leasehold improvements	5 - 25
Machinery and equipment	5 - 20
Computer software	5 - 10

Property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Partnership has determined there is no impairment at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

# I. Other Assets

Loan acquisition fees are capitalized and are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the related debt (Note 4).

Non-compete and licensing agreements are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the related agreements (Note 4).

### J. Derivative Financial Instruments

During 2009, the Partnership adopted new accounting standards which require additional disclosures about the Partnership s objectives and strategies for using derivative instruments, how the derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for, and how the derivative instruments and related hedged item affect the consolidated financial statements.

The Partnership holds an interest rate swap for the purpose of managing risks related to the variability of future earnings and cash flows caused by changes in interest rates.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

The Partnership accounts for its interest rate swap as either an asset or a liability in the consolidated balance sheets and carries it at fair value. Derivatives that are not defined as hedges are adjusted to fair value through earnings. For derivative instruments that hedge the exposure to variability in expected future cash flows, the effective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in partners—equity and reclassified into earnings in the same period during which the hedged transaction affects earnings. The ineffective portion of the gain or loss on the derivative instrument is recognized in current earnings. To receive hedge accounting treatment, cash flow hedges must be highly effective in offsetting changes to expected future cash flows on hedged transactions.

Prior to 2008, the Partnership elected hedge accounting for its interest rate swap with the effective portion of the interest rate swap accounted for and reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).

During 2008, substantive amendments were made to the Partnership's credit agreement and, as a result of the amendments, management did not redesignate hedge accounting for the related interest rate swap. Changes in fair value of the interest rate swap were recorded in the consolidated statements of operations in 2009 and 2008 as a component of other (income) expense and as an adjustment to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows. Amounts previously accounted for in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) prior to 2008 were reclassified to the 2008 statement of operations.

#### K. Income Taxes

As a limited partnership, the Partnership is not subject to income taxes. The taxable income or loss of the Partnership is includible in the individual income tax returns of its partners based upon their percentage of ownership. The IC-DISC is not subject to Federal or state income taxes. Consequently, no provision for income taxes is provided in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

The Partnership adopted the accounting standard for uncertain tax positions as of January 1, 2009. The standard requires a two-step approach to recognizing and measuring uncertain tax positions accounted for in accordance with the asset and liability method. The first step is to evaluate the tax position for recognition by determining whether evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that a position will be sustained if examined by a taxing authority. The second step is to measure the tax benefit as the largest amount that is 50% likely of being realized upon settlement with a taxing authority. The adoption of this accounting standard did not have an effect on the Partnership s consolidated financial statements.

# L. Stock-based Compensation

The Partnership has established employee unit award plans for certain employees of the Partnership. Under the plans, employees are either awarded units at the discretion of the Board of Directors or are granted options to purchase partnership units. The fair value of the units is determined using a market approach for transactions involving similar unit awards at the grant date. The Partnership recognizes the fair value of the unit award s compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the employee s requisite service period which is generally the vesting period.

# M. Planned Major Maintenance Expenses

The Partnership accounts for planned major maintenance activities by recognizing costs as incurred. The Partnership recognized approximately \$14,500,000 in its consolidated statement of operations as a component of cost of sales in 2008. There were no planned major maintenance activities during 2009.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### N. Fair Value Measurements

The Partnership applies fair value accounting for all financial assets and liabilities and non-financial assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the consolidated financial statements on a recurring basis. The Partnership defines fair value as the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. When determining the fair value measurements for assets and liabilities, which are required to be recorded at fair value, the Partnership considers the principal or most advantageous market in which the Partnership would transact and the market-based risk measurements or assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, such as inherent risk, transfer restrictions and credit risk.

The Partnership applies the following fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value into three levels and bases the categorization within the hierarchy upon the lowest level of input that is available and significant to the fair value measurement:

Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2 Observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

Level 3 Inputs that are generally unobservable and typically reflect management s estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

# O. Recently Issued Accounting Standards

On September 15, 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification (Codification) became the single source of authoritative generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. The Codification changed the referencing of financial standards but did not change or alter existing generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America. The Codification became effective for the Partnership at that date.

# P. Subsequent Events

Management evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements through May 21, 2010, the day the consolidated financial statements were approved and authorized for issue.

### Note 2 Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at December 31:

	2009	2008
Raw materials	\$ 8,267,306	\$ 18,632,045
Work-in-process	14,566,573	10,586,412
Finished goods	9,561,921	7,076,231
Supplies	3,295,018	2,721,873
	35,690,818	39,016,561
Less: Amount to reduce certain inventories to LIFO value	19,720,755	17,389,836

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Total inventories \$15,970,063 \$21,626,725

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

The use of LIFO increased net loss by approximately \$2,331,000 in 2009 and decreased net income by approximately \$5,328,000 in 2008.

Approximately 88% and 91% of the Partnership s inventories at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are costed at the lower of LIFO cost or market.

# Note 3 Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	2009	2008
Land	\$ 207,388	\$ 207,388
Buildings and leasehold improvements	1,679,491	1,679,491
Machinery and equipment	57,186,408	43,750,904
Computer software	1,535,896	1,513,559
Machinery under construction	24,605,666	39,432,640
	85,214,849	86,583,982
Less: Accumulated depreciation	14,215,219	10,409,681
	\$ 70,999,630	\$ 76,174,301

During 2009, management chose to abandon two projects that were being constructed and classified as machinery under construction in 2008. The abandonment of machinery under construction resulted in a loss of approximately \$11,640,000, included in other expenses.

Depreciation expense, included in cost of sales and operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$3,806,000 for 2009 and \$3,241,000 for 2008. Capitalized interest on machinery under construction amounted to approximately \$305,000 in 2009 and \$1,107,000 in 2008.

# Note 4 Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	2009	2008
Intangible assets	\$ 129,617	\$ 129,617
Loan acquisition fees	1,204,595	947,847
Other non-amortizable	13,319	53,280
	1,347,531	1,130,744
Less: Accumulated amortization	1,130,144	767,786
	\$ 217,387	\$ 362,958

Intangible assets consist of non-compete, licensing agreements and other intangibles. Amortization expense of intangibles, included in operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$26,000 in 2009 and 2008.

During 2009, the Partnership incurred approximately \$137,000 of loan acquisition fees related to amending its credit agreement and \$120,000 of fees related to the issuance of subordinated notes (Note 5). Amortization of loan acquisition fees, included in interest expense, amounted to approximately \$336,000 in 2009 and \$255,000 in 2008.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

The estimated remaining amortization expense for intangible assets and loan acquisition fees subsequent to December 31, 2009 is approximately \$204,000 for the year ending December 31, 2010.

# Note 5 Line of Credit and Long-term Debt

# Line of Credit and Term Loan

The Partnership has a credit agreement (the agreement) with a bank which provides for a working capital revolving line of credit and a term loan. The agreement grants the bank a first lien security interest in substantially all of the Partnership s assets.

The agreement provided for maximum borrowings on the line of credit of \$25,000,000. On February 1, 2008, the agreement was amended to refinance the line of credit and term loan. As of February 1, 2008, the term loan had an outstanding balance of \$24,750,000, which was paid off with proceeds from the line of credit. The amended agreement provided for maximum borrowings on the line of credit of \$60,000,000 and a term loan in the amount of \$15,000,000. The term loan was paid off on December 31, 2008.

On July 10, 2009, the agreement was amended in connection with the Partnership s issuance of subordinated notes (see below). The amended agreement provides for maximum borrowings of \$20,000,000 on a line of credit through June 30, 2010. Borrowings under the line of credit cannot exceed 85% of eligible accounts receivable and 65% of eligible inventory less reserves.

The Partnership has the option of selecting a base interest rate plus an applicable margin or the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable margin for the line of credit. The Partnership elected LIBOR which is <sup>1</sup>/4% at December 31, 2009, plus the applicable margin of 4%. For 2008, the Partnership elected LIBOR, which was 1.423% at December 31, 2008, plus the applicable margin of 1.375%.

The agreement provides for the issuance of letters of credit, which are not to exceed certain amounts as defined in the agreement. There are no letters of credit outstanding at December 31, 2009. The Partnership had \$2,000,000 of letters of credit outstanding at December 31, 2008.

The Partnership must pay an unused line fee on each payment date at an annual rate of \(^{1}/8\%\) on the daily average unused amount. The agreement contains various covenants which, among other things, require the Partnership to maintain minimum financial ratios including a fixed coverage ratio, debt to EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) ratio, and tangible net worth.

Long-term debt consisted of the following at December 31:

	2009	2008
Subordinated notes	\$ 12,000,000	\$
Capital lease payable	212,042	22,216
	12,212,042	22,216
Less: Current portion	12,039,578	22,216
	\$ 172,464	\$

# Subordinated Notes

On July 2, 2009, the Partnership issued \$12,000,000 of notes to three partners of the Partnership. The notes are subordinate to the line of credit. The proceeds from the notes were used to pay down the line of credit. The notes bear interest, which is payable quarterly, at 10% and are due upon demand subject to approval of the senior debt holder.

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

### Capital Lease Payable

During 2009, the Partnership entered into an equipment lease agreement which is payable in monthly installments, including interest at 6 <sup>1</sup>/4%, through July 2014 and is collateralized by equipment with a net book value of approximately \$218,000.

Approximate future maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Amount
2010	\$ 40,000
2011	43,000
2012	45,000
2013	48,000
2014	36,000

\$ 212,000

# Note 6 Partners Equity

Partners equity consisted of the following at December 31, 2009 and 2008:

	Partners Capital	Retained Earnings
At December 31, 2009		
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 677,319
Limited Partners	9,688,400	70,843,702
Total	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 71,521,021
At December 31, 2008		
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 698,439
Limited Partners	9,688,400	73,000,791
Total	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 73,699,230

# Employee Unit Purchase Plan

During January 2006, the Partnership established an employee unit purchase plan (the Employee Plan) for certain employees, selected at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Under the terms of the Employee Plan, employees were granted options to purchase up to 3,000 limited partnership units at a price of \$100 per unit, the estimated fair value of a unit at the grant date. The employees exercised their options and purchased 1,392 units before the partnership units expired on January 31, 2006.

The Employee Plan has a call option providing for the Partnership to acquire the outstanding units upon an employee s termination. The Employee Plan also contains a put option that requires, at the discretion of the employee, at termination of employment for other than cause, the Partnership to purchase the units held by the employee. The call option and the put option provide for the purchase of each outstanding unit based on the unit s fair value as determined by the Partnership.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Employee Equity Award Plan

During January 2007, the Partnership established an employee equity award plan (the Equity Plan). The Equity Plan awarded 160 partnership units to selected employees as compensation for services rendered. The employees were immediately vested in their awards. As a condition for receiving the awards, the employees entered into a non-compete agreement with the Partnership. The partnership units were valued by the Partnership at the grant date at \$1,100 per unit using a market approach for transactions involving similar unit awards.

During July 2008, the Partnership issued an additional 10 units to an employee under the Equity Plan. The employee was immediately vested in the award. As a condition for receiving the award, the employee entered into a non-compete agreement with the Partnership. The partnership units were valued by the Partnership at the grant date at \$7,300 per unit using a market approach for transactions involving similar unit awards.

The Equity Plan has a call option providing for the Partnership to acquire the outstanding units upon an employee s termination. The Equity Plan also contains a put option that requires, at the discretion of the employee, at termination of employment for other than cause, the Partnership to purchase the units held by the employee. The call option and the put option provide for the purchase of each outstanding unit based on the unit s fair value as determined by the Partnership.

There were no units issued during 2009.

#### Other

The Partnership has issued 18,500 units that provide for a put option that is exercisable beginning May 1, 2011. The put option provides for the purchase of each outstanding unit based on the unit s fair value at the date of the put notice.

#### Note 7 Retirement Plan

The Partnership maintains a defined contribution profit sharing plan in accordance with the provisions of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan covers substantially all employees. The plan provides for employee elective contributions and Partnership matching contributions. On May 1, 2009, the plan was amended to allow the Partnership s matching contribution to be a discretionary percentage, determined by the Partnership, of the participant s elective deferrals. As of the amendment date, the Partnership suspended its matching contribution until further notice. Partnership matching contributions were approximately \$247,000 for 2009 and \$708,000 for 2008.

# Note 8 Profit Sharing Plan

On January 1, 2007, the Partnership established a bonus profit sharing plan. The Partnership is required to contribute to the profit sharing plan if various pre-established goals are achieved. There were no Partnership contributions relating to the bonus profit sharing plan for 2009. Partnership contributions relating to the bonus profit sharing plan were approximately \$861,000 for 2008.

# **Note 9 Related Party Transactions**

The Partnership has sales to C/G Electrodes LLC (C/G), a related party through common ownership and control. Sales to C/G, excluding freight revenue, were approximately \$7,003,000 in 2009 and \$37,936,000 in 2008. Accounts receivable from C/G amounted to approximately \$3,686,000 at December 31, 2009. There were no outstanding receivables from C/G at December 31, 2008.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Note 10 Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Partnership s liability for its interest rate swap is measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 2 inputs at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

On May 1, 2007, the Partnership entered into an interest rate swap (the swap) with the intent of managing its cash flow exposure to fluctuations in the Partnership s variable rate line of credit. The notional amount of the swap was \$30,000,000 which is reduced by \$1,500,000 at the end of each fiscal quarter. The swap provides for the Partnership to receive interest based on a variable LIBOR interest rate and pay interest at a fixed rate of 5.125%. The swap expires on May 1, 2012.

The fair value of the swap is determined on a recurring basis by using a discounted cash flow method using the applicable inputs from forward interest rate yield curves with the differential between the forward rate and the original stated interest rate of the swap discounted back from the settlement date of the swap contract to December 31, 2009 and 2008. The fair value of the swap liability amounted to approximately \$687,000 as of December 31, 2009 and \$1,288,000 as of December 31, 2008, and resulted in a gain of approximately \$601,000 in 2009 and loss of approximately \$626,000 in 2008. Changes in fair value of the swap previously accounted for in other comprehensive income (loss) prior to 2008 were reclassified in the 2008 consolidated statement of operations in other (income) expenses.

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximates fair value because of the short-term maturity of those instruments.

The fair value of the Partnership s debt is estimated based on the quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or on the current rates offered to the Partnership for debt of the same remaining maturities. The carrying value of the Partnership s debt approximates fair value.

# Note 11 Major Suppliers

The Partnership purchased approximately 75% of its raw material inventory through two suppliers in 2009 and 80% through three suppliers in 2008. Management believes that there are alternative sources that could provide these raw materials on similar terms without any interruption in business operations.

# Note 12 Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

The operations of the Partnership generate both hazardous and non-hazardous wastes. The treatment, storage, transportation and disposals of these materials are subject to various local, state and Federal laws relating to the protection of the environment.

Environmental remediation expenses are accrued as period costs and included in results from operations when the Partnership s liability is probable and costs are reasonably estimable.

During 2007, the Partnership identified contaminated soil within its production facility. The Partnership is currently in the process of investigating the impact of this contamination and is developing a remediation plan for the affected locations at the Partnership s production facility. The Partnership has incurred costs of approximately \$273,000 in 2009 and \$408,000 in 2008, which are included in operating expenses, related to the investigation of the oil contamination. At this stage, the Partnership estimates the total costs of remediation to be approximately \$1,000,000 to be incurred over a period of 10 years. The Partnership has discounted the estimated liability at 6 ½% over the estimated period. The estimated liability is included in long-term liabilities in the consolidated balance sheets since management has estimated no substantial costs will be incurred during 2010.

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

### **Note 13 Subsequent Events**

On March 31, 2010, the Partnership s credit agreement was amended to provide for prepayment of its subordinated notes. Concurrent with the amendment, the subordinated notes were paid in full.

During April, 2010, the Partnership s credit agreement was amended to provide for an extension on the line of credit through March 15, 2011 along with certain other provisions adjusting the borrowing base for the Partnership s trade accounts receivable and inventory.

On April 28, 2010, the Partnership entered into an agreement and plan of merger with GrafTech International, Ltd. and certain of its subsidiaries (GTI) that currently holds a 18.9% ownership interest in the Partnership, to sell its remaining equity interests to GTI.

The consideration expected to be received by Seadrift will consist of \$78.5 million in cash less debt (subject to working capital adjustments), 12 million new GTI shares, and non-interest, senior subordinated promissory notes for \$100 million.

The acquisition is subject to certain anti-trust regulatory provisions which are currently pending. The financial statements have not been adjusted to reflect this transaction.

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

	September 30, 2010 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2009 (Derived From Audited Statements)
ASSETS	(	2 331 53 53 53 53
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,408,250	\$ 3,329
Accounts receivable (includes related party accounts receivable of \$1,301,170 in 2010 and \$3,686,063 in		
2009)	22,252,136	14,253,160
Inventories	22,598,941	15,970,063
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	416,486	470,554
Total Current Assets	50,675,813	30,697,106
<b>Property, Plant and Equipment</b> Net of accumulated depreciation of \$17,163,452 in 2010 and \$14,215,219 in 2009	72,547,839	70,999,630
Other Assets	135,676	217,387
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Total Assets	\$ 123,359,328	\$ 101,914,123
LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt	\$ 41,472	\$ 12,039,578
Line of credit		2,985,928
Accounts payable	1,189,115	778,580
Accrued manufacturing costs	6,226,306	337,094
Accrued acquisition costs	1,258,226	
Accrued property taxes	1,091,985	1,180,580
Accrued vacation	628,168	466,833
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	612,082	437,385
Total Current Liabilities	11,047,354	18,225,978
Long-term Liabilities		
Long-term debt net of current portion	141,119	172,464
Interest rate swap liability		686,947
Commitments and contingent liabilities	800,000	800,000
Accrued bonuses	1,103,968	726,613
Total Liabilities	13,092,441	20,612,002
Partners Equity	110,266,887	81,302,121
Total Liabilities and Partners Equity	\$ 123,359,328	\$ 101,914,123

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Income**

For the Nine Months Ended September 30	2010 (Unaudited)	2009 (Unaudited)
Net Sales (Includes related party net sales of \$26,675,386 in 2010 and none in 2009)	\$ 118,958,200	\$ 46,339,002
Cost of Sales (Includes related party cost of sales of \$19,455,810 in 2010 and none in 2009)	80,749,816	38,616,090
Gross Profit	38,208,384	7,722,912
Operating Expenses	8,110,045	5,385,430
Income From Operations	30,098,339	2,337,482
Other Expenses		
Loss on disposal of assets net	433,381	
Interest expense net	700,192	757,052
Total Other Expenses	1,133,573	757,052
Net Income	\$ 28,964,766	\$ 1,580,430

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Nine Months Ended September 30	2010 (Unaudited)	2009 (Unaudited)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 28,964,766	\$ 1,580,430
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Loss on disposal of assets	205,023	
Depreciation and amortization	3,295,810	2,769,110
LIFO inventory reserves	(4,437,522)	2,613,936
Gains on interest rate swap	(686,947)	(452,463)
Changes in		
Accounts receivable	(7,750,023)	15,911,483
Inventories	(2,391,377)	(790,680)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	8,182,765	(2,785,602)
Other assets	127,127	259,184
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	25,509,622	19,105,398
Cash Provided by (Used for) Investing Activities		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(5,134,315)	(10,078,013)
Proceeds from the sale of assets	44,993	
Net Cash Used for Investing Activities	(5,089,322)	(10,078,013)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Financing Activities		
Net payments on line of credit	(2,985,928)	(20,538,971)
Proceeds from subordinated debt	( ) / /	12,000,000
Payments on subordinated debt	(12,000,000)	,,
Payments on long-term debt	(29,451)	(22,216)
Partner distributions	(=>,)	(816,932)
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Net Cash Used for Financing Activities	(15,015,379)	(9,378,119)
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	5,404,921	(350,734)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of period	3,329	354,000
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of period	\$ 5,408,250	\$ 3,266
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$ 984,588	\$ 1,129,016

#### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

# Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Interim Financial Presentation

These interim consolidated financial statements of Seadrift Coke, L.P. and Subsidiary (the Partnership) are unaudited; however, in the opinion of management, they have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in the financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been omitted or condensed. These interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Partnership s audited consolidated financial statements, including the accompanying notes for the year ended December 31, 2009.

The unaudited consolidated financial statements reflect all adjustments (all of which are of a normal, recurring nature) which management considers necessary for a fair statement of financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented. The results for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of results which may be expected for any other interim period or for the full year.

#### B. Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the December 31, 2009 financial statements to conform with the September 30, 2010 presentation.

#### Note 2 Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at:

	September 30, 2010	December 31, 2009
Raw materials	\$ 17,864,260	\$ 8,267,306
Work-in-process	7,767,549	14,566,573
Finished goods	9,049,753	9,561,921
Supplies	3,200,612	3,295,018
	37,882,174	35,690,818
Less: Amount to reduce certain inventories to LIFO value	15,283,233	19,720,755
Total inventories	\$ 22,598,941	\$ 15,970,063

# Note 3 Property, Plant and Equipment

During February 2010, the Partnership experienced a fire in part of its production facilities. As a result of this fire, the Partnership sustained losses in certain machinery and equipment which had a net book value of approximately \$249,000. The Partnership has completed the process of repairing the damage and replacing equipment. The Partnership has expensed approximately \$500,000 related to its retention amounts under its insurance policies for repair and restoration activities which is included in loss on disposal of assets in the consolidated statements of income. The Partnership has currently negotiated a settlement claim with its insurance providers for approximately \$521,000, which includes amounts in excess of the net book value of the sustained losses in certain machinery and equipment. At September 30, 2010, the Partnership had collected substantially all of the proceeds.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

# Note 4 Line of Credit and Long-term Debt

During April 2010, the Partnership s credit agreement was amended to provide for an extension on the line of credit through March 15, 2011. The Partnership has the option of selecting a base interest rate plus an applicable margin or the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) plus an applicable margin for the line of credit. The Partnership elected LIBOR which is 1/4% at September 30, 2010, plus the applicable margin of 3 1/2%.

On March 31, 2010, the Partnership s credit agreement was amended to provide for prepayment of its subordinated notes. Concurrent with the amendment, the subordinated notes were paid in full.

#### **Note 5 Partners Equity**

Partners equity consisted of the following at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009:

	Partners Capital	Retained Earnings	Partners Equity
<u>September 30, 2010</u>	•	g	
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 952,426	\$ 1,045,126
Limited Partners	9,688,400	99,533,361	109,221,761
Total	9,781,100	\$ 100,485,787	\$ 110,266,887
<u>December 31, 2009</u>			
General Partner	\$ 92,700	\$ 677,319	\$ 770,019
Limited Partners	9,688,400	70,843,702	80,532,102
Total	\$ 9,781,100	\$ 71,521,021	\$ 81,302,121

### **Note 6 Related Party Transactions**

The Partnership has sales to C/G Electrodes LLC (C/G), a related party through common ownership and control. Sales to C/G, excluding freight revenue, were approximately \$24,187,000 and the related cost of sales were approximately \$17,575,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. There were no sales and related cost of sales to C/G for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. Accounts receivable from C/G amounted to approximately \$831,000 at September 30, 2010 and \$3,686,000 at December 31, 2009.

The Partnership has sales to GrafTech International, Ltd. (GrafTech), a related party due to a partnership interest, of approximately \$2,489,000 and related cost of sales of approximately \$1,881,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010. There were no sales and related cost of sales to GrafTech for the nine months ended September 30, 2009. Accounts receivable from GrafTech amounted to approximately \$470,000 at September 30, 2010. There were no outstanding receivables from GrafTech at December 31, 2009.

### Note 7 Fair Value of Derivative Financial Instruments

The Partnership s liability for its interest rate swap is measured at fair value on a recurring basis using Level 2 (significant other observable inputs) at December 31, 2009. The interest rate swap expired in May 2010.

The Partnership held an interest rate swap for the purpose of managing its cash flow exposure to fluctuations in the Partnership s variable rate line of credit. The notional amount of the swap was \$30,000,000 at the effective date of May 1, 2007. The notional amount was reduced by \$1,500,000 at the end of each fiscal quarter. The swap provided for the Partnership to receive interest based on a variable LIBOR interest rate

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and pay interest at a fixed rate of  $5^{1}/8\%$ .

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

The fair value of the swap was determined on a recurring basis by using a discounted cash flow method using the applicable inputs from forward interest rate yield curves with the differential between the forward rate and the original stated interest rate of the swap discounted back from the settlement date of the swap contract to December 31, 2009. The fair value of the swap liability amounted to approximately \$687,000 as of December 31, 2009. The expiration of the swap and fair value adjustment resulted in a gain of approximately \$687,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 and \$452,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 which are included in interest expense in the consolidated statements of income and as adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statements of cash flows.

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximates fair value because of the short-term maturity of those instruments.

The fair value of the Partnership s debt is estimated based on the quoted market prices for the same or similar issues or on the current rates offered to the Partnership for debt of the same remaining maturities. The carrying value of the Partnership s debt approximates fair value.

# Note 8 Commitments and Contingencies

The operations of the Partnership generate both hazardous and non-hazardous wastes. The treatment, storage, transportation and disposals of these materials are subject to various local, state and Federal laws relating to the protection of the environment.

Environmental remediation expenses are accrued as period costs and included in results from operations when the Partnership s liability is probable and costs are reasonably estimable.

During 2007, the Partnership had identified contaminated soil within its production facility and has developed a remediation plan and submitted its plan to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for approval. As of September 30, 2010, the Partnership has not received a response from the TCEQ indicating TCEQ s acceptance and approval of management s remediation plan. At this stage, based on current information available to management, management estimates total costs of remediation to be approximately \$1,000,000 which will be incurred over a period of 10 years. The Partnership has discounted the estimated liability at 6 ½% over this estimated period which is reflected in the consolidated balance sheets in the amount of \$800,000 at September 30, 2010 and December 31, 2009.

#### Note 9 Pending Sale

On April 28, 2010, the Partnership entered into an agreement and plan of merger with GrafTech and certain of its subsidiaries (GTI) that currently holds an 18.9% ownership interest in the Partnership, to sell its remaining equity interests to GTI.

The consideration expected to be received by the Partnership will consist of \$78.5 million in cash subject to working capital and debt adjustments, 12 million new GTI shares, and non-interest, senior subordinated promissory notes for \$100 million.

Acquisition costs are accounted for as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred. Total legal, accounting, regulatory and other professional costs incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2010 were approximately \$1,461,000 and are included in operating expenses in the consolidated statements of income. Approximately \$1,258,000 of these costs are included in accrued acquisition costs in the consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2010.

The acquisition is subject to certain anti-trust regulatory provisions which are currently pending. The consolidated financial statements have not been adjusted to reflect this transaction.

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### **Independent Auditors Report**

### To the Members

### C/G Electrodes LLC

St. Marys, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of C/G Electrodes LLC (a Limited Liability Company) and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related consolidated statements of income, members—equity (deficit) and cash flows for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company—s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of C/G Electrodes LLC and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Alpern Rosenthal

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 20, 2009

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

December 31	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,092,987	\$ 1,005,412
Accounts receivable	15,147,689	13,698,077
Inventories Note 2	30,629,959	19,719,520
Other current assets Note 3	1,202,569	513,910
Total Current Assets	48,073,204	34,936,919
Property, Plant and Equipment Net of accumulated depreciation Note 4	39,203,951	30,314,001
Other Assets Note 5	1,917,816	772,604
Total Assets	\$ 89,194,971	\$ 66,023,524
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS EQUITY (DEFICIT)		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt Note 7	\$ 176,110	\$ 4,646,590
Accounts payable (includes related party accounts payable of \$2,027,157 in 2007) Note 10	3,383,690	6,560,737
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities	7,258,693	4,549,452
Note payable line of credit		8,393,500
Total Current Liabilities	10,818,493	24,150,279
Long-term Debt Net of current portion Note 7	113,124,116	16,802,079
Total Liabilities	123,942,609	40,952,358
Members Equity (Deficit) Note 8	(34,747,638)	25,071,166
Total Liabilities and Members Equity (Deficit)	\$ 89,194,971	\$ 66,023,524

# **Consolidated Statements of Income**

For the Years Ended December 31	2008	2007
Net Sales	\$ 142,782,801	\$ 114,283,029
Cost of Sales (Includes related party cost of sales of \$37,936,198 in 2008 and \$23,419,750 in 2007) Note		
10	97,665,641	79,632,163
Gross Profit	45,117,160	34,650,866
Operating Expenses	8,704,832	6,644,688
Income From Operations	36,412,328	28,006,178
Other Income (Expense)		
Interest expense	(4,898,810)	(2,362,317)
Scrap sales	689,974	432,642
Gain on EURO currency hedge settlement	651,439	
Other	565,124	249,722
Total Other Expense	(2,992,273)	(1,679,953)
Net Income	\$ 33,420,055	\$ 26,326,225

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

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# For the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007

Balance January 1, 2007	\$ 18,741,155
Unit awards	102,794
Purchase of member units	(1,744,700)
Member distributions	(18,354,308)
Net income	26,326,225
Balance December 31, 2007	25,071,166
Unit awards	940,692
Purchase of member units	(19,950,000)
Member distributions	(74,229,551)
Net income	33,420,055
Balance December 31, 2008	\$ (34,747,638)

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Years Ended December 31	2008	2007
Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 33,420,055	\$ 26,326,225
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	4,828,543	3,460,889
Compensation expense unit awards	940,692	102,794
LIFO inventory reserves	5,257,906	7,029,237
Interest rate swap	2,852,651	421,446
EURO hedge fair value	(204,587)	
Changes in		
Accounts receivable	(1,449,612)	(5,994,205)
Inventories	(16,168,345)	(8,067,123)
Accounts payable	(3,177,047)	2,807,814
Other	(627,482)	1,317,843
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	25,672,774	27,404,920
Cash Used for Investing Activities		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(13,343,228)	(9,900,658)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Financing Activities		
Net borrowings on line of credit	86,999,327	6,093,500
Proceeds from long-term debt		1,150,000
Payments on long-term debt	(3,541,270)	(8,558,993)
Loan acquisition fees	(1,520,477)	
Purchase of units	(19,950,000)	(1,744,700)
Member distributions	(74,229,551)	(18,354,308)
Net Cash Used for Financing Activities	(12,241,971)	(21,414,501)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	87,575	(3,910,239)
Cash and Cash Equivalents Beginning of year	1,005,412	4,915,651
Cash and Cash Equivalents End of year	\$ 1,092,987	\$ 1,005,412

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# C/G ELECTRODES LLC AND SUBSIDIARY

**Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)** 

For the Years Ended December 31	Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information	2008	2007
Cash paid during the year for interest		\$ 2,184,030	\$ 2,386,413

#### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### A. Organization and Basis of Consolidation

C/G Electrodes LLC and its wholly owned subsidiary, C/G Electrodes Export, Inc., a Delaware Limited Liability Company (collectively, the Company), whose members have limited direct liability for Company operations, is engaged primarily in the manufacture, distribution and sale of electrodes for the steel industry. The Company sells to customers throughout America, Europe, Russia, the Middle East and the Peoples Republic of China.

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of C/G Electrodes LLC and its wholly owned subsidiary, C/G Electrodes Export, Inc., an Interest Charge Domestic International Sales Corporation (IC-DISC). The IC-DISC commenced business on June 6, 2008. All material intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### **B.** Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

# C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of less than three months as cash equivalents. Substantially all of the Company s cash is with a financial institution located in Cleveland, Ohio.

# D. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from balances outstanding at year end. Based on management s assessment of the credit history with customers having outstanding balances and current relationships with them, it believes that realization losses on balances outstanding at year end will be immaterial. Accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is deemed necessary.

Four customers accounted for approximately 27% of sales in 2008 and 28% of sales in 2007. Five customers accounted for approximately 71% of accounts receivable at December 31, 2008 and 54% at December 31, 2007.

The Company does not believe it has significant exposure to the effects of the risk of fluctuations in foreign currency on receivables denominated in other than U.S. dollars.

# E. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. The raw material component of inventory costs has been determined by the last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. The remainder of the Company s inventory cost is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost including expenditures for additions and major improvements. Maintenance and repairs which are not considered to extend the useful lives of assets are charged to operations as incurred. The cost of assets sold or retired and related accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts and any resulting gains or losses are reflected in income from operations for the year.

For financial reporting, depreciation of property, plant and equipment is computed using the straight-line method at rates calculated to amortize costs over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The ranges of estimated useful lives are as follows:

	Years
Buildings	20 - 40
Machinery and equipment	3 - 20

Property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Company has determined there is no impairment at December 31, 2008.

#### G. Other Assets

Loan acquisition fees are capitalized and are being amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the related debt.

Non-compete and licensing agreements are being amortized on a straight-line basis over 10 years.

# H. Financial Instruments

The Company accounts for its derivative activity in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133 (SFAS 133), *Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*, as amended, which establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for certain derivative instruments and certain hedging activities. The Company s derivative instruments are recognized as assets or liabilities at their fair value with subsequent changes in fair value reported in net income or other comprehensive income based on the effectiveness of the hedged transaction.

The Company has not elected hedge accounting treatment for its derivative financial instruments and, therefore, changes in fair value are marked to market in the statements of income.

### I. Income Taxes

As a limited liability company, the Company is treated as a partnership for income tax purposes and is not subject to income taxes. The taxable income or loss of the Company is included in the individual income tax returns of its members based upon their percentage of ownership. Consequently, no provision for income taxes is required in the accompanying financial statements.

# J. Foreign Currency

The Company sells to European customers. These sales are invoiced in EUROs. Foreign currency exchange gains and losses, including the effect of the translation of year-end accounts receivable balances from EUROs to dollars, are included in net income. As a result of foreign currency fluctuations of the Company strade accounts

# **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

receivables, the Company recognized a net foreign currency translation loss in net income of approximately \$152,000 in 2008 and a net foreign currency translation gain in net income of approximately \$157,000 in 2007.

### K. Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue when title, ownership, and risk of loss pass to the customer, all of which occurs upon shipment or delivery of the product based on the applicable shipping terms. The shipping terms may vary depending on the nature of the customer, domestic or foreign, and the type of transportation used.

# L. Stock-based Compensation

The Company has employee unit award plans and has accounted for the award plans in accordance with the provisions of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123(R) (SFAS 123(R)), *Share-based Payment*. Stock-based compensation represents the cost related to stock-based awards granted to employees. The Company measures compensation expense for its member unit awards at the grant date based on the fair value of the awards and recognizes the compensation expense over the employee s requisite service period, which is generally the vesting period, as required by SFAS 123(R). The Company estimates the fair value of the units granted using a discounted cash flow valuation model.

### M. Fair Value Measurements

In September 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued SFAS No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements*. SFAS No. 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Certain provisions of SFAS No. 157 were effective for the Company in 2008 and the remaining provisions are effective in 2009. The Company does not expect that the provisions of SFAS No. 157 will have a significant impact on its financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

SFAS No. 157 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between (1) market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and (2) an entity s own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under SFAS 157 are described below:

- Level 1 Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.
- Level 2 Inputs, other than quoted prices in active markets, that are observable either directly or indirectly.

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

The Company s financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy as prescribed by SFAS No. 157 are more fully disclosed in Note 11 of the consolidated financial statements.

### **Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)**

#### N. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity s financial statements in accordance with SFAS 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. This Interpretation prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. In addition, FIN 48 provides guidance on derecognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure, and transition.

The Interpretation was originally effective for nonpublic entities for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. FASB Staff Position No. FIN 48-3 permits nonpublic entities to defer the effective date of FIN 48 until fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2008. The Company has elected to defer the application of FIN 48 and is evaluating the impact of the provisions of FIN 48 on the Company s consolidated financial statements.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, *Disclosure About Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities*. SFAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures regarding an entity s derivative and hedging activities. SFAS 161 is effective as of the beginning of an entity s first fiscal year that begins after November 15, 2008. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of adopting SFAS 161 on its consolidated financial statements.

### Note 2 Inventories

Inventories consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Raw materials	\$ 11,337,775	\$ 6,653,501
Work in process	24,332,132	17,639,001
Finished goods	6,447,813	2,123,894
Supplies	4,556,774	4,239,753
Inventory valuation allowance		(150,000)
	46,674,494	30,506,149
Less amount to reduce certain inventories to LIFO value	16,044,535	10,786,629
Total inventories	\$ 30,629,959	\$ 19,719,520

The use of LIFO decreased net income by approximately \$5,258,000 in 2008 and \$7,029,000 in 2007.

Approximately 73% and 69% of the Company s inventories at December 31, 2008 and 2007 are costed at the lower of LIFO cost or market.

# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

### **Note 3 Other Current Assets**

Other current assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Value-added tax receivable	\$ 568,020	\$ 291,810
EURO hedge fair value (Note 12)	204,587	
Prepaid expenses	318,904	214,470
Other	111,058	7,630
	\$ 1,202,569	\$ 513,910

# Note 4 Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Land	\$ 206,801	\$ 53,030
Buildings	6,052,187	2,993,278
Machinery and equipment	36,983,002	29,600,822
Construction in progress	7,297,933	4,549,566
	50,539,923	37,196,696
Accumulated depreciation	(11,335,972)	(6,882,695)
Net property, plant and equipment	\$ 39,203,951	\$ 30,314,001

Depreciation expense, included in cost of goods sold and operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$4,453,000 for 2008 and \$3,160,000 for 2007.

# Note 5 Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Loan acquisition fees	\$ 1,610,795	\$ 922,036
Non-compete agreements Note 8	500,000	500,000
Licensing agreement	39,032	39,032
Other nonamortizable	41,424	41,424
	2,191,251	1,502,492
Accumulated amortization	(273,435)	(729,888)
Net other assets	\$ 1,917,816	\$ 772,604

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Amortization expense, included in operating expenses, amounted to approximately \$375,000 for 2008 and \$300,000 for 2007.

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The approximate amortization expense for other assets subject to amortization for the five years subsequent to December 31, 2008 is as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Amount
2009	\$ 364,000
2010	364,000
2011	364,000
2012	364,000
2013	288,000
Thereafter	132,000
	\$ 1.876,000

# Note 6 Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Accrued interest rate swap (Note 12)	\$ 3,176,978	\$ 324,327
Accrued compensation	2,485,621	1,934,249
Accrued utilities	777,998	1,163,485
Other	818,096	1,127,391
	\$ 7,258,693	\$ 4,549,452

# Note 7 Long-term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following at December 31:

	2008	2007
Revolving line of credit	\$ 112,000,000	\$
Notes payable Key Bank (see below)		
Note payable		12,345,260
Capital expenditure loan A		4,083,333
Capital expenditure loan B		3,500,000
Mortgage note payable Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority due in monthly payments of \$12,085 including interest at 3%, matures in November 2018, collateralized by the Company s property	5, 1,233,627	1,339,906
Capital lease obligations due in monthly installments including interest of 6.51% through 7%, maturing through October 2009	66,599	180,170
	113,300,226	21,448,669
Less: Current portion	176,110	4,646,590
	\$ 113,124,116	\$ 16,802,079

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In September 2008, the Company entered into a credit agreement (the Agreement) with various financial institutions. The Agreement provides for a revolving line of credit (the line) with maximum borrowings of \$130 million, inclusive of a swingline facility of \$15 million. The line includes \$1 million for standby letters of credit. Borrowings under the line bear interest at a base rate. The base rate is the greater of lender s Prime Rate

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(3 <sup>1</sup>/4% at December 31, 2008) or the Federal funds rate (.06% at December 31, 2008) plus <sup>1</sup>/2%. The Company has the option to lock in a fixed rate one month LIBOR (.63 at December 31, 2008) plus a margin on a qualifying portion of the borrowings at 3-month intervals, as defined in the Agreement. At December 31, 2008, \$75 million of the outstanding borrowings were locked in and bear interest at 3.88%, with the remaining outstanding borrowings of \$37 million bearing interest at 5.00%.

The line expires in September 2013 and is collateralized by substantially all of the Company s assets along with certain of the Company s member units. The Company s wholly owned subsidiary, C/G Electrodes Export, Inc., is a guaranter of the Agreement. In addition, the Agreement contains certain restrictive covenants which, among other things, require the Company to maintain minimum financial ratios.

The notes payable - Key Bank were paid in full in September 2008 as part of the new refinancing. Noncash activities of the refinancing included payment of approximately \$13.5 million on a revolving line of credit and approximately \$16.6 million on term notes.

Approximate future maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Amount
2009	\$ 176,000
2010	113,000
2011	116,000
2012	120,000
2013	112,123,000
Thereafter	652,000
	\$ 113,300,000

#### Note 8 Members Equity

The following is the number of units outstanding at December 31:

	2008	2007
Series A	37,680	5,834
Series B	11,991	1,713
Series D	6,581	868

In October 2008, the Company split all outstanding member units 7 for 1. During 2008, the Company repurchased 3,305 Series A management units and 195 Series D units at \$5,700 per unit.

### Series A Units

The Series A units have full voting rights. The units contain various restrictions as to transfers and dilution.

On October 1, 2008, the Company established an employee unit award plan. The plan authorized 175 Series A units and awarded 1 unit to 147 non-management employees. The awarded units vested immediately. The fair value of the vested units at the grant date was approximately \$838,000 based on the Company s estimated fair value determined by a discounted cash flow valuation model. The Company recorded compensation expense of approximately \$747,000 in cost of sales and \$91,000 in operating expenses. The plan terminates December 31, 2011. There were no outstanding rights to purchase the member units under this plan.

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#### Series B Units

Series B units have the same rights and privileges as Series A management units.

### Series D Units

On January 1, 2006, the Company established an employee unit award plan. The plan awarded 1,000 Series D units to 11 members of the Company s management. The units were valued at the grant date based on the underlying discounted cash flow of the Company s enterprise fair value. As of December 31, 2008, all units were awarded. The final forfeiture restrictions, as defined in the plan, were released in 2008 and 2007 and the Company recorded compensation expense of approximately \$103,000 in 2008 and 2007 which is included in operating expenses in the statements of income.

In addition, as required by the Series D unit agreement, each employee was required to sign a non-compete agreement. The non-compete agreements were valued at \$500,000 based on the Company s estimated fair value determined by a discounted cash flow valuation model and are being amortized on a straight-line basis over 10 years. The non-compete agreements are included in other assets on the balance sheet (Note 5).

The Series A and Series D unit agreements include a call option that allows the Company to acquire the units upon the employees termination. The agreements also contain a put option which provides the employee or the estate of the employee the option at the employee s death, permanent disability, or the retirement of the employee after the age of 60, to require the Company to purchase all of the outstanding Series A - non-management and Series D units held by the employees. The put option provides for the purchase of the units based on the fair value of the units as determined by the Company s Board of Directors at the date of the put notice.

The Limited Liability Agreement provides for the allocation of income and distributions to the members, including distributions for the members income taxes. In January 2009, the Company declared and paid a distribution of approximately \$3,972,000.

### Note 9 Employee Benefit Plan

The Company has a 401(k) plan. The Plan generally covers al employees meeting certain age and service requirements and provides for employee and elective contributions and company contributions. The Company s contributions to the 401(k) plan were approximately \$398,000 in 2008 and \$326,000 in 2007.

### **Note 10 Related Party Transactions**

The Company purchases a major portion of its raw materials from Seadrift Coke L.P (Seadrift). Seadrift is related through common ownership and control. Total purchases from Seadrift were approximately \$37,936,000 in 2008 and \$23,420,000 in 2007. There were no accounts payable to Seadrift at December 31, 2008. Accounts payable to Seadrift amounted to approximately \$2,027,000 at December 31, 2007.

### Note 11 Major Suppliers

The Company purchases all of its premium and super premium coke from two suppliers. The management of the Company believes that these two suppliers are adequate for the Company s requirements. The management of the Company confirms that the loss of these suppliers would interrupt business operations. One of the suppliers is a related party (Note 10).

### Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

#### Note 12 Fair Value of Financial Instruments

In management s opinion, the carrying value of the Company s financial instruments, primarily accounts receivable, accounts payable and bank debt, approximates fair value. The carrying values of the Company s variable rate credit facilities approximate fair value given that the interest rates of the debt reset periodically based on market interest rates.

From time to time, the Company enters into interest rate swaps that exchange floating interest rates for fixed rates with the intent of managing its exposure to interest rate risk. At December 31, 2008, the Company had the following interest rate swaps, which fixed the interest rates in the collateralized credit agreement to the extent of the notional amounts of the swap, as noted in the table below:

Notional	Swap	Exchanged	Effective	Termination
Amount	Rate	For	Date	Date
\$ 5,000,000	4.37%	LIBOR	December 1, 2004	December 1, 2009
\$ 2,500,000	4.68%	LIBOR	June 1, 2006	June 1, 2011
\$50,000,000	3.54%	LIBOR	October 1, 2008	October 1, 2011
\$ 4,375,000	5.47%	LIBOR	January 1, 2006	January 1, 2013

The Company s interest rate swaps are measured at fair value as determined on a discounted cash flow method using the applicable inputs from the forward interest rate yield curves (Level 2 - significant other observable inputs) with the differential between the forward rate and the original stated interest rate of the swap discounted back from the settlement date of the contract to December 31, 2008. The fair value of the interest rate swaps is a liability. The mark to market of the fair values of the interest rate swaps resulted in unrealized losses of approximately \$2,529,000 for 2008 and \$421,000 for 2007 and are included in interest expense in the consolidated statements of income and as an adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

In January 2009, the Company entered into an additional interest rate swap as follows:

Notional	Swap	Exchanged	Effective	Termination
Amount	Rate	For	Date	Date
\$40,000,000	1.98%	LIBOR	February 1, 2009	February 1, 2012

The Company has EURO currency hedge contracts that exchange floating currency rates for fixed rates with the intent of managing its exposure to EURO exchange rate risk. At December 31, 2008, the Company had the following EURO currency hedge contracts:

Face	Contract	Mark	Effective	Termination
Amount	Rate	Price	Date	Date
\$2,953,309	1.392	1.432	December 18, 2008	April 30, 2009
\$2,316,955	1.392	1.433	December 18, 2008	March 31, 2009
\$ 624,830	1.392	1.433	December 18, 2008	February 27, 2009
\$1,268,992	1.392	1.434	December 18, 2008	January 30, 2009

The Company s EURO currency hedge contracts are measured at fair value as determined by quoted market prices. The valuation of the Company s EURO currency hedge contracts are based on quoted prices of the forward exchange rates for foreign currency contracts in effect at the time the contracts are valued (Level 1 input - quoted price in an active market). The fair value of the EURO currency hedges were approximately \$205,000 at December 31, 2008 (Note 3) and is included in other income in the consolidated statement of income

# Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

and as an adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows. The fair value of the hedges was not material to the financial statements at December 31, 2007.

# Note 13 Contingency and Commitment

The Company is, from time to time, involved in lawsuits arising in the ordinary course of its business. In the opinion of management, resolution of these lawsuits will not have a material effect on the Company s financial position or results of operations.

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#### **Independent Auditors Report**

#### To the Members

### C/G Electrodes LLC

St. Marys, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of C/G Electrodes LLC (a Limited Liability Company) and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, members—deficit and cash flows for the years then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company—s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of C/G Electrodes LLC and Subsidiary as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the consolidated results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ Alpern Rosenthal

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

March 2, 2010, except for Note 14, as to

which the date is May 21, 2010

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

December 31 ASSETS	2009	2008
Current Assets	ф. 155.020	Φ 1.002.007
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 175,030	\$ 1,092,987
Accounts receivable trade	9,281,658	15,147,689
Notes receivable trade	1,152,480	20 (20 050
Inventories Note 2	20,574,193	30,629,959
Other current assets	232,787	1,202,569
Total Current Assets	31,416,148	48,073,204
Total Current Assets	31,410,146	46,073,204
Property, Plant and Equipment Net of accumulated depreciation Note 3	37,776,624	39,203,951
Other Assets Note 4	1,863,201	1,917,816
Total Assets	\$ 71,055,973	\$ 89,194,971
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS DEFICIT		
Current Liabilities		
Current portion of long-term debt Note 6	\$ 112,842	\$ 176,110
Accounts payable (includes related party accounts payable of \$3,686,063 in 2009) Note 9	4,996,491	3,383,690
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities Note 5	6,066,850	7,258,693
Total Current Liabilities	11,176,183	10,818,493
Long-term Debt Net of current portion Note 6	86,393,284	113,124,116
Total Liabilities	97,569,467	123,942,609
Members Deficit Note 7	(26,513,494)	(34,747,638)
Total Liabilities and Members Deficit	\$ 71,055,973	\$ 89,194,971

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **Consolidated Statements of Income**

For the Years Ended December 31	2009	2008
Net Sales	\$ 76,420,082	\$ 142,782,801
Cost of Sales (Includes related party cost of sales of \$7,003,489 in 2009 and \$37,936,198 in 2008) Note 9	47,859,564	97,665,641
Gross Profit	28,560,518	45,117,160
Operating Expenses	5,830,515	8,704,832
Income From Operations	22,730,003	36,412,328
Other Income (Expense)		
Interest expense	(5,989,605)	(4,898,810)
Scrap sales	13,825	689,974
Gain on EURO currency hedge settlement		651,439
Other	517,241	565,124
Total Other Expense	(5,458,539)	(2,992,273)
Net Income	\$ 17,271,464	\$ 33,420,055

 $\label{thm:companying} \textit{The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements}.$ 

# Consolidated Statements of Members Deficit

# For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

Balance January 1, 2008 Unit awards Purchase of member units	\$ 25,071,166 940,692 (19,950,000)
Member distributions Net income	(74,229,551) 33,420,055
Balance December 31, 2008 Unit awards Purchase of member units Member distributions Net income	(34,747,638) 5,400 (5,600) (9,037,120) 17,271,464
Balance December 31, 2009	\$ (26,513,494)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

For the Years Ended December 31	2009	2008
Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		
Net income	\$ 17,271,464	\$ 33,420,055
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	5,412,779	4,828,543
Compensation expense unit awards	5,400	940,692
LIFO inventory reserves	(428,035)	5,257,906
Interest rate swap	(275,540)	2,852,651
EURO hedge fair value	204,587	(204,587)
Changes in		
Accounts and notes receivable	4,713,551	(1,449,612)
Inventories	10,483,801	(16,168,345)
Accounts payable	1,612,801	(3,177,047)
Other	(151,108)	(627,482)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	38,849,700	25,672,774
Cash Used for Investing Activities		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(3,572,256)	(13,343,228)
Cash Provided by (Used for) Financing Activities		

Line of credit net