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

**FORM 10-Q**

(Mark One)

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

**For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2005**

OR

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

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number 001-14273

**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**The Netherlands**

(State of other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**Not Applicable**

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

**Herengracht 424**

**1017 BZ Amsterdam**

**The Netherlands**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**Not Applicable**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(31-20) 420-3191**

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   X   No     

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Yes   X   No     

The number of common shares of the Registrant, par value EUR 0.01 per share, outstanding at July 29, 2005 was 26,075,403.

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**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS**  
(In thousands, except share and per share data)

	<b>June 30, 2005</b>	<b>December 31, 2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 18,932	\$ 16,030
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$5,384 and \$6,064 at 2005 and 2004, respectively	96,733	95,449
Inventories, net	29,993	29,426
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	10,637	10,739
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>156,295</b>	<b>151,644</b>
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, net	79,709	79,622
INTANGIBLES, net	6,881	7,057
GOODWILL	132,618	132,615
DEFERRED TAX ASSET	6,803	7,650
OTHER ASSETS	11,081	10,209
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 393,387</b>	<b>\$ 388,797</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Current maturities of long-term debt and capital lease obligations	\$ 881	\$ 2,976
Accounts payable	27,848	28,632
Accrued payroll and related costs	18,390	20,085
Taxes other than payroll and income	3,741	4,111
Unearned revenues	2,965	2,632
Accrued interest	2,889	2,835
Other accrued expenses	6,886	5,843
Current liabilities of discontinued operations	-	297
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>63,600</b>	<b>67,411</b>
LONG-TERM DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS	102,109	110,224
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	6,827	6,268
OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	14,610	13,529
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
MINORITY INTEREST	1,226	1,069
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Preference shares, EUR 0.01 par value; 3,000,000 shares authorized, none issued or outstanding	-	-
Common shares, EUR 0.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 26,289,828 issued and 26,094,603 outstanding at 2005 and 28,038,787 issued and 26,201,846 outstanding at 2004	468	484
Additional paid-in capital	87,261	123,332
Deferred compensation	(6,987)	(2,486)
Retained earnings	129,210	110,237
Treasury shares (at cost), 195,225 at 2005 and 1,836,941 at 2004	(4,937)	(41,271)
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>205,015</b>	<b>190,296</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 393,387</b>	<b>\$ 388,797</b>

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

**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
(In thousands, except per share data)

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Services	\$ 91,898	\$ 80,910
Sales	26,483	21,321
	118,381	102,231
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>		
Cost of services	68,499	61,870
Cost of sales	22,024	17,607
General and administrative expenses	7,647	9,218
Depreciation	4,461	4,257
Amortization	119	21
Other (income) expense, net	(534)	552
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	16,165	8,706
Interest expense	2,075	2,003
Income before income tax expense	14,090	6,703
Income tax expense	3,841	1,877
Income from continuing operations	10,249	4,826
Loss from discontinued operations (net of tax expense of \$99 in 2004)	-	(2,354)
<b>NET INCOME</b>	\$ 10,249	\$ 2,472
 <b>EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE INFORMATION:</b>		
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.18
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(0.09)
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.09
 Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.17
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(0.08)
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.09
 <b>WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:</b>		
Basic	26,082	27,115
Diluted	27,796	28,935

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

**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**  
(In thousands, except per share data)

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
<b>REVENUES:</b>		
Services	\$ 181,981	\$ 158,567
Sales	52,355	43,981
	234,336	202,548
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>		
Cost of services	138,043	123,806
Cost of sales	42,541	35,603
General and administrative expenses	15,307	15,425
Depreciation	8,054	8,618
Amortization	240	186
Other (income) expense, net	(42)	746
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	30,193	18,164
Interest expense	4,111	4,040
Income before income tax expense	26,082	14,124
Income tax expense	7,110	3,877
Income from continuing operations	18,972	10,247
Loss from discontinued operations (net of tax benefit of \$113 in 2004)	-	(14,312)
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	\$ 18,972	\$ (4,065)
 <b>EARNINGS (LOSS) PER SHARE INFORMATION:</b>		
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.37
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(0.52)
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.73	\$ (0.15)
 Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.35
Loss from discontinued operations	-	(0.49)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.68	\$ (0.14)
 <b>WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING:</b>		
Basic	26,086	27,391
Diluted	27,893	29,020

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**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
(In thousands)

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net income (loss)	\$ 18,972	\$ (4,065)
Loss from discontinued operations, net of tax	-	14,312
Income from continuing operations	18,972	10,247
Adjustments to reconcile income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net provision (recovery) for doubtful accounts	899	(221)
Inventory obsolescence	1,604	691
Equity in (income) loss of affiliates	(19)	292
Minority interest	104	117
Deferred compensation	1,371	4,831
Depreciation and amortization	8,294	8,804
Debt issuance costs amortization	149	128
Loss on sale of fixed assets	96	168
Gain on involuntary sale of fixed asset	(875)	-
Gain on insurance recovery	(534)	-
Decrease (increase) in value of life insurance policies	77	(17)
Deferred income taxes	753	(67)
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of effect of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(2,140)	(1,318)
Inventories	(2,396)	(1,964)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(4)	(718)
Other assets	(445)	343
Accounts payable	(920)	(1,367)
Accrued expenses	2,997	1,696
Other long-term liabilities	1,648	1,904
Net cash provided by operating activities - continuing operations	29,631	23,549
Net cash provided by operating activities - discontinued operations	-	923
Net cash provided by operating activities	29,631	24,472
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Capital expenditures	(8,600)	(3,678)
Patents and other intangibles	(67)	(128)
Proceeds from sale of assets	2,159	342
Premiums on life insurance	(315)	(479)
Discontinued operations	-	19,469
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities	(6,823)	15,526
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Repayment of debt	(12,092)	(20,466)
Proceeds from debt borrowings	2,000	13,000
Capital lease obligations	(136)	(212)
Stock options exercised	3,989	5,120
Debt issuance costs	(314)	-
Repurchase of common shares	(13,353)	(34,004)
Net cash used in financing activities	(19,906)	(36,562)
<b>NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>2,902</b>	<b>3,436</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of period</b>	<b>16,030</b>	<b>16,225</b>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 18,932</b>	<b>\$ 19,661</b>
<b>Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:</b>		
Cash payments for interest	\$ 3,747	\$ 3,647
Cash payments for income taxes	\$ 7,526	\$ 4,544
<b>Non-cash investing and financing activities:</b>		
Capital lease additions	\$ 18	\$ 5
Common stock issued pursuant to share-based compensation arrangements	\$ 6,620	\$ -

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

**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**(Unaudited)**

**1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Core Laboratories N.V. and its subsidiaries and have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") in the United States of America ("U.S.") for interim financial information using the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include all of the information and footnote disclosures required by GAAP for complete financial statements.

Core Laboratories N.V. uses the equity method of accounting for all investments in which it has less than a majority and over which it does not exercise control. Minority interest has been recorded to reflect outside ownership attributable to consolidated subsidiaries that are less than 100% owned. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included in these financial statements. Furthermore, the operating results presented for the six months ended June 30, 2005 may not necessarily be indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2005.

Core Laboratories N.V.'s balance sheet information for the year ended December 31, 2004 was derived from the 2004 audited consolidated financial statements. Certain reclassifications have been made to year 2004 amounts in order to present these results on a comparable basis with amounts for year 2005.

References to "Core Lab", the "Company", "we", "our", and similar phrases are used throughout this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and relate collectively to Core Laboratories N.V. and its consolidated affiliates.

These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the summary of significant accounting policies and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004.

**2. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

We apply the intrinsic method to account for employee stock options, as defined in Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees." The intrinsic method does not require us to recognize compensation cost for options granted with an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying stock on the date of grant. Accordingly, we do not recognize compensation cost associated with our stock option grants. However, we have recognized compensation expense related to other stock-based compensation arrangements, including the Executive Restricted Share Matching Program ("ESMP"), the Performance Share Award Program ("PSAP") and the Restricted Share Award Program ("RSAP"), as discussed below.

The Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," and later SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation--Transition and Disclosure," in order to encourage entities to record compensation cost for employee stock-based compensation plans at fair value as determined by generally recognized option pricing models such as the Black-Scholes or the Binomial Model. These standards permit the use of APB Opinion No. 25 to account for stock options, but require pro forma disclosures of the impact on net income and earnings per share of applying the fair value provisions described in SFAS No. 123.

We calculated these pro forma disclosures as if we had accounted for our stock-based compensation plans using the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123, and by applying a Black-Scholes option-pricing model, which required the use of highly subjective assumptions related to the volatility of our common stock, the expected term that the options would be outstanding and a risk-free rate. No dividend yield was estimated since we have not historically paid dividends on our common stock. The following table summarizes these results (in thousands, except per share data):

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30,</b>		<b>June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Net income (loss) as reported:	\$ 10,249	\$ 2,472	\$ 18,972	\$ (4,065)
Add: stock-based compensation expense included in reported income, net of tax	281	2,379	997	3,117
Less: stock-based compensation expense determined under fair value method, net of tax	(768)	(2,645)	(1,748)	(3,842)
Pro forma income (loss)	<u>\$ 9,762</u>	<u>\$ 2,206</u>	<u>\$ 18,221</u>	<u>\$ (4,790)</u>
Basic earnings (loss) per share:				
As reported	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.73	\$ (0.15)
Pro forma	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.70	\$ (0.17)
Diluted earnings (loss) per share:				
As reported	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.68	\$ (0.14)
Pro forma	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.65	\$ (0.17)

SFAS No. 123R, "Share-Based Payment," revises SFAS No. 123 and supercedes APB Opinion No. 25. This statement will require us to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award, with limited exceptions. The fair value of the award will be remeasured at each reporting date through the settlement date, with changes in fair value recognized as compensation expense of the period. Entities should continue to use an option-pricing model to determine fair value as of the grant date of the stock options. This statement was to become effective as of the beginning of the first interim or annual period that begins after June 15, 2005. However, in April 2005, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") issued an extension which allows public companies to defer adoption of SFAS No. 123R until the beginning of their fiscal year that begins after June 15, 2005. We have not adopted SFAS No. 123R as a result of the extension and are currently evaluating the impact that this statement will have on our financial position and results of operations.

#### ***Executive Restricted Share Matching Program***

The Executive Restricted Share Matching Program was implemented in June 2002 to encourage personal investment in our common stock by our executive officers. Under the program, we matched on a one-for-one basis each share that an executive purchased on the open market during a specified period, up to a maximum of 50,000 shares per participant. The ESMP is a variable stock award plan under which we have recorded compensation expense totaling \$0.1 million and \$0.5 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, respectively, and \$0.4 million and \$1.4 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004, respectively. The shares awarded under this program vested on June 1, 2005.

In accordance with the program, we issued 132,853 shares to the participants that vested on June 1, 2005 and recorded common stock and additional paid-in-capital totaling \$3.4 million. In addition, on June 1, 2005, 48,425 shares of common stock were surrendered by the participants in order to settle any personal tax liabilities which may result from the award. These shares were valued at \$1.2 million, or \$25.54 per share, and were surrendered by the participants, and have been included as treasury shares in the accompanying Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2005 at cost. Pursuant to the ESMP, additional restricted shares (the "Restricted Gross-Up Shares") will be granted on June 1, 2007 in the aggregate of approximately 71,765 shares to the participants to reimburse them for tax liabilities resulting from the vesting of the original grant of 132,853 restricted shares under the ESMP and their eventual vesting in the Restricted Gross-Up Shares. In order to vest in the Restricted Gross-Up Shares, a participant generally must remain in our employment until June 1, 2007, and maintain continuous ownership until such date of (a) the equivalent number of shares the participant initially purchased in order to receive the original restricted matching share award plus (b) a number of the shares received in the restricted matching share award (which number of shares is generally equal to all of the shares included in the restricted matching share award less a percentage of such shares surrendered by the participant to pay applicable taxes upon their vesting). A participant may become vested in some or all of the Restricted Gross-Up Shares prior to June 1, 2007, in the event of a change in control or the termination of the participant's employment by reason of death, disability, an involuntary termination without cause, or after attaining the age of 60 and completing 10 years of employment with us.

We account for the Restricted Gross-Up Shares as a fixed award and will recognize compensation expense of \$1.2 million ratably through June 1, 2007. We have recorded compensation expense of \$0.1 million related to these restricted shares as of June 30, 2005.



### ***Performance Share Award Program***

Under the Performance Share Award Program, certain executives were awarded rights to receive a pre-determined number of common shares if certain performance targets are met, as defined in the applicable agreements for the respective three-year performance period. Rights relating to an aggregate of 120,000 shares ("Tranche 1"), 125,000 shares ("Tranche 2"), 120,000 shares ("Tranche 3") and 120,000 shares ("Tranche 4") were issued with respect to the performance period ending on December 31, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, respectively. Unless there is a change in control as defined in the PSAP, none of these awards will vest if the specified performance targets are not met as of the last day of the respective performance periods.

To meet the performance targets for Tranche 1, Tranche 2 and with respect to 60,000 shares awarded under Tranche 3, our common stock must perform as well as or better than the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the return earned by the common stock of the companies comprising the Philadelphia Oil Service Sector Index ("OSX") for the applicable performance period. If our common shares perform as well as or better than the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile but below the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of the companies comprising the OSX, then the number of rights eligible to vest would be interpolated between 20% and 100% of the shares granted. If our common shares perform as well as or better than the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of the companies comprising the OSX, then 100% of the rights would be eligible to vest.

Rights related to an additional 60,000 shares granted under Tranche 3 will be eligible to vest if our calculated return on equity ("ROE"), as defined in the PSAP, equals or exceeds a pre-determined target return of 18%. None of these 60,000 shares will be issued if our ROE does not equal or exceed 12% for the three-year period ending December 31, 2006. If our ROE for the performance period equals 12%, then 20% of the shares will be issued, and if our ROE equals or exceeds 18%, then 100% of the shares will be issued. If our ROE for the performance period is greater than 12% but less than 18%, then the number of shares to be issued would be interpolated based on the terms of the agreement.

The performance target for Tranche 4, for which the performance period began on January 1, 2005 and ends on December 31, 2007, is based on a calculated ROE similar to the terms for Tranche 3 discussed above, except that the pre-determined target ROE is 24%. None of these 120,000 shares will be issued if the ROE for Core Lab is less than 20% for the three-year performance period. If our ROE for the performance period equals 20%, then 50% of the shares will be issued, and if our ROE for the performance period equals or exceeds 24%, then 100% of the shares will be issued. If our ROE for the performance period is greater than 20% but less than 24%, then the number of shares to be issued would be interpolated based on the terms of the agreement.

In February 2005, the Options Subcommittee of our Board of Supervisory Directors determined that the performance target criteria had been met related to an aggregate of 120,000 shares under Tranche 1. We issued these 120,000 common shares on February 28, 2005, and recorded common stock and additional paid in capital totaling \$3.2 million, of which \$2.9 million was recognized as compensation expense in 2004 and \$0.3 million was recognized in 2005 related to the change in the fair value of the shares between December 31, 2004 and the date of issuance. Simultaneously, we repurchased 46,000 of these common shares from the participants at the closing market price on that day to settle personal tax liabilities which may result from the issuance of these shares, as permitted by the agreement. We recorded these repurchased shares as treasury stock with an aggregate cost of \$1.2 million, at \$26.89 per share.

Our results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005 do not include any compensation expense relating to PSAP tranches 2, 3 and 4, as management cannot determine whether the performance criteria will be met. If management believed that it was probable that the performance criteria for all three outstanding tranches would be met under these arrangements, we would have recorded an additional \$8.2 million of compensation expense as of June 30, 2005, of which \$3.4 million would relate to Tranche 2, \$1.6 million would relate to Tranche 3 and \$3.2 million would relate to Tranche 4.

For purposes of determining the diluted weighted average shares outstanding at June 30, 2005, we calculated 185,000 contingently issuable shares under the PSAP based on our common stock's performance relative to the performance targets, assuming the shares were issuable as of that date. See Note 3, Earnings Per Share.

### ***Restricted Share Award Program***

In 2004, the Options Subcommittee of our Board of Supervisory Directors of Core Lab approved the RSAP to continue to attract and retain the best employees, and to better align employee interests with those of our shareholders. Under this arrangement, in 2004, we granted to key employees contingent rights to receive an aggregate of 130,500 shares of our common stock, of which 128,400 were outstanding at June 30, 2005. This arrangement is a fixed award which will require us to recognize compensation expense totaling \$2.9 million over a seven-year vesting period that began on January 1, 2004. However, we may be required to recognize this expense earlier if one of two performance accelerators is satisfied, or if certain other events occur as

specified in the related agreements. The measurement period for the first performance accelerator begins on September 22, 2005 and ends on September 1, 2007. If our share price remains above \$25.00 on average for a period of 20 consecutive trading days ending within this measurement period, then all of the shares would vest and we would record stock-based compensation expense equal to the unamortized balance of this fixed award. We have recognized compensation expense totaling \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million under this arrangement for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, respectively.

In 2005, the Options Subcommittee of our Board of Supervisory Directors approved awards of contingent rights to receive an aggregate of 142,600 shares of our common stock under the RSAP, of which 140,400 were outstanding at June 30, 2005. Similar to the grant discussed previously, this arrangement is a fixed award which will require us to recognize compensation expense totaling \$3.8 million over a seven-year vesting period that began on January 1, 2005. This award also contains two performance accelerators, either of which, if satisfied, or if certain other events occur as specified in the related agreements, may require earlier recognition of this expense. We have recorded compensation expense totaling \$0.2 million and \$0.3 million under this arrangement for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, respectively.

### 3. EARNINGS PER SHARE

We compute basic earnings per common share by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per common and potential common shares include additional shares in the weighted average share calculations associated with the incremental effect of dilutive employee stock options, restricted stock awards and contingently issuable shares, as determined using the treasury stock method. The following table summarizes the calculation of weighted average common shares outstanding used in the computation of diluted earnings per share (in thousands):

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>		<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Weighted average basic common shares outstanding	26,082	27,115	26,086	27,391
Effect of dilutive securities:				
Stock options <sup>(1)</sup>	1,459	1,570	1,479	1,379
Contingent shares	185	250	223	250
Restricted stock and other <sup>(1)</sup>	70	-	105	-
Weighted average diluted common and potential common shares outstanding	<u>27,796</u>	<u>28,935</u>	<u>27,893</u>	<u>29,020</u>

(1) The effect of anti-dilutive shares associated with these securities has been excluded from the diluted weighted average share calculations at June 30, 2005 and 2004. If these shares had been included, the impact would have been a decrease in weighted average shares outstanding of 3 and 8 shares for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, respectively and 9 and 63 shares for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004, respectively.

### 4. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following (in thousands):

	<b>June 30, 2005</b>	<b>December 31, 2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
Finished goods	\$ 27,552	\$ 25,534
Parts and materials	3,708	4,529
Work in progress	520	1,181
Total inventories	<u>31,780</u>	<u>31,244</u>
Less - valuation reserves	1,787	1,818
Inventories, net	<u>\$ 29,993</u>	<u>\$ 29,426</u>

We include freight costs incurred for shipping inventory to customers in the Cost of Sales line of the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss).

## 5. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLES

We account for intangible assets with indefinite lives, including goodwill, in accordance with SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," which requires us to evaluate these assets for impairment annually, or more frequently if an indication of impairment has occurred. Based upon our most recent evaluation, management determined that goodwill was not impaired. We amortize intangible assets with a defined term on a straight-line basis over their respective useful lives. There were no significant changes related to our intangible assets for the six months ended June 30, 2005. The increase in goodwill for the six months ended June 30, 2005 related to the finalization of our purchase price for Authentix Inc., acquired in November 2004. The composition of goodwill by business segment at June 30, 2005 is consistent with the amounts disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of December 31, 2004.

## 6. LONG-TERM DEBT AND CAPITAL LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Long-term debt is summarized in the following table (in thousands):

	<b>June 30, 2005</b>	<b>December 31, 2004</b>
	(Unaudited)	
\$75,000 Credit Facility	\$ 27,000	\$ 35,000
Senior Notes	75,000	75,000
Capital lease obligations	116	234
Other indebtedness	874	2,966
Total debt and capital leases obligations	102,990	113,200
Less - short-term debt included in other indebtedness	655	2,601
Less - current maturities of long-term obligations	226	375
Long-term debt and capital lease obligations, net of current maturities	<u>\$ 102,109</u>	<u>\$ 110,224</u>

In March 2005, our lenders approved an amendment to our \$75.0 million revolving credit facility ("Credit Facility"). This amendment extended the maturity date of the facility from June 26, 2006 to March 24, 2010. It also provides for lower borrowing costs and commitment fees and modified certain debt covenant terms, as defined in the amended agreement. In addition, this amended agreement provides an option to increase the commitment under this Credit Facility to \$150.0 million, if certain conditions are met. The Credit Facility requires interest payments to be made based on the interest period selected. At June 30, 2005, the weighted average interest rate of amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility was 4.37%, and the weighted average interest rate for the six months ended June 30, 2005 under this facility was 4.02%.

In July 1999, we issued \$75.0 million in Senior Notes that require annual principal payments of \$7.0 million for Series A beginning on July 22, 2005 and continuing through July 22, 2009, and \$8.0 million for Series B beginning on July 22, 2007 and continuing through July 22, 2011. Our Senior Notes bear interest at an average fixed interest rate of 8.16% and require semi-annual interest payments. We paid the initial \$7.0 million principal payment under our Series A Senior Notes commitment on July 22, 2005.

We have classified the principal payment of approximately \$7.0 million due on July 22, 2005 as a long-term obligation at June 30, 2005, as management expected to refinance with borrowings under our Credit Facility. Available capacity under the Credit Facility was \$43.2 million as of June 30, 2005. Our available borrowing capacity was reduced by outstanding letters of credit and performance guarantees and bonds totaling \$4.8 million at June 30, 2005 related to certain projects in progress.

We have unsecured letters of credit, performance guarantees and bonds totaling \$1.4 million at June 30, 2005.

## 7. PENSIONS AND OTHER POSTRETIREMENT BENEFITS

We provide a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all of our Dutch employees based on years of service and final pay or career average pay, depending on when the employee began participating. Employees are immediately vested in the benefits earned. We fund the future obligations of this plan by purchasing investment contracts from a large-

national insurance company. We make annual premium payments, based upon each employee's age and current salary, to the insurance company.

Prior to the fourth quarter of 2004, we expensed our insurance premiums under this plan during the first quarter of each year. As of December 31, 2004, we recognized a pension asset associated with this plan and reduced the expense to the net periodic pension cost.

The following table summarizes the components of net periodic pension cost under this plan for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005 and 2004, as if the net periodic pension cost had been calculated for each quarter of 2004 consistent with year end presentation (in thousands):

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30,</b>		<b>June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Service cost	\$ 176	\$ 151	\$ 357	\$ 302
Interest cost	206	184	418	368
Expected return on plan assets	(234)	(204)	(474)	(408)
Unrecognized pension asset	(25)	(20)	(50)	(40)
Net periodic pension cost	<u>\$ 123</u>	<u>\$ 111</u>	<u>\$ 251</u>	<u>\$ 222</u>

During the six months ended June 30, 2005, we contributed approximately \$1.3 million, as determined by the insurance company, to fund the estimated 2005 premiums on investment contracts held by the plan.

## 8. SEGMENT REPORTING

Our business units have been aggregated into three complementary segments, which provide products and services for improving reservoir performance and increasing oil and gas recovery from new and existing fields.

- \* *Reservoir Description:* Encompasses the characterization of petroleum reservoir rock, fluid and gas samples. We provide analytical and field services to characterize properties of crude oil and petroleum products to the oil and gas industry.
- \* *Production Enhancement:* Includes products and services relating to reservoir well completions, perforations, stimulations and production. We provide integrated services to evaluate the effectiveness of well completions and to develop solutions aimed at increasing the effectiveness of enhanced oil recovery projects.
- \* *Reservoir Management:* Combines and integrates information from reservoir description and production enhancement services to increase production and improve recovery of oil and gas from our clients' reservoirs.

In April 2004, we sold our specialized geophysical and seismic-related business, which was previously included as a component of our Reservoir Management business. See Note 11, Discontinued Operations.

### *Segment Analysis*

We manage each of our business segments separately to reflect the different services and technologies provided and required by each segment. We use the same accounting policies to account for our business segments as those used to prepare our Consolidated Balance Sheets and Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss). We evaluate the performance of our business segments on the basis of income or loss from continuing operations before income tax, interest and other non-operating income (expense).

Summarized financial information related to our business segments is shown in the following tables (in thousands of dollars):

(Unaudited)	<b>Reservoir Description</b>	<b>Production Enhancement</b>	<b>Reservoir Management</b>	<b>Corporate &amp; Other<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2005</b>					
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	\$ 71,686	\$ 40,791	\$ 5,904	\$ -	\$ 118,381
Inter-segment revenues	99	193	39	(331)	-
Segment income (loss)	8,660	6,781	904	(180)	16,165
Total assets	206,091	149,390	12,633	25,273	393,387
Capital expenditures	1,929	2,917	77	441	5,364
Depreciation and amortization	2,918	1,009	123	530	4,580
<b>Three Months Ended June 30, 2004</b>					
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	64,548	33,036	4,647	-	102,231
Inter-segment revenues	312	134	47	(493)	-
Segment income (loss)	7,022	3,609	763	(2,688)	8,706
Total assets <sup>2</sup>	201,311	147,338	12,989	22,673	384,311
Capital expenditures	1,480	719	-	57	2,256
Depreciation and amortization	2,384	979	63	852	4,278
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2005</b>					
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	139,118	83,198	12,020	-	234,336
Inter-segment revenues	238	275	82	(595)	-
Segment income (loss)	15,111	13,287	1,811	(16)	30,193
Total assets	206,091	149,390	12,633	25,273	393,387
Capital expenditures	3,477	4,026	277	820	8,600
Depreciation and amortization	5,077	1,902	244	1,071	8,294
<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2004</b>					
Revenues from unaffiliated customers	125,033	67,437	10,078	-	202,548
Inter-segment revenues	738	529	155	(1,422)	-
Segment income (loss)	11,282	8,579	1,099	(2,796)	18,164
Total assets <sup>2</sup>	201,311	147,338	12,989	22,673	384,311
Capital expenditures	2,423	887	25	343	3,678
Depreciation and amortization	4,840	1,957	209	1,798	8,804

<sup>1)</sup> "Corporate & Other" represents those items that are not directly related to a particular segment and eliminations.

<sup>2)</sup> "Corporate & Other" total assets for 2004 include discontinued operations/assets held for sale of \$1.1 million.

## 9. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, we repurchased 181,300 shares of our common stock for \$4.6 million, or an average price of \$25.28 per share, and 546,300 shares of our common stock for \$13.4 million, or an average price of \$24.44 per share. In February 2005, we repurchased 46,000 shares for \$1.2 million, or \$26.89 per share, related to the PSAP. In June 2005, we repurchased 48,425 shares for \$1.2 million, or \$25.54 per share, related to the ESMP. See Note 2, Stock-Based Compensation.

For the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, we issued approximately 82,000 shares and 281,000 shares of our common stock, respectively, associated with stock option exercises and received proceeds of approximately \$1.2 million and \$4.0 million, respectively.

Our shareholders at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting on April 15, 2005 approved the cancellation of 2,282,441 of our common shares and approved the extension of the authority of the Management Board of the Company to repurchase up to 10% of the outstanding share capital of Core Lab until October 15, 2006. These 2,282,441 treasury shares were cancelled in April 2005 at historical cost, totaling \$52.2 million, or \$22.85 per share, resulting in a decrease in treasury shares at cost and a corresponding decrease in additional paid-in-capital and common stock. At June 30, 2005, we had the authority to repurchase 2,422,210 additional shares under our stock repurchase program.

We have recorded deferred compensation totaling \$7.0 million as of June 30, 2005 in the equity section of the accompanying Balance Sheet. This amount represents the unamortized expense associated with awards granted under the RSAP, of which \$2.3

million relates to an award in 2004 and \$3.5 million relates to an award in 2005, as well as an award granted under the ESMP totaling \$1.2 million. See Note 2, Stock-Based Compensation.

## 10. OTHER (INCOME) EXPENSE

The components of other (income) expense, net, were as follows (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Minority interest	\$ 4	\$ 63	\$ 104	\$ 117
Loss on sale of assets	33	25	96	168
Equity in (income) loss of affiliates	(35)	46	(19)	292
Foreign exchange loss	990	593	1,570	577
Interest income	(86)	(47)	(133)	(103)
Gain on involuntary sale of asset	(875)	-	(875)	-
Gain on insurance recovery	(634)	-	(534)	-
Other	69	(128)	(251)	(305)
Total other (income) expense, net	<u>\$ (534)</u>	<u>\$ 552</u>	<u>\$ (42)</u>	<u>\$ 746</u>

Foreign exchange (gains) losses by currency are summarized in the following table (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
British Pound	\$ 114	\$ 63	\$ 151	\$ (130)
Canadian Dollar	211	47	209	122
European Euro	335	18	320	35
Russian Ruble	198	111	210	(125)
Venezuelan Bolivar	25	38	367	588
Other currencies	107	316	313	87
Total loss	<u>\$ 990</u>	<u>\$ 593</u>	<u>\$ 1,570</u>	<u>\$ 577</u>

As a result of the ongoing political and financial situation in Venezuela, in February 2004, the Venezuelan government devalued their currency, the Bolivar ("VEB") by 20% to 1,915 VEB per United States Dollar ("USD"). On March 2, 2005, the VEB was further devalued by 12% to 2,147 VEB per USD.

In 2003, the British government notified us that it would exercise its right of eminent domain thereby involuntarily acquiring the property of one of our operating facilities. Prior to December 31, 2003, we received an initial payment from the British government for \$0.6 million as compensation for this property. In June 2005, we negotiated and received an additional settlement of \$2.0 million, and recorded a net receivable of \$0.1 million. Total proceeds associated with this transaction were \$2.7 million, of which \$0.6 million represented reimbursement of the net book value of the retired assets, \$1.2 million represented expenses associated with the displacement of this operation including temporary housing and relocation, and \$0.9 million represented a gain on this transaction as of June 30, 2005. We expect to collect the remaining net receivable in 2005.

During the first quarter of 2005, a building at our manufacturing plant in Godley, Texas, was damaged by fire, resulting in the loss of the building, some inventory, as well as other business equipment and supplies. In June 2005, we filed claims with our insurance carrier for reimbursement of these costs. Upon acknowledgment of the claims by our insurance company, we recorded a receivable of \$1.1 million, net of insurance deductible paid, which includes amounts for reimbursement of the sales value of the inventory lost at a cost of \$0.2 million, replacement cost of the building with a net book value of \$0.2 million, and non-capitalized equipment and supply costs totaling \$0.2 million, resulting in a net gain of \$0.5 million. We intend to file a claim for business interruption costs associated with this fire later in 2005. No impact from the claim for the business interruption has been recorded in the results of operations as of June 30, 2005.

## **11. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS**

In March 2004, the Board of Supervisory Directors approved a plan to exit the specialized geophysical and seismic-related business that was included in our Reservoir Management segment.

On April 22, 2004, we sold our specialized geophysical and seismic-related assets and business to a privately held company for approximately \$18.2 million in cash proceeds in addition to certain assumed liabilities.

Based on the sales price and estimates of fair value, we adjusted the related assets to their estimated fair value in 2004. As a result, we recognized losses at that time for the impairment of goodwill, intangible assets and long-lived assets of approximately \$2.9 million and \$10.8 million for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004, respectively. In addition, we recorded a charge to increase the allowance for doubtful accounts of \$1.2 million in the first quarter of 2004. These charges have been included in the loss from discontinued operations in the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Comprehensive Income (Loss) for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004.

## **12. RECENT ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS**

In May 2005, the FASB issued SFAS No. 154, "Accounting Changes and Error Corrections, a Replacement of APB Opinion No. 20 and FASB Statement No. 3." This statement requires retrospective application of changes in accounting principle to prior periods' financial statements, rather than the use of the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle, unless impracticable. If impracticable to determine the impact on prior periods, then the new accounting principle should be applied to the balances of assets and liabilities as of the beginning of the earliest period for which retrospective application is practicable, with a corresponding adjustment to equity, unless impracticable for all periods presented, in which case prospective treatment should be applied. This statement applies to all voluntary changes in accounting principle, as well as those required by the issuance of new accounting pronouncements if no specific transition guidance is provided. This statement does not change the previously-issued guidance for reporting a change in accounting estimate or correction of an error. SFAS No. 154 becomes effective for accounting changes and corrections of errors made in fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2005. We do not expect this pronouncement to have a material impact on our financial position and results of operations.

SFAS No. 123R, "Share-Based Payment," revises SFAS No. 123 and supercedes APB No. 25. This statement will require us to measure the cost of employee services received in exchange for an award of equity instruments based on the grant-date fair value of the award, with limited exceptions. The fair value of the award will be remeasured at each reporting date through the settlement date, with changes in fair value recognized as compensation expense of the period. Entities should continue to use an option-pricing model to determine fair value as of the grant date of the stock options. This statement was to become effective as of the beginning of the first interim or annual reporting period that begins after June 15, 2005. However, the SEC issued an extension which allows public companies to defer adoption of SFAS No. 123R until the beginning of their fiscal year that begins after June 15, 2005. We have not adopted SFAS No. 123R as a result of the extension and are currently evaluating the impact that this statement will have on our financial position and results of operations.

In November 2004, the FASB issued SFAS No. 151, "Inventory Costs." This pronouncement amends previous guidance to clarify the accounting for abnormal amounts of idle facility expense, freight, shipping and handling costs and spoilage, and generally requires that those items be recognized as current period charges. In addition, this pronouncement requires that fixed production overhead allocations to conversion costs be based on the normal capacity of the production facilities. This statement becomes effective for inventory costs incurred during fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2005, and will be applied prospectively. We do not expect the adoption of this pronouncement to have a material impact on our financial position and results of operations.

## **13. LITIGATION**

From time to time, we may be subject to legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business.

In April 2003, four putative class action lawsuits were filed against us and certain of our officers in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York; these cases have since been consolidated and transferred to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. On March 22, 2004, lead plaintiffs filed their consolidated amended complaint, which generally alleges, among other things, that the defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by making false and misleading statements about the Company's financial results for 2001 and 2002 and by employing inadequate internal controls. The amended complaint sought unspecified monetary damages. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss

on May 21, 2004. The lead plaintiff advised the Company that it intended to voluntarily dismiss the amended complaint and accordingly, on May 13, 2005, the parties filed an agreed motion to dismiss the amended complaint with prejudice. The Court granted the motion and dismissed the case with prejudice on May 16, 2005. In connection with the dismissal, no monies will be paid to the plaintiff, but the parties agreed to be responsible for their own costs and legal fees.



**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF**  
**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

**General**

Core Laboratories N.V. is a Netherlands limited liability company. It was established in 1936 and is one of the world's leading providers of proprietary and patented reservoir description, production enhancement and reservoir management products and services to the oil and gas industry. These products and services can enable our clients to improve reservoir performance and increase oil and gas recovery from their producing fields. Core Laboratories N.V. has over 70 offices in more than 50 countries and employs approximately 4,500 people worldwide.

References to "Core Lab", the "Company", "we", "our", and similar phrases are used throughout this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and relate collectively to Core Laboratories N.V. and its consolidated affiliates.

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**Risk Factors**

The following discussion contains statements that are not limited to historical facts but reflect our current beliefs, expectations or intentions regarding future events. These future events may be affected by various risks that impact our business. A listing of the most significant risk factors is contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004. Risk factors related to our business have not changed materially during the six months ended June 30, 2005.

## Results of Operations

Unaudited results of operations as a percentage of applicable revenue were as follows:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>				<b>% Change 2005/2004</b>
	<b>2005</b>		<b>2004</b>		
REVENUES:	(dollars, in thousands)				
Services	\$ 91,898	78%	\$ 80,910	79%	14%
Product sales	26,483	22%	21,321	21%	24%
Total revenue	<u>118,381</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>102,231</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>16%</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Cost of services*	68,499	75%	61,870	76%	11%
Cost of sales*	22,024	83%	17,607	82%	25%
Total cost of services and sales	<u>90,523</u>	<u>76%</u>	<u>79,477</u>	<u>78%</u>	<u>14%</u>
General and administrative expenses	7,647	6%	9,218	9%	(17%)
Depreciation and amortization	4,580	4%	4,278	4%	7%
Other (income) expense, net	<u>(534)</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>552</u>	<u>1%</u>	<u>(197%)</u>
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INTEREST EXPENSE AND INCOME TAX	16,165	14%	8,706	9%	86%
Interest expense	<u>2,075</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>2,003</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>4%</u>
Income from continuing operations before income tax expense	14,090	12%	6,703	7%	110%
Income tax expense	<u>3,841</u>	<u>3%</u>	<u>1,877</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>105%</u>
Income from continuing operations	<u>10,249</u>	<u>9%</u>	<u>4,826</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>112%</u>
Loss from operations of discontinued business, net of tax	-	0%	(2,354)	(2%)	(100%)
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 10,249</u>	<u>9%</u>	<u>\$ 2,472</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>315%</u>

\*Percentage based on applicable revenue rather than total revenue

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>				<b>% Change 2005/2004</b>
	<b>2005</b>		<b>2004</b>		
REVENUES:	(dollars, in thousands)				
Services	\$181,981	78%	\$ 158,567	78%	15%
Product sales	52,355	22%	43,981	22%	19%
Total revenue	<u>234,336</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>202,548</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>16%</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES:					
Cost of services*	138,043	76%	123,806	78%	11%
Cost of sales*	42,541	81%	35,603	81%	19%
Total cost of services and sales	<u>180,584</u>	<u>77%</u>	<u>159,409</u>	<u>79%</u>	<u>13%</u>
General and administrative expenses	15,307	7%	15,425	8%	(1%)
Depreciation and amortization	8,294	4%	8,804	4%	(6%)
Other (income) expense, net	<u>(42)</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>746</u>	<u>0%</u>	<u>(106%)</u>
INCOME FROM CONTINUING OPERATIONS BEFORE INTEREST EXPENSE AND INCOME TAX	30,193	13%	18,164	9%	66%
Interest expense	<u>4,111</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>4,040</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>2%</u>
Income from continuing operations before income tax expense	26,082	11%	14,124	7%	85%
Income tax expense	<u>7,110</u>	<u>3%</u>	<u>3,877</u>	<u>2%</u>	<u>83%</u>
Income from continuing operations	<u>18,972</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>10,247</u>	<u>5%</u>	<u>85%</u>
Loss from operations of discontinued business, net of tax	-	0%	(14,312)	(7%)	(100%)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	<u>\$ 18,972</u>	<u>8%</u>	<u>\$ (4,065)</u>	<u>(2%)</u>	<u>567%</u>

\*Percentage based on applicable revenue rather than total revenue

## ***Operating Results for the Quarter and Six Months Ended June 30, 2005 Compared to the Quarter and Six Months Ended June 30, 2004 (unaudited)***

### **Service Revenues**

Service revenues increased to \$91.9 million for the second quarter of 2005, up 14% when compared to \$80.9 million for the second quarter of 2004. For the six months ended June 30, 2005, service revenues increased 15% to \$182.0 million compared to \$158.6 million for the respective period in 2004. These second quarter and year over year increases in revenue were primarily due to increased North American, European, West African and Far Eastern oilfield activities, which created greater demand for the services of all three segments

### **Product Sale Revenues**

Revenues associated with product sales increased to \$26.5 million for the second quarter of 2005, up 24% from \$21.3 million for the second quarter of 2004. For the six months ended June 30, 2005, product sale revenues increased 19% to \$52.4 million compared to \$44.0 for the same period in 2004. These increases were primarily the result of increased drilling activity on a global basis, but more particularly for natural gas in the North American markets, all of which resulted in higher demand for our well completion products.

### **Cost of Services**

Cost of services expressed as a percentage of service revenue was 75% for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, compared to 76% for the corresponding quarter in 2004. For the six-month period ending June 30, 2005, cost of services expressed as a percentage of service revenue was 76% as compared to 78% for the same period for 2004. The decline in the cost of services relative to service revenue was primarily as a result of incremental margins earned on higher revenues over our relatively fixed cost structure.

### **Cost of Sales**

Cost of sales as a percentage of product sale revenues was 83% for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 and 82% for the same period in 2004. This slight increase in cost of sales as a percentage of product sale revenues for 2005 was primarily associated with manufacturing variances. For the six month period ending June 30, 2005, cost of product sales expressed as a percentage of sales revenue was 81% which was comparable to 2004.

### **General and Administrative Expenses**

General and administrative expenses decreased 17% to \$7.6 million for the second quarter of 2005 compared to \$9.2 million for the second quarter of 2004. This decrease was primarily due to a stock-based compensation charge of \$2.9 million in the second quarter of 2004 related to the Performance Share Award Program. No expense was recorded under this program for the second quarter of 2005. This decrease was partially offset by higher costs associated with our Sarbanes-Oxley compliance and internal control audit. For the six-month periods ended June 30, 2005 and 2004, general and administrative expenses remained relatively the same. Importantly, as a percentage of revenues, general and administrative expenses were down in the first half of 2005 to 7% as compared to the same period in 2004 when it was 8%.

### **Depreciation and Amortization Expense**

Depreciation and amortization expense of \$4.6 million for the second quarter of 2005 increased \$0.3 million, or 7%, from \$4.3 million for the second quarter of 2004. For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, depreciation and amortization expense was \$8.3 million, a decrease of \$0.5 million compared to the same period in the prior year. The decrease in depreciation expense was due to the general run-off of depreciation expense associated with older assets. Amortization expense remained relatively consistent for the periods ended June 30, 2005 and 2004.

## Other (Income) Expense, Net

Other (income) expense, net consisted of the following at June 30, 2005 and 2004 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Minority interest	\$ 4	\$ 63	\$ 104	\$ 117
Loss on sale of assets	33	25	96	168
Equity in loss of affiliates	(35)	46	(19)	292
Foreign exchange loss	990	593	1,570	577
Interest income	(86)	(47)	(133)	(103)
Gain on involuntary sale of asset	(875)	-	(875)	-
Gain on insurance recovery	(634)	-	(534)	-
Other	69	(128)	(251)	(305)
Total other (income) expense, net	<u>\$ (534)</u>	<u>\$ 552</u>	<u>\$ (42)</u>	<u>\$ 746</u>

Foreign exchange (gains) losses by currency are summarized in the following table (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
British Pound	\$ 114	\$ 63	\$ 151	\$ (130)
Canadian Dollar	211	47	209	122
European Euro	335	18	320	35
Russian Ruble	198	111	210	(125)
Venezuelan Bolivar	25	38	367	588
Other currencies	107	316	313	87
Total loss	<u>\$ 990</u>	<u>\$ 593</u>	<u>\$ 1,570</u>	<u>\$ 577</u>

As a result of the ongoing political and financial situation in Venezuela, in February 2004, the Venezuelan government devalued their currency, the Bolivar ("VEB") by 20% to 1,915 VEB per United States Dollar ("USD"). On March 2, 2005, the VEB was further devalued by 12% to 2,147 VEB per USD.

In 2003, the British government notified us that it would exercise its right of eminent domain thereby involuntarily acquiring the property of one of our operating facilities. Prior to December 31, 2003, we received an initial payment from the British government for \$0.6 million as compensation for this property. In June 2005, we negotiated and received an additional settlement of \$2.0 million, and recorded a net receivable of \$0.1 million. Total proceeds associated with this transaction were \$2.7 million, of which \$0.6 million represented reimbursement of the net book value of the retired assets, \$1.2 million represented expenses associated with the displacement of this operation including temporary housing and relocation, and \$0.9 million represented a gain on this transaction as of June 30, 2005. We expect to collect the remaining net receivable in 2005.

During the first quarter of 2005, a building at our manufacturing plant in Godley, Texas, was damaged by fire, resulting in the loss of the building, some inventory, as well as other business equipment and supplies. In June 2005, we filed claims with our insurance carrier for reimbursement of these costs. Upon acknowledgment of the claims by our insurance company, we recorded a receivable of \$1.1 million, net of insurance deductible paid, which includes amounts for reimbursement of the sales value of the inventory lost at a cost of \$0.2 million, replacement cost of the building with a net book value of \$0.2 million, and non-capitalized equipment and supply costs totaling \$0.2 million, resulting in a net gain of \$0.5 million. We intend to file a claim for business interruption costs associated with this fire later in 2005. No impact from the claim for the business interruption has been recorded in the results of operations as of June 30, 2005.

## Income Tax Expense

The effective tax rate for the second quarter of 2005 was 27.3% compared to 28.0% for the second quarter of 2004. The year-to-date effective tax rate for the period ended June 30, 2005 was 27.3% compared to 27.4% for the same period in 2004.

## Segment Analysis

Our operations are managed primarily in three complementary segments - Reservoir Description, Production Enhancement and Reservoir Management. The following table summarizes our results from continuing operations by operating segment for the quarters and six-month periods ended June 30, 2005 and 2004 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2005	2004	2005	2004
<b>Revenues:</b>	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)	
Reservoir Description	\$ 71,686	\$ 64,548	\$ 139,118	\$ 125,033
Production Enhancement	40,791	33,036	83,198	67,437
Reservoir Management	5,904	4,647	12,020	10,078
Consolidated	<u>\$ 118,381</u>	<u>\$ 102,231</u>	<u>\$ 234,336</u>	<u>\$ 202,548</u>
<b>Income (loss) before interest and taxes:</b>				
Reservoir Description	\$ 8,660	\$ 7,022	\$ 15,111	\$ 11,282
Production Enhancement	6,781	3,609	13,287	8,579
Reservoir Management	904	763	1,811	1,099
Corporate and Other <sup>1</sup>	(180)	(2,688)	(16)	(2,796)
Consolidated	<u>\$ 16,165</u>	<u>\$ 8,706</u>	<u>\$ 30,193</u>	<u>\$ 18,164</u>

1) "Corporate and Other" represents those items that are not directly related to a particular segment.

### Reservoir Description:

Revenues from the Reservoir Description segment increased \$7.2 million, to \$71.7 million in the second quarter of 2005, compared to \$64.5 million in the second quarter of 2004, as a result of higher activity levels world-wide. For the six months ended June 30, 2005 revenues increased \$14.1 million, to \$139.1 million from \$125.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004. Increased oilfield activity in North America, West Africa, Middle East and the Far East resulted in greater demand for our reservoir rock analysis as well as our fluid analysis services. Revenues were also positively impacted by increased demand for our fluid characterization services in Europe.

Income before interest and tax expense in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 23% or \$1.6 million to \$8.7 million compared to \$7.0 million for the second quarter of 2004. Income before interest and tax expense for the six-month period ended June 30, 2005 increased by 34% or \$3.8 million to \$15.1 million. Operating margins for the quarter and six months ended June 30, 2005 were 12% and 11%, respectively compared to 11% and 9% for the same periods in 2004, respectively, driven by incremental margins of 23% on higher revenues during the period. Increases in income before interest and tax expense were primarily due to incremental margins earned from higher sales over our relatively fixed cost structure. Operating margins benefited from the \$0.9 million gain associated with the settlement of a land transaction with the British government, partially offset by net foreign exchange losses of \$0.7 million in the second quarter of 2005.

### Production Enhancement:

Revenues from the Production Enhancement segment increased \$7.8 million to \$40.8 million in the second quarter of 2005 as compared to \$33.0 million in the second quarter in 2004, while revenues increased \$15.8 million to \$83.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2005 as compared to \$67.4 million for the same period in 2004. The primary driver of the increases in revenue has been the increase in North American natural gas drilling activity in 2005 relative to 2004. As drilling activities increased, demand for our well perforating and completion products and diagnostic services has also increased.

Income before interest and tax expense in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 88% or \$3.2 million to \$6.8 million from \$3.6 million for the second quarter of 2004. Operating margins increased to 17% in the second quarter of 2005 compared to 11% for the same period in 2004. For the six months ended June 30, 2005, income before interest and tax expense increased to \$13.3 million, an increase of 55% over same period in 2004. Included in these results is a gain of \$0.5 million associated with insurance recoveries for a fire loss at our manufacturing plant in Godley, Texas. Excluding this gain, income before interest and tax expense would have increased \$2.5 million and \$4.2 million for the quarter and six-month period ended June 30, 2005 compared

to the same periods in 2004, respectively. These margin improvements were primarily due to increased sales of higher-margin services and products including new enhanced recovery technology, such as SpectraScan™, SpectraChem™ and our HERO™ perforating charges and gun systems, as well as improved manufacturing efficiencies. In addition, costs associated with the continuing efforts of our inventory reduction initiative as well as the government-mandated devaluation of the Venezuelan Bolivar reduced the margin improvement.

### Reservoir Management:

Revenues from the Reservoir Management segment increased \$1.3 million, or 27%, in the second quarter of 2005 as compared to the second quarter of 2004. Revenues for the six-month period ended June 30, 2005 were \$12.0 million, an increase of 19% from over \$10.1 million from the same period in 2004. The improvement was a result of higher revenue for multi-client reservoir studies in the first six months of 2005, especially studies pertaining to unconventional gas reservoirs, and increased international demand for our reservoir monitoring systems.

Income before interest and tax expense in the second quarter of 2005 increased by 18% or \$0.1 million to \$0.9 million from \$0.8 million for the second quarter of 2004 primarily due to sales of multi-client reservoir studies. Operating margins decreased to 15% in the second quarter of 2005 compared to 16% for the same period in 2004. For the six-month period ended June 30, 2005, income before interest and tax expense was \$1.8 million with operating margins of 15%, as compared to income before interest and tax expense of \$1.1 million and 11% operating margins from the same period in 2004. The margin increase was primarily due to incremental margins earned from higher sales of reservoir monitoring systems in the first quarter of 2005 and higher multi-client reservoir study sales for the second quarter of 2005, relative to the respective periods in 2004.

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

#### General

We have historically financed our activities through cash on hand, cash flows from operations, bank credit facilities, the issuance of debt and equity financing.

#### Cash Flows

The following table summarizes cash flows from continuing operations for the six months ended June 30, 2005 and 2004 (in thousands):

	<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30,</b>	
Continuing Operations	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
Cash provided by/(used in):	(unaudited)	
Operating activities	\$ 29,631	\$ 23,549
Investing activities	(6,823)	(3,943)
Financing activities	(19,906)	(36,562)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 2,902</u>	<u>\$ (16,956)</u>

The increase in cash flows provided by operating activities was primarily attributable to an increase in net income partially offset by a greater amount of cash used for working capital in 2005.

We utilize the non-GAAP financial measure of free cash flow to evaluate our cash flows and results of operations. Free cash flow is defined as net cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations less capital expenditures. Management believes that free cash flow provides useful information to investors as it represents the cash, in excess of capital expenditures, available to operate the business and fund non-discretionary obligations. The following table reconciles this non-GAAP financial measure to the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2005 and 2004 (in thousands):

	<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30,</b>	
	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
	(unaudited)	
Free cash flow calculation:		
Net cash provided by operating activities--		
continuing operations	\$ 29,631	\$ 23,549
Less: capital expenditures	<u>8,600</u>	<u>3,678</u>
Free cash flow	<u>\$ 21,031</u>	<u>\$ 19,871</u>

The increase in free cash flow in 2005 compared to 2004 was due to an increase in cash provided by operating activities, primarily as a result of higher net income, partially offset by an increase in capital expenditures. At June 30, 2005 and December 31, 2004, we had working capital of \$92.7 million and \$84.2 million, respectively.

The increase in cash flows used for investing activities from continuing operations was primarily due an incremental increase in capital expenditures in 2005 of \$4.9 million, partially offset by proceeds from the sale of fixed assets of \$2.2 million, of which \$2.0 million related to an involuntary sale in the United Kingdom.

The decrease in cash flows used for financing activities related primarily to the number of shares purchased under our common stock repurchase program. In the first six months of 2005, we repurchased 640,725 shares for an aggregate price of \$15.8 million, of which 546,300 shares at an aggregate purchase price of \$13.4 million related to open market purchases, 46,000 shares at an aggregate price of \$1.2 million related to the PSAP and 48,425 shares at an aggregate price of \$1.2 million related to the ESMP. For the six months ended June 30, 2004, we repurchased 1,629,200 shares for an aggregate price of \$34.0 million. In addition, we received \$1.1 million less in proceeds from the exercise of employee stock options for the six months ended June 30, 2005 compared to the respective period in 2004. These decreases in cash flows used for financing activities were partially offset by an incremental increase of \$2.6 million in debt repayments under our long-term revolving credit facility for 2005.

In March 2005, our lenders approved an amendment to our \$75.0 million revolving credit facility ("Credit Facility"). This amendment extended the maturity date of the facility from June 26, 2006 to March 24, 2010. It also provides for lower borrowing costs and commitment fees and modified certain debt covenant terms, as defined in the amended agreement. In addition, this amended agreement provides an option to increase the commitment under this Credit Facility to \$150.0 million, if certain conditions are met. The Credit Facility requires interest payments to be made based on the interest period selected. At June 30, 2005, the weighted average interest rate of amounts outstanding under the Credit Facility was 4.37%, and the weighted average interest rate for the six months ended June 30, 2005 under this facility was 4.02%.

In July 1999, we issued \$75.0 million in Senior Notes that require annual principal payments of \$7.0 million for Series A beginning on July 22, 2005 and continuing through July 22, 2009, and \$8.0 million for Series B beginning on July 22, 2007 and continuing through July 22, 2011. Our Senior Notes bear interest at an average fixed interest rate of 8.16% and require semi-annual interest payments. We paid the initial \$7.0 million principal payment under our Series A Senior Notes commitment on July 22, 2005.

We have classified the principal payment of approximately \$7.0 million due on July 22, 2005 as a long-term obligation at June 30, 2005, as management expected to refinance with borrowings under our Credit Facility. Available capacity under the Credit Facility was \$43.2 million as of June 30, 2005. Our available borrowing capacity is reduced by outstanding letters of credit and performance guarantees and bonds totaling \$4.8 million at June 30, 2005 related to certain projects in progress.

We have unsecured letters of credit, performance guarantees and bonds totaling \$1.4 million at June 30, 2005.

The terms of the Credit Facility and Senior Notes require us to meet certain financial and operational covenants. We believe that we are in compliance with all such covenants at June 30, 2005. All of our material, wholly owned subsidiaries are guarantors or co-borrowers under both agreements.

Our ability to maintain and grow our operating income and cash flows depends, to a large extent, on continued investing activities. We are a Netherlands holding company and substantially all of our operations are conducted through subsidiaries. Consequently, our cash flow depends upon the ability of our subsidiaries to pay cash dividends or otherwise distribute or advance funds to us. We believe our future cash flows from operations, supplemented by our borrowing capacity and issuances of additional equity should be sufficient to fund debt requirements, capital expenditures, working capital, and future acquisitions.

Our stockholders at the Annual Stockholders' Meeting on April 15, 2005 approved the cancellation of 2,282,441 of our common shares and approved the extension of the authority of the Management Board of the Company to repurchase up to 10% of the outstanding share capital of Core Lab until October 15, 2006. These 2,282,441 treasury shares were cancelled in April 2005 at historical cost, totaling \$52.2 million, or \$22.85 per share, resulting in a decrease in treasury shares at cost and a corresponding decrease in additional paid-in-capital and common stock.

At June 30, 2005, we had the authority to repurchase approximately 2,422,210 additional shares under our stock repurchase program.

## **Outlook**

We have established internal earnings targets that are based on current market conditions. Based on industry surveys, we anticipate North American spending by our clients during 2005 to remain somewhat higher than spending levels in 2004. We also believe that the activity levels outside of North America for 2005 will continue to remain higher than activity levels for 2004.



**CORE LABORATORIES N.V.**

**QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES OF MARKET RISK**

**Market Risk**

There have been no material changes in market risk from the information provided in Item 7A. "Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of December 31, 2004.

## **CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

A complete discussion of our controls and procedures is included in our Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2004.

### **DISCLOSURE CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

Our management, under the supervision of and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and our Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of Core Laboratories N.V.'s disclosure controls and procedures, as such term is defined in Rules 13a - 15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of the end of such period, our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to provide reasonable assurance that all material information relating to us required to be included in our reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the rules and forms of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

### **INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING**

There have not been any changes in our internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act, during our fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2005, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

#### Item 1. Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be subject to legal proceedings and claims that arise in the ordinary course of business.

In April 2003, four putative class action lawsuits were filed against us and certain of our officers in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York; these cases have since been consolidated and transferred to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. On March 22, 2004, lead plaintiffs filed their consolidated amended complaint, which generally alleges, among other things, that the defendants violated Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by making false and misleading statements about the Company's financial results for 2001 and 2002 and by employing inadequate internal controls. The amended complaint sought unspecified monetary damages. Defendants filed a motion to dismiss on May 21, 2004. The lead plaintiff advised the Company that it intended to voluntarily dismiss the amended complaint and accordingly, on May 13, 2005, the parties filed an agreed motion to dismiss the amended complaint with prejudice. The Court granted the motion and dismissed the case with prejudice on May 16, 2005. In connection with the dismissal, no monies will be paid to the plaintiff, but the parties agreed to be responsible for their own costs and legal fees.

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

The following table provides information about purchases of equity securities that are registered by us pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act during the quarter ended June 30, 2005:

PERIOD	TOTAL NUMBER OF SHARES PURCHASED	AVERAGE PRICE PAID PER SHARE
April 1-30, 2005	63,200	\$ 25.11
May 1-31, 2005	54,600	\$ 24.06
June 1-30, 2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	111,925	\$ 26.08
Total	229,725	\$ 25.33

<sup>(1)</sup> Contains 48,425 shares valued at \$1.2 million, or \$25.54 per share, acquired pursuant to the terms of an executive compensation plan, in settlement of personal tax burdens that may result from the issuance of common shares under this arrangement in June 2005.

Under Dutch law and our articles of association, and subject to certain Dutch statutory provisions, we may repurchase up to 10% of our issued share capital in open market purchases. In connection with our initial public offering in September 1995, our shareholders authorized our Management Board to make such repurchases for a period of 18 months. At each annual meeting subsequent to 1995, our shareholders have renewed that authorization. At our annual meeting on April 15, 2005, our shareholders approved a further extension of this authority for an additional 18-month period from the date of the annual meeting until October 15, 2006 and authorized the repurchase of 2,617,435 shares.

#### Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

None

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

At our Annual Meeting of Shareholders on April 15, 2005, our shareholders elected three members (each, a "Supervisory Director") to the Board of Supervisory Directors of Core Lab (the "Supervisory Board"), consisting of (i) David M. Demshur, (ii) Rene R. Joyce, and (iii) Michael C. Kearney, as Class I Supervisory Directors, to serve until the annual meeting of shareholders in 2008 and until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

The vote tabulation for the individual Supervisory Directors was as follows:

<u>Director</u>	<u>Shares for</u>	<u>Shares abstained</u>
David M. Demshur	24,472,514	105,317
Rene R. Joyce	24,478,960	98,871
Michael C. Kearney	24,468,835	108,996

Shareholders also confirmed the Dutch Statutory Annual Accounts for the year ended December 31, 2004. The proposal was approved by 24,271,379 votes in favor, 16,876 votes against, with 289,576 abstentions.

Shareholders approved the cancellation of 2,282,441 of our common shares. The proposal was approved by 24,473,249 votes in favor, 23,216 votes against, with 81,366 abstentions.

Shareholders approved the extension of the authority of the Management Board of the Company to repurchase up to 10% of the outstanding share capital of Core Lab until October 15, 2006. The proposal was approved by 24,272,803 votes in favor, 19,511 votes against, with 285,517 abstentions.

Shareholders approved the extension of the authority of the Supervisory Board to issue and/or to grant rights (including options to purchase) of common and/or preferred shares of Core Lab until April 15, 2010. The proposal was approved by 22,981,869 votes in favor, 1,576,800 votes against, with 19,162 abstentions.

Shareholders approved the extension of the authority of the Supervisory Board to limit or to exclude the preemptive right of holders of common shares of Core Lab until April 15, 2010. The proposal was approved by 18,774,650 votes in favor, 2,184,091 votes against, with 18,680 abstentions.

Shareholders ratified the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as our independent public accountants for the year ended December 31, 2005. The proposal was approved by 24,531,894 votes in favor, 36,551 votes against, with 9,386 abstentions.

**Item 5. Other Information**

None

**Item 6. Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Exhibit Title</b>	<b>Incorporated by reference from the following documents</b>
31.1	- Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Filed herewith
31.2	- Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Filed herewith
32.1	- Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Furnished herewith
32.2	- Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002	Furnished herewith

**SIGNATURE**

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

By: CORE LABORATORIES N.V.  
Core Laboratories International B.V., its  
Managing Director

Dated: August 3, 2005

By: /s/ Richard L. Bergmark  
Richard L. Bergmark  
Chief Financial Officer

I, David M. Demshur, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Core Laboratories N.V.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 3, 2005

By: /s/ David M. Demshur  
David M. Demshur  
Chief Executive Officer

I, Richard L. Bergmark, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Core Laboratories N.V.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 3, 2005

By: /s/ Richard L. Bergmark  
Richard L. Bergmark  
Chief Financial Officer



Certification By  
David M. Demshur, Chief Executive Officer  
of Core Laboratories N.V.  
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

I, David M. Demshur, Chief Executive Officer of Core Laboratories N.V. (the "Company"), hereby certify that the accompanying report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of that section.

I further certify that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 3, 2005

/s/ David M. Demshur  
Name: David M. Demshur  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

Certification By  
Richard L. Bergmark, Chief Financial Officer  
of Core Laboratories N.V.  
Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350

I, Richard L. Bergmark, Chief Financial Officer of Core Laboratories N.V. (the "Company"), hereby certify that the accompanying report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of that section.

I further certify that the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: August 3, 2005

/s/ Richard L. Bergmark  
Name: Richard L. Bergmark  
Title: Chief Financial Officer