

BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY WAREHOUSE CORP

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended April 28, 2012

OR

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

For the transition period from            to            .

Commission File Number 333-137916-110

**BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY INVESTMENTS**

# HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of

**20-4663833**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization)

Identification No.)

**1830 Route 130 North**

**Burlington, New Jersey**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**08016**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (609) 387-7800**

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☐

Non-Accelerated filer ☒ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company ☐

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

As of June 12, 2012, the registrant has 1,000 shares of common stock outstanding, all of which are owned by Burlington Coat Factory Holdings, Inc., registrant's parent holding company, and are not publicly traded.

\*The Registrant has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but is not required to file such reports under such sections.

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	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>January 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets:</b>			
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	\$ 53,654	\$ 35,664	\$ 67,536
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	34,800	34,800	37,274
Accounts Receivable, Net of Allowances for Doubtful Accounts	39,725	40,119	33,763
Merchandise Inventories	660,940	682,260	688,985
Deferred Tax Assets	23,317	23,243	22,174
Prepaid and Other Current Assets	43,327	40,062	37,402
Prepaid Income Taxes	18,319	21,319	25,169
Assets Held for Disposal	521	521	2,156
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>874,603</b>	<b>877,988</b>	<b>914,459</b>
Property and Equipment Net of Accumulated Depreciation	854,681	865,215	849,606
Tradenames	238,000	238,000	238,000
Favorable Leases Net of Accumulated Amortization	352,636	359,903	382,474
Goodwill	47,064	47,064	47,064
Other Assets	112,203	112,973	98,765
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,479,187</b>	<b>\$ 2,501,143</b>	<b>\$ 2,530,368</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER S DEFICIT</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 471,122	\$ 276,285	\$ 489,481
Other Current Liabilities	217,806	221,343	222,000
Current Maturities of Long Term Debt	10,236	7,659	10,788
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>699,164</b>	<b>505,287</b>	<b>722,269</b>
Long Term Debt	1,406,184	1,605,464	1,451,636
Other Liabilities	215,476	224,352	214,347
Deferred Tax Liabilities	271,690	276,985	274,508
Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 3, 4 and 12)			
<b>Stockholder s Deficit:</b>			
Common Stock (Par Value \$0.01; 1,000 Shares Issued and Outstanding at April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011)			
Capital in Excess of Par Value	475,754	474,569	467,907
Accumulated Deficit	(589,081)	(585,514)	(600,299)

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<b>Total Stockholder's Deficit</b>	(113,327)	(110,945)	(132,392)
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Deficit</b>	<b>\$ 2,479,187</b>	<b>\$ 2,501,143</b>	<b>\$ 2,530,368</b>

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

**Table of Contents****BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY INVESTMENTS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES****CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS****(Unaudited)****(All amounts in thousands)**

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Net Sales	\$ 982,422	\$ 929,081
Other Revenue	7,534	7,250
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>989,956</b>	<b>936,331</b>
<b>COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>		
Cost of Sales (Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization)	619,885	577,303
Selling and Administrative Expenses	307,137	288,828
Restructuring and Separation Costs (Note 4)	1,478	
Depreciation and Amortization	39,925	36,620
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets	13	9
Other Income, Net	(2,304)	(2,809)
Loss on Extinguishment of Debt		37,764
Interest Expense (Inclusive of Gain (Loss) on Interest Rate Cap Agreements)	29,479	30,854
<b>Total Costs and Expenses</b>	<b>995,613</b>	<b>968,569</b>
<b>Loss Before Income Tax Benefit</b>	<b>(5,657)</b>	<b>(32,238)</b>
Income Tax Benefit	(1,717)	(11,181)
<b>Net Loss</b>	<b>\$ (3,940)</b>	<b>\$ (21,057)</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Loss</b>	<b>\$ (3,940)</b>	<b>\$ (21,057)</b>

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net Loss	\$ (3,940)	\$ (21,057)
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Loss to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization	39,925	36,620
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets	13	9
Amortization of Debt Issuance Costs	1,464	2,552
Accretion of New Senior Notes and Existing Senior Notes and Discount Notes	415	358
Interest Rate Cap Agreement Adjustment to Market	(132)	1,252
Provision for Losses on Accounts Receivable	20	448
Provision for Deferred Income Taxes	(5,446)	(2,110)
Loss on Retirement of Fixed Assets	139	168
Loss on Extinguishment of Debt Write-off of Deferred Financing Fees		16,435
Excess Tax Benefit from Stock Based Compensation	(402)	(448)
Non-Cash Stock Compensation Expense	791	705
Non-Cash Rent Expense	(3,019)	(1,165)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
Accounts Receivable	(7,609)	(3,283)
Merchandise Inventories	21,319	(44,757)
Prepaid and Other Current Assets	(264)	(9,588)
Accounts Payable	194,837	299,021
Other Current Liabilities and Income Tax Payable	3,001	15,616
Deferred Rent Incentives	11,967	18,995
Other Long Term Assets and Long Term Liabilities	(8,323)	788
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<b>244,756</b>	<b>310,559</b>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Cash Paid for Property and Equipment	(28,137)	(33,118)
Payments Made Related to Disposal of Property and Equipment	(119)	(50)
Increase in Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		(7,010)
Lease Acquisition Costs	(86)	(72)
Other		22
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>	<b>(28,342)</b>	<b>(40,228)</b>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Proceeds from Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit	55,200	153,000
Proceeds from Long Term Debt Notes Payable		450,000
Proceeds from Long Term Debt Term Loan		990,000
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit	(245,200)	(321,600)
Principal Repayments on Long Term Debt Senior Discount Notes		(99,309)
Principal Repayments on Long Term Debt Senior Notes		(302,056)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt	(164)	(205)

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Principal Payments on Long Term Debt    Term Loan	(6,955)	(780,050)
Payment of Dividends	(1,686)	(297,917)
Stock Options Exercised and Related Tax Benefits	394	448
Debt Issuance Costs	(13)	(25,320)
<b>Net Cash Used in Financing Activities</b>	<b>(198,424)</b>	<b>(233,009)</b>
Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	17,990	37,322
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period	35,664	30,214
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 53,654</b>	<b>\$ 67,536</b>
<b>Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information</b>		
Interest Paid	\$ 39,144	\$ 27,185
Net Income Tax Payments	\$ 21	\$ 301
<b>Non-Cash Investing Activities:</b>		
Accrued Purchases of Property and Equipment	\$ 8,268	\$ 8,453

See Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.



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**BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY INVESTMENTS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

**NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**April 28, 2012**

**(UNAUDITED)**

**1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Presentation*

These unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and all of its subsidiaries (Company or Holdings). Holdings has no operations and its only asset is all of the stock of Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation. All discussions of operations in this report relate to Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation and its subsidiaries (BCFWC), which are reflected in the financial statements of Holdings. The Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements are unaudited, but in the opinion of management reflect all adjustments (which are primarily of a normal and recurring nature) necessary for the fair presentation of the results of operations for the interim periods presented. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) have been condensed or omitted. It is suggested that these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012 (Fiscal 2011 10-K). The balance sheet at January 28, 2012 has been derived from the audited Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Fiscal 2011 10-K. Because the Company's business is seasonal in nature, the operating results for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of results for the fiscal year ending February 2, 2013 (Fiscal 2012).

Accounting policies followed by the Company are described in Note 1 to the audited Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Fiscal 2011 10-K.

In September 2011, the FASB issued guidance on testing goodwill for impairment. The new guidance provides an entity the option to first perform a qualitative assessment to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If an entity determines that this is the case, it is required to perform the currently prescribed two step goodwill impairment test to identify potential goodwill impairment and measure the amount of goodwill impairment loss to be recognized for that reporting unit (if any). If an entity determines that it is more likely than not the fair value of the reporting unit is not less than its carrying amount, the two-step goodwill impairment test is not required. The new guidance was effective for the Company on the first day of Fiscal 2012 and it did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-04, Fair Value Measurements (Topic 820): Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS (ASU 2011-04). ASU 2011-04 changes the wording used to describe many of the requirements in U.S. GAAP for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements to ensure consistency between U.S. GAAP and IFRS. ASU 2011-04 also expands the disclosures required for fair value measurements. The new guidance was effective for the Company beginning in the first quarter of Fiscal 2012 and it did not have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

There were no other new accounting standards or pronouncements that had an impact on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements during the first quarter ended April 28, 2012 and there were no new accounting standards or pronouncements that were issued but not yet effective as of April 28, 2012 that the Company expects to have a material impact upon becoming effective.

**2. Stockholder's Deficit**

Activity for the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 in the Company's common stock, capital in excess of par value, accumulated deficit, and total stockholder's deficit equity are summarized below:

*(in thousands)*

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	Common Stock	Capital in Excess of Par Value	Accumulated Deficit	Total
<b>Balance at January 28, 2012</b>	\$	\$ 474,569	\$ (585,514)	\$ (110,945)
Net Loss			(3,940)	(3,940)
Stock Options Exercised and Related Tax Benefits		394		394
Stock Based Compensation		791		791
Dividends (b)			373	373
<b>Balance at April 28, 2012</b>	\$	\$ 475,754	\$ (589,081)	\$ (113,327)

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	<i>(in thousands)</i>			
	Common Stock	Capital in Excess of Par Value	Accumulated Deficit	Total
<b>Balance at January 29, 2011</b>	\$	\$ 466,754	\$ (279,242)	\$ 187,512
Net Loss			(21,057)	(21,057)
Excess Tax Benefit from Stock Based Compensation		448		448
Stock Based Compensation		705		705
Dividends (a)			(300,000 )	(300,000)
<b>Balance at April 30, 2011</b>	\$	\$ 467,907	\$ (600,299)	\$ (132,392)

- (a) Represents dividends declared to the stockholders of Burlington Coat Factory Holdings, Inc. (Parent), in conjunction with the Company's February 2011 debt refinancing, of which \$297.9 million was paid as of April 30, 2011 and \$1.7 million was paid as of April 25, 2012. Less than \$0.1 million remains to be paid during the second quarter of Fiscal 2012.
- (b) As a result of certain forfeitures of Parent's restricted stock prior to the payment date, \$0.4 million of dividend equivalent payments were forfeited and reverted back to the Company.

**3. Long Term Debt**

Long term debt consists of:

	<i>(in thousands)</i>		
	April 28, 2012	January 28, 2012	April 30, 2011
\$1,000,000 Senior Secured Term Loan Facility, LIBOR (with a floor of 1.50%) plus 4.8% due in quarterly payments of \$2,500 from January 30, 2016 to January 28, 2017, matures on February 23, 2017. (a)	\$ 942,583	\$ 949,123	\$ 987,799
\$450,000 Senior Notes, 10%, due at maturity on February 15, 2019, semi-annual interest payments on August 15 and February 15, from February 15, 2013 to February 15, 2019.	450,000	450,000	450,000
\$600,000 ABL Senior Secured Revolving Facility, LIBOR plus spread based on average outstanding balance, expires September 2, 2016.		190,000	
Promissory Note, non-interest bearing, due in monthly payments of \$17 through January 1, 2012.			150
Promissory Note, 4.4% due in monthly payments of \$8 through December 23, 2011.			60
Capital Lease Obligations	23,837	24,000	24,415
<b>Total debt</b>	<b>1,416,420</b>	<b>1,613,123</b>	<b>1,462,424</b>
Less: current maturities	(10,236)	(7,659)	(10,788)
<b>Long-term debt, net of current maturities</b>	<b>\$ 1,406,184</b>	<b>\$ 1,605,464</b>	<b>\$ 1,451,636</b>

- (a) Subsequent to April 28, 2012, the Company refinanced its Term Loan. Refer to Note 13 entitled "Subsequent Events" for further discussion.



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### *\$1 Billion Senior Secured Term Loan Facility (Term Loan Facility)*

The Term Loan Facility is to be repaid in quarterly payments of \$2.5 million from January 30, 2016 to January 28, 2017 with the balance of the Term Loan Facility due upon maturity on February 23, 2017. At the end of each fiscal year, the Company is required to make a payment based on its available free cash flow (as defined in the credit agreement governing the Term Loan Facility (the Term Loan Credit Agreement)). This payment offsets future mandatory quarterly payments. Based on the Company's available free cash flow for Fiscal 2011, the Company made a payment of \$7.0 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012. This payment offsets mandatory quarterly payments through the fiscal quarter ending October 31, 2015, and \$2.0 million of the mandatory quarterly payment for the fiscal year ending January 30, 2016.

The Term Loan Facility contains financial, affirmative and negative covenants and requires that BCFW, among other things, maintain on the last day of each fiscal quarter a consolidated leverage ratio not to exceed a maximum amount and maintain a consolidated interest coverage ratio of at least a certain amount. The consolidated leverage ratio compares our total debt to Adjusted EBITDA, as each term is defined in the Term Loan Credit Agreement, for the trailing twelve months, and such ratios may not exceed 6.75 to 1 through October 27, 2012; 6.25 to 1 through November 2, 2013; 5.50 to 1 through November 1, 2014; 5.00 to 1 through October 31, 2015; and 4.75 to 1 at January 30, 2016 and thereafter.

The consolidated interest coverage ratio compares our consolidated interest expense to Adjusted EBITDA, as each term is defined in the Term Loan Credit Agreement, for the trailing twelve months, and such ratios must exceed 1.75 to 1 through October 27, 2012; 1.85 to 1 through November 2, 2013; 2.00 to 1 through October 31, 2015; and 2.10 to 1 at January 30, 2016 and thereafter.

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure of our liquidity. Adjusted EBITDA, as defined in the Term Loan Credit Agreement, starts with consolidated net loss for the period and adds back (i) depreciation, amortization, impairments and other non-cash charges that were deducted in arriving at consolidated net loss, (ii) the benefit for taxes, (iii) interest expense, (iv) advisory fees, and (v) unusual, non-recurring or extraordinary expenses, losses or charges as reasonably approved by the administrative agent for such period.

The interest rates for the Term Loan Facility are based on: (i) for LIBO rate loans for any interest period, at a rate per annum equal to (a) the greater of (x) the LIBO rate, as determined by the Term Loan Administrative Agent, for such interest period multiplied by the Statutory Reserve Rate (as defined in the Term Loan Credit Agreement) and (y) 1.50% (the Term Loan Adjusted LIBO Rate), plus an applicable margin; and (ii) for prime rate loans, a rate per annum equal to the highest of (a) the variable annual rate of interest then announced by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. at its head office as its prime rate, (b) the federal funds rate in effect on such date plus 0.50% per annum, and (c) the Term Loan Adjusted LIBO Rate for the applicable class of term loans for one-month plus 1.00%, plus, in each case, an applicable margin. The interest rate on the Term Loan Facility was 6.3% as of April 28, 2012.

### *ABL Line of Credit*

On September 2, 2011, the Company completed an amendment and restatement of the credit agreement governing the Company's \$600 million ABL Line of Credit, which, among other things, extended the maturity date to September 2, 2016. The aggregate amount of commitments under the amended and restated credit agreement is \$600 million and, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions, the Company may increase the aggregate amount of commitments up to \$900 million. Interest rates under the amended and restated credit agreement are based on LIBO rates as determined by the administrative agent plus an applicable margin of 1.75% to 2.25% based on daily availability, or various prime rate loan options plus an applicable margin of 0.75% to 1.25% based on daily availability. The fee on the average daily balance of unused loan commitments is 0.375%.

Prior to the September 2, 2011 ABL amendment and restatement, the ABL Line of Credit carried an interest rate of LIBOR plus a spread which was determined by the Company's annual average borrowings outstanding. Commitment fees of 0.75% to 1.0%, based on the Company's usage of the line of credit, were charged on the unused portion of the facility and were included in the line item Interest Expense on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss.

At April 28, 2012, the Company had \$472.4 million available under the ABL Line of Credit and no outstanding borrowings. The maximum borrowings under the facility during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 amounted to \$213.7 million. Average borrowings during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 amounted to \$80.8 million at an average interest rate of 2.2%. At January 28, 2012, \$190.0 million was outstanding under this facility.

At April 30, 2011, the Company had \$388.9 million available under the ABL Line of Credit and no outstanding borrowings. The maximum borrowings under the facility during the three month period ended April 30, 2011 amounted to \$184.9 million. Average borrowings during the three month period ended April 30, 2011 amounted to \$72.7 million at an average interest rate of 4.5%.



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Both the Term Loan and the ABL Line of Credit are fully, jointly, severally, unconditionally, and irrevocably guaranteed by all of the Company's subsidiaries (with the exception of one immaterial non-guarantor subsidiary). The ABL Line of Credit is collateralized by a first lien on the Company's inventory and receivables and a second lien on the Company's real estate and property and equipment. The Term Loan is collateralized by a first lien on the Company's real estate, favorable leases, and machinery and equipment and a second lien on the Company's inventory and receivables.

As of April 28, 2012, the Company was in compliance with all of its debt covenants. The agreements regarding the ABL Line of Credit and the Term Loan Facility, as well as the indenture governing the Senior Notes, contain covenants that, among other things, limit the Company's ability, and the ability of the Company's restricted subsidiaries, to pay dividends on, redeem or repurchase capital stock; make investments; incur additional indebtedness or issue preferred stock; create liens; permit dividends or other restricted payments by the Company's subsidiaries; sell all or substantially all of the Company's assets or consolidate or merge with or into other companies; and engage in transactions with affiliates.

The Company had \$30.1 million, \$31.5 million and \$35.5 million in deferred financing fees, net of accumulated amortization, as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively, related to its debt instruments recorded in the line item "Other Assets" on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Amortization of deferred financing fees amounted to \$1.4 million and \$2.6 million for the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively, and is included in the line item "Interest Expense" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss.

**4. Restructuring and Separation**

The Company accounts for restructuring and separation costs in accordance with ASC Topic No. 420, *Exit or Disposal Cost Obligations* (Topic No. 420). In an effort to improve workflow efficiencies and realign certain responsibilities, the Company effected a reorganization of certain positions within its stores and corporate locations. Changes in the Company's workforce during the three months ended April 28, 2012 resulted in a severance charge of \$1.5 million, which was recorded in the line item "Restructuring and Separation Costs" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. There were no restructuring or severance charges incurred during the three months ended April 30, 2011.

The table below summarizes the charges incurred related to the Company's restructuring and separation costs, which are included in the line item "Other Current Liabilities" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011:

	(in thousands)				
	January 28, 2012	Charges	Cash Payments	Other	April 28, 2012
Severance-Restructuring	\$	\$ 400	\$ (216)	\$	\$ 184
Severance-Separation Cost	979	1,078	(718)		1,339
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 979</b>	<b>\$ 1,478</b>	<b>\$ (934)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 1,523</b>

	(in thousands)				
	January 29, 2011	Charges	Cash Payments	Other	April 30, 2011
Severance-Restructuring	\$ 6	\$	\$ (6)	\$	\$
Severance-Separation Cost	1,231		(842)		389
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,237</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ (848)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 389</b>

**5. Fair Value Measurements**

The Company accounts for fair value measurements in accordance with ASC Topic No. 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, (Topic No. 820) which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measurement and expands disclosure about fair value measurements. Topic No. 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received from the sale of an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price), and classifies

the inputs used to measure fair value into the following hierarchy:

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



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Level 2: Quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; and model-derived valuations whose inputs are observable or whose significant value drivers are observable.

Level 3: Pricing inputs that are unobservable for the assets and liabilities and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the assets and liabilities.

The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation.

*Financial Assets*

The Company's financial assets as of April 28, 2012 included cash equivalents, interest rate cap agreements and a note receivable. The Company's financial liabilities are discussed below. The carrying value of cash equivalents approximates fair value due to its short-term nature. The fair values of the interest rate cap agreements are determined using quotes that are based on models whose inputs are observable LIBOR forward interest rate curves. To comply with the provisions of Topic No. 820, the Company incorporates credit valuation adjustments to appropriately reflect both the Company's non-performance risk and the respective counterparty's non-performance risk in the fair value measurements. In adjusting the fair value of the Company's interest rate cap agreements for the effect of non-performance risk, the Company has considered the impact of netting and any applicable credit enhancements, such as collateral postings, thresholds, mutual puts, and guarantees. As a result, the Company has determined that the inputs used to value this investment fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The fair value of the note receivable is based on a discounted cash flow analysis whose inputs are unobservable, and therefore it falls within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Although the Company has determined that the majority of the inputs used to value its interest rate cap agreements fall within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy, the credit valuation adjustments associated with the Company's interest rate cap agreements utilize Level 3 inputs, such as estimates of current credit spreads to evaluate the likelihood of default. As of April 28, 2012, the Company recorded credit valuation adjustments of less than \$0.1 million to the overall valuation of the Company's interest rate cap agreements. The credit valuation adjustment is not considered significant to the valuation of each of the individual interest rate cap agreements and as a result, the Company has determined that its interest rate cap agreement valuations in their entirety are classified as Level 2 within the fair value hierarchy.

The fair values of the Company's financial assets and the hierarchy of the level of inputs are summarized below:

(in thousands)			
Fair Value Measurements at			
	April 28, 2012	January 28, 2012	April 30, 2011
<b>Assets:</b>			
Level 1			
Cash equivalents (including restricted cash)	\$ 34,932	\$ 34,915	\$ 69,754
Level 2			
Interest rate cap agreements (a)	\$ 246	\$ 114	\$ 2,027
Level 3			
Note Receivable (b)	\$ 758	\$ 763	\$ 1,099

- (a) Included in Other Assets within the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (refer to Note 6 of the Company's Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements, entitled Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, for further discussion regarding the Company's interest rate cap agreements).
- (b) Included in Prepaid and Other Current Assets and Other Assets on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The change in fair value of the Company's Level 3 note receivable from January 28, 2012 to April 28, 2012 is related to unrealized gains. The change in fair value of the Company's Level 3 note receivable from April 30, 2011 to January 28, 2012 is related to the Company receiving a partial payment in the amount of \$0.5 million, which was partially offset by unrealized gains of \$0.2 million.



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The fair value of the Company's debt as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 is noted in the table below:

	(in thousands)					
	April 28, 2012		January 28, 2012		April 30, 2011	
	Carrying Amount (c)	Fair Value (c)	Carrying Amount (c)	Fair Value (c)	Carrying Amount (c)	Fair Value (c)
\$1,000,000 Senior Secured Term Loan Facility, 6.3% due in quarterly payments of 2,500 from January 30, 2016 to January 28, 2017, matures on February 23, 2017.	\$ 942,583	\$ 951,208	\$ 949,123	\$ 945,247	\$ 987,799	\$ 988,622
\$450,000 Senior Notes, 10% due at maturity on February 15, 2019, semi-annual interest payments on August 15 and February 15, from August 15, 2011 to February 15, 2019.	450,000	479,813	450,000	432,000	450,000	456,750
\$600,000 ABL Senior Secured Revolving Facility, LIBOR plus spread based on average outstanding balance, expires September 2, 2016.						
(a)			190,000	190,000		
Other debt (b)					210	210
<b>Total debt</b>	<b>\$ 1,392,583</b>	<b>\$ 1,431,021</b>	<b>\$ 1,589,123</b>	<b>\$ 1,567,247</b>	<b>\$ 1,438,009</b>	<b>\$ 1,445,582</b>

(a) The carrying value of the ABL Line of Credit approximates its fair value due to its short term nature (borrowings are typically done in increments of 30 days or less) and its variable interest rate.

(b) Other debt includes both promissory notes, as described in the Fiscal 2011 10-K.

(c) Capital lease obligations are excluded from the table above.

As of April 28, 2012, the fair value of the Company's debt, exclusive of capital leases, was \$1,431.0 million compared to the carrying value of \$1,392.6 million. The fair values presented herein are based on estimates using quoted market prices for the same or similar issues and other pertinent information available to management as of the respective period end dates. The estimated fair values of the Company's debt are classified as Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. Although management is not aware of any factors that could significantly affect the estimated fair value amounts, such amounts have not been comprehensively revalued for purposes of these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements since April 28, 2012, and current estimates of fair value may differ from amounts presented herein.

**6. Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities**

The Company accounts for derivatives and hedging activities in accordance with ASC Topic No. 815 *Derivatives and Hedging* (Topic No. 815). Topic No. 815 provides disclosure requirements to provide users of financial statements with an enhanced understanding of: (i) How and why an entity uses derivative instruments; (ii) How derivative instruments and related hedged items are accounted for under Topic No. 815 and its related interpretations; and (iii) How derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows.

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The Company is exposed to certain risks relating to its ongoing business operations, including market risks relating to fluctuations in interest rates. The Company's senior secured credit facilities contain floating rate obligations and are subject to interest rate fluctuations. The Company uses interest rate cap agreements, which are designated as economic hedges, to manage interest rate risk associated with the Company's variable-rate borrowings and to minimize the negative impact of interest rate fluctuations on its earnings and cash flows, thus reducing the Company's exposure to variability in expected future cash flows attributable to the changes in LIBOR rates.

Topic No. 815 requires recognition of all derivative instruments as either assets or liabilities at fair value in the statement of financial position. Interest rate cap agreements are recorded at fair value and adjusted to market on a quarterly basis. Gains or losses associated with the interest rate cap agreements are recorded in the line item Interest Expense on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss and in the line item Interest Rate Cap Contract Adjustment to Market on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

As of April 28, 2012 and January 28, 2012, the Company was party to two outstanding interest rate cap agreements to manage the interest rate risk associated with future interest payments on variable-rate debt. As of April 30, 2011, the Company was party to four outstanding interest rate cap agreements.

<i>(in thousands)</i>						
<b>Fair Values of Derivative Instruments</b>						
<b>Asset Derivatives</b>						
<b>Derivatives Not</b>	<b>April 28, 2012</b>		<b>January 28, 2012</b>		<b>April 30, 2011</b>	
<b>Designated as Hedging</b>						
<b>Instruments Under Topic</b>	<b>Balance</b>		<b>Balance</b>		<b>Balance</b>	
<b>No. 815</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>
Interest Rate Cap Agreements	Other		Other		Other	
	Assets	\$ 246	Assets	\$ 114	Assets	\$ 2,027

<b>Liability Derivatives</b>						
<b>Derivatives Not</b>	<b>April 28, 2012</b>		<b>January 28, 2012</b>		<b>April 30, 2011</b>	
<b>Designated as Hedging</b>						
<b>Instruments Under Topic</b>	<b>Balance</b>		<b>Balance</b>		<b>Balance</b>	
<b>No. 815</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Sheet</b>	<b>Fair</b>
	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Value</b>
Interest Rate Cap Agreements	Other		Other		Other	
	Liabilities	\$	Liabilities	\$	Liabilities	\$

**(Gain) Loss on Derivatives Instruments**

**Amount of (Gain) or Loss Recognized in Income  
on  
Derivatives  
Three Months Ended**

**Derivatives Not**

**Designated as Hedging**

**Instruments Under Topic**

<b>No. 815</b>	<b>Location of (Gain) or Loss Recognized in Income on Derivatives</b>	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
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Interest Rate Cap Agreements	Interest Expense	\$ (132)	\$ 1,252
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The Company has two interest rate cap agreements each of which has a notional principal amount of \$450 million, a cap rate of 7.0% and terminates on May 31, 2015. The Company has not elected hedge accounting treatment for its interest rate cap agreements. The Company will adjust these interest rate cap agreements to fair value on a quarterly basis and as a result, gains or losses associated with these agreements will be included in the line item Interest Expense on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss and in the line item Interest Rate Cap Contract Adjustment to Market in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow.

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	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>January 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
Current Deferred Tax Asset	\$ 23,317	\$ 23,243	\$ 22,174
Non-Current Deferred Tax Liability	271,690	276,985	274,508
<b>Net Deferred Tax Liability</b>	<b>\$ 248,373</b>	<b>\$ 253,742</b>	<b>\$ 252,334</b>

Current deferred tax assets consisted primarily of certain operating costs and inventory related costs not currently deductible for tax purposes. Non-current deferred tax liabilities primarily relate to rent expense, landlord allowances, intangible costs and depreciation expense where the Company has a future obligation for tax purposes.

In accordance with ASC Topic No. 270, *Interim Reporting* (Topic No. 270) and ASC Topic No. 740, *Income Taxes* (Topic No. 740), at the end of each interim period the Company is required to determine the best estimate of its annual effective tax rate and then apply that rate in providing for income taxes on a current year-to-date (interim period) basis. For the first quarter ending April 28, 2012, the Company's best estimate of its annual effective income tax rate was 41.8%, (before discrete items).

As of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, valuation allowances amounted to \$6.1 million, \$6.1 million and \$5.8 million, respectively, primarily related to state tax net operating losses. In addition, management also determined that a full valuation allowance of \$1.2 million was required against the tax benefit associated with Puerto Rico alternative minimum tax credits as of April 28, 2012 and January 28, 2012. The Company believes that it is more likely than not that a portion of the benefit of the state tax net operating losses will not be realized. The state net operating losses have been generated in a number of taxing jurisdictions and are subject to various expiration periods ranging from five to twenty years beginning with Fiscal 2012. Within the next twelve months, the Company expects its unrecognized tax benefits to be reduced by \$4 \$5 million upon the closing of an ongoing state audit.

**8. Stock Option and Award Plans and Stock-Based Compensation**

On April 13, 2006, Parent's Board of Directors adopted the 2006 Management Incentive Plan (the Plan). The Plan provides for the granting of service-based and performance-based stock options, restricted stock and other forms of awards to key employees and directors of the Company and its affiliates. Grants made pursuant to the Plan are comprised of units of Parent's common stock. Each unit consists of nine shares of Parent's Class A common stock and one share of Parent's Class L common stock. The shares comprising a unit are in the same proportion as the shares of Class A and Class L common stock held by all stockholders of the Parent. Options granted pursuant to the Plan are exercisable only for whole units and cannot be separately exercised for the individual classes of Parent's common stock. As of April 28, 2012, there were 730,478 units reserved under the Plan consisting of 6,574,302 shares of Parent's Class A common stock and 730,478 shares of Parent's Class L common stock.

Non-cash stock compensation expense for the three months ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 amounted to \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, and is included in the line item "Selling and Administrative Expense" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. The table below summarizes the types of stock compensation:

<b>Type of Non-Cash Stock Compensation</b>	<b>(in thousands)</b>	
	<b>Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
Stock Option Compensation	\$ 367	\$ 463
Restricted Stock Compensation	424	242
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 791</b>	<b>\$ 705</b>

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Options granted during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 were all service-based awards and were granted at exercise prices of \$50 per unit and \$120 per unit. Options granted during the three month period ended April 30, 2011 were all service-based awards and were granted at exercise prices of \$90 per unit and \$180 per unit.

In April 2011, the Parent's Board of Directors, in order to reflect the dividends paid in connection with the debt refinancing in February 2011, approved a reduction of the exercise prices of each then outstanding option from \$90 per unit and \$180 per unit, respectively, to \$30.60 and \$120.60 per unit, respectively, without affecting the existing vesting schedules thereof. Upon application of modification accounting, which contemplates fair value of awards both before and after the debt refinancing and related dividends, the stock compensation cost did not change as a result of this modification.

All of the service-based awards granted during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 vest 40% on the second anniversary of the award with the remaining amount vesting ratably over the subsequent three years. The final exercise date for any option granted is the tenth anniversary of the grant date.

All options awarded pursuant to the Plan become exercisable upon a change of control. Unless determined otherwise by the plan administrator and except as otherwise set forth in the option holders' stock agreement, upon cessation of employment, (1) options that have not vested will terminate immediately; (2) units previously issued upon the exercise of vested options will be callable at the Company's option; and (3) unexercised vested options will be exercisable for a period of 60 days.

As of April 28, 2012, the Company had 460,003 options outstanding to purchase units, all of which are service-based awards. The Company accounts for awards issued under the Plan in accordance with ASC Topic No. 718, *Stock Compensation*. For the three months ended April 28, 2012, the Company recognized non-cash stock compensation expense of \$0.6 million before the adjustment for forfeitures of \$0.2 million, which resulted in \$0.4 million of expense for the quarter. These forfeiture adjustments were the result of actual forfeitures being higher than initially estimated.

In comparison, for the three months ended April 30, 2011, the Company recognized non-cash stock compensation expense of \$0.7 million before the adjustment for forfeitures of \$0.2 million, which resulted in \$0.5 million of expense for the quarter. These forfeiture adjustments were the result of actual forfeitures being higher than initially estimated.

Non-cash stock option compensation expense is included in the line item *Selling and Administrative Expense* in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. As of April 28, 2012 there was approximately \$3.7 million of unearned non-cash stock-based compensation that the Company expected to recognize as expense over the next 4.8 years. The service-based awards are expensed on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of five years. As of April 28, 2012, 44.7% percent of outstanding options to purchase units had vested.

Stock option transactions are summarized as follows:

	Number of Units	Weighted Average Exercise Price Per Unit
<b>Options Outstanding January 28, 2012</b>	472,673	\$ 69.86
Options Issued	1,000	73.33
Options Forfeited	(13,436)	(64.63)
Options Exercised	(234)	(30.60)
<b>Options Outstanding April 28, 2012</b>	460,003	\$ 70.35

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Non-vested stock option transactions during the three months ended April 28, 2012 are summarized below:

	Number of Units	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value Per Unit
Non-Vested Options Outstanding, January 28, 2012	290,464	\$ 34.12
Granted	1,000	44.97
Vested	(25,793)	(35.27)
Forfeited	(11,169)	(43.90)
Non-Vested Options Outstanding, April 28, 2012	254,502	\$ 33.50

The following table summarizes information about the options to purchase units that were outstanding under the Plan as well as options that were exercisable under the Plan as of April 28, 2012:

Exercise Prices	Options Outstanding		Options Exercisable	
	Number Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Number Exercisable	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)
	At April 28, 2012		At April 28, 2012	
\$ 30.60	235,422	6.5	119,390	5.5
\$ 50.00	56,671	9.3		
\$ 120.00	28,329	9.3		
\$ 120.60	125,581	5.7	72,111	4.4
\$ 270.00	14,000	0.8	14,000	0.8
	460,003		205,501	

The following table summarizes information about the options to purchase units vested and expected to vest during the contractual term:

Exercise Prices	Options	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Vested and Expected to Vest as of April 28, 2012			
\$ 30.60	196,881	6.3	\$ 30.60
\$ 50.00	45,333	9.3	\$ 50.00
\$ 120.00	22,667	9.3	\$ 120.00
\$ 120.60	109,001	5.5	\$ 120.60
\$ 270.00	14,000	0.8	\$ 270.00
	387,882		



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The fair value of each option granted is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following weighted average assumptions used for grants under the Plan during the three months ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011:

	Three Months Ended	
	April 28, 2012	April 30, 2011
Risk-Free Interest Rate	1.3%	2.9 3.8%
Expected Volatility	34.1%	35.49%
Expected Life (years)	6.6	6.4 - 9.8
Contractual Life (years)	10	10
Expected Dividend Yield	0.0 %	0.0%
Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value of Options Issued at an exercise price of:		
\$30.60	\$ N/A	\$ 20.57
\$50.00	\$ 53.02	\$ N/A
\$120.00	\$ 28.86	\$ N/A
\$120.60	\$ N/A	\$ 12.64

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The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted has varied from period to period due to changes in the Company's business enterprise value resulting from, among other things, changes in the Company's business forecast, market conditions and the refinancing of the Company's debt and related dividend payments in February 2011.

*Restricted Stock Awards*

Under the Plan, the Company also has the ability to grant restricted stock awards. All awards granted typically vest 50% on the second anniversary of the grant and 50% on the third anniversary of the grant.

During the three months ended April 28, 2012, the Company recorded \$0.4 million of non-cash restricted stock compensation expense, which is included in the line item "Selling and Administrative Expense" on the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. During the three months ended April 30, 2011, the Company recorded \$0.2 million of non-cash restricted stock compensation expense, inclusive of forfeitures of less than \$0.1 million. As of April 28, 2012, there was less than \$0.1 million of unearned non-cash stock-based compensation that the Company expects to recognize as expense over the next 2 months. Awards of restricted stock are expensed on a straight-line basis over the requisite service period of three years. At April 28, 2012, 91,040 of the outstanding Awards of restricted stock were vested.

Restricted Stock Awards Transactions for the three months ended April 28, 2012 are summarized below:

	Number of Awards
<b>Awards Outstanding January 28, 2012</b>	<b>91,571</b>
Awards Granted	
Awards Forfeited	
Awards Retired	(111)
<b>Awards Outstanding April 28, 2012</b>	<b>91,460</b>

Non-vested Award transactions during the three months ended April 28, 2012 are summarized below:

	Number of Awards	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value Per Awards
Non-Vested Awards Outstanding, January 28, 2012	28,122	\$ 45.96
Awards Granted		
Awards Vested	(27,702)	(45.80)
Awards Forfeited		
Non-Vested Awards Outstanding, April 28, 2012	420	\$ 56.36

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### **9. Comprehensive Loss**

The Company presents comprehensive loss on its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss in accordance with ASC Topic No. 220 *Comprehensive Income*. For the three months ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, comprehensive loss consisted of net loss.

### **10. Other Current Liabilities**

Other current liabilities primarily consist of sales tax payable, customer liabilities, accrued payroll costs, self-insurance reserves, accrued operating expenses, payroll taxes payable, current portion of straight line rent liability and other miscellaneous items. Customer liabilities totaled \$29.4 million, \$29.7 million and \$30.9 million as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively.

The Company has risk participation agreements with insurance carriers with respect to workers' compensation, general liability insurance and health insurance. Pursuant to these arrangements, the Company is responsible for paying individual claims up to designated dollar limits. The amounts included in costs related to these claims are estimated and can vary based on changes in assumptions or claims experience included in the associated insurance programs. An increase in worker's compensation or health insurance claims by employees or general liability claims may result in a corresponding increase in costs related to these claims. Self-insurance reserves were \$48.9 million, \$49.6 million and \$50.8 million, as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. At April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, the portion of self-insurance reserve expected to be paid in the next twelve months of \$18.9 million, \$19.1 million and \$19.5 million, respectively, were recorded in the line item *Other Current Liabilities* in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. The remaining respective balances of \$30.0 million, \$30.5 million and \$31.3 million were recorded in the line item *Other Liabilities* in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

### **11. Segment Information**

The Company reports segment information in accordance with ASC Topic No. 280 *Segment Reporting* (Topic 280). The Company has one segment.

### **12. Commitments and Contingencies**

#### *Legal*

The Company establishes reserves for the settlement amounts, as well as reserves relating to legal claims, in connection with litigation to which the Company is party from time to time in the ordinary course of business. The aggregate amount of such reserves was \$5.5 million, \$6.1 million and \$6.9 million as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. The Company believes that potential liabilities in excess of those recorded will not have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. However, there can be no assurances to this effect.

There have been no significant changes in the Company's commitments and contingencies from those disclosed in the Fiscal 2011 10-K, except as noted below:

#### *Lease Agreements*

The Company enters into lease agreements during the ordinary course of business in order to secure favorable store locations. As of April 28, 2012, the Company was committed to ten new lease agreements (inclusive of three relocations) for locations at which stores are expected to be opened during the remainder of Fiscal 2012. Inclusive of these new leases, the Company's minimum lease payments for all operating leases are expected to be \$163.9 million, \$217.8 million, \$194.8 million, \$170.2 million, and \$704.7 million for the remainder of the fiscal year ending February 2, 2013, and the fiscal years ending February 1, 2014, January 31, 2015, January 30, 2016 and January 28, 2017 and subsequent years thereafter, respectively.

#### *Letters of Credit*

The Company had letter of credit arrangements with various banks in the aggregate amount of \$33.6 million and \$37.0 million as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. Based on the terms of the credit agreement related to the ABL Line of Credit, the Company had available letters of credit of \$472.4 million and \$388.9 million as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. Among these arrangements as of

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April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, the Company had letters of credit in the amount of \$29.1 million and \$32.2 million, respectively, guaranteeing performance under various insurance contracts and utility agreements. Additionally, the Company had outstanding letters of credit agreements in the amount of \$4.5 million and \$4.8 million at April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively, related to certain merchandising agreements.

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The Company had irrevocable letters of credit in the amount of \$35.3 million as of January 28, 2012. Based on the terms of the credit agreement relating to the ABL Line of Credit, the Company had available letters of credit of \$242.6 million as of January 28, 2012. Letters of credit outstanding at January 28, 2012 amounted to \$27.7 million, guaranteeing performance under various lease agreements, insurance contracts and utility agreements. The Company also had letters of credit in the amount of \$7.6 million at January 28, 2012 related to certain merchandising agreements.

### **13. Subsequent Events**

On May 16, 2012, the Company entered into Amendment No. 1 (the "Amendment") to the Term Loan Credit Agreement, which, among other things, reduces the applicable margin on the interest rates applicable to the Company's Term Loan Facility by 50 basis points. To accomplish this interest rate reduction, the Amendment provides for a replacement of the outstanding \$950,546 principal amount of term B loans (the "Term B Loans") with a like aggregate principal amount of term B-1 loans (the "Term B-1 Loans"). The Company offered existing term loan lenders the option to convert their Term B Loans into Term B-1 Loans on a non-cash basis. The Term B Loans of any existing lender that elected not to convert its Term B Loans into Term B-1 Loans were prepaid in full on the effective date of the Amendment from the proceeds of new Term B-1 Loans. The Term B-1 Loans have the same maturity date that was applicable to the Term B Loans. The Term Loan Credit Agreement provisions relating to the representations and warranties, covenants and events of default applicable to the Company and the guarantors were not modified by the Amendment.

As a result of this transaction, mandatory quarterly payments of \$2.4 million will be payable as of the last day of each quarter beginning with the quarter ended July 28, 2012. The Company elected to make a prepayment of \$9.5 million in May 2012, which offsets the mandatory quarterly payments through August 3, 2013. The Company expects to recognize a non-cash loss on the extinguishment of debt between \$3 million and \$4 million, which will be recorded in the line item "Loss on the Extinguishment of Debt" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss during the second quarter of Fiscal 2012. In addition, estimated fees between \$2.5 million and \$3.5 million are expected to be recorded in the line item "Selling and Administrative Expense" in the Company's Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss during the second quarter of Fiscal 2012.

### **14. Condensed Guarantor Data**

The following condensed consolidating financial statements present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of Holdings, BCFW and the guarantor subsidiaries. The Company has one immaterial non-guarantor subsidiary that is not wholly-owned and is considered to be "minor" as that term is defined in Rule 3-10 of Regulation S-X promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries may declare or pay cash dividends or make other distributions of property to any affiliate unless such dividends are used for certain specified purposes including, among others, to pay general corporate and overhead expenses incurred by Holdings in the ordinary course of business, or the amount of any indemnification claims made by any director or officer of Holdings or the Company, or to pay taxes that are due and payable by Holdings or any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries.

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Amounts reported for intercompany receivables/payables and capital in excess of par value as of April 30, 2011 have been adjusted in the Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets presented below from that originally reported, to separately present certain intercompany activities between BCFW and the Guarantors that had previously been netted in shareholder's equity. The adjustment to the quarterly Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets within the Condensed Guarantor Data as of April 30, 2011, had the effect of increasing capital in excess of par value of the Guarantors by \$132.3 million. The impact to the condensed consolidating statements of cash flows within the Condensed Guarantor Data increased (decreased) net cash provided by financing activities of the Guarantors with a corresponding change to net cash used in operating activities and a reciprocal change to BCFW amounts by \$85.2 million.

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(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	BCFW	As of April 28, 2012 Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets:</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	\$ 27,159	\$ 26,495	\$	\$ 53,654
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		34,800			34,800
Accounts Receivable		29,439	10,286		39,725
Merchandise Inventories			660,940		660,940
Deferred Tax Assets		11,725	11,592		23,317
Prepaid and Other Current Assets		16,584	26,743		43,327
Prepaid Income Taxes		16,453	1,866		18,319
Intercompany Receivable			577,459	(577,459)	
Assets Held for Disposal			521		521
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		136,160	1,315,902	(577,459)	874,603
Property and Equipment Net of Accumulated Depreciation		76,718	777,963		854,681
Tradenames		238,000			238,000
Favorable Leases Net of Accumulated Amortization			352,636		352,636
Goodwill		47,064			47,064
Investment in Subsidiaries		2,049,552		(2,049,552)	
Other Assets		30,457	81,746		112,203
<b>Total Assets</b>	\$	\$ 2,577,951	\$ 2,528,247	\$ (2,627,011)	\$ 2,479,187
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER S EQUITY</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>					
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 471,122	\$	\$	\$ 471,122
Other Current Liabilities		111,550	106,256		217,806
Intercompany Payable		577,459		(577,459)	
Current Maturities of Long Term Debt		9,505	731		10,236
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		1,169,636	106,987	(577,459)	699,164
Long Term Debt		1,383,078	23,106		1,406,184
Other Liabilities		48,184	167,292		215,476
Deferred Tax Liability		90,380	181,310		271,690
Investment in Subsidiaries	113,327			(113,327)	
<b>Commitments and Contingencies</b>					
<b>Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity:</b>					
<b>Common Stock</b>					
Capital in Excess of Par Value	475,754	475,754	1,063,181	(1,538,935)	475,754
(Accumulated Deficit) Retained Earnings	(589,081)	(589,081)	986,371	(397,290)	(589,081)
<b>Total Stockholder s Equity (Deficit)</b>	(113,327)	(113,327)	2,049,552	(1,936,225)	(113,327)
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder s Equity (Deficit)</b>	\$	\$ 2,577,951	\$ 2,528,247	\$ (2,627,011)	\$ 2,479,187





**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	BCFW	As of January 28, 2012 Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets:</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	\$ 11,522	\$ 24,142	\$	\$ 35,664
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		34,800			34,800
Accounts Receivable		21,037	19,082		40,119
Merchandise Inventories			682,260		682,260
Deferred Tax Assets		10,008	13,235		23,243
Prepaid and Other Current Assets		13,628	26,434		40,062
Prepaid Income Taxes		18,964	2,355		21,319
Intercompany Receivable			471,255	(471,255)	
Assets Held for Disposal			521		521
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		109,959	1,239,284	(471,255)	877,988
Property and Equipment Net of Accumulated Depreciation		80,220	784,995		865,215
Tradenames		238,000			238,000
Favorable Leases Net of Accumulated Amortization			359,903		359,903
Goodwill		47,064			47,064
Investment in Subsidiaries		1,995,796		(1,995,796)	
Other Assets		31,696	81,277		112,973
<b>Total Assets</b>	\$	\$ 2,502,735	\$ 2,465,459	\$ (2,467,051)	\$ 2,501,143
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER S EQUITY</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>					
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 276,285	\$	\$	\$ 276,285
Other Current Liabilities		134,874	86,469		221,343
Intercompany Payable		471,255		(471,255)	
Current Maturities of Long Term Debt		6,953	706		7,659
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		889,367	87,175	(471,255)	505,287
Long Term Debt		1,582,169	23,295		1,605,464
Other Liabilities		56,909	167,443		224,352
Deferred Tax Liability		85,235	191,750		276,985
Investment in Subsidiaries	110,945			(110,945)	
<b>Commitments and Contingencies</b>					
<b>Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity:</b>					
<b>Common Stock</b>					
Capital in Excess of Par Value	474,569	474,569	1,063,180	(1,537,749)	474,569
(Accumulated Deficit) Retained Earnings	(585,514)	(585,514)	932,616	(347,102)	(585,514)
<b>Total Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity</b>	(110,945)	(110,945)	1,995,796	(1,884,851)	(110,945)
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder s Equity (Deficit)</b>	\$	\$ 2,502,735	\$ 2,465,459	\$ (2,467,051)	\$ 2,501,143



**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidating Balance Sheets**

(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	BCFW	As of April 30, 2011 Guarantors	Eliminations	Consolidated
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets:</b>					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	\$ 37,797	\$ 29,739	\$	\$ 67,536
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		34,800	2,474		37,274
Accounts Receivable		22,989	10,774		33,763
Merchandise Inventories			688,985		688,985
Deferred Tax Asset		7,894	14,280		22,174
Prepaid and Other Current Assets		14,995	22,407		37,402
Prepaid Income Tax		22,584	2,585		25,169
Intercompany Receivable			294,608	(294,608)	
Assets Held for Sale			2,156		2,156
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		141,059	1,068,008	(294,608)	914,459
Property and Equipment - Net of Accumulated Depreciation		67,191	782,415		849,606
Tradenames		238,000			238,000
Favorable Leases Net of Accumulation Amortization			382,474		382,474
Goodwill		47,064			47,064
Investment in Subsidiaries		1,831,904		(1,831,904)	
Other Assets		42,423	56,342		98,765
<b>Total Assets</b>	\$	\$ 2,367,641	\$ 2,289,239	\$ (2,126,512)	\$ 2,530,368
<b>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER S EQUITY</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>					
Accounts Payable	\$	\$ 489,481	\$	\$	\$ 489,481
Income Taxes Payable		3,295	108		3,403
Other Current Liabilities		132,345	86,252		218,597
Intercompany		294,608		(294,608)	
Current Maturities of Long Term Debt		10,000	788		10,788
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		929,729	87,148	(294,608)	722,269
Long Term Debt		1,427,799	23,837		1,451,636
Other Liabilities		56,435	157,912		214,347
Deferred Tax Liability		86,070	188,438		274,508
Investment in Subsidiaries	132,392			(132,392)	
<b>Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity:</b>					
<b>Common Stock</b>					
Capital in Excess of Par Value	467,907	467,907	1,063,182	(1,531,089)	467,907
(Accumulated Deficit) Retained Earnings	(600,299)	(600,299)	768,722	(168,423)	(600,299)
<b>Total Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity</b>	(132,392)	(132,392)	1,831,904	(1,699,512)	(132,392)
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder s (Deficit) Equity</b>	\$	\$ 2,367,641	\$ 2,289,239	\$ (2,126,512)	\$ 2,530,368



**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations**

(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	For the Three Months Ended April 28, 2012			Consolidated
		BCFW	Guarantors	Eliminations	
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Net Sales	\$	\$	\$ 982,422	\$	\$ 982,422
Other Revenue		31	7,503		7,534
<b>Total Revenue</b>		31	989,925		989,956
<b>COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>					
Cost of Sales			619,885		619,885
Selling and Administrative Expenses		47,512	259,625		307,137
Restructuring and Separation Costs (Note 4)		1,265	213		1,478
Depreciation and Amortization		6,401	33,524		39,925
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets			13		13
Other Income, Net		(1,265)	(1,039)		(2,304)
Interest Expense		28,957	522		29,479
Loss (Earnings) from Equity Investment	3,940	(53,756)		49,816	
<b>Total Costs and Expenses</b>	3,940	29,114	912,743	49,816	995,613
<b>(Loss) Income Before (Benefit) Provision for Income Taxes</b>	(3,940)	(29,083)	77,182	(49,816)	(5,657)
(Benefit) Provision for Income Taxes		(25,143)	23,426		(1,717)
<b>Net (Loss) Income</b>	\$ (3,940)	\$ (3,940)	\$ 53,756	\$ (49,816)	\$ (3,940)

**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidating Statement of Operations****(All amounts in thousands)**

	<b>Holdings</b>	<b>For the Three Months Ended April 30, 2011</b>			<b>Consolidated</b>
		<b>BCFW</b>	<b>Guarantors</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
Net Sales	\$	\$	\$ 929,081	\$	\$ 929,081
Other Revenue		86	7,164		7,250
<b>Total Revenue</b>		86	936,245		936,331
<b>COSTS AND EXPENSES:</b>					
Cost of Sales			577,303		577,303
Selling and Administrative Expenses		39,152	249,676		288,828
Depreciation and Amortization		4,879	31,741		36,620
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets			9		9
Other Income, Net		(1,743)	(1,066)		(2,809)
Loss on Extinguishment of Debt		36,042	1,722		37,764
Interest Expense		29,268	1,586		30,854
Loss (Earnings) from Equity Investment	21,057	(49,167)		28,110	
<b>Total Costs and Expenses</b>	21,057	58,431	860,971	28,110	968,569
<b>(Loss) Income Before (Benefit) Provision for Income Taxes</b>	(21,057)	(58,345)	75,274	(28,110)	(32,238)
(Benefit) Provision for Income Taxes		(37,288)	26,107		(11,181)
<b>Net (Loss) Income</b>	\$ (21,057)	\$ (21,057)	\$ 49,167	\$ (28,110)	\$ (21,057)

**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows**

(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	For the Three Months Ended April 28, 2012			Consolidated
		BCFW	Guarantors	Elimination	
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>					
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	\$	\$ 113,787	\$ 130,969	\$	\$ 244,756
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Cash Paid For Property and Equipment		(6,093)	(22,044)		(28,137)
Proceeds Received from Sale of Fixed Assets			(119)		(119)
Lease Rights Acquired			(86)		(86)
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>		(6,093)	(22,249)		(28,342)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Proceeds from Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit		55,200			55,200
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit		(245,200)			(245,200)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt			(164)		(164)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt Term Loan		(6,955)			(6,955)
Debt Issuance Cost		(13)			(13)
Intercompany Borrowings (Payments)		106,204	(106,204)		
Stock Options Exercised and Related Tax Benefits		394			394
Payment of Dividends	(1,686)	(1,686)		1,686	(1,686)
Receipt of Dividends	1,686			(1,686)	
<b>Net Cash Used In Financing Activities</b>		(92,056)	(106,368)		(198,424)
Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		15,638	2,352		17,990
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period		11,522	24,142		35,664
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	\$	\$ 27,160	\$ 26,494	\$	\$ 53,654

**Table of Contents****Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and Subsidiaries****Condensed Consolidating Statements of Cash Flows**

(All amounts in thousands)

	Holdings	For the Three Months Ended April 30, 2011			Consolidated
		BCFW	Guarantors	Elimination	
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>					
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	\$	\$ 360,066	\$ (49,507)	\$	\$ 310,559
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Cash Paid For Property and Equipment		(4,468)	(28,650)		(33,118)
Proceeds Received from Sale of Fixed Assets			(50)		(50)
Lease Rights Acquired			(72)		(72)
Change in Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents		(7,010)			(7,010)
Investing Activity-Other		22			22
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>		(11,456)	(28,772)		(40,228)
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>					
Proceeds from Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit		153,000			153,000
Proceeds from Long Term Debt Notes Payable		450,000			450,000
Proceeds from Long Term Debt Term Loan		990,000			990,000
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt ABL Line of Credit		(321,600)			(321,600)
Principal Repayments on Long Term Debt Senior Discount Notes		(99,309)			(99,309)
Principal Repayments on Long Term Debt Senior Notes		(302,056)			(302,056)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt			(205)		(205)
Principal Payments on Long Term Debt Term Loan		(780,050)			(780,050)
Debt Issuance Cost		(25,320)			(25,320)
Intercompany (Payments) Borrowings		(85,177)	85,177		
Excess Tax Benefit From Stock Based Compensation		448			448
Payment of Dividends	(297,917)	(297,917)		297,917	(297,917)
Receipt of Dividends	297,917			(297,917)	
<b>Net Cash Used In Financing Activities</b>		(317,981)	84,972		(233,009)
<b>Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>		30,629	6,693		37,322
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>		7,168	23,046		30,214
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	\$	\$ 37,797	\$ 29,739	\$	\$ 67,536



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### **BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY INVESTMENTS HOLDINGS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES**

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

The Company's management intends for this discussion to provide the reader with information that will assist in understanding the Company's financial statements, the changes in certain key items in those financial statements from period to period, and the primary factors that accounted for those changes, as well as how certain accounting principles affect our financial statements. All discussions of operations in this report relate to Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corporation and its subsidiaries, which are reflected in the financial statements of Burlington Coat Factory Investments Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries (hereinafter we or our or Holdings). The following discussion contains forward-looking information and should be read in conjunction with the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included elsewhere in this report and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K related to the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012 (Fiscal 2011 10-K). Our actual results could differ materially from the results contemplated by these forward-looking statements due to various factors, including those discussed under the section of this Item 2 entitled "Safe Harbor Statement."

#### **Fiscal Year**

Fiscal 2012 is defined as the 53 week year ending February 2, 2013. We define the 2011 fiscal year (Fiscal 2011) and the 2010 fiscal year (Fiscal 2010) as the 52 week periods ending January 28, 2012 and January 29, 2011, respectively.

#### **Overview**

Consolidated net sales increased \$53.3 million, or 5.7%, to \$982.4 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012 from \$929.1 million for the three months ended April 30, 2011. This increase was primarily attributable to an increase in sales related to new stores and stores previously opened that are not included in our comparative store sales as well as a 0.6% increase in our comparative store sales. We believe the comparative store sales increase was due primarily to our ongoing initiatives as discussed in further detail below (refer to the sections below entitled "Ongoing Initiatives for Fiscal 2012" and "Three Month Period Ended April 28, 2012 compared with Three Month Period Ended April 30, 2011" for further explanation).

Cost of sales increased \$42.6 million, or 7.4%, during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The dollar increase in cost of sales was primarily related to sales from 20 net new stores that were opened since April 30, 2011 as well as our 0.6%, or \$5.8 million, comparative store sales increase. Cost of sales as a percentage of net sales increased to 63.1% during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 of 62.1%. The increase in cost of sales as a percentage of net sales during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily driven by increased markdowns during the quarter compared with the prior year's quarter. As noted below in the section entitled "Ongoing Initiatives," we are focused on delivering a gross margin rate for the full fiscal year consistent with our historical levels.

Total selling and administrative expenses increased \$18.3 million, or 6.3%, during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011, primarily related to new stores. At April 28, 2012, we operated 482 stores compared with 462 stores at April 30, 2011. Selling and administrative expenses as a percentage of sales increased from 31.1% during the three months ended April 30, 2011 to 31.3% during the three months ended April 28, 2012 primarily related to certain investments aimed at improving our customers' shopping experience which were made during the third and fourth quarters of Fiscal 2011 and have not annualized.

We recorded a net loss of \$3.9 million for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with a net loss of \$21.1 million for the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The improvement in our operating results during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily attributable to a \$37.8 million loss on extinguishment of debt that occurred during the three months ended April 30, 2011 related to our February 2011 debt refinancing transactions, partially offset by planned investments in selling and administrative expenses as described above.

#### **Debt Refinancing**

On May 16, 2012, we entered into Amendment No. 1 (the "Amendment") to the credit agreement governing our term loan credit agreement (the "Term Loan Credit Agreement") in order to, among other things, reduce the applicable margin on the interest rates applicable to the our term loan facility by 50 basis points. To accomplish this interest rate reduction, the Amendment provides for a replacement of the outstanding \$950.5 million principal amount of term B loans (the "Term B Loans") with a like aggregate principal amount of term B-1 loans (the "Term B-1 Loans"). We offered existing term loan lenders the option to convert their Term B Loans into Term B-1 Loans on a non-cash basis. The Term B Loans of any existing lender that elected not to convert its Term B Loans into Term B-1 Loans were prepaid in full on the effective date of the

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Amendment from the proceeds of new Term B-1 Loans.

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The Term B-1 Loans have the same maturity date that was applicable to the Term B Loans. The Term Loan Credit Agreement provisions relating to the representations and warranties, covenants and events of default applicable to the Company and the guarantors were not modified by the Amendment.

### **Current Conditions**

#### *Store Openings, Closings, and Relocations.*

During the three months ended April 28, 2012, we opened five Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Stores (BCF Stores). As of April 28, 2012, we operated 482 stores under the names Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse (466 stores), Cohoes Fashions (two stores), MJM Designer Shoes (13 stores) and Super Baby Depot (one store).

We continue to pursue our growth plans and invest in capital projects that meet our financial requirements. We currently plan to open between 15 and 20 new stores (exclusive of 4 relocations) during the remainder of Fiscal 2012.

#### *Ongoing Initiatives for Fiscal 2012*

We continue to focus on a number of ongoing initiatives aimed at increasing our overall profitability by improving our comparative store sales trends, total sales growth and reducing expenses. These initiatives include, but are not limited to:

- I. Continuing to Offer a Leading Selection of Branded Apparel at Every Day Low Prices (EDLP):** We offer broad product assortments to provide our customers with a wider selection and variety of branded products and categories than that of our off-price competitors. Our selection of youth apparel, including special occasion clothing, as well as our baby clothing, furniture and care items are key offering differentiators from department stores selections. In contrast to merchandise at department and specialty stores, our merchandise is offered at EDLP, allowing customers to obtain great values at our stores without waiting for sales or promotions. We focus on delivering exceptional values that fit within a good, better and best pricing strategy.
  
- II. Continuing to Execute Our Open to Buy Model and Improve Merchandising:** Our open to buy paradigm, in which we purchase both pre-season and in-season merchandise, improves our receipt-to-reduction ratio and enables more flexibility for buying wear-now products. Our receipt-to-reduction ratio matches forecasted levels of receipts to forecasted inventory outflows (inclusive of sales, markdowns, and inventory shrinkage) on a monthly basis. Our buying model continues to be focused on purchasing less pre-season, with the majority in-season and opportunistically. Less pre-season purchasing allows us to buy more in-season product to capitalize on strong performing categories and businesses as well as to take full advantage of the current levels of highly desirable opportunistic product in the marketplace. We are also able to better appeal to our core female customer by improving product freshness and broadening brand assortments.
  
- III. Continuing to Improve Our Store Experience Through the Eyes of the Customer:** We have empowered our store teams to provide an outstanding customer experience for every customer in every store, every day. We will continue to streamline processes to create opportunities for fast and effective customer interactions wherever possible. Our mission is to have stores that reflect clean, organized merchandise presentations that highlight the brands, value and diversity of our selection within our assortments. We plan to continue execution of this initiative throughout Fiscal 2012 by:
  - a) Continuing with our in-store customer satisfaction program that measures 13 different aspects of customer satisfaction. Examples include: friendliness of associates, interior cleanliness and selection of merchandise;
  
  - b) Continuing the implementation of a store upgrade program with respect to stores that we have identified as having certain needs such as new flooring, painting, fitting room improvements and various other improvements. We expect to continue an

aggressive store upgrade program going forward;

- c) Continuing to train, develop and recognize our store employees so that they can continue to provide an outstanding customer experience. Our goal is to provide an outstanding customer experience to every customer in every store, every time they enter the store. We expect to accomplish this through enhanced training and education programs, the continuing evolution of our Manager on Duty program and our enhanced associate and store recognition programs. Through these, and other directives, we expect to keep our store managers and store associates focused on core behaviors that will enhance the customer experience and ultimately drive sales; and
- d) Continuing to improve our execution within the stores in order to get goods to the floor more quickly in a manner that makes it easier for the customer to find what they are looking for and to improve the efficiency at checkout.

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We plan to accomplish this through:

enhancing our store receiving procedures so we can get goods from the loading dock to the floor in a more timely manner;

enhancing our sizing initiatives to make it easier for customers to find the size of the goods they are looking for and

enhancing and expanding our queuing project practices such that customers check out through one line where the next available register checks out the next customer in the line, ultimately improving the speed at which customers can get through the checkout process as well as driving incremental sales related to impulse buys while customers are in the queue.

**IV. Continuing to Focus on Improving our Customer Loyalty:** We continue to focus on enhancing our relationship with our current customer base with the goal of increasing the frequency with which they shop our stores as well as the amount of merchandise they buy during those visits. We intend to accomplish this through:

- a) Continuing our improvement of the in-store experience, as previously described;
- b) Continuing to enhance the targeting of our message to our customers. We are developing more tactical ways to better communicate with our customers, both nationally and locally.

**V. Continuing to Deliver Consistent Gross Margin:** We continue to focus on having stable merchandise gross margin as a percentage of net sales. We plan to continue execution of this initiative by:

- a) Continuing the implementation of new software applications which will provide for enhanced functionality during Fiscal 2012 and beyond including:

refined allocation of goods;

markdown optimization; and

more efficient planning and forecasting tools.

The foundation of these systems and the new planning tools were completed during Fiscal 2011. The enhanced functionality related to allocation of goods and markdown optimization are planned to be fully implemented during Fiscal 2012 and Fiscal 2013;

- b) Continuing to manage our inventory receipt to reduction ratio. By matching receipt dollars to sales and markdown dollars we believe we will continue to maintain liquidity and will be able to take advantage of in season buying opportunities and to capitalize on those businesses that are trending well;

- c) Continuing to ensure adequate open to buy and buying more opportunistically in season. By staying liquid, we believe we will put ourselves in a position to be able to take advantage of opportunistic in-season buys that will maximize our sales;
- d) Continuing to improve the amount of current inventory as a percentage of our total inventory. By having more current inventory in our merchandise mix, we believe we will be afforded more pricing flexibility to provide additional value to our customers without reducing our overall merchandise margins; and
- e) Reducing our shrink as a percentage of net sales. During Fiscal 2011 we added additional resources to help improve existing controls and processes to reduce our shrink as a percentage of net sales without negatively impacting the store experience. We expect to continue to see improved results from this initiative during Fiscal 2012.

**VI. Continuing to Improve Upon Operating Efficiencies:**

- a) **Improve store efficiencies.** During Fiscal 2011, we implemented an automated workforce scheduling system in our stores. We believe this new system will provide numerous efficiencies without sacrificing our ability to serve our customers, including, but not limited to, better forecasting of volume and workload, improved allocation of manpower to meet customer demand, and support of our store experience and service initiatives.
- b) **Supply chain efficiencies.** We continue to work on several key initiatives to improve supply chain efficiencies and service levels. We will continue to make prudent investments within our distribution network to handle increased volume with greater flexibility. In turn, this should allow us to better support our off price model and enable our merchants to take advantage of more closeout opportunities.

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Additionally, we will continue working towards minimizing costs and improving efficiencies with any expected savings being reinvested into the business. We plan to accomplish this primarily by increasing labor efficiency, strategically reducing our vendor direct to store shipments and reducing our outbound distribution expense through a variety of initiatives.

### **Uncertainties and Challenges**

As management strives to increase profitability through achieving positive comparative store sales and leveraging productivity initiatives focused on improving the in-store experience, more efficient movement of products from the vendors to the selling floors, and modifying our marketing plans to increase our core customer base and increase our share of our current customers' spending, there are uncertainties and challenges that we face as an off-price retailer of apparel and accessories for men, women and children and home furnishings that could have a material impact on our revenues or income.

Consumer spending habits, including spending for the merchandise that we sell, are affected by, among other things, prevailing economic conditions, inflation, levels of employment, salaries and wage rates, prevailing interest rates, housing costs, energy costs, income tax rates and policies, consumer confidence and consumer perception of economic conditions. In addition, consumer purchasing patterns may be influenced by consumers' disposable income, credit availability and debt levels. A weakness in the U.S. economy, an uncertain economic outlook or a credit crisis could adversely affect consumer spending habits resulting in lower net sales and profits than expected on a quarterly or annual basis. Consumer confidence is also affected by the domestic international political situation. Our financial condition and operations could be impacted by changes in government regulations such as taxes, healthcare reform and other areas. The outbreak or escalation of war or the occurrence of terrorist acts or other hostilities in or affecting the U.S. could lead to a decrease in spending by consumers.

We closely monitor our net sales, gross margin, expenses and working capital. We have performed scenario planning such that if our net sales decline, we have identified variable costs that could be reduced to partially mitigate the impact of these declines. If adverse economic trends continue to deteriorate, or if our efforts to counteract the impacts of these trends are not sufficiently effective, there could be a negative impact on our financial performance and position in future fiscal periods. For further discussion of the risks to us regarding general economic conditions, please refer to the section below entitled "Liquidity and Capital Resources" and the risks discussed in the Fiscal 2011 10-K.

### **Key Performance Measures**

We consider numerous factors in assessing our performance. Key performance measures used by management include comparative store sales, gross margin, inventory levels, receipt-to-reduction ratio, liquidity and store payroll as a percentage of net sales.

*Comparative Store Sales.* Comparative store sales measure performance of a store during the current reporting period against the performance of the same store in the corresponding period of the previous year. The method of calculating comparative store sales varies across the retail industry. As a result, our definition of comparative store sales may differ from other retailers. We define comparative store sales as sales of those stores commencing on the first day of the fiscal month one year after the end of their grand opening activities, which normally conclude within the first two months of operations. For the three months ended April 28, 2012, we experienced an increase in comparative store sales of 0.6%.

Various factors affect comparative store sales, including, but not limited to, weather conditions, current economic conditions, the timing of our releases of new merchandise and promotional events, the general retail sales environment, consumer preferences and buying trends, changes in sales mix among distribution channels, competition, and the success of marketing programs.

*Gross Margin.* Gross margin is a measure used by management to indicate whether we are selling merchandise at an appropriate gross profit. Gross margin is the difference between net sales and the cost of sales (exclusive of depreciation and amortization). Our cost of sales and gross margin may not be comparable to those of other entities, since some entities include all of the costs related to their buying and distribution functions in cost of sales. We include certain of these costs in the "Selling and Administrative Expenses" and "Depreciation and Amortization" line items in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. We include in our "Cost of Sales" line item all costs of merchandise (net of purchase discounts and certain vendor allowances), inbound freight, distribution center outbound freight and certain merchandise acquisition costs, primarily commissions and import fees. Gross margin as a percentage of net sales decreased to 36.9% during the three months ended April 28, 2012 from 37.9% during the three months ended April 30, 2011 primarily driven by increased markdowns during the quarter compared with the prior year's quarter.

*Inventory Levels.* Inventory at April 28, 2012 was \$660.9 million compared to \$682.3 million at January 28, 2012. The decrease of \$21.4 million was the result of our ongoing initiatives to reduce inventory levels which we believe will result in faster turns and reduced markdowns. The decrease in inventory resulted in a decrease of average store inventory (inclusive of stores and warehouse inventory) at April 28, 2012 of approximately 4.1% to \$1.4 million per store.





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Inventory at April 28, 2012 decreased \$28.1 million from \$689.0 million at April 30, 2011 to \$660.9 million at April 28, 2012. This decrease was primarily the result of a decrease in comparative store inventory of 15.6%. This decrease was partially offset by the opening of 20 net new stores since April 30, 2011 and an increase in the level of inventory purchased and held as a result of opportunistic buys as of April 28, 2012 compared with April 30, 2011. Average store inventory (inclusive of store and warehouse inventory) at April 28, 2012 decreased 8.1% to \$1.4 million per store compared with average store inventory of \$1.5 million at April 30, 2011.

In order to better serve our customers, and maximize sales, we continue to refine our merchandising mix and inventory levels within our stores. By managing our inventories appropriately we believe we will be better able to deliver a continual flow of fresh merchandise to our customers. We continue to move toward more productive inventories by increasing the amount of current inventory as a percent of total inventory.

*Receipt-to-Reduction Ratio.* We continue to manage our merchandise flow based on a receipt-to-reduction ratio. By matching forecasted levels of receipts to forecasted inventory outflows (inclusive of sales, markdowns and inventory shrinkage) on a monthly basis, we believe we will create a more normalized receipt cadence to support sales which will ultimately lead to an improved inventory turnover ratio.

Inventory turnover is a measure that indicates how efficiently inventory is bought and sold. It measures the length of time that we own our inventory. This is significant because usually the longer the inventory is owned, the more likely markdowns may be required to sell the inventory. Inventory turnover is calculated by dividing retail sales before sales discounts by the average retail value of the inventory for the period being measured. Our annualized inventory turnover rate (inclusive of stores and warehouse inventory) as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 was 2.9 turns per year and 2.8 turns per year, respectively. Our comparative store inventory turnover rate (exclusive of warehouse inventory) increased 14.1% during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011.

*Liquidity.* Liquidity measures our ability to generate cash. Management measures liquidity through cash flow and working capital position. Cash flow is the measure of cash generated from operating, financing, and investing activities. We generated cash flow of \$18.0 million during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with the cash flow generated during the three month period ended April 30, 2011 of \$37.3 million. This decrease was primarily driven by a smaller increase in accounts payable from January 28, 2012 to April 28, 2012 compared with the accounts payable increase from January 29, 2011 to April 30, 2011 related to our working capital management strategy at the end of each fiscal year. Our working capital management strategy accelerated certain vendor payments at the end of each fiscal year that typically would not have been made until the first quarter of the next fiscal year, which lowered our accounts payable balances at the end of each fiscal year. As our accounts payable balances return to historical levels at the end of the first quarter of each fiscal year, this creates additional cash flow. The decrease during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily driven by fewer accelerated payments made as part of our working capital management strategy during January of Fiscal 2011 compared with January of Fiscal 2010 and the timing of accounts payable payments.

Changes in working capital also impact our cash flows. Working capital equals current assets (exclusive of restricted cash and cash equivalents) minus current liabilities. Working capital at April 28, 2012 was \$140.6 million compared with \$337.9 million at January 28, 2012. The decrease in working capital from January 28, 2012 was primarily attributable to an increase in accounts payable related to the Company's year end working capital management strategy.

Working capital at April 28, 2012 decreased \$14.3 million from \$154.9 million at April 30, 2011 to \$140.6 million at April 28, 2012. The decrease in working capital was primarily attributable to a decrease in inventory levels, partially offset by a decrease in accounts payable from April 30, 2011 to April 28, 2012.

*Store Payroll as a Percentage of Net Sales.* Store payroll as a percentage of net sales measures our ability to manage our payroll in accordance with increases or decreases in net sales. The method of calculating store payroll varies across the retail industry. As a result, our store payroll as a percentage of net sales may differ from other retailers. We define store payroll as regular and overtime payroll for all store personnel as well as regional and territory personnel, exclusive of payroll charges to corporate and warehouse employees. Store payroll as a percentage of net sales was 10.0% during both of the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011.

## **Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect (i) the reported amounts of assets and liabilities; (ii) the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements; and (iii) the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. On an on-going basis, management evaluates its estimates and judgments, including those related to inventories, long lived assets, intangible assets, goodwill impairment, insurance reserves and

income taxes. Historical experience and various

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other factors, that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, form the basis for making estimates and judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Our critical accounting policies and estimates are consistent with those disclosed in our Fiscal 2011 10-K.

**Results of Operations**

The following table sets forth certain items in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss as a percentage of net sales for the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011.

	<b>Percentage of Net Sales Three Months Ended</b>	
	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
Net Sales	100.0%	100%
Other Revenue	0.8	0.8
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>100.8</b>	<b>100.8</b>
Cost of Sales	63.1	62.1
Selling and Administrative Expenses	31.3	31.1
Restructuring and Separation Costs	0.1	
Depreciation and Amortization	4.1	3.9
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets		
Other (Income) Expense, Net	(0.2)	(0.2)
Loss on Extinguishment of Debt	0.0	4.1
Interest Expense	3.0	3.3
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>101.4</b>	<b>104.3</b>
<b>Loss before Income Tax Benefit</b>	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>(3.5)</b>
Income Tax Benefit	(0.2)	(1.2)
<b>Net Loss</b>	<b>(0.4)%</b>	<b>(2.3)%</b>

**Three Month Period Ended April 28, 2012 compared with Three Month Period Ended April 30, 2011*****Net Sales***

Consolidated net sales increased \$53.3 million, or 5.7%, to \$982.4 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012 from \$929.1 million for the three months ended April 30, 2011. This increase was attributable to a combination of the following:

an increase in net sales of \$38.9 million from stores previously opened that were not included in our comparative store sales,

an increase in net sales of \$9.9 million related to five new stores opened during the three months ended April 28, 2012, and

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an increase in comparative store sales of \$5.8 million, or 0.6%, to \$927.8 million; partially offset by

a decrease in net sales of \$1.3 million from closed stores and other sales adjustments.

We believe the comparative store sales increase was due primarily to our ongoing initiatives as discussed previously under the caption entitled Ongoing Initiatives for Fiscal 2012.

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Other revenue (consisting of rental income from leased departments, sublease rental income, layaway, alteration and other service charges, and miscellaneous revenue items) for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 increased \$0.2 million, to \$7.5 million, compared with other revenue for the three month period ended April 30, 2011 of \$7.3 million.

**Cost of Sales**

Cost of sales increased \$42.6 million, or 7.4%, during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The dollar increase in cost of sales was primarily related to 20 net new stores that were opened since April 30, 2011 as well as our 0.6% comparative store sales increase. Cost of sales as a percentage of net sales increased to 63.1% during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with 62.1% during the three months ended April 30, 2011. The increase in cost of sales as a percentage of net sales during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily driven by increased markdowns during the quarter compared with the prior year's quarter. As noted above, in the section entitled Ongoing Initiatives we are focused on delivering a gross margin rate for the full fiscal year consistent with our historical levels.

**Selling and Administrative Expenses**

Selling and administrative expenses increased \$18.3 million, or 6.3%, for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The increase in selling and administrative expenses is summarized in the table below:

	(in thousands)			
	Three Months Ended		\$ Variance	% Change
	April 28, 2012	April 30, 2011		
Payroll and Payroll Related	\$ 146,253	\$ 134,205	\$ 12,048	9.0%
Occupancy	96,981	93,775	3,206	3.4
Benefit Costs	6,883	4,670	2,213	47.4
Other	32,915	31,645	1,270	4.0
Advertising	17,778	17,513	265	1.5
Business Insurance	6,327	7,020	(693)	(9.9)
<b>Selling &amp; Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 307,137</b>	<b>\$ 288,828</b>	<b>\$ 18,309</b>	<b>6.3%</b>

The increase in payroll and payroll related expense of \$12.0 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily related to the addition of five new stores as well as stores that were operating for the full three months ended April 28, 2012 that were not operating for the full three months ended April 30, 2011. Amounts related to these stores resulted in an increase in payroll and payroll related costs of \$7.0 million.

Also contributing to the increase in payroll and payroll related expenses was a \$3.4 million increase related to additional investments in store payroll aimed at improving our customers' shopping experience as well as an increase in bonus expense of \$1.6 million primarily related to an increase in the bonus accrual due to additional employees in the bonus plan.

The increase in occupancy related costs of \$3.2 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily related to increases in stores that operated for the full three month period ended April 28, 2012 that were not operating for the full three months ended April 30, 2011 of \$3.6 million and new store increases of \$1.6 million. We also experienced a \$1.0 million increase in rent expense and real estate taxes. These increases were partially offset by a \$1.7 million decrease in maintenance costs and a \$1.3 million decrease in utilities expense, both resulting from our ongoing initiatives to reduce costs without sacrificing customer satisfaction.

Benefit costs increased \$2.2 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 due to increased participation in our health insurance plan at April 28, 2012 compared with April 30, 2011.

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Other selling and administrative expenses increased \$1.3 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 primarily related to the addition of five net new stores as well as stores that were operating for the full three months ended April 28, 2012 that were not operating for the full three months ended April 30, 2011. Amounts related to these stores resulted in an increase in other selling and administrative expenses of \$0.9 million.

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### ***Restructuring and Separation Costs***

As part of our ongoing effort to ensure that our resources are in line with our business objectives, we regularly review all areas of the business to identify efficiency opportunities to enhance our performance. During the three months ended April 28, 2012, we continued our reorganization of certain positions within our stores and corporate locations in an effort to improve workflow efficiencies and realign certain responsibilities. As a result of these reorganizational efforts, we incurred a restructuring and separation charge of \$1.5 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012. We did not incur any restructuring and separation charges during the three months ended April 30, 2011. Refer to Note 4 of our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements entitled *Restructuring and Separation Costs* for further discussion.

### ***Depreciation and Amortization***

Depreciation and amortization expense related to the depreciation of fixed assets and the amortization of favorable and unfavorable leases amounted to \$39.9 million during the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with \$36.6 million during the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The increase in depreciation and amortization expense is primarily driven by capital expenditures related to investments in our corporate and warehouse functions as well as 20 net new stores opened since April 30, 2011.

### ***Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets***

There were less than \$0.1 million of impairment charges during the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011. These impairment charges were related to fixed asset additions at stores that had been previously impaired and therefore could not support the additional asset value. There were no triggering events during these periods that would have required us to perform additional impairment testing.

The recoverability assessment related to these store-level assets requires judgments and estimates of future revenues, gross margin rates and store expenses. We base these estimates upon our past and expected future performance. We believe our estimates are appropriate in light of current market conditions. However, future impairment charges could be required if we do not achieve our current revenue or cash flow projections for each store.

### ***Other (Income), Net***

Other (Income), Net (consisting of investment income, gains and losses on disposition of assets, breakage income and other miscellaneous items) decreased \$0.5 million to \$2.3 million for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three month period ended April 30, 2011.

### ***Loss on Extinguishment of Debt***

On February 24, 2011 we completed the refinancing of our \$900 million Senior Secured Term Loan, 11.1% Senior Notes (Previous Senior Notes), and 14.5% Senior Discount Notes (Previous Senior Discount Notes). As a result of these transactions, our Previous Senior Notes and our Previous Senior Discount Notes, with carrying values at February 24, 2011 of \$302.0 million and \$99.3 million, respectively, were replaced with a \$450.0 million aggregated principal amount of 10% Senior Notes due 2019 at an issue price of 100% (Notes). Additionally, our \$900 million Senior Secured Term Loan Facility with a carrying value of \$777.6 million at February 24, 2011 was replaced with a \$1,000.0 million Term Loan Facility. Borrowings on the ABL Line of Credit related to the refinancing transactions were \$101.6 million.

In connection with the offering of the Notes and the refinancing of the Term Loan Facility, the Company declared a dividend of approximately \$300.0 million, in the aggregate, on a pro rata basis to the stockholders of Parent.

In accordance with ASC Topic No. 470, *Debt Modifications and Extinguishments* (Topic 470), the transactions noted above were determined to be an extinguishment of the previous debt and an issuance of new debt. As a result, we recorded a loss on the extinguishment of debt in the amount of \$37.8 million in the line item *Loss on Extinguishment of Debt* in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss for the three months ended April 30, 2011. Of the \$37.8 million loss on the extinguishment of debt, \$21.4 million represented early call premiums that we paid to the holders of our Previous Senior Notes and Previous Senior Discount Notes. The remaining \$16.4 million represented the write off of deferred financing fees related to the extinguished debt facilities.

### ***Interest Expense***

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Interest expense was \$29.5 million for the three month period ended April 28, 2012 compared with \$30.9 million for the three month period ended April 30, 2011. The \$1.4 million decrease in interest expense was primarily driven by adjustments of our interest rate cap agreements to fair value which are recorded in the line item Interest Expense in our Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Loss. Adjustments of the interest rate cap agreements to fair value amounted to a gain of \$0.1 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with a loss of \$1.3 million for the three months ended April 30, 2011. The loss recognized during the three months ended April 30, 2011 was primarily the result of a decrease in the underlying market rates, which in turn, decreased the value of the interest rate cap agreements.



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Our average interest rates and average balances related to our Term Loan Facility and our ABL Line of Credit, for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011 are summarized in the table below:

		Three Months Ended	
		April 28, 2012	April 30, 2011
Average Interest Rate	ABL Line of Credit	2.2%	4.5%
Average Interest Rate	Term Loan	6.3%	5.6%
Average Balance	ABL Line of Credit	\$ 80.8 million	\$ 72.7 million
Average Balance	Term Loan	\$ 957.4 million	\$ 927.5 million

**Income Tax Benefit**

Income tax benefit was \$1.7 million for the three month period ended April 28, 2012. For the three months ended April 30, 2011 we recorded income tax benefit of \$11.2 million. The effective tax rates for the three month periods ended April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011 were 30.4% and 34.7% respectively. In accordance with ASC Topic No. 270, *Interim Reporting* (Topic No. 270) and ASC Topic No. 740, *Income Taxes* (Topic No. 740), at the end of each interim period we are required to determine the best estimate of our annual effective tax rate and then apply that rate in providing for income taxes on a current year-to-date (interim period) basis. We used this methodology during the first quarter of Fiscal 2012, resulting in the annual effective income tax rate of 41.8% (before discrete items) being our best estimate. The effective tax rate for the three months ended April 28, 2012 was impacted by discrete adjustments that decreased the tax benefit by \$0.6 million related to the accrual of interest related to unrecognized tax benefits established in prior years in accordance with Topic No. 740.

Our best estimate of the projected annual effective income tax rate for the three months ended April 30, 2011 was 32.7% (before discrete items). The effective tax rate for the three months ended April 30, 2011 was impacted by discrete adjustments that increased the tax benefit by \$0.7 million predominantly relating to newly enacted state legislation during the quarter, net of payment of tax assessments not previously accrued for, and the accrual of interest related to unrecognized tax benefits established in prior years in accordance with Topic No. 740.

As of April 28, 2012, Congress had not yet extended certain tax credits. As a result, the estimated annual effective tax rate of 41.8% for Fiscal 2012 was higher than the estimated annual effective tax rate of 32.7% for Fiscal 2011 primarily due to the effect of these tax credits being excluded from the estimated annual effective tax rate for Fiscal 2012.

**Net Loss**

Net loss amounted to \$3.9 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with net loss of \$21.1 million for the three months ended April 30, 2011. The improvement in our net loss of \$17.2 million was directly attributable to a loss on extinguishment of debt that occurred during the three months ended April 30, 2011, partially offset by additional planned investments in selling and administrative expenses as previously discussed.

**Liquidity and Capital Resources****Overview**

We fund inventory expenditures during normal and peak periods through cash flows from operating activities, available cash, and our ABL Line of Credit. Liquidity may be affected by the terms we are able to obtain from vendors and their factors. Our working capital needs follow a seasonal pattern, peaking each October and November when inventory is received for the Fall selling season. Our largest source of operating cash flows is cash collections from our customers. In general, our primary uses of cash are providing for working capital, which principally represents the purchase of inventory, the payment of operating expenses, debt servicing, the opening of new stores and the remodeling of existing stores. As of April 28, 2012, we had unused availability on our ABL Line of Credit of \$472.4 million.

Our ability to satisfy interest payment obligations on our outstanding debt and maintain compliance with our debt covenants, as discussed below, will depend largely on our future performance which, in turn, is subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors beyond our control. If we do not have sufficient cash flow to service interest payment obligations on our outstanding indebtedness and if we cannot borrow or obtain equity financing to satisfy those obligations, our business and results of operations will be materially adversely affected. We cannot be assured that any replacement borrowing or equity financing could be successfully completed on terms similar to our current financing agreements, or at all.

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We closely monitor our net sales, gross margin, expenses and working capital. We have performed scenario planning such that if our net sales decline, we have identified variable costs that could be reduced to partially mitigate the impact of these

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declines and maintain compliance with our debt covenants. We believe that cash generated from operations, along with our existing cash and our ABL Line of Credit, will be sufficient to fund our expected cash flow requirements and planned capital expenditures for at least the next twelve months as well as the foreseeable future. However, there can be no assurance that we would be able to offset any declines in our comparative store sales with continued savings initiatives in the event that the economy declines.

Our Term Loan agreement contains financial, affirmative and negative covenants and requires that we, among other things, maintain on the last day of each fiscal quarter a consolidated leverage ratio not to exceed a maximum amount and maintain a consolidated interest coverage ratio of at least a certain amount. The consolidated leverage ratio compares our total debt to Adjusted EBITDA, as each term is defined in the credit agreement governing the Term Loan, for the trailing twelve months, and that ratio may not exceed 6.75 to 1 through October 27, 2012; 6.25 to 1 through November 2, 2013; 5.5 to 1 through November 1, 2014; 5.00 to 1 through October 31, 2015; and 4.75 to 1 January 30, 2016 and thereafter. The consolidated interest coverage ratio compares our consolidated interest expense to Adjusted EBITDA, as each term is defined in the new credit agreement governing the Term Loan, for the trailing twelve months, and that ratio must exceed 1.75 to 1 through October 27, 2012; 1.85 to 1 through November 2, 2013; 2.00 to 1 through October 31, 2015; and 2.10 to 1 at January 30, 2016 and thereafter.

Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure of our liquidity. Adjusted EBITDA, as defined in the credit agreement governing our Term Loan, starts with consolidated net loss for the period and adds back (i) depreciation, amortization, impairments and other non-cash charges that were deducted in arriving at consolidated net loss, (ii) the (benefit) provision for taxes, (iii) interest expense, (iv) advisory fees, and (v) unusual, non-recurring or extraordinary expenses, losses or charges as reasonably approved by the administrative agent for such period. Adjusted EBITDA is used to calculate the consolidated leverage ratio and the consolidated interest coverage ratio. We present Adjusted EBITDA because we believe it is a useful supplemental measure in evaluating the performance of our business and provides greater transparency into our results of operations. Adjusted EBITDA provides management, including our chief operating decision maker, with helpful information with respect to our operations such as our ability to meet our future debt service, fund our capital expenditures and working capital requirements, and comply with various covenants in the indenture governing our outstanding notes and the credit agreements governing our senior secured credit facilities which are material to our financial condition and financial statements. As of April 28, 2012, we were in compliance with all of our covenants under our Term Loan Facility.

Adjusted EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, and should not be considered either in isolation or as a substitute for net income or other data prepared in accordance with GAAP or for analyzing our results or cash flows from operating activities, as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations include:

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, our working capital needs;

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect our interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on our debt;

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect our income tax expense or the cash requirements to pay our taxes;

Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect historical cash expenditures or future requirements for capital expenditures or contractual commitments;

Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will likely have to be replaced in the future, and Adjusted EBITDA measures do not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements; and

Other companies in our industry may calculate Adjusted EBITDA differently such that our calculation may not be directly comparable.

Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended April 28, 2012 decreased \$10.5 million, or 13.0%, to \$69.9 million from \$80.4 million during the three months ended April 30, 2011. The decrease in Adjusted EBITDA was primarily the result of a planned decrease in gross margin rate during the quarter as well as planned strategic investments in selling and administrative expenses.

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The following table shows our calculation of Adjusted EBITDA for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011:

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	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
	<b>3 Months Ended</b>	
	<b>April 28, 2012</b>	<b>April 30, 2011</b>
<b><u>Reconciliation of Net Loss to Adjusted EBITDA:</u></b>		
Net Loss	\$ (3,940)	\$ (21,057)
Interest Expense	29,479	30,854
Income Tax Benefit	(1,717)	(11,181)
Depreciation and Amortization	39,925	36,620
Impairment Charges Long-Lived Assets	13	9
Non Cash Straight-Line Rent Expense (a)	1,160	2,510
Advisory Fees (b)	1,035	1,116
Stock Compensation Expense (c)	791	705
Amortization of Purchased Lease Rights (d)	232	218
Franchise Taxes (e)	348	632
Insurance Reserve (f)		1,176
Advertising Expense Related to Barter (g)	922	1,278
Loss on Disposal of Fixed Assets (h)	167	249
Refinancing Fees (i)		(528)
Loss on Extinguishment of Debt (j)		37,764
Other Non-Cash Charges (k)	(22)	35
Litigation Reserve (l)	69	
Severance and Restructuring (m)	1,478	
<b>Adjusted EBITDA</b>	<b>\$ 69,940</b>	<b>\$ 80,400</b>
<b><u>Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:</u></b>		
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 69,940	\$ 80,400
Interest Expense	(29,479)	(30,854)
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	209,937	270,573
Other Items, Net	(5,642)	(9,560)
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<b>\$ 244,756</b>	<b>\$ 310,559</b>
<b>Net Cash Used in Investing Activities</b>	<b>\$ (28,342)</b>	<b>\$ (40,228)</b>
<b>Net Cash Used in Financing Activities</b>	<b>\$ (198,424)</b>	<b>\$ (233,009)</b>

- (a) Represents the difference between the actual base rent and rent expense calculated in accordance with GAAP (on a straight line basis), in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (b) Represents the annual advisory fee of Bain Capital expensed during the fiscal periods, in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (c) Represents expenses recorded under ASC Topic No. 718 *Stock Compensation* during the fiscal periods, in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (d) Represents amortization of purchased lease rights which are recorded in rent expense within our selling and administrative line items, in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (e) Represents franchise taxes paid based on our equity, as approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (f) Represents the non-cash change in reserves based on estimated general liability, workers compensation and health insurance claims as approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (g) Represents non-cash advertising expense based on the usage of barter advertising credits obtained as part of a non-cash exchange of inventory, as approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (h) Represents the gross non-cash loss recorded on the disposal of certain assets in the ordinary course of business, in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.

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- (i) Represents refinancing fees that otherwise would reduce Adjusted EBITDA as approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and the ABL Line of Credit.
- (j) Represents charges incurred in accordance with Topic 470, whereby we incurred a loss on the settlement of old debt instruments as approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and the ABL Line of Credit.

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- (k) Represents other non-cash charges in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan Facility and ABL Line of Credit.
- (l) Represents charges incurred in conjunction with a non-recurring litigation reserves approved by the administrative agents for the Term Loan Facility and the ABL Line of Credit.
- (m) Represents a severance and restructuring charge resulting from a reorganization of certain positions within our stores and corporate locations (refer to Note 4 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements entitled "Restructuring and Separation Costs" for further discussion), in accordance with the credit agreements governing the Term Loan and ABL Line of Credit.

### ***Cash Flow for the Three Months Ended April 28, 2012 Compared with the Three Months Ended April 30, 2011***

We generated \$18.0 million of cash flow for the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with \$37.3 million of cash flow for the three months ended April 30, 2011. Net cash provided by operating activities amounted to \$244.8 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012. For the three months ended April 30, 2011, net cash provided by operating activities amounted to \$310.6 million. The decrease in net cash provided by operating activities was primarily the result of changes in the Company's working capital. The biggest driver of the decrease relates to cash flow from changes in accounts payable. Cash flow from the change in accounts payable for the three months ended April 28, 2012 decreased \$104.2 million compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011. This decrease was primarily driven by a smaller increase in accounts payable from January 28, 2012 to April 28, 2012 compared with the accounts payable increase from January 29, 2011 to April 30, 2011 related to our working capital management strategy at the end of each fiscal year. Our working capital management strategy accelerated certain vendor payments at the end of each fiscal year that typically would not have been made until the first quarter of the next fiscal year, which lowered our accounts payable balances at the end of each fiscal year. As our accounts payable balances return to historical levels at the end of the first quarter of each fiscal year, this creates additional cash flow. The increase in accounts payable was primarily driven by the difference in the accelerated payments during January of Fiscal 2011 of \$152.9 million compared with the payments made in January of Fiscal 2010 of \$237.7 million and the timing of payments.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased from \$40.2 million for the three months ended April 30, 2011 to \$28.3 million for the three months ended April 28, 2012. This decrease was primarily the result of \$5.0 million less capital expenditures during the quarter and an increase in restricted cash of \$7.0 million during the three months ended April 30, 2011 that did not repeat during the three months ended April 28, 2012.

Cash flow used in financing activities decreased \$34.6 million during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011. The decrease in cash used in financing activities was primarily related to our debt refinancing transaction in February 2011 and related dividend payment. These transactions netted a cash outflow during the three months ended April 30, 2011 of approximately \$64.7 million that did not repeat during the three months ended April 28, 2012. This was partially offset by \$21.4 million of higher net repayments on our ABL Line of Credit during the three months ended April 28, 2012 compared with the three months ended April 30, 2011.

Cash flow and working capital levels assist management in measuring our ability to meet our cash requirements. Working capital measures our current financial position. Working capital is defined as current assets (exclusive of restricted cash) less current liabilities. Working capital at April 28, 2012 was \$140.6 million compared with \$337.9 million at January 28, 2012. The decrease in working capital was primarily the result of increased accounts payable as of April 28, 2012 compared with January 28, 2012.

### ***Operational Growth***

During the three months ended April 28, 2012, we opened five BCF stores. As of April 28, 2012, we operated stores under the names Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse (466 stores), MJM Designer Shoes (13 stores), Cohoes Fashions (two stores) and Super Baby Depot (one store). We estimate that we will spend between \$130 and \$140 million, net of approximately \$30 million of landlord allowances, in capital expenditures during Fiscal 2012, including approximately \$90 million, net of the previously mentioned landlord allowances for store expenditures, and \$20 million for information technology. We expect to use the remaining capital to support continued distribution facility enhancements and other initiatives. For the three months ended April 28, 2012, capital expenditures, net of landlord allowances, amounted to \$16.2 million.

We monitor the availability of desirable locations for our stores from such sources as presentations by brokers, real estate developers and existing landlords, evaluating dispositions by other retail chains and bankruptcy auctions. Most of our stores are located in malls, strip shopping centers, regional power centers or are freestanding. We also lease existing space and are opening some built-to-suit locations. For most of our new leases, our lease model provides for at least a ten year initial term with a number of five year options thereafter. Typically, our lease strategy includes landlord allowances for leasehold improvements. We believe our lease model makes us more competitive with other retailers for desirable locations. We may seek to acquire a number of such locations either through transactions to acquire individual locations or transactions that involve the acquisition of multiple locations simultaneously.

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Additionally, we may consider strategic acquisitions. If we undertake such transactions, we may seek additional financing to fund acquisitions and carrying charges (i.e., the cost of rental, maintenance, tax and other obligations associated with such properties from the time of commitment to acquire to the time that such locations can be readied for opening as our stores) related to the newly acquired stores. There can be no assurance, however, that any additional locations will become available from other retailers or that, if available, we will undertake to bid or be successful in bidding for such locations. Furthermore, to the extent that we decide to purchase additional store locations, it may be necessary to finance such acquisitions with additional long term borrowings.

From time to time we make available for sale certain assets based on current market conditions. These assets are recorded in the line item *Assets Held for Sale* in our Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Based on prevailing market conditions, we may determine that it is no longer advantageous to continue marketing certain assets and will reclassify those assets out of the line item *Assets Held for Sale* and into the respective asset category based on the lesser of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell.

### ***Dividends***

Payment of dividends is prohibited under our credit agreements except in limited circumstances. In connection with our February 2011 refinancing, we declared a cash dividend of approximately \$300.0 million in the aggregate. During the three months ended April 28, 2012, \$1.7 million of this dividend was paid to the stock holders of Parent, on a pro rata basis. During the three months ended April 30, 2011, \$297.9 million of this dividend was paid to the stock holders of Parent, on a pro rata basis. As a result of certain stock holders forfeiting Parent's restricted stock prior to the payment date, \$0.4 million of dividend equivalent payments were forfeited and reverted back to us.

### ***Long Term Borrowings, Lines of Credit and Capital Lease Obligations***

Holdings and each of our current and future subsidiaries, with the exception on one immaterial non-guarantor subsidiary, have fully, jointly, severally, unconditionally, and irrevocably guaranteed BCFWC's obligations pursuant to the \$600 million ABL Line of Credit, \$1,000.0 million Term Loan Facility and the \$450 million Notes due in 2019. As of April 28, 2012, we were in compliance with all of our debt covenants. Significant changes in our debt consist of the following:

#### ***\$1 Billion Senior Secured Term Loan Facility***

On April 27, 2012, we made a repayment of principal in the amount of \$7.0 million based on 50% of our available free cash flow (as defined in the credit agreement governing the Term Loan Facility) as of January 28, 2012. This payment offsets the \$2.5 million quarterly payments that we are required to make under the credit agreement governing the Term Loan Facility through the fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2015, as well as a portion of the mandatory quarterly payment for the fiscal year ending January 30, 2016. As of April 28, 2012, we had \$942.6 million outstanding under the Term Loan.

#### ***ABL Line of Credit***

During the three months ended April 28, 2012, we made repayments, net of borrowings, of \$190.0 million on our ABL Line of Credit. As of April 28, 2012, we had no outstanding balance under our ABL Line of Credit and unused availability of \$472.4 million.

#### ***Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements***

Other than operating leases consummated in the normal course of business and letters of credit, as more fully described below, we are not involved in any off-balance sheet arrangements that have or are reasonably likely to have a material current or future impact on our financial condition, changes in financial condition, revenues or expenses, results of operations, liquidity, capital expenditures, or capital resources.

#### ***Contingencies and Contractual Obligations***

##### ***Legal***

We establish reserves for the settlement amounts, as well as reserves relating to legal claims, in connection with litigation to which we are party from time to time in the ordinary course of business. The aggregate amount of such reserves was \$5.5 million, \$6.1 million and \$6.9 million as of April 28, 2012, January 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. We believe that potential liabilities in excess of those recorded will not have a material effect on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements. However, there can be no assurances to this effect.



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There have been no significant changes to our contractual obligations and commercial commitments table as disclosed in our Fiscal 2011 10-K, except as follows:

**Table of Contents***Lease Agreements*

We enter into lease agreements during the ordinary course of business in order to secure favorable store locations. As of April 28, 2012, we were committed to ten new lease agreements (inclusive of three relocations) for locations at which stores are expected to be opened during the remainder of Fiscal 2012. Inclusive of these new leases, our minimum lease payments for all operating leases are expected to be \$163.9 million, \$217.8 million, \$194.8 million, \$170.2 million, and \$704.7 million for the remainder of the fiscal year ending February 2, 2013, and the fiscal years ending February 1, 2014, January 31, 2015, January 30, 2016 and January 28, 2017 and subsequent years thereafter, respectively.

*Letters of Credit*

We had letter of credit arrangements with various banks in the aggregate amount of \$33.6 million and \$37.0 million as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively. Among these arrangements as of April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, we had letters of credit in the amount of \$29.1 million and \$32.2 million, respectively, guaranteeing performance under various insurance contracts and utility agreements. We also had outstanding letters of credit agreements in the amount of \$4.5 million and \$4.8 million at April 28, 2012 and April 30, 2011, respectively, related to certain merchandising agreements.

We had irrevocable letters of credit in the amount of \$35.3 million as of January 28, 2012. Based on the terms of the credit agreement relating to the ABL Line of Credit, the Company had available letters of credit of \$242.6 million as of January 28, 2012. Letters of credit outstanding at January 28, 2012 amounted to \$27.7 million, guaranteeing performance under various lease agreements, insurance contracts and utility agreements. The Company also had letters of credit in the amount of \$7.6 million at January 28, 2012 related to certain merchandising agreements.

*Long Term Debt*

As further described in Note 13 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements entitled Subsequent Events, in May 2012 we entered into Amendment No. 1 to the Credit Agreement governing the Term Loan Facility. As a result, the debt obligations presented in our Fiscal 2011 10-K were replaced by the debt obligations detailed below:

	Payments Due By Period (in thousands)				
	Total	Less Than 1 Year	2-3 Years	4-5 Years	Thereafter
Pro Forma Long-Term Debt Obligations	\$ 950,545	\$ 9,505	\$ 19,011	\$ 922,029	\$
Pro Forma Interest on Long-Term Debt	243,693	49,340	102,600	91,753	
Total	\$ 1,194,238	\$ 58,845	\$ 121,611	\$ 1,013,782	\$

**Safe Harbor Statement**

This report contains forward-looking statements that are based on current expectations, estimates, forecasts and projections about us, the industry in which we operate and other matters, as well as management's beliefs and assumptions and other statements regarding matters that are not historical facts. For example, when we use words such as projects, expects, anticipates, intends, plans, believes, seeks, estimates, would, could, will, opportunity, potential or may, variations of such words or other words that convey uncertainty of future events or outcomes, we are making forward looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 (Securities Act) and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act). Our forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties. Such statements include but are not limited to, proposed store openings and closings, proposed capital expenditures, projected financing requirements, proposed developmental projects, projected sales and earnings, our ability to maintain selling margins, and the effect of the adoption of recent accounting pronouncements on our consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows. Actual events or results may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors. While it is impossible to identify all such factors, factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those estimated by us include: competition in the retail industry, seasonality of our business, adverse weather conditions, changes in consumer preferences and consumer spending patterns, import risks, inflation, general economic conditions, our ability to implement our strategy, our substantial level of indebtedness and related debt-service obligations, restrictions imposed by covenants in our debt agreements, availability of adequate financing, our dependence on vendors for our merchandise, events affecting the delivery of merchandise to our stores, existence of adverse litigation, availability of desirable locations on suitable terms, and other risks discussed from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).



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Many of these factors are beyond our ability to predict or control. In addition, as a result of these and other factors, our past financial performance should not be relied on as an indication of future performance. The cautionary statements referred to in this section also should be considered in connection with any subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements that may be issued by us or persons acting on our behalf. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. In light of these risks and uncertainties, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this report might not occur. Furthermore, we cannot guarantee future results, events, levels of activity, performance or achievements.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

Refer to Note 1 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements entitled "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" for a discussion of recent accounting pronouncements and their impact on our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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

We are exposed to certain market risks as part of our ongoing business operations. Primary exposures include changes in interest rates, as borrowings under our ABL Line of Credit and Term Loan bear interest at floating rates based on LIBOR or the base rate, in each case plus an applicable borrowing margin and investing activities. The Term Loan interest is also dependent on the LIBOR, prime rate, and the federal funds rate as further discussed in Note 3 to our Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements entitled "Long Term Debt."

We will manage our interest rate risk by balancing the amount of fixed-rate and floating-rate debt and through the use of interest rate cap agreements. For fixed-rate debt, interest rate changes do not affect earnings or cash flows. Conversely, for floating-rate debt, interest rate changes generally impact our earnings and cash flows, assuming other factors are held constant.

At April 28, 2012, we had \$473.1 million principal amount of fixed-rate debt and \$942.6 million of floating-rate debt. Based on \$942.6 million outstanding as floating-rate debt, an immediate increase of one percentage point, excluding the interest rate caps, would cause an increase to cash interest expense of approximately \$9.3 million per year, resulting in \$9.3 million less in our pre-tax earnings, based on the Amendment No. 1 to the Credit Agreement governing the Term Loan Facility. This sensitivity analysis assumes our mix of financial instruments and all other variables will remain constant in future periods. These assumptions are made in order to facilitate the analysis and are not necessarily indicative of our future intentions.

If a one percentage point increase in interest rates were to occur over the next four quarters excluding the interest rate cap, such an increase would result in the following additional interest expenses (assuming current borrowing level remains constant):

	<i>(in thousands)</i>				
	Principal Outstanding at April 28, 2012	Additional Interest Expense Q2 2012	Additional Interest Expense Q3 2012	Additional Interest Expense Q4 2012	Additional Interest Expense Q1 2013
<b>Floating Rate Debt</b>					
Term Loan	\$ 942,583	\$ 2,334	\$ 2,335	\$ 2,336	\$ 2,337

We have two interest rate cap agreements for a maximum principal amount of \$900.0 million which limit our interest rate exposure to 7% on our first \$900.0 million dollars of borrowings under our variable rate debt obligations. If interest rates were to increase above the 7% cap rates in effect as of April 30, 2012, for a full fiscal year, then our maximum interest rate exposure would be \$6.8 million assuming constant borrowing levels of \$900.0 million. Currently, we have unlimited interest rate risk related to our variable rate debt in excess of \$900 million. For the three months ended April 28, 2012, the borrowing rate related to our Term Loan was 6.3%.

Our ability to satisfy our interest payment obligations on our outstanding debt will depend largely on our future performance, which, in turn, is in part subject to prevailing economic conditions and to financial, business and other factors beyond our control. If we do not have sufficient cash flow to service our interest payment obligations on our outstanding indebtedness and if we cannot borrow or obtain equity financing to satisfy those obligations, our business and results of operations will be materially adversely affected. We cannot be assured that any replacement borrowing or equity financing could be successfully completed.

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A change in interest rates generally does not have an impact upon our future earnings and cash flow for fixed-rate debt instruments. As fixed-rate debt matures, however, and if additional debt is acquired to fund the debt repayment, future earnings and cash flow may be affected by changes in interest rates. This effect would be realized in the periods subsequent to the periods when the debt matures.

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### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

Our management team, under the supervision and with the participation of our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer, evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as such term is defined under Rule 13a-15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (Exchange Act), as of the last day of the fiscal period covered by this report, April 28, 2012. The term disclosure controls and procedures means our controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms. Disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to management, including our principal executive and principal financial officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. Based on this evaluation, our principal executive officer and our principal financial officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of April 28, 2012.

During the three months ended April 28, 2012, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## **PART II OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings.**

We are party to various litigation matters, in most cases involving ordinary and routine claims incidental to our business. We cannot estimate with certainty our ultimate legal and financial liability with respect to such pending litigation matters. However, we believe, based on our examination of such matters, that our ultimate liability will not have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

### **Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Fiscal 2011 10-K.

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

None.

### **Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.**

None.

### **Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.**

Not applicable.

### **Item 5. Other Information.**

None.

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### **Item 6. Exhibits.**

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**SIGNATURES**

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

**BURLINGTON COAT FACTORY INVESTMENTS  
HOLDINGS, INC.**

/s/ Thomas A. Kingsbury  
Thomas A. Kingsbury  
President & Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Todd Weyhrich  
Todd Weyhrich  
Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)  
Date: June 12, 2012



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