

Kaman Corporation

Despite a highly challenging economic environment, Kaman continued to make progress across all businesses. Our core strategies and diverse business model, combined with the dedication and ingenuity of our people, have positioned us to prosper as the economy improves.

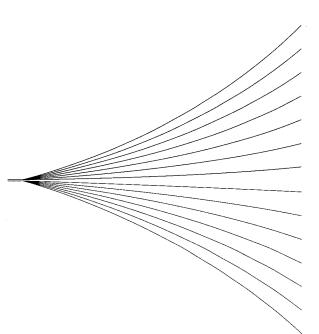
AEROSPACE

In a difficult market, our Aerospace business showed solid growth during 2009 and margins remained strong. Aerospace produces proprietary aircraft bearings, metallic and composite aerostructures, military safe and arm devices, and supports the Kaman-made SH-2G naval and K-MAX® commercial helicopters.

INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION

We distribute products to approximately 50,000 customers from nearly 200 locations throughout North America. Historically sensitive to swings in the economy, Industrial Distribution reported weaker results for 2009 but managed to retain its market share.





Dear Shareholders,

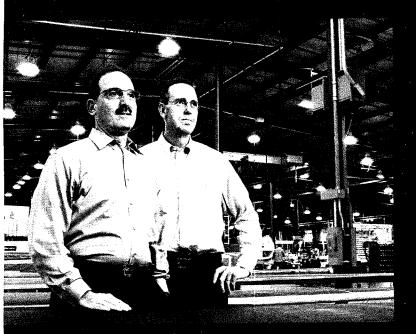
Two thousand nine was a difficult year for virtually every company across the globe and Kaman was not exempt from these challenges. Fortunately, our company entered 2009 with a number of advantages, including a diversified business model, a loyal customer base and a uniquely talented and dedicated group of employees. These advantages, combined with our decisive response to rapidly deteriorating economic conditions, including painful but necessary expense and staff reductions, helped Kaman endure this past year. In fact, I believe that the actions we have taken will position us to benefit as the economic environment begins to improve.

Our financial performance during 2009 reflects the challenges we faced and highlights the benefits of our diversification. For 2009, Kaman reported net earnings from continuing operations of \$32.6 million, or \$1.27 per diluted share, compared to \$35.1 million, or \$1.38 per diluted share, in 2008, a decrease of 8.0%. Net sales from continuing operations for 2009 declined 8.6% to \$1.15 billion, compared to \$1.25 billion in 2008.

During 2009, we continued to focus on maintaining a strong balance sheet, emphasizing prudent investments and liquidity. We ended the year with a debt to capitalization ratio of 16.9%, compared to 25.6% at year-end 2008. Cash flow performance was excellent; Kaman achieved \$56.9 million in free cash flow during the year, an improvement of \$86.6 million over 2008.

This focus on financial strength and liquidity was recognized by the credit market, enabling us to replace our five-year, \$200 million revolving credit agreement with a new three-year \$225 million agreement. The new facility includes an accordion feature that allows Kaman to increase the size to \$300 million with additional commitments from lenders. In addition, during August, we completed a shelf registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission that permits Kaman to offer and sell up to \$200 million of equity, debt or other types of securities. Upsizing our revolving credit facility in the tough economic environment of 2009 was an impressive accomplishment. In fact, we were able to include six new lenders, and the offering was significantly over-subscribed. More importantly, the transaction has very positive long-term

Targeting Growth in Aerospace



SAL BORDONARO

President, Aerospace Helicopters Division

TIM BATES

General Manager, Blade Center of Excellence and Subcontract Product Group Aerospace Helicopters Division Since our founding in 1945, Kaman has been recognized for innovation and world-class products in the helicopter field. During 2009, we capitalized on our strengths to continue to drive growth while building a platform for future success.

Case in point: a new five-year contract with Bell Helicopters to build composite helicopter blade skins and skin to core assemblies. This complex initiative will be performed at the Kaman HeliworX[™] full-service Blade Center of Excellence aerospace innovation and manufacturing support center in Bloomfield, Connecticut. Backed by Kaman's infrastructure and expertise, HeliworX is the only subcontractor with the OEM advantage capable of offering design/analysis, manufacturing, and test and flight solutions for helicopter manufacturers that require an experienced outsourcing option.

The Bell Helicopters contract demonstrates Kaman's ability to leverage its OEM capabilities in support of other helicopter manufacturers. In fact, the HeliworX center supports some of the biggest names in aerospace, including Sikorsky and Northrop Grumman.

Targeting Growth

Scale is an important driver of profitability in the distribution business, and geographic coverage and product breadth are key enablers of excellent service to our broad customer base of national accounts. Acquisitions have therefore been, and will continue to be, a crucial component of Kaman Industrial Technologies' drive to improve profitability and growth.

During 2009, we continued to integrate two strategic acquisitions completed in 2008: Industrial Supply Corp., of Richmond, Virginia, and Industrial Rubber and Mechanics, Incorporated (INRUMEC), based in Puerto-Rico. Looking ahead, we are focused on identifying premier businesses that provide outstanding customer service and product technology to their customers. Last year, we added dedicated resources to help us accomplish this goal with the appointment of Phil Goodrich as Vice President, Business Development, at Kaman Corporation. He is focused on overall strategy development, including spearheading our mergers and acquisitions activities. He will work closely with Candace Clark, our Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, and Bryan Larson, who was recently promoted to Director, Business Development, to lead the acquisition effort at Kaman Industrial Technologies.



PHIL GOODRICH Vice President, Business Development Kaman Corporation

CANDACE CLARK Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary Kaman Corporation

BRYAN LARSON Director, Business Development Kaman Industrial Technologies implications for the company and, coupled with the shelf registration, provides us the financial flexibility needed to execute our growth strategy.

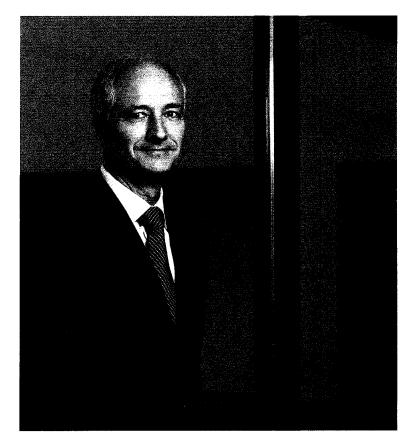
Kaman's solid performance during a difficult year underscores the appeal of our diversified business model. During 2009, our Industrial Distribution business, which is highly sensitive to downturns in the industrial economy, saw a steep decline in sales and earnings. This decline was substantially offset by the improved performance of our Aerospace business, which tends to be counter-cyclical to our distribution business. This diversified model was established decades ago by our founder, Charles Kaman, and 2009 once again demonstrated the wisdom of his vision.

SEGMENT OPERATIONS REVIEW

INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION

As noted, 2009 was a difficult year for Industrial Distribution. Nevertheless, the business remained profitable and, just as importantly, continued to execute its long-term strategy. Operating income for 2009 was \$12.6 million, a decrease of 64.4% from \$35.4 million in 2008. Sales fell 16.9% in 2009 to \$645.5 million, from \$777.0 million in 2008.

Even in a global recession, Industrial Distribution continued to add new national accounts and we were able to renew important existing agreements.



Neal J. Keating Chairman, president and Chief executive officer

Financial Highlights

IN THOUSANDS EXCEPT PER SHARE AMOUNTS (CONTINUING OPERATIONS)

	2009	2008
Net Sales	\$ 1,146,231	\$ 1,253,595
Net Earnings	32,649	35,107
Total Assets	773,067	762,613
Per share amounts: Net earnings per share:		
Basic	1.27	1.38
Diluted	1.27	1.38
Dividends declared	.56	.56
Shareholders' equity	12.14	10.77

Reflecting the business's commitment to delivering superb customer service and increasing market share, Industrial Distribution undertook an organizational realignment that will position it to provide customer experiences superior to those offered by our competitors.

Distribution also continued to expand its relationships with new suppliers and made very good progress in fluid power and motion control products, adding ASCO/Numatics, Sheffer Corporation, GEM[®] Steam Trap and Bison Gear. Additionally, we launched our new ReliaMark[™] brand of bearings, roller chains, oil seals and shaft collars. This new product line represents a practical, high-value alternative for commonly ordered products that meet the requirements of standard-duty applications. For Kaman, ReliaMark[™] is an important way to differentiate ourselves from our competitors and improve financial results by offering a line of house-branded products at attractive margins in the highly competitive lower price point markets.

AEROSPACE

Our Aerospace segment serves both military and commercial customers across a range of businesses. Operating income for 2009 was \$75.0 million, compared to \$61.6 million in 2008, an increase of 21.7%. Revenues for 2009 were \$500.7 million, an increase of 5.1% over revenues of \$476.6 million in 2008.

Driving Customer Service In Aerospace

At Kaman Aerospace, providing outstanding service to our global customers is an effort that transcends divisions and locations. Our work for the Boeing Company's A-10 re-wing program illustrates our success in seamlessly integrating our global platform.

In 2008, Boeing contracted with Kaman's Aerostructures Division to produce wing components and assemblies for the Air Force's fleet of A-10s. This work, which calls for Kaman to supply inboard and outboard flaps, slats and deceleron assemblies, is being performed at our Jacksonville, Florida facility. Our HeliworX facility in Bloomfield, Connecticut is the Aerostructures Division's largest subcontractor on the A-10 program, performing bonding work. In addition, our Brookhouse facility, in the United Kingdom, is supplying A-10 tooling fixtures.

The A-10 contract, a significant long-term growth driver for Kaman, demonstrates the power of our integrated global aerostructure components and assemblies platform and underscores the success of our long-standing relationship with Boeing.



JIM ROGALSKI

Manager, Blade Center of Excellence Aerospace Helicopters Division

MARK LEFEVRE

Manager, Customer Focus Team Aerospace Aerostructures Division

PAUL BARRETT

Head of Design & Projects Brookhouse Tooling

Driving Customer Service in Industrial Distribution

During 2009, Kaman Industrial Technologies began an organizational realignment designed to improve efficiency and intensify the business's focus on developing long-term customer relationships. Spearheading this effort is Steve Smidler, a seasoned sales and marketing executive who oversees the company's sales, marketing, customer service and operational functions.

The new structure will result in our sales people spending more time in our customers' facilities, supported by a network of customer service and operations professionals enabled as a result of investments in business technology and a state of the art voice data system. This realignment positions Kaman to capitalize on scale, minimize redundancies and provide world-class customer service.

"As we continue to develop a national platform, building relationships with key national accounts is more important than ever. Our new organizational structure will make all of us more responsive to the needs of existing customers while creating opportunities for acquiring new national accounts."

STEVE SMIDLER Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Kaman Industrial Technologies

— Steve Smidler

During 2009, our military Aerospace business grew 11.8% and now represents nearly 70% of the segment's sales. However, the weak economy took its toll on the commercial aerospace business, particularly in the regional and business jet sectors, and this had a negative impact on our performance. Here again, the benefits of our diversification became obvious as the strength in the military market helped to offset weakness in the commercial market.

We continued to win new applications for our aerospace bearings and increased our content on new programs, particularly the Boeing 787. Despite lower volumes, our aerospace bearing product lines continued to generate outstanding operating margins, with industry-leading lead times for our customers and a world-class manufacturing operation. In fact, for the second consecutive year, our Kamatics subsidiary has been awarded United Technologies' Supplier Gold status, an honor afforded very few companies in the world.

We dramatically ramped up BLACKHAWK cockpit production for Sikorsky and our Jacksonville facility was named one of their top 100 suppliers. Brookhouse completed its first full year under Kaman ownership and advanced important long-term opportunities, including the Boeing 787 and Joint Strike Fighter. We also successfully renegotiated Options 6, 7, and 8 on the Joint Programmable Fuze contract with the U.S. government, which will make that program solidly profitable.

Early in the year, we took title to eleven Australian SH–2Gs as part of the Australian helicopter program termination and have been actively marketing these to approved foreign military customers. We have expanded our blade erosion-coating program and were awarded our first helicopter blade manufacturing contract from Bell Helicopters. This expands our subcontract customer base to include one of the largest helicopter manufacturers in the world. We also successfully demonstrated the unmanned K–MAX to the Marine Corps during January of 2010. The unmanned K–MAX represents an important potential opportunity for Kaman and, more significantly, could help to take American troops out of harm's way.

Finally, we have realigned our aerospace management team to improve management's focus on our strategic initiatives, including business development and growth through acquisition. Our new structure will also allow us to devote our management resources where they are most effective and position the company to market our capabilities to customers as one aerospace supplier.

NEW LEADERSHIP

We continued to strengthen the Kaman senior leadership team during 2009. Philip A. Goodrich joined us as Vice President, Business Development. Phil was most recently Senior Vice President, Corporate Development, with Barnes Group, Inc., a Bristol, Connecticut-based \$1.0 billion global industrial products manufacturer and distributor. He is responsible for strategy development, mergers and acquisitions, new market development activities for our existing products and services, and leading the company's new Strategic Goal Deployment initiative. Robert D. Starr was appointed Vice President and Treasurer midway through the year to lead our treasury efforts and to oversee our banking and capital markets relationships. Rob was most recently with Crane Co. and brings many years of treasury and banking experience to Kaman. Steven J. Smidler joined Kaman as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Kaman Industrial Technologies, a newly created position in which he will oversee the company's sales, marketing, customer service and operational functions. Steve joins us from Lenze Americas Corporation, where he served as Executive Vice President, with responsibility for marketing, sales, finance, business systems and product technology for the

Americas. He brings with him almost three decades of experience in high technology products, sales management, marketing and general management at companies including Eaton Corporation and Rockwell Automation.

Even this brief overview of our performance during 2009 demonstrates that Kaman was very active despite the severe headwinds we faced. New customer relationships, expanded product offerings, an enduring focus on financial strength and key additions to our management team point to a year of solid momentum.

Unfortunately, we were forced to reduce our cost structure in response to the overall drop in demand brought about by the global recession. In addition to layoffs across the company, we eliminated some annual merit increases, committed to less overtime, imposed salary reductions and furloughs, and many of our employees received lower commissions and bonuses. These were tough but necessary decisions, and our employees rose to the challenge, working harder and with more ingenuity than ever to see our company through this challenging period. Their understanding and continuing commitment reminds me how proud I am to lead this organization.

Charting — Financial Strength



BILL DENNINGER Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Kaman Corporation

A long-standing commitment to maintaining financial strength served Kaman well during the recent economic downturn and will continue to support the company in any economic environment. While facing unprecedented economic turmoil during 2008-2009, Kaman maintained profitability by acting quickly to adjust our cost structure to the new environment. In fact, in 2009 we exceeded our free cash flow target, which enabled us to reduce debt during this period. Our new and upsized revolving credit agreement, a significant accomplishment in the current financing arena, provides financial flexibility for expansion, including acquisitions. In addition, in 2009, we took title to eleven formerly Australian SH-2G(I) helicopters, which we are now actively re-marketing. This action reduced our financial risk and provides significant upside opportunity.

Even as we aggressively seek opportunities to grow our businesses, our guiding principles ensure that prudent risk taking and a relentless commitment to financial strength will always be central to Kaman's strategy.

Charting Community Support

Giving back to the communities in which we do business has been a tradition since our founding. In 2009, despite tough economic conditions, Kaman continued to invest in the future by supporting promising young scholars. At the University of Hartford near our headquarters in Connecticut, we provided Charles H. Kaman Engineering Scholarships to several undergraduates and supported the Hartford Scholars Program, which offers tuition assistance to Hartford residents who are admitted to the University. In 2009, we added to the list of more than 140 children of Kaman employees who over many years have been awarded Charles H. Kaman merit-based college scholarships. 2009 recipients were: Benjamin Conlon, Ithaca College, son of Carl Conlon, Kaman Industrial Technologies; Eric Sun, Brown University, son of Hwai Chi Sun, Kaman Helicopters Division of Kaman Aerospace; and Seth Price, Wagner College, son of Noel Price, Kaman Industrial Technologies



NEFTALI TORRES

Senior, University of Hartford, College of Engineering Charles H. Kaman Engineering Scholarship Recipient

LOOKING AHEAD

There are encouraging indications that the worst of the recession may be behind us. The exact shape and strength of the recovery is still unknown. Nevertheless, I believe that Kaman is positioned to prosper in the coming year and beyond. In Industrial Distribution, the improving economy will have an immediate impact on revenues and margins. In Aerospace, we expect to ramp up several new programs, including the A-10 re-wing and the Bell blade components contract. We also participate in several programs that we expect to begin production ramp-ups in the near future. These include the Boeing 787, F-35/Joint Strike Fighter, the Airbus A350 and the Airbus A380. I am also optimistic about both the unmanned K-MAX program and the sale of our eleven SH-2G(I) helicopters. Finally, we continue to believe that the trend toward increased outsourcing and consolidation in the aerospace industry will serve us well in the longer term.

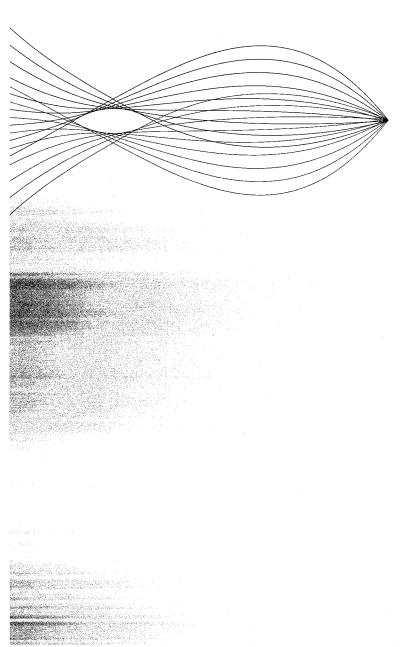
The cover line of this year's annual report is "The Way Forward." This phrase reflects our confidence that Kaman has the strategies, the financial resources and the people needed to continue to build a world-class company for our shareholders, our customers, our employees and our communities. The future is never certain, and making predictions about the economy is particularly difficult in these unprecedented times. What I can say with certainty is that our company is strong, focused and resilient. The past twelve months have tested our resolve and we have emerged more confident than ever in our underlying businesses, our strategies for nurturing their growth, and the capabilities of our people.

Before I close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board of Directors for their counsel and support. Their experience, insight and commitment are valuable resources to our Company and it was never more apparent than over the past year. We also welcome both William Higgins and George Minnich to our Board of Directors. They each bring a unique set of skills and experiences to our board and we look forward to their contributions.

Finally, on behalf of everyone at Kaman, I would like to thank our shareholders for their continued confidence and support.

Neal J. Keating

NEAL J. KEATING Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer



The Way Forward

As we look toward the future, Kaman will continue to build on the strengths that have served us well in the past: our core growth strategies, a diversified business model and the talent and commitment of our people.

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009

Commission File No. 0-1093

KAMAN CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 06-0613548 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1332 Blue Hills Avenue Bloomfield, Connecticut 06002 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (860) 243-7100

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Name of each exchange on which registered				
Common Stock (\$1 par value)	The NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc.				

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes \square No \boxtimes

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 \boxtimes No \square

Indicate by checkmark 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 (Section 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \Box No \Box

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (Section 229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated herein by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K \boxtimes

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 definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer \Box Accelerated filer \boxtimes

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company \Box

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

The aggregate market value on July 3, 2009 (the last business day of the Company's most recently completed second quarter) of the voting common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by reference to the closing price of the stock, was approximately \$422,772,084.

At January 29, 2010, there were 25,776,004 shares of Common Stock outstanding.

Documents Incorporated Herein By Reference

Portions of our definitive proxy statement for our 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report.

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PART I

ITEM 1. BUSINESS

GENERAL

Kaman Corporation, headquartered in Bloomfield, Connecticut, was incorporated in 1945. We are a diversified company that conducts business in the aerospace and industrial distribution markets. We report information for ourselves and our subsidiaries (collectively, "we," "us," "our," and "the company") in two business segments, Aerospace and Industrial Distribution.

During the second quarter of 2009, we implemented modifications to our system of reporting, resulting from changes to our internal organization over the preceding year, which changed our reportable segments. These changes to the internal organization included the creation of the Aerospace Group management team and the establishment of the President of Kaman Aerospace Group, Inc. as the segment manager of the combined Aerospace businesses. The Industrial Distribution segment, which has been under the leadership of a segment manager for some time, was not impacted by these changes. Following these changes, we determined that we have two reportable segments, Industrial Distribution and Aerospace.

A discussion of 2009 developments is included in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, in this Form 10-K.

Industrial Distribution Segment

Kaman Industrial Technologies Corporation ("KIT") brings our commitment to technological leadership and value-added services to the Industrial Distribution business. The Industrial Distribution segment is the third largest power transmission/motion control industrial distributor in North America. We provide products including bearings, mechanical and electrical power transmission, fluid power, motion control and materials handling components to a broad spectrum of industrial markets throughout North America. Locations consist of nearly 200 branches, distribution centers and call centers across the United States (including Puerto Rico) and in Canada and Mexico. We offer approximately three million items, as well as value-added services, to a base of approximately 50,000 customers representing a highly diversified cross section of North American industry. Subsidiaries of KIT include Kaman Industrial Technologies, Ltd., Delamac de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. and Industrial Rubber and Mechanics, Inc.

Aerospace Segment

The Aerospace segment produces and/or markets widely used proprietary aircraft bearings and components; complex metallic and composite aerostructures for commercial, military and general aviation fixed and rotary wing aircraft; safing and arming solutions for missile and bomb systems for the U.S. and allied militaries; subcontract helicopter work; and support for its SH-2G Super Seasprite maritime helicopters and K-MAX ® medium-to-heavy lift helicopters.

Principal customers include the U.S. military, Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation, Boeing, Airbus, Lockheed Martin and Raytheon. The SH-2G aircraft is currently in service with the Egyptian Air Force and the New Zealand and Polish navies. Operations are conducted at Kaman Aerospace Corporation's Aerostructures Division in Jacksonville, FL, Helicopters Division in Bloomfield, CT and Precision Products Division in Middletown, CT and Tucson, AZ (collectively "KAC"), Aerostructures Wichita Inc. in Wichita, KS ("Aerospace Wichita"), Brookhouse Holdings Ltd. in Darwen, Lancashire, United Kingdom and Hyde, Greater Manchester, United Kingdom ("U.K. Composites"), Kaman Precision Products, Inc. in Orlando, FL ("KPP Orlando"), Kamatics Corporation in Bloomfield, CT and RWG Frankenjura-Industrie Flugwerklager GmbH in Dachsbach, Germany ("RWG").

FINANCIAL INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SEGMENTS

Financial information about our segments is included in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and Note 21, Segment and Geographic Information, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

WORKING CAPITAL

A discussion of our working capital is included in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Liquidity and Capital Resources, in this Form 10-K.

Our Industrial Distribution segment requires substantial working capital related to accounts receivable and inventories. Significant amounts of inventory are carried to meet our customers' delivery requirements. Returns are not considered to have a material effect on our working capital requirements.

Our Aerospace segment's working capital requirements are dependent on the nature and life cycle of the programs for which work is performed. A new program may require higher working capital requirements related to the purchase of inventory and equipment necessary to perform the work. However, as these programs mature and efficiencies are gained in the production process, working capital requirements can be reduced.

PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

The following is information for the three preceding years concerning the percentage contribution of each business segments' products and services to consolidated net sales from continuing operations:

	Yea	ars Ended December 3	51,
-	2009	2008	2007
Industrial Distribution	56.3%	62.0%	64.5%
Aerospace	43.7%	38.0%	35.5%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

AVAILABILITY OF RAW MATERIALS

While we believe we have sufficient sources for the materials, components, services and supplies used in our manufacturing, we are highly dependent on the availability of essential materials, parts and subassemblies from our suppliers and subcontractors. The most important raw materials required for our aerospace products are aluminum (sheet, plate, forgings and extrusions), titanium, nickel, copper and composites. Many major components and product equipment items are procured or subcontracted on a sole-source basis with a number of domestic and non-U.S. companies. Although alternative sources generally exist for these raw materials, qualification of the sources could take a year or more. We are dependent upon the ability of a large number of suppliers and subcontractors to meet performance specifications, quality standards and delivery schedules at anticipated costs. While we maintain an extensive qualification system to control risk associated with such reliance on third parties, failure of suppliers or subcontractors to meet commitments could adversely affect production schedules and contract profitability, while jeopardizing our ability to fulfill commitments to our customers. Although high prices for some raw materials important to some of our businesses (steel, copper, aluminum, titanium and nickel) may cause margin and cost pressures, we do not foresee any near term unavailability of materials, components or supplies that would have an adverse effect on our business, or on either of our business segments. For further discussion of the possible effects of changes in the cost or availability of raw materials on our business, see Item 1A, Risk Factors, in this Form 10-K.

PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

We hold patents and trademarks reflecting functional, design and technical accomplishments in a wide range of areas covering both basic production of certain aerospace products as well as highly specialized devices and advanced technology products in defense related and commercial fields.

Although the company's patents and trademarks enhance our competitive position, we believe that none of such patents or trademarks is singularly or as a group essential to our business as a whole. We hold or have applied for U.S. and foreign patents with expiration dates that range through the year 2027.

Registered trademarks of Kaman Corporation include KAflex, KAron, and K-MAX. In all, we maintain 23 U.S. and foreign trademarks.

BACKLOG

Our entire backlog is attributable to the Aerospace segment. We anticipate that approximately 82.5% of our backlog at the end of 2009 will be performed in 2010. Approximately 69.6% of the backlog at the end of 2009 is related to U.S. Government contracts or subcontracts, which include government orders that are firm but not yet funded and certain contracts that are awarded but not yet signed.

Total backlog at the end of December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, and the portion of the backlog we expect to complete in 2010 is as follows:

In thousands	Total Backlog at December 31, 2009		2009 Backlog to be completed in 2010		Total Backlog at December 31, 2008		Total Backlog at December 31, 2007	
Aerospace	\$ 433,707	\$	357,784	\$	550,736	\$	474,529	

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

During 2009, approximately 97.9% of the work performed by the company directly or indirectly for the U.S. government was performed on a fixed-price basis and the balance was performed on a cost-reimbursement basis. Under a fixed-price contract, the price paid to the contractor is negotiated at the outset of the contract and is not generally subject to adjustment to reflect the actual costs incurred by the contractor in the performance of the contract. Cost reimbursement contracts provide for the reimbursement of allowable costs and an additional negotiated fee.

The company's U.S. government contracts and subcontracts contain the usual required provisions permitting termination at any time for the convenience of the government with payment for work completed and associated profit at the time of termination.

COMPETITION

The Aerospace segment operates in a highly competitive environment with many other organizations, some of which are substantially larger and have greater financial and other resources. We compete for aerostructures subcontract, helicopter structures, bearings and components business on the basis of price and quality; product endurance and special performance characteristics; proprietary knowledge; and the reputation of our business. Competitors for our business also include small machine shops and offshore manufacturing facilities. We compete for advanced technology fuzing business primarily on the basis of technical competence, product quality, and to some extent, price; and also on the basis of our experience as a developer and manufacturer of fuzes for particular weapon types and the availability of our facilities, equipment and personnel. We are also affected by the political and economic circumstances of our potential foreign customers. We compete with helicopter manufacturers on the basis of price, performance, and mission capabilities; and also on the basis of our experience as a manufacturer of helicopters, the quality of our products and services, and the availability of facilities, equipment and personnel to perform contracts. Consolidation in the industry has increased the level of international competition for helicopter programs. Our FAA certified K-MAX helicopters compete with military surplus helicopters and other used commercial helicopters employed for lifting, as well as with alternative methods of meeting lifting requirements.

The Industrial Distribution segment competes for business with several other national distributors, two of which are substantially larger, and with many regional and local organizations. Competitive forces have intensified due to the increasing importance of large national accounts, the use of integrated suppliers and the increasing consolidation in supplier relationships. We compete for business on the basis of price, performance and value added services that we are able to provide as one of the largest national distributors in North America.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES

Government sponsored research expenditures (which are included in cost of sales) were \$7.7 million in 2009, \$6.3 million in 2008, and \$2.6 million in 2007. Independent research and development expenditures (which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses) were \$4.1 million in 2009, \$4.2 million in 2008, and \$3.3 million in 2007.

COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION LAWS

We are subject to the usual reviews, inspections and enforcement actions by various federal, state and foreign government environmental and enforcement agencies and have entered into agreements and consent decrees at various times in connection with such reviews. In addition, we engage in various environmental studies and investigations and, where legally required to do so, undertake appropriate remedial actions at facilities we own or control, in connection with the acquisition, disposal or operation of such facilities.

Such studies and investigations are ongoing at the company's Bloomfield and Moosup, Connecticut facilities. Voluntary remediation activities have been undertaken at the Moosup facility. These items are discussed in more detail in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Consolidated Results – Other Matters, in this Form 10-K.

Also, in preparation for disposition of the Moosup facility, we have been given approval by the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection ("CTDEP") for a reclassification of the groundwater in the vicinity to be consistent with the industrial character of the area. The company has completed work related to such ground water reclassification (including connection of certain neighboring properties to public drinking water) in coordination with CTDEP and local authorities.

In connection with the sale of the Music segment in 2007, we assumed responsibility for meeting certain requirements of the Connecticut Transfer Act (the "Transfer Act") that applied to our transfer of the New Hartford, Connecticut, facility leased by that segment for guitar manufacturing purposes ("Ovation"). Under the Transfer Act, those responsibilities essentially consist of assessing the site's environmental conditions and remediating environmental impairments, if any, caused by Ovation's operations prior to the sale. The site is a multi-tenant industrial park, in which Ovation and other unrelated entities lease space. The environmental

assessment process, which began in 2008, is still in progress. We estimate our portion of the cost to assess the environmental conditions and remediate this site is \$2.2 million, unchanged from previously reported estimates, all of which has been accrued.

In connection with the 2008 purchase of the portion of the Bloomfield campus that Kaman Aerospace Corporation had leased from Navy Air Systems Command ("NAVAIR"), we have assumed responsibility for environmental remediation at the facility as may be required under the Transfer Act and we continue the effort to define the scope of the remediation that will be required by the CTDEP. The assumed environmental liability of \$10.3 million was determined by taking the undiscounted remediation liability of \$20.8 million and discounting it at a rate of 8%. This remediation process will take many years to complete.

In connection with the purchase of U.K. Composites, we accrued, at the time of acquisition, £1.6 million for environmental compliance at their facilities. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is £0.1 million. The U.S. dollar equivalent of the remaining environmental compliance liability as of December 31, 2009, is \$2.4 million. We continue to assess the work that may be required.

With respect to all other matters that may currently be pending, in the opinion of management, based on our analysis of relevant facts and circumstances, compliance with relevant environmental protection laws is not likely to have a material adverse effect upon our capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position. In arriving at this conclusion, we have taken into consideration site-specific information available regarding total costs of any work to be performed, and the extent of work previously performed. Where we have been identified as a "potentially responsible party" (PRP) by environmental authorities at a particular site, we, using information available to us, have also reviewed and considered a number of other factors, including: (i) the financial resources of other PRPs involved in each site, and their proportionate share of the total volume of waste at the site; (ii) the existence of insurance, if any, and the financial viability of the insurers; and (iii) the success others have had in receiving reimbursement for similar costs under similar insurance policies issued during the periods applicable to each site.

EMPLOYEES

As of December 31, 2009, we employed 4,032 individuals throughout our business segments and corporate headquarters.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION ABOUT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

Financial information about geographic areas is included in Note 21, Segment and Geographic Information, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

We are subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and its rules and regulations. The Exchange Act requires us to file reports, proxy statements and other information with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Copies of these reports, proxy statements and other information can be read and copied at:

SEC Public Reference Room 100 F Street NE Washington, D.C. 20549

Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-800-732-0330.

The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. These materials may be obtained electronically by accessing the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov.

We make available, free of charge on our website, our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, proxy statements, and current reports on Form 8-K as well as amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, together with Section 16 insider beneficial stock ownership reports, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file these documents with, or furnish them to, the SEC. These documents are posted on our website at www.kaman.com — select the "Investors & Media" link and then the "SEC Documents" link.

We also make available, free of charge on our website, the Certificate of Incorporation, By–Laws, Governance Principles and all Board of Directors' standing Committee Charters (including Audit, Corporate Governance, Personnel & Compensation and Finance). These documents are posted on our website at www.kaman.com — select the "Corporate Governance" link.

The information contained in our website is not intended to be incorporated into this Form 10-K.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT

The company's executive officers as of the date of this report are as follows:

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T. Jack Cahill	Mr. Cahill, 61, has been President of Kaman Industrial Technologies Corporation, a subsidiary of the company, since 1993. He has held various positions with the company since 1975.
Candace A. Clark	Ms. Clark, 55, has been Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary since 1996. Ms. Clark has held various positions with the company since 1985.
William C. Denninger	Mr. Denninger, 59, joined the company as Senior Vice President – Finance on November 17, 2008 and was elected Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer effective December 1, 2008. Mr. Denninger served for eight years as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Barnes Group, Inc., a \$1.5 billion global industrial products manufacturer and distributor. He also served on that company's board of directors.
Ronald M. Galla	Mr. Galla, 58, has been Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer since 1995. Mr. Galla has been director of the company's Management Information Systems since 1984.
Neal J. Keating	Mr. Keating, 54, was elected President and Chief Operating Officer as well as a Director of the company effective September 17, 2007. Effective January 1, 2008, he was elected to the offices of President and Chief Executive Officer and effective March 1, 2008 he was appointed to the additional position of Chairman. Prior to joining the company, Mr. Keating served as Chief Operating Officer at Hughes Supply, a \$5.4 billion industrial distributor that was acquired by Home Depot in 2006. Prior to that, from August 2002 to June 2004, he served as Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of GKN Aerospace, a \$1 billion aerospace subsidiary of GKN, plc, serving also as Executive Director on the Main Board of GKN plc and as a member of the Board of Directors of Agusta-Westland. From 1978 to July 2002, Mr. Keating served in increasingly senior positions at Rockwell International and as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Rockwell Collins, Commercial Systems, a \$1.7 billion commercial aerospace business from 2001 through 2002.
Gregory L. Steiner	Mr. Steiner, 52, joined the Company as President of Kaman Aerospace Group, Inc., with overall responsibility for the company's Aerospace segment, effective July 7, 2008. Since 2005, Mr. Steiner was employed at GE Aviation- Systems, serving first as Vice President and General Manager, Military Mission Systems and then as Vice President, Systems for GE Aviation- Systems, responsible for systems integration. From 2004 to 2005, he served as Group Vice President at Curtiss-Wright Controls, Inc., with responsibility for four aerospace and industrial electronics businesses located in the U.S. and United Kingdom. Prior to that, Mr. Steiner had a seventeen-year career with Rockwell Collins, Inc., serving in a number of progressively responsible positions, and departing as Vice President and General Manager of Passenger Systems.
John J. Tedone	Mr. Tedone, 45, has been Vice President, Finance and Chief Accounting Officer of the Company since April 2007. From April 2006 to April 2007, he served as Vice President, Internal Audit and from November 2004 to April 2006 as Assistant Vice President, Internal Audit.

Each executive officer holds office for a term of one year and until his or her successor is duly appointed and qualified, in accordance with the company's Bylaws.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

Set forth below are the risks and uncertainties that, if they were to occur, could materially and adversely affect our business or that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements contained in this report and the other public statements we make.

Current economic conditions may have an impact on our future operating results.

The Company's future operating results and liquidity may be impacted by the ongoing economic downturn in several ways, including:

- the inability to obtain further bank financing, which may limit our ability to fully execute our strategy in the short term;
- higher interest rates on future borrowings, which would limit our cash flow;
- a reduction of the value of our pension plan investments and the associated impact on required contributions and plan expense;
- changes in the relationships between the U.S. Dollar and the Euro, the British Pound, the Australian Dollar, the Mexican Peso and the Canadian Dollar, which could positively or negatively impact our financial results;
- less activity relative to capital projects and planned expansions;
- increased bad debt reserves or slower payments from customers;
- decreased order activity from our customers particularly in the Industrial Distribution segment, which would result in lower operating profits as well as less absorption of fixed costs due to the decreased business base; and
- the ability of our suppliers to meet our demand requirements, maintain the pricing of their products, or continue operations, which may require us to find and qualify new suppliers.

To mitigate these risks, we evaluate opportunities for future financing, monitor current borrowing rates, review our receivables to maximize collectability and monitor the stability of our supply chain. We executed a \$225.0 million revolving credit agreement in the third quarter of 2009 and a \$50.0 million term loan credit agreement late in 2008, as more fully described in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

Our financial performance is significantly influenced by the conditions of the aerospace industry.

The Aerospace segment's results are directly tied to economic conditions in the commercial aviation and defense industries. As a result, changes in economic conditions may cause customers to request that firm orders be rescheduled or canceled, which could put a portion of our backlog at risk. Additionally, a significant amount of work that we perform under contract tends to be for a few large customers.

The commercial aviation industry tends to be cyclical, and capital spending by airlines and aircraft manufacturers may be influenced by a variety of factors including current and future traffic levels, aircraft fuel pricing, labor issues, competition, the retirement of older aircraft, regulatory changes, terrorism and related safety concerns, general economic conditions, worldwide airline profits and backlog levels.

The defense industry is also affected by a changing global political environment, continued pressure on U.S. and global defense spending, U.S. foreign policy and the level of activity in military flight operations. Changes to the defense industry could have a material impact on several of our current aerospace programs, which could adversely affect our operating results. To mitigate these risks, we have worked to expand our customer and product base to include both commercial and military markets.

Furthermore, because of the lengthy research and development cycle involved in bringing new products to market, we cannot predict the economic conditions that will exist when a new product is introduced. A reduction in capital spending in the aviation or defense industries could have a significant effect on the demand for our products, which could have an adverse effect on our financial performance or results of operations.

Our U.S. Government programs are subject to unique risks.

The company has several significant long-term contracts either directly with the U.S. government or where it is the ultimate customer, including the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK cockpit program, the Joint Programmable Fuze ("JPF") program, and the Boeing C-17 and A-10 programs. These contracts are subject to unique risks, some of which are beyond our control. Examples of such risks include:

- The U.S. Government may modify, curtail or terminate its contracts and subcontracts at its convenience without prior notice, upon payment for work done and commitments made at the time of termination. Modification, curtailment or termination of our major programs or contracts could have a material adverse effect on our future results of operations and financial condition.
- Our U.S. Government business is subject to specific procurement regulations and other requirements. These requirements, although customary in U.S. Government contracts, increase our performance and compliance costs. These costs might increase in the future, reducing our margins, which could have a negative effect on our financial condition. Although we have procedures to comply with these regulations and requirements, failure to do so under certain circumstances could lead to suspension or debarment, for cause, from U.S. Government contracting or subcontracting for a period of time and could have a negative effect on our reputation and ability to receive other U.S. Government contract awards in the future.
- The costs we incur on our U.S. Government contracts, including allocated indirect costs, may be audited by U.S. Government representatives. Any costs found to be improperly allocated to a specific contract would not be reimbursed, and such costs already reimbursed would have to be refunded. We normally negotiate with the U.S. Government representatives before settling on final adjustments to our contract costs. We have recorded contract revenues based upon results we expect to realize upon final audit. However, we do not know the outcome of any future audits and adjustments and we may be required to reduce our revenues or profits upon completion and final negotiation of these audits. Although we have instituted controls intended to assure our compliance, if any audit reveals the existence of improper or illegal activities, we may be subject to civil and criminal penalties and administrative sanctions, including termination of contracts, forfeiture of profits, suspension of payments, fines and suspension or prohibition from doing business with the U.S. Government.
- We are from time to time subject to certain routine U.S. Government inquiries and investigations of our business practices due to our participation in government contracts. Any adverse finding associated with such an inquiry or investigation could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. See Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Aerospace Segment, Other Matters Warranty and Contract-Related Matters, for discussion of U.S. Government inquiries and investigations.

Competition from domestic and foreign manufacturers may result in the loss of potential contracts and opportunities.

The aerospace markets in which we participate are highly competitive and we often compete for work not only with large Original Equipment Manufacturers ("OEMs") but also sometimes with our own customers and suppliers. Many of our large customers may choose not to outsource production due to, among other things, their own direct labor and overhead considerations and capacity utilization at their own facilities. This could result in these customers supplying their own products or services and competing directly with us for sales of these products or services, all of which could significantly reduce our revenues.

Our competitors may have more extensive or more specialized engineering, manufacturing and marketing capabilities than we do in some areas and we may not have the technology, cost structure, or available resources to effectively compete with them. We believe that developing and maintaining a competitive advantage will require continued investment in product development, engineering, supply chain management and sales and marketing, and we may not have enough resources to make the necessary investments to do so.

Further, our significant customers have in the past used, and may attempt in the future to use, their position to negotiate a reduction in price of a particular product regardless of the terms of an existing contract.

We believe our strategies for our Aerospace segment will allow us to continue to effectively compete for key contracts and customers; however, there is potential that we may not be able to compete successfully in this market or against such competitors.

We could be negatively impacted by the loss of key suppliers, lack of product availability, or changes in supplier programs that could adversely affect our operating results.

Our business depends on maintaining sufficient supply of various products to meet our customers' demands. We have several longstanding relationships with key suppliers but these relationships are non-exclusive and could be terminated by either party. If we lost a key supplier, or were unable to obtain the same levels of deliveries from these suppliers and were unable to supplement those purchases with products obtained from other suppliers, it could have a material adverse effect on our business. Additionally, we rely on foreign and domestic suppliers and commodity markets to secure raw materials used in many of the products we manufacture within the Aerospace segment or sell within our Industrial Distribution segment. This exposes us to volatility in the price and availability of raw materials. In some instances, we depend upon a single source of supply. Supply interruptions could arise from shortages of raw materials, labor disputes or weather conditions affecting suppliers' production, transportation disruptions, or other reasons beyond our control. Even if we continue with our current supplier relationships, high demand for certain products may result in us being unable to meet our customers' demands, which could put us at a competitive disadvantage. Additionally, our key suppliers could also increase pricing of their products, which would negatively affect our operating results if we were not able to pass these price increases through to our customers. We base our supply management process on an appropriate balancing of the foreseeable risks and the costs of alternative practices. To protect ourselves against such risks, we engage in strategic inventory purchases during the year, negotiate long-term vendor supply agreements and monitor our inventory levels to ensure that we have the appropriate inventory on hand to meet our customers' requirements.

Estimates of future costs for long-term contracts impact our current and future operating results and profits.

For long-term contracts, we generally recognize sales and gross margin based on the percentage-of-completion method of accounting. This method allows for revenue recognition as our work progresses on a contract.

The percentage-of-completion method requires that we estimate future revenues and costs over the life of a contract. Revenues are estimated based upon the original contract price, with consideration being given to exercised contract options, change orders and, in some cases, projected customer requirements. Contract costs may be incurred over a period of several years, and the estimation of these costs requires significant judgment based upon the acquired knowledge and experience of program managers, engineers, and financial professionals. Estimated costs are based primarily on anticipated purchase contract terms, historical performance trends, business base and other economic projections. The complexity of certain programs as well as technical risks and the availability of materials and labor resources could affect the company's ability to estimate future contract costs. Additional factors that could affect recognition of revenue under the percentage-of-completion method include:

- Accounting for initial program costs;
- The effect of nonrecurring work;
- Delayed contract start-up;
- Transition of work from the customer or other vendors;
- Claims or unapproved change orders;
- Product warranty issues;
- Delayed completion of certain programs for which inventory has been built up; and
- Accrual of contract losses.

Because of the significance of the judgments and estimation processes, it is likely that materially different sales and profit amounts could be recorded if we used different assumptions or if the underlying circumstances were to change. Changes in underlying assumptions, circumstances or estimates may adversely affect future financial performance. We perform quarterly reviews of our long-term contracts to address and lessen the effects of these risks.

We have not reached agreement on the final contract price for the Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 program.

The Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 helicopter program includes the manufacture and assembly of composite tail rotor pylons. This program has undergone numerous customer-directed design changes causing costs on this program to far exceed the price for the contract. We are currently negotiating a revised contract price and believe that the incremental costs associated with the customer-directed design changes are recoverable. At December 31, 2009, contract price negotiations for this program had not been finalized.

We may make acquisitions or investments in new businesses, products or technologies that involve additional risks, which could disrupt our business or harm our financial condition or results of operations.

As part of our business strategy, we have made, and expect to continue to make, acquisitions of businesses or investments in companies that offer complementary products, services and technologies. Such acquisitions or investments involve a number of risks, including:

- Assimilating operations and products may be unexpectedly difficult;
- Management's attention may be diverted from other business concerns;
- We may enter markets in which we have limited or no direct experience;
- We may lose key employees, customers or vendors of an acquired business;
- The synergies or cost savings we expected to achieve may not be realized;
- We may not realize the value of the acquired assets relative to the price paid; and
- Despite our diligent efforts, we may not succeed at quality control or other customer issues.

These factors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and operating results. Consideration paid for any future acquisitions could include our stock or require that we incur additional debt and contingent liabilities. As a result, future acquisitions could cause dilution of existing equity interests and earnings per share. Before we enter into any acquisition, we perform significant due diligence to ensure the potential acquisition fits with our strategic objectives. In addition, we believe we have adequate resources and appropriate integration procedures to transition the newly acquired company efficiently.

Our results of operations could be adversely affected by impairment of our goodwill or other intangible assets.

When we acquire a business, we record goodwill equal to the excess of the amount we pay for the business, including liabilities assumed, over the fair value of the tangible and intangible assets of the business we acquire. Goodwill and other intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives must be tested at least annually for impairment. The specific guidance for testing goodwill and other non-amortized intangible assets for impairment requires management to make certain estimates and assumptions when allocating goodwill to reporting units and determining the fair value of reporting unit net assets and liabilities, including, among other things, an assessment of market conditions, projected cash flows, investment rates, cost of capital and growth rates, which could significantly impact the reported value of goodwill and other intangible assets. Fair value is generally determined using a combination of the discounted cash flow, market multiple and market capitalization valuation approaches. Absent any impairment indicators, we generally perform our impairment tests annually in the fourth quarter, using available forecast information.

If at any time we determine an impairment has occurred, we are required to reflect the reduction in value as an expense within operating income, resulting in a reduction of earnings in the period such impairment is identified and a corresponding reduction in our net asset value.

We rely on the experience and expertise of our skilled employees, and must continue to attract and retain qualified technical, marketing and managerial personnel in order to succeed.

Our future success will depend largely upon our ability to attract and retain highly skilled technical, managerial and marketing personnel. There is significant competition for such personnel in the aerospace and industrial distribution industries. We try to ensure that we offer competitive compensation and benefits as well as opportunities for continued development. There can be no assurance that we will continue to be successful in attracting and retaining the personnel we require to develop new and enhanced products and to continue to grow and operate profitably. We continually strive to recruit and train required personnel as well as retain key employees.

We are subject to litigation that could adversely affect our operating results.

Our financial results may be affected by the outcome of legal proceedings and other contingencies that cannot be predicted. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, if a liability is deemed probable and reasonably estimable in light of the facts and circumstances known to us at a particular point in time, we will make an estimate of material loss contingencies and establish reserves based on our assessment. Subsequent developments in legal proceedings may affect our assessment. The accrual of a loss contingency adversely affects our results of operations in the period in which a liability is recognized. This could also have an adverse impact on our cash flows in the period during which damages are paid. As of December 31, 2009, we do not have any loss accruals recorded with respect to current litigation matters, as we do not believe that we have met the criteria to establish such a liability.

Our acceptance of the return of the 11 Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters, including related inventory and equipment, from the Commonwealth of Australia is subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties.

On February 12, 2009, we completed the transfer of title to the 11 Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters, including related inventory and equipment, from the Commonwealth of Australia, as more fully described in Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements. Our acceptance of the return of the aircraft and other inventory is subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties including but not limited to:

- The potential absence of a market for the aircraft and spare parts;
- Risk of the inventory becoming obsolete over time resulting in the company recording a lower of cost or market adjustment;
- The additional costs that may be necessary to store, maintain and track the inventory; and
- The obligation to make payments to the Commonwealth of Australia in the future, regardless of aircraft sales.

We believe there is a market for these aircraft and we are actively marketing them to interested potential customers.

The cost and effort to start up new aerospace programs could negatively impact our operating results and profits.

In recent years, we have been ramping up several new programs as more fully discussed in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, in this Form 10-K. The time required and cost incurred to ramp up a new program can be significant and includes nonrecurring costs for tooling, first article testing, finalizing drawings and engineering specifications and hiring new employees able to perform the technical work required. New programs can typically involve greater volume of scrap, higher costs due to inefficiencies, delays in production, and learning curves that are more extended than anticipated, all of which can impact operating results. We have been working with our customers and leveraging our years of experience to effectively ramp up these new programs.

We currently rely upon development of national account relationships for growth in our Industrial Distribution segment.

Over the past several years, more companies have begun to consolidate their purchases of industrial products, resulting in their doing business with only a few major distributors or integrated suppliers, rather than a large number of vendors. Through our national accounts strategy we have worked to develop the relationships necessary to be one of those major distributors. Competition relative to these types of arrangements is significant. If we are not awarded additional national accounts in the future, or if existing national account agreements are not renewed, our sales volume could be negatively impacted which may result in lower gross margins and weaker operating results. Additionally, national accounts typically require an increased level of customer service as well as investments in the form of opening of new branches to meet our customers' needs. The cost and time associated with these activities could be significant and if the relationship is not maintained, we could ultimately not make a return on these investments. One of our key strategies has been to increase our national account presence and we will continue to focus on this endeavor through 2010 and beyond.

Our insurance coverage may be inadequate to cover all significant risk exposures.

We are exposed to liabilities that are unique to the products and services we provide. While we believe that we maintain adequate insurance for certain risks, insurance cannot be obtained to protect against all risks and liabilities. It is therefore possible that the amount of our insurance coverage may not cover all claims or liabilities, and we may be forced to bear substantial unanticipated costs.

Business disruptions could seriously affect our future sales and financial condition or increase our costs and expenses.

Our business may be impacted by disruptions including, but not limited to, threats to physical security, information technology attacks or failures, damaging weather or other acts of nature and pandemics or other public health crises. Any of these disruptions could affect our internal operations or services provided to customers, and could impact our sales, increase our expenses or adversely affect our reputation or our stock price.

Our revenue and quarterly results may fluctuate, which could adversely affect our stock price.

We have experienced, and may in the future experience, significant fluctuations in our quarterly operating results that may be caused by many factors. These factors include but are not limited to:

- Changes in demand for our products;
- Introduction, enhancement or announcement of products by us or our competitors;
- Market acceptance of our new products;
- The growth rates of certain market segments in which we compete;
- Size, timing and shipment terms of significant orders;
- Budgeting cycles of customers;
- Mix of distribution channels;
- Mix of products and services sold;
- Mix of domestic and international revenues;
- Fluctuations in currency exchange rates;
- Changes in the level of operating expenses;
- Changes in our sales incentive plans;
- Inventory obsolescence;
- Accrual of contract losses;
- Fluctuations in oil and utility costs;
- Completion or announcement of acquisitions by us; and
- General economic conditions in regions in which we conduct business.

Most of our expenses are relatively fixed, including costs of personnel and facilities, and are not easily reduced. Thus, an unexpected reduction in our revenue, or failure to achieve the anticipated rate of growth, could have a material adverse effect on our profitability. If our operating results do not meet the expectations of investors, our stock price may decline.

<u>Changes in global economic and political conditions could adversely affect our domestic and foreign operations and results of operations.</u>

If our customers' buying patterns, including decision-making processes, timing of expected deliveries and timing of new projects, unfavorably change due to economic or political conditions, there could be an adverse effect on our business. Our foreign business presents us with additional risk exposures; including:

- Longer payment cycles;
- Greater difficulties in accounts receivable collection;
- Unexpected changes in regulatory requirements;
- Export restrictions, tariffs and other trade barriers;
- Difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations;
- Seasonal reductions in business activity during the summer months in Europe and certain other parts of the world;
- Economic instability in emerging markets;
- Potentially adverse tax consequences; and
- Cultural and legal differences in the conduct of business.

Any one or more of these factors could have a material adverse effect on our domestic or international operations, and, consequently, on our business, financial condition and operating results.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This report contains forward-looking information relating to the company's business and prospects, including the Aerospace and Industrial Distribution businesses, operating cash flow, and other matters that involve a number of uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from expectations. Those uncertainties include, but are not limited to: 1) the successful conclusion of competitions for government programs and thereafter contract negotiations with government authorities, both foreign and domestic; 2) political conditions in countries where the company does or intends to do business; 3) standard government contract provisions permitting renegotiation of terms and termination for the convenience of the government; 4) domestic and foreign economic and competitive conditions in markets served by the company, particularly the defense, commercial aviation and industrial production markets; 5) risks associated with successful implementation and ramp up of significant new programs; 6) management's success in increasing the volume of profitable work at the Aerospace Wichita facility; 7) successful negotiation of the Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 program price; 8) successful resale of the SH-2G(I) aircraft, equipment and spare parts; 9) receipt and successful execution of production orders for the JPF U.S. government contract, including the exercise of all contract options and receipt of orders from allied militaries, as all have been assumed in connection with goodwill impairment evaluations; 10) satisfactory resolution of the company's litigation relating to the FMU-143 program; 11) continued support of the existing K-MAX helicopter fleet, including sale of existing K-MAX spare parts inventory; 12) cost estimates associated with environmental remediation activities at the Bloomfield, Moosup and New Hartford, CT facilities and our U.K. facilities; 13) profitable integration of acquired businesses into the company's operations; 14) changes in supplier sales or vendor incentive policies; 15) the effects of price increases or decreases; 16) the effects of pension regulations, pension plan assumptions and future contributions; 17) future levels of indebtedness and capital expenditures; 18) continued availability of raw materials and other commodities in adequate supplies and the effect of increased costs for such items: 19) the effects of currency exchange rates and foreign competition on future operations; 20) changes in laws and regulations, taxes, interest rates, inflation rates and general business conditions; 21) future repurchases and/or issuances of common stock; and 22) other risks and uncertainties set forth in the company's annual, quarterly and current reports, and proxy statements. Any forwardlooking information provided in this report should be considered with these factors in mind. The company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements contained in this report.

ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

None.

ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

Segment	Location	Property Type (1)
Aerospace	Jacksonville, Florida	Leased - Manufacturing & Office
	Wichita, Kansas	Leased - Manufacturing & Office
	Darwen, Lancashire, United Kingdom	Leased - Manufacturing & Office
	Hyde, Greater Manchester, United Kingdom	Leased - Manufacturing & Office
	Orlando, Florida	Leased - Manufacturing & Office
	Tucson, Arizona	Leased - Office
	Dachsbach, Germany	Owned - Manufacturing & Office
	Middletown, CT	Owned - Manufacturing & Office
	Bloomfield, Connecticut	Owned - Manufacturing, Office & Service Center
Industrial Distribution (2)	Windsor, CT	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Ontario, California	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Albany, New York	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Savannah, Georgia	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Salt Lake City, Utah	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Louisville, Kentucky	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Gurabo, Puerto Rico	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	Mexico City, Mexico	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
	British Columbia, Canada	Leased - Distribution Centers & Office
Corporate	Bloomfield, Connecticut	Owned - Office

Our facilities are generally suitable for, and adequate to serve, their intended uses. At December 31, 2009, we occupied major facilities at the following principal locations:

Square Feet	Total
Industrial Distribution	1,738,977
Aerospace	1,547,778
Corporate (3, 4)	619,556
Total	3,906,311

- (1) Owned facilities are unencumbered.
- (2) Branches for the Industrial Distribution segment are located across the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada and Mexico.
- (3) We occupy a 40,000 square foot corporate headquarters building in Bloomfield, Connecticut and own another 76,000 square foot mixed use building that was formerly occupied by our Music Segment.
- (4) Approximately 500,000 square feet of space included in the corporate square footage is attributable to a facility located in Moosup, Connecticut, that was closed in 2003 and is being held for disposition.

ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

From time to time, the company is subject to various claims and suits arising out of the ordinary course of business, including commercial, employment and environmental matters. We do not expect that the resolution of these matters would have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position. Although not required to be disclosed in response to this Item, certain legal proceedings that relate to specific segments of our company are discussed in Item 7, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Other legal proceedings or enforcement actions relating to environmental matters, if any, are discussed in the section of Item 1 entitled Compliance with Environmental Protection Laws.

ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

There were no matters submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of 2009.

PART II

ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

MARKET, DIVIDEND AND SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Our Common Stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "KAMN". As of January 29, 2010, there were 4,048 registered holders of our Common Stock. Holders of the company's Common Stock are eligible to participate in the Mellon Investor Services Program administered by Mellon Bank, N.A. The program offers a variety of services including dividend reinvestment. A booklet describing the program may be obtained by contacting Mellon at (800) 227-0291 or via the web at <u>www.melloninvestor.com</u>.

The following table sets forth the high, low and closing sale prices per share of the Company's Common Stock on the NASDAQ Global Market and the dividends declared for the periods indicated:

_	NASDAQ Market Quotations (1)						
-	E	ligh	I	.0W	С	lose	idend la red
2009							
First	\$	21.21	\$	9.33	\$	14.64	\$ 0.14
Second		18.65		14.25		16.75	0.14
Third		22.63		15.48		20.85	0.14
Fourth		24.86		20.25		23.09	0.14
2008							
First	\$	38.56	\$	22.08	\$	28.55	\$ 0.14
Second		30.12		22.75		22.87	0.14
Third		33.88		21.15		29.96	0.14
Fourth		29.95		16.48		18.13	0.14

(1) NASDAQ market quotations reflect inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down, or commission and may not necessarily represent actual transactions.

ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The following table provides information about purchases of Common Stock by the Company during the three months ended December 31, 2009:

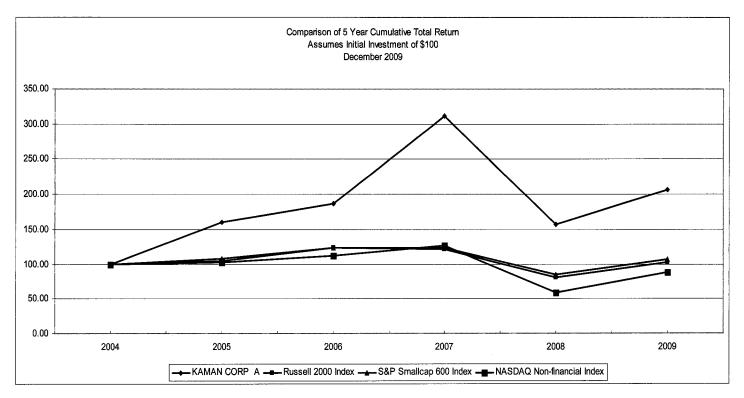
Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased (a)	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of a Publicly Announced Plan (b)	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan	
October 3, 2009 – October 30, 2009	-	\$ -	-	1,130,389	
October 31, 2009 – November 27, 2009	879	21.73	-	1,130,389	
November 28, 2009 – December 31, 2009		-		1,130,389	
Total	879		_		

(a) These shares represent shares repurchased in connection with employee tax withholding obligations as permitted by the 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, a 16b-3 qualified plan. These are not purchases under our publicly announced program.

(b) In November 2000, our board of directors approved a replenishment of the Company's stock repurchase program providing for repurchase of an aggregate of 1.4 million shares of Common Stock for use in the administration of our stock plans and for general corporate purposes.

PERFORMANCE GRAPH

Following is a comparison of our total shareholder return for the period 2004 – 2009 compared to the S&P 600 Small Cap Index, the Russell 2000 Small Cap Index, and the NASDAQ Non-Financial Composite Index. The performance graph does not include a published industry or line-of-business index or peer group of similar issuers because during the performance period the company was conducting operations in diverse lines of business and we do not believe a meaningful industry index or peer group can be reasonably identified. Accordingly, as permitted by regulation, the graph includes the S&P 600 Small Cap Index and the Russell 2000 Small Cap Index, both of which are comprised of issuers with generally similar market capitalizations to that of the company, and the NASDAQ Non-Financial index calculated by the exchange on which company shares are traded.



	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Kaman	100.0	160.0	186.2	311.3	157.1	206.6
S&P 600	100.0	107.7	124.0	123.6	85.2	107.0
Russell 2000	100.0	104.6	123.8	121.8	80.7	102.6
NASDAQ Non-Financial	100.0	102.3	112.1	127.2	58.2	87.8

ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

FIVE-YEAR SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

(in thousands except per share amounts, shareholders and employees)

	2	2009	2008 ^{1,2}	2007 ^{2,3,4}	2006 ^{2,4}	2	2005 2,4,5,6
OPERATIONS		· · ·	 				
Net sales from continuing operations	\$	1,146,231	\$ 1,253,595	\$ 1,086,031	\$ 991,422	\$	909,878
Gain (loss) on sale of product lines and other assets		(4)	221	2,579	(52)		(27)
Operating income from continuing operations		53,942	65,266	64,728	47,822		19,741
Earnings before income taxes from continuing operations		47,010	59,166	57,527	40,660		15,817
Income tax benefit (expense)		(14,361)	(24,059)	(21,036)	(16,017)		(10,743)
Earnings from continuing operations		32,649	35,107	36,491	24,643		5,074
Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes		-	-	7,890	7,143		7,954
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes		-	492	11,538	-		-
Net earnings	\$	32,649	\$ 35,599	\$ 55,919	\$ 31,786	\$	13,028
FINANCIAL POSITION							
Current assets	\$	482,603	\$ 486,516	\$ 491,629	\$ 513,231	\$	496,403
Current liabilities		154,070	179,177	182,631	199,126		223,722
Working capital		328,533	307,339	308,998	314,105		272,681
Property, plant and equipment, net		81,322	79,476	53,645	49,954		46,895
Total assets		773,067	762,613	634,863	630,413		598,497
Long-term debt		56,800	87,924	11,194	72,872		62,235
Shareholders' equity		312,900	274,271	394,526	296,561		269,754
PER SHARE AMOUNTS							
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations		1.27	1.38	1.50	1.02		0.22
Basic earnings per share from discontinued operations		-	-	0.32	0.30		0.35
Basic earnings per share from disposal of discontinued operations		-	0.02	0.47	 -		_
Basic net earnings per share	\$	1.27	\$ 1.40	\$ 2.29	\$ 1.32	\$	0.57
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations		1.27	1.38	1.46	1.01		0.22
Diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations		-	-	0.31	0.29		0.35
Diluted earnings per share from disposal of discontinued operations		-	0.02	0.46	-		-
Diluted net earnings per share	\$	1.27	\$ 1.40	\$ 2.23	\$ 1.30	\$	0.57
Dividends declared		0.560	0.560	0.530	0.500		0.485
Shareholders' equity		12.14	10.77	15.69	12.28		11.28
Market price range – High		24.86	38.56	39.31	25.69		24.48
Market price range – Low		9.33	16.48	21.38	15.52		10.95
AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING							
Basic		25,648	25,357	24,375	24,036		23,038
Diluted		25,779	25,512	25,261	24,869		23,969
GENERAL STATISTICS							
Registered shareholders		4,064	4,107	4,186	4,468		4,779
Employæs		4,032	4,294	3,618	3,906		3,712

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Included within certain annual results are a variety of unusual or significant items that may affect comparability. The most significant of such items are described below as well as within Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

- 1. Results for 2008 include \$7.8 million in non-cash expense related to the impairment of the goodwill balance related to the Aerospace Wichita facility, \$2.5 million related to the write-off of tooling costs at the Aerospace Wichita facility and \$1.6 million of expense related to the cancellation of foreign currency hedge contracts originally assumed in connection with the acquisition of U.K. Composites.
- 2. Effective January 1, 2009, in accordance with guidance issued by the FASB, we treat unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend-equivalents as participating securities in our calculation of earnings per share. We are required to apply this accounting retrospectively to all prior periods presented. The inclusion of these securities did not have a material impact on the calculation of earnings per share.
- 3. The company sold Kaman Music Corporation on December 31, 2007, which resulted in a pre-tax gain on disposal of discontinued operations of \$18.1 million, and the Aerospace segment's 40mm product line assets, which resulted in a pre-tax gain of \$2.6 million.
- 4. Results for 2007, 2006 and 2005 include charges for the Australian SH-2G(A) helicopter program of \$6.4 million, \$9.7 million and \$16.8 million, respectively. There were no such charges recorded in 2008 or 2009.
- 5. Results for 2005 include \$8.3 million of expense for the company's stock appreciation rights, \$3.3 million for legal and financial advisory fees associated with the recapitalization and \$6.8 million recovery of previously written off amounts for MD Helicopters, Inc. (MDHI).
- 6. The effective tax rate for 2005 was 67.9 percent, which was high principally due to the non-deductibility of expenses associated with stock appreciation rights and the company's recapitalization.

ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations (MD&A) is intended to provide readers of our consolidated financial statements with the perspectives of management. MD&A presents in narrative form information regarding our financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and certain other factors that may affect our future results. This will allow our shareholders to obtain a comprehensive understanding of our businesses, strategies, current trends and future prospects. MD&A should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and related Notes included in this Form 10-K. Unless otherwise noted, MD&A relates only to results from continuing operations. All years presented reflect the classification of Kaman Music's financial results as discontinued operations.

OVERVIEW OF BUSINESS

Kaman Corporation is composed of two business segments:

- Industrial Distribution, the third largest power transmission/motion control industrial distributor in North America.
- Aerospace, a manufacturer and subcontractor in the international, commercial and military aerospace and defense markets.

The following is a summary of key events:

- Our net sales from continuing operations decreased 8.6% in 2009 compared to 2008.
- Our earnings from continuing operations decreased 7.0% in 2009 compared to 2008.
- Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations declined to \$1.27 in 2009, a decrease of 8.0% compared to 2008.
- On February 12, 2009, we completed the transfer of title to the 11 Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters, including related inventory and equipment, from the Commonwealth of Australia to the company.
- We entered into a contract modification with the United States Government ("USG") for the award of Options 6, 7 and 8 under the multi-option Joint Programmable Fuze ("JPF") contract. The total value of the Option 6 award is approximately \$59 million and deliveries are expected to begin in the second quarter of 2010. Upon exercise, the value of Options 7 and 8 will depend on the quantity selected by the USG, add-ons, foreign military orders and future funding.
- We replaced our five-year \$200 million revolving credit facility with a new three-year \$225 million senior secured revolving credit facility. The new facility includes an "accordion" feature that allows us to increase the aggregate amount available to \$300 million with additional commitments from lenders.
- We were awarded a five-year contract with a potential value of \$53 million to build composite helicopter blade skins and skin core assemblies for Bell Helicopters.
- We were awarded a \$0.9 million contract from the U.S. Marine Corps on behalf of Team K-MAX®, which includes Lockheed Martin, to demonstrate the ability of the Unmanned K-MAX® helicopter to deliver cargo to troops in extreme environments and at high altitudes. In the last week of January 2010, the Unmanned K-MAX® helicopter successfully completed the demonstration.

RESULTS OF CONTINUING OPERATIONS

Consolidated Results

Net Sales

		2009	2008	2007		
In thousands Industrial Distribution Aerospace		645,535 500,696	\$ 776,970 476,625	\$	700,174 385,857	
Total	\$	1,146,231	\$ 1,253,595		1,086,031	
\$ change % change		(107,364) (8.6)%	167,564 15.4%		94,609 9.5%	

The decrease in net sales for 2009 as compared to 2008 was attributable to a decline in organic sales at our Industrial Distribution segment. This decrease was partially offset by sales growth in our Aerospace segment and the full year effect of sales from the acquisition of Industrial Supply Corp ("ISC") in March 2008, the acquisition of U.K. Composites in June 2008, and the acquisition of Industrial Rubber & Mechanics Incorporated ("INRUMEC") in October 2008. Foreign currency exchange rates had an unfavorable impact of \$12.3 million on sales for 2009.

The increase in net sales for 2008 compared to 2007 was attributable to organic growth at both our segments, as well as the addition of sales related to the acquired businesses. The Aerospace segment's net sales increased due to the acquisition of U.K. Composites, as well as organic sales growth resulting mainly from increased shipments for the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter cockpit program and the JPF fuze program. The Industrial Distribution segment's net sales increased for 2008 compared to 2007 due to several new large national accounts, as well as the acquisitions of ISC and INRUMEC.

Gross Profit

-		2009	2008		2007	
In thousands						
Gross Profit	\$	305,938	\$	332,137	\$	300,945
\$ change		(26,199)		31,192		29,522
% change		(7.9)%		10.4%		10.9%
% of net sales		26.7%		26.5%		27.7%

Gross profit decreased in 2009 as compared to 2008 primarily due to a decrease in gross profit at our Industrial Distribution segment, partially offset by an increase at our Aerospace segment and the full year effect on gross profit from the acquisitions of ISC, U.K. Composites and INRUMEC. The decrease in gross profit at Industrial Distribution was a result of lower sales volume, while the increase at Aerospace was driven by increased shipments on the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter cockpit and JPF fuze programs and increased sales of bearing products for the military markets. These increases were slightly offset by the absence of gross profit previously generated from the now terminated Australian helicopter support program and decreased sales volume related to our bearing product lines for the commercial and regional / business jet markets.

Gross profit in 2008 increased primarily due to the increased sales volume at the Industrial Distribution segment, higher shipments to the commercial aerospace industry and the absence of Australia SH-2G(A) program charges, which amounted to \$6.4 million in 2007. These positive results were partially offset by a less favorable product mix for the JPF fuze program and the charges, excluding goodwill, recorded by the Aerospace segment due to issues encountered by Aerospace Wichita, as discussed more fully below. Gross profit as a percentage of sales ("gross margin") decreased due to the aforementioned product mix changes for the JPF fuze program and the impact of the charges recorded by the Aerospace segment due to issues encountered by Aerospace Wichita.

Selling, General & Administrative Expenses (S,G&A)

-		2009	 2008	 2007		
In thousands						
S,G&A	\$	251,992	\$ 259,282	\$ 238,796		
\$ change		(7,290)	20,486	15,247		
% change		(2.8)%	8.6%	6.8%		
% of net sales		22.0%	20.7%	22.0%		

The decrease in S,G&A for 2009 as compared to 2008 is primarily due to tighter cost control leading to expense reductions at both our segments and our Corporate office and reduction in expense for our Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan ("SERP"). The expense reductions included furloughs and a reduction in other employee benefit expenses. These decreases were partially offset by the acquisitions of ISC, U.K. Composites and INRUMEC during 2008 and an increase of \$8.8 million in pension expense. Furloughs were taken by our Corporate Officers and employees at our Industrial Distribution segment and select operations of our Aerospace segment.

The increase in S,G&A for 2008 compared to 2007 is primarily due to the three acquisitions made during 2008, increases related to higher personnel costs as well as increased bid and proposal activity at our Aerospace segment. These increases were partially offset by lower expenses related to fringe benefits, incentive compensation and stock appreciation rights.

Goodwill Impairment

	2009	2009 2008				
In thousands						
Goodwill impairment	\$	-	\$	7,810	\$	-

During the second quarter of 2008, the Aerospace Wichita facility lost two of its major contracts and experienced continuing production and quality issues. As a result, we performed an interim test of goodwill for impairment and recorded a non-tax-deductible goodwill impairment charge of \$7.8 million. This represented the entire goodwill balance for the reporting unit. We performed our annual test of goodwill impairment during the fourth quarter of 2009 and no impairment charge was required for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Operating Income

	 2009		2008	2007
In thousands				
Operating Income	\$ 53,942	\$	65,266	\$ 64,728
\$ change	(11,324)		538	16,906
% change	(17.4)%		0.8%	35.4%
% of net sales	4.7%	,	5.2%	6.0%

The decrease in operating income in 2009 compared to 2008 was primarily driven by a decrease in operating income at our Industrial Distribution segment and an increase in pension expense offset in part by the absence of the \$7.8 million non-tax deductible goodwill impairment charge taken in 2008, a slight increase in Aerospace segment organic operating income and the addition of operating income associated with the acquisition of U.K. Composites.

The increase in operating income in 2008 compared to 2007 was due to an increase in operating income at our Industrial Distribution segment and a decrease in Corporate expenses, offset by a lower operating income at our Aerospace segment. The increase in operating income at our Industrial Distribution segment was primarily a result of the new national accounts. The lower operating income at our Aerospace segment was primarily driven by the charges associated with Aerospace Wichita and lower foreign military sales under the JPF Fuze program. These reductions were offset by the absence of \$6.4 million in charges related to the Australia SH-2G (A) program recorded in 2007. Please refer to the individual segment discussions for details on their operating income.

Interest Expense, Net

	20	09	2008	2007
In thousands				
Interest Expense, net	\$	5,700	\$ 4,110	\$ 7,526

Net interest expense generally consists of interest charged on the revolving credit facility and other borrowings offset by interest income. The increase in net interest expense for 2009 compared to 2008 was primarily due to higher total average bank borrowings and lower interest income, partially offset by lower interest rates in 2009. The higher average bank borrowings for 2009 was the result of progressively higher borrowings under the revolving credit agreement and term loan agreement as we funded the three acquisitions completed in 2008.

The decrease in net interest expense for 2008 compared to 2007 was primarily due to the repayment of a significant portion of our revolving credit line as of December 31, 2007, using the proceeds from the sale of the Music segment, as well as the redemption of all outstanding convertible debentures in late 2007. In the second quarter of 2008, we borrowed against our revolving credit line again to fund working capital requirements and the U.K. Composites acquisition.

Effective Income Tax Rate

	2009	2008	2007
Effective income tax rate	30.6%	40.7%	36.6%

The effective tax rate represents the combined federal, state and foreign tax effects attributable to pretax earnings for the year. The decrease in the effective tax rate for 2009 compared to 2008 is primarily due to a one-time tax benefit for foreign exchange losses incurred as part of an international recapitalization, and from a discrete benefit due to certain foreign tax incentives, as well as the \$7.8 million non-tax deductible non-cash goodwill impairment charge taken during the second quarter of 2008. We anticipate the full-year effective tax rate for 2010 to be approximately 35%.

The increase in the effective tax rate for 2008 compared to 2007 is due to the non-tax-deductible non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$7.8 million recorded in the second quarter of 2008 by the Aerospace segment.

Other Matters

Moosup

The CTDEP has given us approval for reclassification of groundwater in the vicinity of the Moosup, CT facility consistent with the character of the area. This facility is currently being held for disposal. We have completed the process of connecting neighboring properties to public drinking water in accordance with such approval and in coordination with the CTDEP and local authorities. Site characterization of the environmental condition of the property, which began in 2008, is continuing.

The total anticipated cost of the environmental remediation activities associated with the Moosup property is \$4.1 million, all of which has been accrued. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$1.9 million. A portion (\$0.1 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. The remaining balance of the accrual reflects the total anticipated cost of completing these environmental remediation activities. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, we are unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

New Hartford

In connection with the sale of the Music segment in 2007, we assumed responsibility for meeting certain requirements of the Transfer Act that applied to our transfer of Ovation. Under the Transfer Act, those responsibilities essentially consist of assessing the site's environmental conditions and remediating environmental impairments, if any, caused by Ovation's operations prior to the sale. The site is a multi-tenant industrial park, in which Ovation and other unrelated entities lease space. The environmental assessment process, which began in 2008, is still in process.

We estimate our portion of the cost to assess the environmental conditions and remediate this site is \$2.2 million, unchanged from previously reported estimates, all of which has been accrued. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$0.4 million. A portion (\$0.2 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. The remaining balance of the accrual reflects the total anticipated cost of completing these environmental remediation activities. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, we are unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

Bloomfield

In connection with the 2008 purchase of the portion of the Bloomfield campus that Kaman Aerospace Corporation had leased from NAVAIR, we have assumed responsibility for environmental remediation at the facility as may be required under the Transfer Act and we continue the effort to define the scope of the remediation that will be required by the CTDEP. The assumed environmental liability of \$10.3 million was determined by taking the undiscounted remediation liability of \$20.8 million and discounting it at a rate of 8%. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$2.1 million. A portion (\$1.4 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. This remediation process will take many years to complete. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, we are unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

United Kingdom

In connection with the purchase of U.K. Composites, we accrued, at the time of acquisition, £1.6 million for environmental compliance at their facilities. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is £0.1 million. The U.S. dollar equivalent of the remaining environmental compliance liability as of December 31, 2009 is \$2.4 million, which is included in other accruals and payables. We continue to assess the work that may be required, which may result in a change to this accrual. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, we are unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

In December 2008, a workplace accident occurred at our U.K. Composites facility in Darwen in which one employee died and another was seriously injured. In accordance with U.K. law, the matter has been the subject of an investigation carried out jointly by Lancashire Police and the Health and Safety Executive ("HSE") to determine whether criminal charges are appropriate in this case. Although we have not received official notification that the police investigation has ended with no recommendation of criminal charges, we believe that this is the case because the matter has been transferred to the regional Coroner to conduct an inquest, which is customary in cases where the local police have not sought prosecution. The inquest is scheduled for April 2010. Following the inquest, we expect that the HSE will conduct proceedings under U.K. Health and Safety legislation. We currently estimate that the total potential financial exposure of the U.K. Composites operation with respect to these government proceedings is not likely to be material to our consolidated financial statements.

SEGMENT RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

Industrial Distribution Segment

Outlook

Because of our diverse customer base, our performance tends to track the U.S. Industrial Production Index. This index is impacted by the broader economic environment, which will, from time to time, experience periods of downturn. Although these periods of downturn have historically not lasted for an extended duration, they do have an impact on the near term performance of our business. We are therefore affected, to a large extent, by the overall business climate for our customer industries and their plant capacity utilization levels, and the effect of pricing spikes and/or supply interruptions for basic commodities such as steel and oil.

During 2009, we continued to experience weakness in certain markets and industries that we first encountered late in 2008. While certain markets and products, such as food and beverage processing and power generation, have been less impacted, other industries have experienced significant declines, including non-metallic mineral products, metal mining, machinery and fabricated metals. This downturn has had a significant impact on our results and we took actions to mitigate these negative trends through measured and appropriate cost reduction activities, continued focus on pursuit of additional national account business and initiatives aimed at improving both our gross profit rates and operating margins. We continue to focus on the underlying fundamentals of our business with an emphasis on cost reduction, margin improvements, and adding market share. For 2010 we expect sales growth to be 3-6% and further improvements in gross margin rates. We anticipate operation margin to be up 50-100 basis points.

Our Strategy

The primary strategies for the Industrial Distribution segment are to:

1. Expand our geographic footprint in major industrial markets to enhance our position in the competition for regional and national accounts.

In order to increase our geographic footprint, we continue to explore potential acquisition candidates that are consistent with our strategic objectives. By so doing, we will more clearly establish our business as one that can provide comprehensive services to our customers who are continually looking to streamline their procurement operations and consolidate supplier relationships.

2. Gain additional business from existing customers and new opportunities from a wider slice of the market.

In recent years, we have worked to increase market share in several less cyclical markets including the food and beverage, coal mining and energy industries. We are also expanding our presence in the power generation and utilities markets, two other less cyclical industries. We have been successful in this endeavor, as evidenced by our national account wins, and continue to target these industries. We also continued to build our government business group to service our 5-year contract with the General Services Administration Center for Facilities Maintenance and Hardware ("GSA") which allows us to supply government agencies with Maintenance, Repair and Operations ("MRO") organizations products from our major product categories. The first of these contracts was awarded to us during 2009.

Results of Operations

-		2009	 2008		2007
In thousands Net Sales \$ change % change		645,535 (131,435) (16.9)%	\$ 776,970 76,796 11.0%	\$	700,174 34,754 5.2%
Operating Income \$ change % change % of net sales		12,612 (22,785) (64.4)% 2.0%	35,397 2,359 7.1% 4.6%	·	33,038 (2,122) (6.0)% 4.7%

Net Sales

The decrease in net sales for 2009 as compared to 2008 is due to a decline of 19.2% in organic sales when measured on a same day sales basis. This decrease in organic sales was due to a significant decrease in sales to OEMs and reduced capital spending by MRO customers and changes in foreign currency exchange rates which had an unfavorable impact of \$4.9 million on sales. The decrease was partially offset by the addition of sales resulting from the acquisitions of ISC and INRUMEC. By industry there were significant declines in sales in the non-metallic mineral products, metal mining, machinery and fabricated metals industries which were partially offset by slight sales increases in the food and beverage and paper industries.

The increase in net sales during 2008 as compared to 2007 was due to a balance of organic growth and the contribution of \$43.4 million in sales from the two acquisitions during the year. The remaining increase was due to higher sales to new national accounts, some of which were ramping up during 2007. This sales growth was partially offset by the slowing industrial market and an uncertain economy, particularly in the latter half of the fourth quarter of 2008. During 2008, we continued to make investments in infrastructure and opened three new branches and one new distribution center in the United States. As previously disclosed, these investments in infrastructure and personnel have had an impact on our operating income and it will take several years for the benefits of these investments to be fully realized.

Operating Income

Operating income decreased for 2009 as compared to 2008 primarily due to the decrease in organic sales volume and the resulting impact on our ability to leverage operating costs. Additionally, operating income was impacted by increases in pension plan expense, employee separation costs and insurance costs. These factors were partially offset by improved gross margin rates and steps taken by management to reduce operating costs. These steps included a business wide furlough and the consolidation of branches and the closure of underperforming branches, which resulted in a reduction in headcount. Additionally, we closed the U.S. pension plan to new employees of the Industrial Distribution segment, effective June 1, 2009. The savings that resulted from the business wide furlough are nonrecurring and although the other actions have led to increased costs in the near-term, management believes that the long-term reduction in operating costs will assist the Industrial Distribution segment to manage through this economic downturn and emerge as an even more profitable business.

Operating income increased for 2008 compared to 2007 primarily due to the increase in organic sales volume primarily in the first nine months of the year. Results for the fourth quarter of 2008 were significantly impacted by the rapid decline in sales to OEMs and deterioration in capital spending by MRO organizations.

Aerospace Segment

Outlook

Although the military aerospace market remained relatively stable during 2009, as a result of the downturn in the global economy the commercial markets, including regional / business jets, did not perform at their 2008 levels. The impact of the downturn in the commercial aerospace market upon the segment has been mitigated by our existing military work which represents approximately 70% of total Aerospace sales. The segment performed well with 2009 operating profit return on net sales greater than 2008. Despite the operating performance achievements we have seen in 2009, we anticipate 2010 sales to be relatively flat and operating margin to be up 50-150 basis points. We continue to focus on gross profit improvements on our current programs with the potential for increased sales and profitability through sales of the SH-2G(I) inventory and related equipment. We anticipate that our bearing product lines will continue to see weakness in the commercial markets with the military markets relatively consistent with 2009.

Our Strategy

Our strategy for the Aerospace segment is to expand our global market position in military and commercial markets, while maintaining leadership in product technical performance and application engineering support and continuing to concentrate on lean manufacturing techniques and lead time reduction.

Results of Operations

The following table presents selected financial data for our Aerospace segment:

	 2009	 2008	2007
In thousands Net Sales \$ change % change	\$ 500,696 24,071 5.1%	\$ 476,625 90,768 23.5%	\$ 385,857 59,855 18.4%
Operating Income \$ change % change % of net sales	\$ 74,996 13,388 21.7% 15.0%	61,608 (6,175) (9.1)% 12.9%	67,783 19,643 40.8% 17.6%
Backlog on contract	\$ 433,707	\$ 550,736	\$ 474,529

Net Sales

Net sales increased for 2009 as compared to 2008 due to increased sales on our military programs and the incremental contribution of \$21.4 million in sales from the acquisition of U.K. Composites. The increase in sales on our military programs was due to increased shipments to the United States Government ("USG") and foreign militaries ("FMS") on the JPF program, increased shipments on the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter cockpit program, additional upgrade work on the Egypt SH-2G(E) helicopter fleet, SH-2G spare part sales to New Zealand and increased sales of our bearing products for military platforms. These increases were partially offset by the absence of sales related to the Australian helicopter program support center, a decline in sales of our bearings products for business jet platforms, and an unfavorable change in foreign currency exchange rate. The impact of the change in foreign currency exchange rates was \$7.4 million, primarily as a result of the strengthening of the U.S. Dollar against the Pound Sterling which unfavorably impacted the current year sales of U.K. Composites. Aerospace sales were lower than we had anticipated for 2009, due primarily to the absence of JPF fuze sales to the USG and FMS; however, delivery was delayed due to an issue with a component supplied by a third party that had not been produced to USG specifications. Management has addressed this supplier issue and expects to ship fuzes during 2010.

The growth in net sales for 2008 compared to 2007 was attributable to \$32.3 million of sales by U.K. Composites, which was acquired in mid-June 2008, higher sales to the commercial aerospace market and increased production and shipments under the segment's military related programs. The increase in the military related programs was due to increased production and shipments of the JPF fuze to the USG, higher shipments on several legacy fuze programs and higher production levels for the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter program. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in sales due to the production and operational issues experienced by Aerospace Wichita, the termination of the production and service contract related to the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program, as well as work performed for the Egyptian SH-2G(E) in 2007 that was not repeated during 2008.

Operating Income

Operating income increased for 2009 when compared to 2008 due to the absence of the \$7.8 million non-cash, non-tax-deductible, goodwill impairment charge taken in 2008, increased shipments of higher margin JPF fuzes, the addition of operating income from the acquisition of U.K. Composites, increased sales on the Egypt helicopter upgrade program, increased sales of spares to New Zealand to support their helicopter fleet, higher production levels of the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter cockpit program and increased sales of bearing products for military platforms. These increases were partially offset by reduced gross profit generated by our bearing products for commercial platforms resulting from the lower sales volume as noted above. The Aerospace segment has taken measures designed to reduce costs and improve operating performance, such as furloughs at certain operations. These measures helped improve operating income for the segment; however, the effect of the furloughs in 2009 is nonrecurring in nature.

The decrease in operating income in 2008 as compared to 2007 is due to \$13.0 million in charges related to goodwill impairment and the write-off of Aerospace Wichita inventory and tooling costs and lower foreign military sales under the JPF fuze program. These decreases were partially offset by the absence of the \$6.4 million contract loss accrual recorded in 2007 related to the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program.

Backlog

The decrease in backlog in 2009 compared to 2008 is the result of the changes in the buying patterns of our customers during 2009 and the impact of certain new programs, A-10 and Bell Helicopters, which are not fully included in backlog at December 31, 2009 due to the timing of order receipt.

The increase in backlog in 2008 compared to 2007 is due to new orders under the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter program and the addition of the U.K. Composites backlog resulting from its acquisition in June 2008, partially offset by a decrease in backlog resulting from the termination of the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program with the Commonwealth of Australia.

Major Programs/Product Lines

Military Markets

<u>A-10</u>

In 2008, the segment signed a five-year requirements contract with Boeing for the production of wing control surfaces (inboard and outboard flaps, slats and deceleron assemblies) for the U.S. Air Force's A-10 fleet, with initial deliveries scheduled to begin in 2010. Full rate production is expected to begin in 2011 with an average of approximately 47 ship sets per year through 2015. This multiyear contract has a potential value in excess of \$100 million; however, annual quantities will vary, as they are dependent upon the orders Boeing receives from the U.S. Air Force ("USAF").

BLACKHAWK

The Sikorsky BLACKHAWK helicopter cockpit program involves the manufacture of cockpits including the installation of all wiring harnesses, hydraulic assemblies, control pedals and sticks, seat tracks, pneumatic lines, and the composite structure that holds the windscreen for most models of the BLACKHAWK helicopter. Total orders placed to date for this program are 630 cockpits. The total potential value of this program is at least \$250 million, with deliveries on current orders continuing through 2010. Through December 31, 2009, a total of 438 cockpits have been delivered under this contract. We currently expect 2010 production levels to be slightly lower than those experienced in 2009 due to a reduction in orders received from Sikorsky.

The segment also performs additional subcontract work involving fuselage joining and installation tasks, blade erosion coating and the production of certain mechanical subassemblies for this helicopter program.

Bearings

Our bearing products are included on military platforms manufactured in North America and Europe. These products are used as original equipment and/or specified as replacement parts by the manufacturers. The most significant portion of our sales is derived from the U.S. military platforms, such as the AH-64, C-17 and F/A-18 aircraft, with additional sales in Europe on the Typhoon. These products are primarily proprietary self-lubricating, ball and roller bearings for aircraft flight controls, turbine engines, and landing gear and driveline couplings for helicopters.

<u>C-17</u>

The segment continues production of structural wing subassemblies for the Boeing C-17. Although recent press reports note that continued production of the C-17 may be at risk, we received orders in 2008 for an additional 30 ship sets which will extend our work on the program through 2010.

Egypt SH-2G(E)

The segment continues work under a program for depot level maintenance and upgrades for nine Kaman SH-2G(E) helicopters originally delivered to the Egyptian government during the 1990s. Through December 31, 2009, we are on contract for \$16.5 million of work related to maintenance and upgrades. This program has a current contract value of approximately \$51.8 million.

FMU-152 - Joint Programmable Fuze ("JPF")

We manufacture the JPF fuze, an electro-mechanical bomb safing and arming device, which allows the settings of a weapon to be programmed in flight. During 2009 we entered into a contract modification with the USG for the award of Options 6, 7 and 8 under the company's multi-option JPF contract. The modification provides increased unit prices and quantities for the next three option buys upon exercise and updates the original contract negotiated in 1997. The total value of the Option 6 award is approximately \$59 million and deliveries are expected to begin in the second quarter of 2010. Upon exercise, the value of Options 7 and 8 will depend on the quantity selected by the USAF, add-ons, foreign military orders and future funding.

The total value of JPF contracts awarded by the USG from inception of the program through December 31, 2009 is \$254.7 million. This value primarily consists of Options 1 through 6 under the original contract and various contract modifications, including a two-phase facilitization contract modification and additional foreign military sales facilitated by the USG, as well as a variety of development and engineering contracts, along with special tooling and test equipment. We expect to continue production under the currently awarded options through 2012.

The facilitization program at our Middletown, CT facility has contributed to increased production capabilities and allowed us to improve our quality and efficiency on the JPF program. The facilitization program provided us an opportunity to review production workflow to create greater efficiencies, qualify a second Kaman site for full production and create an enhanced fuze design. During 2009, we passed the final testing and began production of the enhanced fuze.

<u>MH-92</u>

The Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 helicopter program includes the manufacture and assembly of composite tail rotor pylons. This program has undergone numerous customer directed design changes causing costs on this program to exceed the price for the contract. Management believes that the incremental costs related to customer directed design changes are recoverable. At December 31, 2009, contract price negotiations for this program have not yet been finalized. To date, we have recorded \$3.6 million in contract losses, with \$0.6 million and \$3.0 million recorded in 2009 and 2008, respectively, for higher scrap, inefficiencies and tooling costs related to this program.

U.S Army

In December 2009, we signed a \$7.2 million dollar contract with the U.S. Army to perform blade erosion coating on up to 500 helicopter blades, with initial deliveries scheduled to begin in the first quarter of 2010.

Commercial Markets

<u>777 / 767</u>

In late 2007, we signed a seven-year follow-on contract with Boeing for the production of fixed wing trailing edge assemblies for the Boeing 777 and 767 aircraft. During 2009, on average we delivered 7 ship sets per month on the Boeing 777 platform and 1 ship set per month on the Boeing 767. For 2010, we currently anticipate a reduction in the number of ship sets delivered per month to occur during the year. This multiyear contract has a potential value in excess of \$100 million; however, annual quantities will vary, as they are dependent upon the orders Boeing receives from its customers.

<u>Airbus</u>

Our U.K. Composites operations provide composite components for many Airbus platforms. The most significant of these are the A320, A330 and A340. Orders for these components are dependent on the build rate for these various platforms.

Bearings

Our bearing products are included on commercial airliners and regional / business jets manufactured in North and South America, Europe and Asia and are used as original equipment and/or specified as replacement parts by airlines and aircraft manufacturers. These products are primarily proprietary self-lubricating, ball and roller bearings for aircraft flight controls, turbine engines, and landing gear, and driveline couplings for helicopters. The most significant portion of our commercial sales is derived from Boeing and Airbus platforms, such as the Boeing 737, 747, and 777 and the Airbus A320, A330 and A380.

Bell Helicopters

In September 2009, we were awarded a five-year contract with a potential value of \$53 million to build composite helicopter blade skins and skin core assemblies for Bell Helicopters. Under the terms of the contract, we will provide 18 different assemblies for H1, 406, 407, 412, 427, 429, 430 and BA609 aircraft. All work will be performed at our full-service aerospace innovation and manufacturing support center in Bloomfield, Connecticut. First article deliveries to Bell's Hurst, Texas facility began in late 2009. Annual quantities for this program will vary, as they are dependent upon the orders Bell receives from its customers.

SH-2G(I)

As previously reported, we reached an agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia in 2008 providing for the termination of the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program. Pursuant to the agreement, the Commonwealth transferred ownership of the 11 SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters to the company, together with spare parts and associated equipment, in exchange for a release of any remaining payment obligation for net unbilled receivables totaling approximately \$32.0 million. The transfer of ownership was completed on February 12, 2009 and we are actively engaged in efforts to resell the aircraft, spare parts and equipment to other potential customers. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia, we have agreed to share all proceeds from the resale of the aircraft, spare parts, and equipment with the Commonwealth on a predetermined basis, and total payments of at least \$39.5 million (AUD) must be made to the Commonwealth regardless of sales, of which at least \$26.7 million (AUD) must be paid by March 2011. To the extent that cumulative payments have not yet reached \$39.5 million (AUD), additional payments of \$6.4 million (AUD) each must be paid in March of 2012 and 2013. In late 2008, we entered into foreign currency exchange contracts that limit the foreign currency risks associated with these required payments to \$23.7 million. See Note 6, Derivative Financial Instruments, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of these instruments. In addition, to secure these payments the Company has provided the Commonwealth with a \$39.5 million (AUD) unconditional letter of credit, which is being reduced as such payments are made. At December 31, 2009, we had made required payments of \$1.4 million (AUD). As of that date, the U.S. dollar value of the remaining \$38.1 million (AUD) required payment was \$34.2 million.

Sales generated by the SH-2G(A) service center, which had been a meaningful portion of our Aerospace segment's net sales in recent years, ended at the conclusion of the support center ramp down period, which occurred during the fourth quarter of 2008.

Since the successful transfer of the helicopters and related equipment, segment management has attended trade events to market the aircraft, obtained 42 marketing licenses required by the USG, begun discussions with 7 foreign governments regarding the sale of the helicopters and received small orders for the spare parts and related equipment.

Warranty and Contract-Related Matters

There continue to be two warranty-related matters that impact the FMU-143 program at the Aerospace segment's Orlando Facility ("Orlando Facility"). The items involved are an impact switch embedded in certain bomb fuzes that was recalled by a supplier and an incorrect part, called a bellows motor, found to be contained in bomb fuzes manufactured for the U.S. Army utilizing systems which originated before we acquired the Orlando Facility. The U.S. Army Sustainment Command ("USASC"), the procurement agency that administers the FMU-143 contract, had authorized warranty rework for the bellows motor matter in late 2004/early 2005; however, we were not permitted to finish the rework due to issues raised by the USASC primarily related to administrative matters and requests for verification of the accuracy of test equipment (which accuracy was subsequently verified).

In late 2006, the USASC informed us that it was changing its remedy under the contract from performance of warranty rework to an "equitable adjustment" to the contract price. We responded, explaining our view that we had complied with contract requirements. In June 2007, the USASC affirmed its position and gave instructions for disposition of the subject fuzes, including both the impact switch and bellows motor related items, to a Navy facility and we complied with that direction. In November 2009, the United States Government ("USG") instituted suit, alleging liability associated with this matter and including specific claims of about \$6.0 million (treble damages) in connection with allegedly "false claims" by us for payment for fuzes containing the incorrect part and \$3.0 million in connection with rework. By letter dated July 16, 2009, USASC informed us that it also demands payment of \$9.8 million under the contract related to warranty rework. We believe that all these allegations are unfounded and we are defending ourselves vigorously. At December 31, 2009, we had no amount accrued for this demand.

As reported previously, a separate contract dispute between the Orlando Facility and the USASC relative to the FMU-143 fuze program is now in litigation. The USASC has basically alleged the existence of latent defects in certain fuzes due to unauthorized rework during production and has sought to revoke their acceptance. We believe that the Orlando Facility performed in accordance with the contract and it is the government that materially breached the contract terms in several ways. As a result, during the fourth quarter of 2007, we cancelled the contract and, in January 2008, commenced litigation before the Board requesting a declaratory judgment that the cancellation was proper. Shortly thereafter, the USASC notified us that it was terminating the contract for default, making the allegations noted above, and we filed a second complaint with the Board appealing that termination decision. The litigation process continues. In the same letter of July 16, 2009, referenced above, USASC also demanded a repayment of \$5.7 million for these alleged latent defects. We contest this demand and have filed an appeal of it before the Board. At December 31, 2009, we had no amount accrued for these matters as we believe that the likelihood of an adverse outcome to this litigation is remote.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Discussion and Analysis of Cash Flows

We assess liquidity in terms of our ability to generate cash to fund working capital and investing and financing activities. Significant factors affecting liquidity include: cash flows generated from or used by operating activities, capital expenditures, investments in our business segments and their programs, acquisitions, divestitures, dividends, adequacy of available bank lines of credit, and factors that might otherwise affect the company's business and operations generally, as described under the heading "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Statements" in Item 1A of Part I of this Form 10-K.

We continue to rely upon bank financing as an important source of support for our business activities including acquisitions. We believe this, when combined with cash generated from operating activities, will be sufficient to support our anticipated liquidity requirements for the foreseeable future. We anticipate our capital expenditures to be approximately \$20.0 - 25.0 million in 2010, primarily related to information technology investments. We anticipate a variety of items will have an impact on our liquidity during the next 12 months, aside from our normal working capital requirements. These may include the resolution of any of the matters described in MD&A, including the FMU-143 litigation, the cost sharing arrangement with the Commonwealth of Australia, the cost of existing environmental remediation matters, the U.K. Composites workplace accident and required pension contributions. However, we do not believe any of these matters will lead to a shortage of capital resources or liquidity that would prevent us from continuing with our business operations as expected.

During 2009, we successfully executed a \$225 million Revolving Credit Agreement and, in late 2008, a \$50.0 million Term Loan Credit Agreement; however, the current market may adversely affect the securing and/or pricing of additional financing, if any, that might be necessary to continue with our growth strategy and finance working capital requirements. We are watchful of the developments in the credit markets and continuously assess the impact that current economic conditions may have on our operations.

Additionally, with the significant downturn in the financial markets in 2008, the market value of our pension plan assets has significantly decreased, resulting in higher pension plan contributions and a significant increase in pension expense in 2009. Management continuously monitors the assumptions used in the determination of our benefit obligation and compares them to actual performance. During 2009, our pension assets have recovered some of their lost value and we believe the assumptions selected are valid due to the long-term nature of our benefit obligations.

On February 23, 2010, our Board of Directors authorized management to amend the pension plan. The amendment will, among other things, close the pension plan to all new hires on or after March 1, 2010 and change the benefit calculation for existing employees related to pay and years of service. Specifically, changes in pay will be taken into account for benefit calculation purposes until the end of calendar year 2010, the benefit formula will be improved to use the highest five years out of the last ten years of service up to December 31, 2010, whether consecutive or not, and years of service will continue to be added for purposes of the benefit calculations through December 15, 2015, with no further accumulation for service thereafter except for vesting purposes.

We estimate the changes to the pension plan will result in a net curtailment loss of approximately \$0.2 million. In addition, we estimate that the projected benefit obligation will be reduced, and the pension plan's funded status would change by approximately \$47.0 million on March 1, 2010. Based on the above action, we anticipate our pension expense to decrease by approximately \$5.0 million in 2010 as compared to 2009.

On February 23, 2010, our Board of Directors also authorized certain enhancements to the defined contribution plan including, among other things, an increase in employer matching contributions made to the plan based on each participant's pre-tax contributions. The enhancements will become effective January 1, 2011.

	2009	 2008		2007	09 vs. 08	08 vs. 07
		(in	thousar	ids)		
Total cash provided by (used in)						
Operating activities\$	70,454	\$ (13,705)	\$	25,581	\$ 84,159	\$ (39,286)
Investing activites	(16,267)	(125,776)		95,661	109,509	(221,437)
Financing activities	(45,153)	75,055		(56,452)	(120,208)	131,507

A summary of our consolidated cash flows from continuing operations is as follows:

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$84.2 million in 2009 compared to 2008, primarily due to the following:

- Lower working capital requirements due to lower sales at our Industrial Distribution segment.
- Improvements in our inventory procurement and management processes.
- Focus on collections of outstanding receivable balances.
- Decreased payments of taxes, due to the absence of payments made in 2008 related to the sale of our Music segment in the fourth quarter of 2007.
- Decreased cash outflows associated with incentive compensation in 2009 compared to 2008.
- Lower SERP payments for retiring executives.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased \$109.5 million for 2009 compared to 2008. The decrease was primarily attributable to cash used for acquisitions.

Net cash provided by financing activities decreased \$120.2 million for 2009 compared to 2008. In 2009 we had a net repayment under the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Agreement of \$30.8 million, compared to net proceeds from borrowings under the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan of \$81.6 million received in 2008. The proceeds received in 2008 were used to fund our acquisitions.

Net cash provided by operating activities decreased \$39.3 million in 2008 compared to 2007. This increase in cash used is primarily attributable to increased cash requirements to fund working capital needs in 2008 as compared to 2007 as specifically discussed below:

- Inventory levels increased in the Aerospace segment, primarily due to the acquisition of a K-MAX aircraft, higher amounts of inventory at Aerospace Wichita and higher JPF inventory.
- Higher payments of prior year accrued fringe benefits and incentive compensation during 2008.
- Total cash payments for income taxes increased significantly, primarily due to the taxes paid on the gain resulting from the Music segment sale.
- The company paid out a significant amount of SERP payments in 2008 compared to 2007 primarily attributable to the retirement of our former Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.

Net cash used in investing activities increased \$221.4 million in 2008 compared to 2007. The increase is primarily attributable to the acquisitions of U.K. Composites and ISC during the second quarter of 2008 and the acquisition of INRUMEC during the fourth quarter of 2008, the absence of cash inflows from the sale of our former Music segment in 2007, and the increase in capital expenditures in both our segments.

Net cash provided by financing activities increased \$131.5 million in 2008 compared to 2007. We had net borrowings under the Revolving Credit Agreement of \$31.6 million for 2008 as compared to repayments of \$45.3 million for 2007. The significant change was driven by the issuance of long-term debt in 2008 and proceeds from the exercise of employee stock options, offset partially by the payment of dividends.

Financing Arrangements

On September 17, 2009, we entered into a three-year \$225 million senior secured revolving credit facility with co-lead arrangers Bank of America, The Bank of Nova Scotia, and RBS Citizens and a syndicate of lenders ("Revolving Credit Agreement"), which replaced our then existing \$200 million senior revolving credit facility which was due to expire on August 5, 2010 (the "Former Revolving Credit Agreement"). The Revolving Credit Agreement includes an "accordion" feature that allows us to increase the aggregate amount available to \$300 million, subject to additional commitments from lenders. The Revolving Credit Agreement may be used for working capital, letters of credit and other general corporate purposes, including acquisitions.

The lenders have been granted a security interest in substantially all of our domestic personal property and other assets (excluding real estate) and a pledge of 66% of our equity interest in certain of our foreign subsidiaries and 100% of our equity interest in our domestic subsidiaries, as collateral for our obligations under the Revolving Credit Agreement.

Interest rates on amounts outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement are variable and are determined based on a ratio of Consolidated Total Indebtedness as of the last day of the most recently ended Measurement Period to Consolidated EBITDA (the "Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio"), as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. At December 31, 2009, the interest rate for the outstanding amounts on the Revolving Credit Agreement was 3.95%. In addition, we are required to pay a quarterly commitment fee on the unused revolving loan commitment amount at a rate ranging from 0.50% to 0.75% per annum, based on the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio. Fees for outstanding letters of credit range from 2.75% to 4.50%, based on the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio. We anticipate the 2010 interest expense to increase by approximately \$3.0 million compared to 2009.

On October 29, 2008, we executed a Term Loan Credit Agreement with co-lead arrangers Bank of America and The Bank of Nova Scotia and a syndicate of lenders ("Term Loan Agreement"). The Term Loan Agreement, which is in addition to our current Revolving Credit Agreement, is a \$50 million facility with a four-year term, requiring quarterly payments of principal at the rate of 2.5% with 62.5% of the initial aggregate principal payable in the final quarter. We may increase the term loan, by up to an aggregate of \$50 million with additional commitments from the lenders or new commitments from acceptable financial institutions. In conjunction with the entry into the Revolving Credit Agreement on September 17, 2009, the Term Loan Agreement was amended to allow for security interests and financial covenants consistent with those defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement.

Facility fees and interest rates under the Term Loan Agreement are variable and are determined on the basis of our credit rating from Standard & Poor's. In April 2009, Standard & Poor's re-affirmed our rating as investment grade BBB- with an outlook of stable. We believe this is a favorable rating for a company of our size. Under the terms of the current Term Loan Agreement, if this rating should decrease, the effect would be to increase facility fees as well as the interest rates charged. At December 31, 2009, the interest rate for the outstanding amounts on the Term Loan Agreement was 4.0%.

The financial covenants associated with the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Credit Agreement include a requirement that i) the ratio of Consolidated Senior Secured Indebtedness to EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, cannot be greater than 3.00 to 1.00, ii) the ratio of Consolidated Total Indebtedness to EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, cannot be greater than 3.50 to 1.00, and iii) the ratio of EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, to the sum of (i) net interest expense, (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all regularly scheduled principal payments of outstanding indebtedness for borrowed money, (iii) all dividends or other distributions with respect to any equity interests of the Company and (iv) the aggregate amount of Federal, state, local, and foreign income taxes paid in cash cannot be less than 1.05 to 1.00 for any measurement period between September 17, 2009 – March 31, 2011, 1.25 to 1.00 for any measurement period between April 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011 or 1.35 to 1.00 for any measurement period on or after October 1, 2011. We were in compliance with these financial covenants as of December 31, 2009 and we do not anticipate noncompliance in the foreseeable future.

Total average bank borrowings, including the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Agreement, for 2009 were \$90.5 million. As of December 31, 2009, there was \$168.2 million available for borrowing under the Revolving Credit Agreement, net of letters of credit. Letters of credit are considered borrowings for purposes of the Revolving Credit Agreement. A total of \$40.0 million in letters of credit was outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement at December 31, 2009, \$34.2 million of which was related to the guaranteed minimum payments to Australia in connection with the ownership transfer of the 11 SH-2G(A) helicopters (along with spare parts and associated equipment). Total average borrowings for the comparable period in 2008 under the Former Revolving Credit Agreement totaled approximately \$62.8 million.

During the first quarter of 2009, we entered into interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging our eight quarterly variablerate interest payments on the Term Loan Agreement due in 2010 and 2011. These interest rate swap agreements are designated as cash flow hedges and are intended to manage interest rate risk associated with our variable-rate borrowings and minimize the negative impact on our earnings and cash flows of interest rate fluctuations attributable to the changes in LIBOR rates.

Other Sources/Uses of Capital

We expect to contribute \$10.7 million to the qualified pension plan and \$0.9 million to the SERP for the 2010 plan year. For the 2009 plan year, we made a contribution of \$10.9 million to the qualified plan and contributions of \$5.7 million to the SERP.

In November 2000, our board of directors approved a replenishment of our stock repurchase program, providing for repurchase of an aggregate of 1.4 million common shares for use in administration of our stock plans and for general corporate purposes. There were no shares repurchased during 2008 or 2009 under this program. At December 31, 2009, approximately 1.1 million shares were authorized for repurchase under this program.

On June 26, 2009, we filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). This shelf registration statement allows us to offer, issue or sell from time to time, together or separately, (i) senior or subordinated debt securities, which may be convertible into shares of our common stock, preferred stock or other securities; (ii) shares of our common stock; (iii) shares of our preferred stock, which we may issue in one or more series; or (iv) warrants to purchase our equity or debt securities or other securities. The total offering price of the securities will not exceed \$200 million in the aggregate. The shelf registration became effective on August 3, 2009. Future offerings, if any, will be made only by means of a written prospectus or other permitted documents. At the time of any such offering, we will file a prospectus supplement with the SEC outlining the type of securities, amounts, prices, use of proceeds and other terms.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

Contractual Obligations

-	Payments due by period (in millions)													
									More	e than 5				
Contractual Obligations		Total	Wi	Within 1 year		years	3-5	years	years					
Long-term debt	\$	61.8	\$	5.0	\$	56.8	\$	-	\$	-				
Interest payments on debt (a)		13.1		4.4		8.0		0.7		-				
Operating leases		38.7		15.8		18.0		4.1		0.8				
Purchase obligations (b)		95.8		89.2		6.4		0.2		-				
Other long-term obligations (c)		30.5		3.3		10.6		5.8		10.8				
Planned funding of pension and SERP (d)		27.4		11.6		1.7		7.4		6.7				
Payments to the Commonwealth of Australia (e)		34.2		-		28.5		5.7		-				
Total	\$	301.5	\$	129.3	\$	130.0	\$	23.9	\$	18.3				

The following table summarizes certain of the company's contractual obligations as of December 31, 2009:

Note: For more information refer to Note 12, Credit Arrangements – Short-Term Borrowing and Long-Term Debt; Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies; Note 17, Other Long-Term Liabilities; Note 16, Pension Plans, and Note 15, Income Taxes in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in Item 8 of this Form 10-K.

- (a) Interest payments on debt within one year are based upon the long-term debt that existed at December 31, 2009. After one year interest payments are based upon average estimated long-term debt balances outstanding each year.
- (b) This category includes purchase commitments to suppliers for materials and supplies as part of the ordinary course of business, consulting arrangements and support services. Only obligations in the amount of at least fifty thousand dollars are included.
- (c) This category includes obligations under the company's long-term incentive plan, deferred compensation plan, a supplemental disability income arrangement for one former company officer and unrecognized tax benefits.
- (d) This category includes planned funding of the company's SERP and qualified defined benefit pension plan. Projected funding for the qualified defined benefit pension plan beyond one year has not been included as there are several significant factors, such as the future market value of plan assets and projected investment return rates, which could cause actual funding requirements to differ materially from projected funding.
- (c) As previously reported, we reached an agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia in 2008 providing for the termination of the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program. Pursuant to the agreement, the Commonwealth transferred ownership of the 11 SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters to the company, together with spare parts and associated equipment, in exchange for a release of any remaining payment obligation for net unbilled receivables totaling approximately \$32.0 million. The transfer of ownership was completed on February 12, 2009 and we are actively engaged in efforts to resell the aircraft, spare parts and equipment to other potential customers. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia, we have agreed to share all proceeds from the resale of the aircraft, spare parts, and equipment with the Commonwealth on a predetermined basis, and total payments of at least \$39.5 million (AUD) must be made to the Commonwealth regardless of sales, of which at least \$26.7 million (AUD) must be paid by March 2011. To the extent that cumulative payments have not yet reached \$39.5 million (AUD), additional payments of \$6.4 million (AUD) each must be paid in March of 2012 and 2013. In late 2008, we entered into foreign currency exchange contracts that limit the foreign currency risks associated with these required payments to \$23.7 million. At December 31, 2009, we had made required payments of \$1.4 million (AUD). As of that date, the U.S. dollar value of the remaining \$38.1 million (AUD) required payment was \$34.2 million.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The following table summarizes the company's off-balance sheet arrangements:

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Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements	Тс	otal	Withir	n 1 year	1-3	years	3-5	years	yea	rs
Acquisition earn-out (1)	\$	4.5	\$	0.1	\$	2.8	\$	1.6	\$	
Total	\$	4.5	\$	0.1	\$	2.8	\$	1.6	\$	

1) The obligation to pay earn-out amounts depends upon the attainment of specific milestones for KPP Orlando, an operation acquired in 2002.

The company currently maintains \$40.0 million in outstanding standby letters of credit under the Revolving Credit Agreement. Of this amount, \$34.2 million is related to the guaranteed minimum payments to Australia in connection with the ownership transfer of the 11 SH-2G(A) helicopters (along with spare parts and associated equipment).

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

Our significant accounting policies are outlined in Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses and related disclosures based upon historical experience, current trends and other factors that management believes to be relevant. We are also responsible for evaluating the propriety of our estimates, judgments, and accounting methods as new events occur. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Management periodically reviews the company's critical accounting policies, estimates, and judgments with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors. The most significant areas currently involving management judgments and estimates are described below.

Long-Term Contracts

Methodology

Judgment and Uncertainties

For long-term aerospace contracts, we generally recognize sales and income based on the percentage-of-completion method of accounting, which allows for recognition of revenue as work on a contract progresses. We recognize sales and profit based upon either (1) the cost-to-cost method, in which profit is recorded based upon the ratio of costs incurred to estimated total costs to complete the contract, or (2) the units-of-delivery method, in which sales are recognized as deliveries are made and cost of sales is computed on the basis of the estimated ratio of total cost to total sales.

Management performs detailed quarterly reviews of all of our significant long-term contracts. Based upon these reviews, we record the effects of adjustments in profit estimates each period. If at any time management determines that in the case of a particular contract total costs will exceed total contract revenue, we record a provision for the entire anticipated contract loss at that time.

The percentage-of-completion method requires that we estimate future revenues and costs over the life of a contract. Revenues are estimated based upon the original contract price, with consideration being given to exercised contract options, change orders and in some cases projected customer requirements. Contract costs may be incurred over a period of several years, and the estimation of these costs requires significant judgment based upon the acquired knowledge and experience of program managers, engineers, and financial professionals. Estimated costs are based primarily on anticipated purchase contract terms, historical performance trends, business base and other economic projections. The complexity of certain programs as well as technical risks and uncertainty as to the future availability of materials and labor resources could affect the company's ability to estimate future contract costs.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

While we do not believe there is a reasonable likelihood there will be a material change in estimates or assumptions used to calculate our long-term revenues and costs, estimating the percentage of work complete on certain programs is a complex task. As a result, changes to these programs could have a significant impact on our results of operations. These programs include the Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 program, the Sikorsky BLACKHAWK program, the JPF program, and several other programs including the Boeing A-10 program. Estimating the ultimate total cost of these programs has been challenging partially due to the complexity of the programs, the ramping up of the new programs, the nature of the materials needed to complete these programs, change orders related to the programs and the need to manage our customers' expectations. These programs are an important element in our continuing strategy to increase operating efficiencies and profitability as well as broaden our business base. Management continues to monitor and update program cost estimates quarterly for these contracts. A significant change in an estimate on one or more programs could have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Methodology

The allowance for doubtful accounts represents management's best estimate of probable losses inherent in the receivable balance. These estimates are based on known past due amounts and historical write-off experience, as well as trends and factors impacting the credit risk associated with specific customers. In an effort to identify adverse trends for trade receivables, we perform ongoing reviews of account balances and the aging of receivables. Amounts are considered past due when payment has not been received within a pre-determined time frame based upon the credit terms extended. For our government and commercial contracts, we evaluate, on an ongoing basis, the amount of recoverable costs. The recoverability of costs is evaluated on a contract-by-contract basis based upon historical trends of payments, program viability and the customer's creditworthiness.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Write-offs are charged against the allowance for doubtful accounts only after we have exhausted all collection efforts. Actual writeoffs and adjustments could differ from the allowance estimates due to unanticipated changes in the business environment as well as factors and risks associated with specific customers.

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, our allowance for doubtful accounts was 1.8 percent and 1.2 percent of gross receivables, respectively. Receivables written off, net of recoveries, in 2009 and 2008 were \$1.3 and \$0.8 million, respectively.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

Currently we do not believe that we have a significant amount of risk relative to the allowance for doubtful accounts. A 10% change in the allowance would have a \$0.2 million effect on pre-tax earnings.

Inventory Valuation

Methodology

We have four types of inventory (a) merchandise for resale, (b) contracts in process, (c) other work in process, and (d) finished goods. Merchandise for resale is stated at the lower of the cost of the inventory or its fair market value. Contracts in process, other work in process and finished goods are valued at production cost comprised of material, labor and overhead, including general and administrative expenses on certain government contracts. Contracts in process, other work in process, and finished goods are reported at the lower of cost or net realizable value. We include raw material amounts in the contracts in process and other work in process balances. Raw material includes certain general stock materials but primarily relates to purchases that were made in anticipation of specific programs that have not been started as of the balance sheet date. The total amount of raw material included in these in process amounts is less than 5.0% of the total inventory balance for 2009 and 2008.

Self-Insured Retentions Liabilities

Methodology

To limit our exposure to losses related to health, workers' compensation, auto and product/general liability claims we obtain third party insurance coverage. We have varying levels of deductibles for these claims. Our total liability/deductible for workers' compensation is limited to \$0.4 million per claim, and for general liability and auto liability we are limited to \$0.3 million per claim. The cost of such benefits is recognized as expense based on claims filed in each reporting period and an estimate of claims incurred but not reported ("IBNR") during such period. The estimates for the cost of the claims are based upon information provided to us by the claims administrators and are periodically revised to reflect changes in loss trends. Our IBNR estimate is based upon historical trends.

Judgment and Uncertainties

The process for evaluating inventory obsolescence or market value issues often requires the company to make subjective judgments and estimates concerning future sales levels, quantities and prices at which such inventory will be sold in the normal course of business. We adjust our inventory by the difference between the estimated market value and the actual cost of our inventory to arrive at net realizable value. Changes in estimates of future sales volume may necessitate future write-downs of inventory value. Based upon a market evaluation performed in 2002 we wrote down our K-MAX® inventory by \$46.7 million in that year. The K-MAX® inventory balance, consisting of work in process and finished goods, was \$24.6 million as of December 31, 2009. We believe that it is stated at net realizable value, although lack of demand for spare parts in the future could result in additional write-downs of the inventory value. Overall, management believes that our inventory is appropriately valued and not subject to further obsolescence in the near term

On February 12, 2009, we completed the transfer of title to the 11 Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters, including related inventory and equipment. At December 31, 2009, \$55.0 million of SH-2G(I) inventory, formerly SH-2G(A), was included in contracts and other work in process inventory. We believe there is market potential for these aircraft and we are actively marketing them to interested potential customers; however a significant portion of this inventory will be sold after December 31, 2010, based upon the time needed to market the aircraft and prepare them for sale.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Liabilities associated with these claims are estimated in part by considering historical claims experience, severity factors and other actuarial assumptions. Projections of future losses are inherently uncertain because of the random nature of insurance claims occurrences and the possibility that actuarial assumptions could change. Such self-insurance accruals likely include claims for which the losses will be settled over a period of years.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

Inventory valuation at our Industrial Distribution segment generally requires less subjective management judgment than the valuation of certain inventory in the Aerospace segment. Management reviews the K-MAX® inventory balance on an annual basis to determine whether any additional write-downs are necessary. If such a write down were to occur, this could have a significant impact on our operating results. A 10% write down of the December 31, 2009 inventory balance would have affected pre-tax earnings by approximately \$2.5 million in 2009.

Management reviewed the SH-2G(I) inventory balance at December 31, 2009 to determine that no write-down was necessary. If such a write down were to occur, this could have a significant impact on our operating results. A 10% write down of the December 31, 2009 inventory balance would have affected pre-tax earnings by approximately \$5.5 million in 2009.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

The financial results of the company could be significantly affected if future claims and assumptions differ from those used in determining these liabilities. If more claims are made than were estimated or if the costs of actual claims increase beyond what was anticipated, reserves recorded may not be sufficient and additional accruals may be required in future periods. We do not believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the estimates or assumptions we use to calculate our selfinsured liabilities. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates or assumptions, we may be exposed to losses or gains that could be material. A 10% change in our self-insurance reserve would affect our 2009 pre-tax earnings by \$0.6 million.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Methodology

Goodwill and certain intangible assets that have indefinite lives are evaluated at least annually for impairment. All intangible assets are also reviewed for possible impairment whenever changes in conditions indicate that their carrying value may not be recoverable. The annual evaluation is generally performed during the fourth quarter, using currently available forecast information.

In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, we test goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level, which is one level below our operating segment level. A component of an operating segment is deemed to be a reporting unit if it constitutes a business for which discrete financial information is available and segment management regularly reviews the operating results of that component.

The identification and measurement of goodwill impairment involves the estimation of fair value of the reporting unit as compared to its carrying value.

The carrying value of goodwill and other intangible assets was \$116.9 million and \$111.8 million as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Based upon its annual evaluation, management has determined that there has been no impairment of its goodwill and other intangible assets.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Management's estimate of fair value using the discounted cash flow method is based upon factors such as projected revenue and operating margin growth rates reflecting our internal forecasts, terminal growth rates and market participant weighted-average cost of capital as our discount rate. We utilize currently available information regarding present industry and economic conditions and future expectations to prepare our estimates and perform impairment evaluations.

Management believes this technique is the most appropriate due to the lack of comparable sales transactions in the market or publicly-traded companies with comparable operating and investment characteristics for which operating data is available to derive valuation multiples for the reporting units being tested. There have been no updates or changes to our methodology during 2009.

In preparing our annual evaluation we used an assumed terminal growth rate of 3.5% for our reporting units. The discount rate utilized to reflect the risk and uncertainty in the financial markets and specifically in our internally developed earnings projections ranged from 12% - 13% for our Aerospace reporting units and 11.5% - 17% for our Industrial Distribution reporting units. Future changes in these estimates and assumptions could materially affect the results of our test for goodwill impairment.

In preparing our annual evaluation for 2008 we used an assumed terminal growth rate of 4% for our reporting units. The discount rate utilized to reflect the risk and uncertainty in the financial markets and specifically in our internally developed earnings projections was 12% for our Aerospace reporting units and 13% for our Industrial Distribution reporting units. The change in the discount rate, when compared to the current year, was due to the risk and uncertainty in our internally developed financial projection resulting from the severity of the economic downturn during 2009 and our estimate as to when a broader economic recovery will impact our reporting units in 2010 and beyond.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

We do not currently believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in estimates or assumptions used to test for impairment losses on goodwill and other intangible assets. A decrease of 1% in our terminal growth rate or an increase of 1% in our discount rate would still result in a fair value calculation exceeding our book value for each of our reporting units. Additionally, a 10% decrease in the fair value of our reporting units also would not have resulted in an impairment of goodwill. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates or assumptions or if current economic conditions persist, we may be exposed to an impairment charge that could be material.

Long-Term Incentive Programs

Methodology

The company maintains a Stock Incentive Plan, which provides for share-based payment awards, including non-statutory stock options, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, and long-term incentive program (LTIP) awards. We determine the fair value of our nonqualified stock option awards at the date of grant using a Black-Scholes model. We determine the fair value of our restricted share awards at the date of grant using an average of the high and low market price of our stock.

LTIP awards provide certain senior executives an opportunity to receive award payments, generally in cash. For each performance cycle, the company's financial results are compared to the Russell 2000 indices for the same periods based upon the following: (a) average return on total capital, (b) earnings per share growth and (c) total return to shareholders. No awards will be payable unless the company's performance is at least in the 25th percentile of the designated indices. The maximum award is payable if performance reaches the 75th percentile of the designated indices. Awards for performance between the 25th and 75th percentiles are determined by straight-line interpolation. Awards will be paid out at 100% at the 50th percentile.

In order to estimate the liability associated with LTIP awards, management must make assumptions as to how our current performance compares to current Russell 2000 data based upon the Russell 2000's historical results. This analysis is performed on a quarterly basis. When sufficient Russell 2000 data for a year is available, which typically will not be until April or May of the following year, management will adjust the liability to reflect its best estimate of the total award. Actual results could differ significantly from management's estimates. The total estimated liability as of December 31, 2009 was \$5.4 million.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Option-pricing models and generally accepted valuation techniques require management to make assumptions and to apply judgment to determine the fair value of our awards. These assumptions and judgments include estimating the future volatility of our stock price, expected dividend yield, future employee turnover rates and future employee stock option exercise behaviors. Changes in these assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimate.

Our long-term incentive plan requires management to make assumptions regarding the likelihood of achieving long-term company goals as well as estimate the impact the Russell 2000 results may have on our accrual.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

We do not currently believe there is a reasonable likelihood that there will be a material change in the estimates or assumptions we use to determine stock-based compensation expense. However, if actual results are not consistent with our estimates or assumptions, we may be exposed to changes in stock-based compensation expense that could be material.

If actual results are not consistent with the assumptions used, the stock-based compensation expense reported in our financial statements may not be representative of the actual economic cost of the stock-based compensation. A 10% change in our stockbased compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2009, would have affected pretax earnings by approximately \$0.3 million in 2009. Due to the timing of availability of the Russell data, there is a risk that the amount we have recorded as LTIP expense could be different from the actual payout. A 10.0 percentage point increase in the total performance factor earned for our LTIP would result in a reduction of 2009 pretax earnings of \$0.5 million.

Pension Plans

Methodology

We maintain a qualified defined benefit pension plan for our full-time U.S. employees (with the exception of certain acquired companies that have not adopted the plan and employees of our Industrial Distribution segment hired after June 30, 2009) as well as a non-qualified Supplemental Employees Retirement Plan (SERP) for certain key executives. Expenses and liabilities associated with each of these plans are determined based upon actuarial valuations. Integral to these actuarial valuations are a variety of assumptions including expected return on plan assets, discount rate and rate of increase in compensation levels. We regularly review these assumptions, which are updated at the measurement date, December 31st, and disclosed in Note 16, Pension Plans, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Form 10-K. In accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, the impact of differences between actual results and the assumptions are accumulated and generally amortized over future periods, which will affect expense recognized in future periods.

We believe that two assumptions, the discount rate and the expected rate of return on plan assets, are important elements of expense and/or liability measurement.

Judgment and Uncertainties

The discount rate represents the interest rate used to determine the present value of future cash flows currently expected to be required to settle the pension obligation. For 2009, management reviewed the Citigroup Pension Discount Curve and Liability Index to determine the continued appropriateness of our discount rate assumptions. This index was designed to provide a market average discount rate to assist plan sponsors in valuing the liabilities associated with postretirement obligations. Additionally, we reviewed the change in the general level of interest rates since the last measurement date noting that overall rates had remained consistent with 2008.

Based upon this information, we used a 5.85% discount rate as of December 31, 2009 for the qualified benefit pension plan. This rate takes into consideration the participants in our pension plan and the anticipated payment stream as compared to the Citigroup Index and rounds the results to the nearest fifth basis point. For the SERP, we used the same methodology as the pension plan and derived a discount rate of 5.15% in 2009 for the benefit obligation. The difference in the discount rates is primarily due to the expected duration of SERP payments, which is shorter than the anticipated duration of benefit payments to be made to the average participant in the pension plan. The qualified defined benefit pension plan and SERP both used discount rates of 6.15% at December 31, 2008 for purposes of calculating the benefit obligation.

The expected long-term rate of return on plan assets represents the average rate of earnings expected on the funds invested to provide for anticipated benefit payments. The expected return on assets assumption is developed based upon several factors. Such factors include current and expected target asset allocation, our historical experience of returns by asset class type, a risk premium and an inflation estimate.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

A lower discount rate increases the present value of benefit obligations and increases pension expense. A one percentage point decrease in the assumed discount rate would have increased pension expense in 2009 by \$6.7 million. A one percentage point increase in the assumed discount rate would have decreased pension expense in 2009 by \$4.7 million.

A lower expected rate of return on pension plan assets would increase pension expense. The expected return on plan assets was 8.0% for December 31, 2009. A one-percentage point increase/decrease in the assumed return on pension plan assets assumption would have changed pension expense in 2009 by approximately \$3.9 million. With the significant downturn in the financial markets in 2008, the market value of our pension plan assets decreased significantly. The actual return on pension plan assets during 2008 was significantly lower than our expected rate of return on pension plan assets of 8%. However, management believes that 8% is still a valid assumption for the expected return on pension plan assets due to the long-term nature of our benefit obligations and the likely returns associated with our allocation targets to various investments.

Income Taxes

Methodology

Tax laws in certain of our operating jurisdictions require items to be reported for tax purposes at different times than the items are reflected in our financial statements. One example of such temporary differences is depreciation expense. Other differences are permanent, such as expenses that are never deductible on our tax returns, an example being a charge related to the impairment of goodwill. Temporary differences create deferred tax assets and liabilities. Deferred tax assets generally represent items that can be used as a tax deduction or credit in our tax returns in future years for which we have already recorded the tax benefit in our financial statements. Deferred tax liabilities generally represent tax expense recognized in our financial statements for which payment is not yet due or the realized tax benefit of expenses we have already reported in our tax returns, but have not yet recognized as expense in our financial statements.

As of December 31, 2009, we had recognized \$84.5 million of net deferred tax assets, net of valuation allowances. The realization of these benefits is dependent in part on future taxable income. For those foreign countries or U.S. states where the expiration of tax loss or credit carry forwards or the projected operating results indicates that realization is not likely, a valuation allowance is provided.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Management believes that sufficient income will be earned in the future to realize deferred income tax assets, net of valuation allowances recorded. The realization of these deferred tax assets can be impacted by changes to tax laws or statutory tax rates and future taxable income levels.

Our effective tax rate on earnings from continuing operations was 30.6% for 2009. Our effective tax rate is based on expected or reported income or loss, statutory tax rates, and tax planning opportunities available to us in the various jurisdictions in which we operate. Significant judgment is required in determining our effective tax rate and in evaluating our tax positions. We establish reserves when, despite our belief that our tax return positions are valid and defensible, we believe that certain positions may not prevail if challenged. We adjust these reserves in light of changing facts and circumstances, such as the progress of a tax audit or changes in tax legislation. Our effective tax rate includes the impact of reserve provisions and changes to reserves that we consider appropriate. This rate is then applied to our quarterly operating results. In the event that there is a significant unusual or one-time item recognized in our operating results, the tax attributable to that item would be separately calculated and recorded at the same time as the unusual or one-time item.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

We do not anticipate a significant change in our unrecognized tax benefits within the next twelve months. We file tax returns in numerous U.S. and foreign jurisdictions, with returns subject to examination for varying periods, but generally back to and including 2005. It is our policy to record interest and penalties on unrecognized tax benefits as income taxes. A one percent increase/decrease in our tax rate would affect our 2009 earnings by \$0.5 million.

Environmental Costs

Methodology

Our operations are subject to environmental regulation by federal, state and local authorities in the United States and regulatory authorities with jurisdiction over our foreign operations. As a result, we have established and update, as necessary, policies relating to environmental standards of performance for our operations worldwide.

When we become aware of an environmental risk, we perform a site study to ascertain the potential magnitude of contamination and the estimated cost of remediation. This cost is accrued using a reasonable discount factor based on the estimated future cost of remediation.

We continually evaluate the identified environmental issues to ensure the time to complete the remediation and the total cost of remediation are consistent with our initial estimate. If there is any change in the cost and/or timing of remediation, the accrual is adjusted accordingly.

Judgment and Uncertainties

Environmental costs are accrued when it is probable that a liability has been incurred and the amount can be reasonably estimated. The most likely cost to be incurred is accrued based on an evaluation of currently available facts with respect to each individual site, including existing technology, current laws and regulations and prior remediation experience. Liabilities with fixed or readily determinable payment dates are discounted.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

At December 31, 2009, amounts accrued for known environmental remediation costs were \$15.6 million. A 10% change in this accrual could have impacted pre-tax earnings by \$1.6 million. Further information about our environmental costs is provided in Note 11, Environmental Costs, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

We believe that expenditures necessary to comply with the present regulations governing environmental protection will not have a material effect upon our competitive position, consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The most significant accrual for remediation relates to our purchase of the Navy property in 2008 as more fully discussed in Note 11, Environmental Costs, and Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Derivatives and Hedging

Methodology

We use derivatives to manage risks related to foreign exchange, our net investment in certain foreign subsidiaries and interest rates. Accounting for derivatives as hedges requires that, at inception and over the term of the arrangement, the hedged item and related derivative meet the requirements for hedge accounting. The rules and interpretations related to derivative accounting are complex. If a derivative does not meet the complex requirements established as a prerequisite for hedge accounting, changes in the fair value of the derivative must be reported in earnings rather than as a component of other comprehensive income, without regard to the offsetting changes in the fair value of the hedged item.

Judgment and Uncertainties

In evaluating whether a particular relationship qualifies for hedge accounting, we first determine whether the relationship meets the strict criteria to qualify for exemption from ongoing effectiveness testing. For a relationship that does not meet these criteria, we test effectiveness at inception and quarterly thereafter by determining whether changes in the fair value of the derivative offset, within a specified range, changes in the fair value of the hedged item. This test is conducted each reporting period. If fair value changes fail this test, we discontinue applying hedge accounting to that relationship prospectively. Fair values of both the derivative instrument and the hedged item are calculated using internal valuation models incorporating market-based assumptions.

Effect if Actual Results Differ From Assumptions

At December 31, 2009, derivative assets were \$7.0 million and derivative liabilities were \$0.7 million. We had recorded a net loss of \$2.6 million, net of tax, in other comprehensive income. The amount recorded to other comprehensive income would have been recorded in the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the year ended December 31, 2009 had the criteria for hedge accounting not been met. Changes in the fair value of these instruments will be recorded to other comprehensive income until the point where either the Company stops utilizing the derivative instruments as a hedge or the derivative instruments no longer provide an effective hedge against the impact of foreign currency changes on the underlying transaction.

During 2009, certain derivative financial instruments no longer met the criteria necessary to qualify for hedge accounting. The Company recorded changes in the fair value of these instruments prospectively to the Consolidated Statements of Operations. The total amount of gain recorded for derivative instruments not designated for hedge accounting totaled \$8.2 million at December 31, 2009. Further information about our use of derivatives is provided in Note 6, Derivative Financial Instruments, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

RECENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

A summary of recent accounting standards is included in Note 1, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, included in Item 8, Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of this Form 10-K.

SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA

2009	First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter	Total Year
		(i	n thousand	s, ez	cept per sh	are	amounts)	
Net Sales	\$ 294,035	\$	293,223	\$	289,901	\$	269,072	\$ 1,146,231
Gross Profit	\$ 77,695	\$	78,471	\$	76,692	\$	73,080	\$ 305,938
Net Earnings	\$ 5,376	\$	9,394	\$	9,624	\$	8,255	\$ 32,649
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.21	\$	0.37	\$	0.37	\$	0.32	\$ 1.27
Diluted earnings per share	\$ 0.21	\$	0.37	\$	0.37	\$	0.32	\$ 1.27

2008		First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	Fourth Quarter	Total Year
Net Sales	\$	285,781	\$ 316,285	\$ 335,133	\$ 316,396	\$ 1,253,595
Gross Profit	\$	76,591	\$ 86,272	\$ 88,873	\$ 80,401	\$ 332,137
Net Earnings from Continuing Operations	\$	8,868	\$ 6,090	\$ 13,530	\$ 6,619	\$ 35,107
Gain on Disposal of Discontinued Operations, net of tax	\$	-	\$ 323	\$ -	\$ 169	\$ 492
Net Earnings	\$	8,868	\$ 6,413	\$ 13,530	\$ 6,788	\$ 35,599
Basic Earnings Per Share						
Basic from Continuing Operations	\$	0.35	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.26	\$ 1.38
Basic from Disposal of Discontinued Operations	\$	-	\$ 0.01	\$ -	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02
Basic	\$	0.35	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.40
Diluted Earnings Per Share						
Diluted from Continuing Operations	\$	0.35	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.26	\$ 1.38
Diluted from Disposal of Discontinued Operations	\$	-	\$ 0.01	\$ -	\$ 0.01	\$ 0.02
Diluted	\$	0.35	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.40

Included within certain annual results are a variety of unusual or significant adjustments that may affect comparability. The most significant of such adjustments are described below as well as within Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Nonrecurring charges within the 2008 quarterly results are as follows: first quarter, \$2.5 million in charges related to the write-off of tooling costs at our Aerospace Wichita facility; second quarter, \$7.8 million in non-cash expense related to the impairment of the goodwill balance at our Aerospace Wichita facility; third quarter, \$1.6 million of expense related to the cancellation of foreign currency hedge contracts acquired in connection with the acquisition of U.K. Composites.

ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We have various market risk exposures that arise from our ongoing business operations. Market risk is the potential economic loss that may result from adverse changes in the fair value of financial instruments. Our financial results would be impacted by changes in interest rates, certain foreign currency exchange rates and commodity prices.

Foreign Currencies

We have manufacturing, sales, and distribution facilities in various locations throughout the world. As a result, we make investments and conduct business transactions denominated in various currencies, including the U.S. dollar, the British pound, the European euro, the Canadian dollar, the Mexican peso, and the Australian dollar. Total annual foreign sales, including foreign export sales, averaged approximately \$168.7 million over the last three years. More than half of our foreign sales are to Europe or Canada. Foreign sales represented 14.9% of consolidated net sales in 2009. We estimate a hypothetical 10% adverse change in foreign currency exchange rates for 2009 would have had an unfavorable impact of \$11.9 million and \$1.0 million on sales and operating income, respectively. This effect would occur from an appreciation of the foreign currency purchases and sales and other assets and liabilities created in the normal course of business at the subsidiary operations level. Sometimes we may, through the use of forward contracts, hedge the price risk associated with committed foreign denominated payments and rates. Historically the use of these forward contracts has been minimal. We do not use derivatives for speculative or trading purposes.

On February 12, 2009 (the Transfer Date) we completed the transfer of ownership of the 11 SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters (along with spare parts and associated equipment). In accordance with the settlement agreement proceeds from the sale of these items will be shared on a predetermined basis. In connection with sharing sale proceeds, we have agreed that total payments of at least \$39.5 million (AUS) will be made to the Commonwealth regardless of sales, with at least \$26.7 million (AUS) to be paid by March 2011, and, to the extent cumulative payments have not yet reached \$39.5 million (AUS), additional payments of \$6.4 million (AUS) each in March of 2012 and 2013. During 2008, we entered into forward contracts for the purpose of hedging these required payments. These contracts cover \$36.5 million (AUS) of the \$39.5 million (AUS) in required payments. See Note 6, Derivative Financial Instruments, in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.

Additionally, the euro note, which was part of our revolving credit facility and qualified and had been designated as an effective hedge against the investment in our German subsidiary (RWG) was repaid during 2009.

Interest Rates

Our primary exposure to interest rate risk results from our outstanding debt obligations and derivative financial instruments employed in the management of our debt portfolio with interest at current market rates. The level of fees and interest charged on revolving credit commitments and borrowings are based upon borrowing levels, market interest rates, and the company's credit rating.

The principal debt facilities are a \$225.0 million revolving credit agreement that expires September 17, 2012 and a \$50 million term loan agreement entered into on October 29, 2008 with a four-year term. Total average bank borrowings for 2009 were \$90.5 million. The impact of a hypothetical 100 bps increase in the interest rates on our average bank borrowings would have resulted in a \$0.9 million increase in interest expense. Changes in market interest rates would impact interest rates on our Revolving Credit Agreement, while changes in market interest rates or our credit rating would impact the interest rates on our Term Loan Agreement. The other facilities, established for foreign operations, are comparatively insignificant in amount.

During the first quarter of 2009, we entered into interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging our eight quarterly variablerate interest payments on the Term Loan Agreement due in 2010 and 2011. These interest rate swap agreements are designated as cash flow hedges and are intended to manage interest rate risk associated with our variable-rate borrowings and minimize the negative impact on our earnings and cash flows of interest rate fluctuations attributable to changes in LIBOR rates.

Commodity Prices

We are exposed to volatility in the price of raw materials used in certain manufacturing operations as well as a variety of items procured by our distribution business. These raw materials include, but are not limited to, aluminum, titanium, nickel, copper and other specialty metals. We manage our exposure related to these price changes through strategic procurement and sales practices.

ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

Management of Kaman Corporation and subsidiaries is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a–15(f). Our internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect transactions involving dispositions of the company's assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of the company's management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the consolidated financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting and procedures may not prevent or detect misstatements. A control system, no matter how well conceived and operated, can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met. Because of the inherent limitations in all control systems, no evaluation of controls can provide absolute assurance that all control issues and instances of fraud, if any, have been detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies and procedures may deteriorate.

Under the supervision of and with the participation of our management, including the undersigned, the company has assessed its internal controls over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria for effective internal control over financial reporting described in "Internal Control – Integrated Framework" issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this assessment, the company concluded that the company maintained effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on the specified criteria. During our assessment, management did not identify any material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. KPMG LLP, an independent registered accounting firm that also audited our consolidated financial statements included in this report, audited the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting and issued their report thereon which is included herein.

February 25, 2010

/s/ Neal J. Keating Neal J. Keating President and Chief Executive Officer /s/ William C. Denninger

William C. Denninger Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Kaman Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Kaman Corporation and its subsidiaries (Kaman Corporation) as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009. We also have audited Kaman Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Kaman Corporation's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements, for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements and an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement and whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audits of the consolidated financial statements included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement presentation. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audits also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed 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. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Kaman Corporation as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Also in our opinion, Kaman Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, based on criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

/s/ KPMG LLP Hartford, Connecticut February 25, 2010

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

(In thousands, except share and per share amounts)

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		2009		2008
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	18,007	\$	8,161
Accounts receivable, net		135,423		173,847
Inventories	•••	285,263		255,817
Deferred income taxes	•••	23,040		23,851
Income taxes receivable	••••	-		3,450
Other current assets	••••	20,870		21,390
Total current assets	····	482,603		486,516
Property, plant and equipment, net		81,322		79,476
Goodwill		88,190		83,594
Other intangibles assets, net		28,684		28,211
Deferred income taxes		69,811		71,926
Other assets	•••	22,457		12,890
Total assets	\$	773,067	\$	762,613
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Notes payable	\$	1,835	\$	1,241
Current portion of long-term debt		5,000		5,000
Accounts payable – trade		79,309		84,059
Accrued salaries and wages		19,049		21,104
Accrued pension costs		1,105		5,878
Accrued contract losses		1,310		9,714
Advances on contracts	•••	1,800		10,612
Other accruals and payables		39,204		40,105
Income taxes payable		5,458		1,464
Total current liabilities		154,070		179,177
Long-term debt, excluding current portion		56,800		87,924
Deferred income taxes.		8,352		7,926
Underfunded pension		157,266		168,148
Due to Commonwealth of Australia.		34,067		-
Other long-term liabilities		49,612		45,167
Commitments and contingencies		··· ,-··		,
Shareholders' equity:				
Capital stock, \$1 par value per share:				
Preferred stock, 200,000 shares authorized; none outstanding		-		-
Common stock, 50,000,000 shares authorized, voting, 25,817,477 shares issued in		25,817		25,515
2009 and 25,514,525 shares issued in 2008		,		,
Additional paid-in capital		89,624		85,073
Retained earnings		302,058		283,789
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(104,042)		(119,658)
Less 51,000 shares and 43,907 shares of common stock in 2009 and 2008,		、 ,,		, <u> </u>
respectively, held in treasury, at cost		(557)		(448)
Total shareholders' equity		312,900		274,271
	\$	773,067		762,613

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

(In thousands, except per share amounts)

	For the	nber	er 31,			
	2009	 2008		2007		
Net sales Cost of sales	\$ 1,146,231 840,293	\$ 1,253,595 921,458	\$	1,086,031 785,086		
	305,938	332,137		300,945		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	251,992	259,282 7,810		238,796		
Net (gain)/loss on sale of assets	4	(221)		(2,579)		
Operating income from continuing operations	53,942	 65,266		64,728		
Interest expense, net	5,700	4,110		7,526		
Other (income) expense, net	 1,232	 1,990		(325)		
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes	47,010	59,166		57,527		
Income tax expense	14,361	 24,059		21,036		
Earnings from continuing operations	32,649	35,107		36,491		
Earnings from discontinued operations, net of taxes	-	-		7,890		
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes	 -	 492		11,538		
Earnings from discontinued operations	-	492		19,428		
Net earnings	\$ 32,649	\$ 35,599	\$	55,919		
Net earnings per share:						
Basic earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.38	\$	1.50		
Basic earnings per share from discontinued operations	-	-		0.32		
Basic earnings per share from disposal of discontinued operations	-	 0.02		0.47		
Basic net earnings per share	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.40	\$	2.29		
Diluted earnings per share from continuing operations	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.38	\$	1.46		
Diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations	-	-		0.31		
Diluted earnings per share from disposal of discontinued operations	-	 0.02		0.46		
Diluted net earnings per share	\$ 1.27	\$ 1.40	\$	2.23		
Average shares outstanding:						
Basic	25,648	25,357		24,375		
Diluted	 25,779	 25,512		25,261		
Dividends declared per share	\$ 0.560	\$ 0.560	\$	0.530		

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES (In thousands, except share amounts)

	Common Stock Shares \$			Additional Paid-In Retained Capital Earnings		Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)		Treasury Stock Shares \$		Total Shareholders' Equity			
Balance at December 31, 2006		\$	24,565	\$ 60,631	\$	219,137	\$	(2,462)	421,840	\$	(5,310)	\$	296,561
Net eamings	-		-	-		55,919		-	-		-		55,919
Foreign currency translation adjustments,													
net of tax benefit of \$441	-		-	-		-		3,128	-		-		3,128
Pension plan adjustments,													
net of tax expense of \$17,102	-		-	-		-		27,889	-		-		27,889
Comprehensive incom e											-		86,936
Di viden ds	-		-	-		(13,054)		-	-		-		(13,054)
Stock awards issued,													
net of tax benefit of \$1,211	36,066		36	1,939		-		-	(252,409)		3,281		5,256
Share-based compensation expense	20,000		20	2,935		-		-	(63,804)		789		3,744
Conversion of debentures	560,717		561	13,278		-		-	(67,156)		829		14,668
Adoption of FIN 48	-		-	-		415		-	_		-		415
Balance at December 31, 2007		\$	25,182	\$ 78,783	\$	262,417	\$	28,555	38,471	\$	(411)	\$	394,526
Net earnings	-		-	-		35,599		-	-		-		35,599
Foreign currency translation adjustments,													
net of tax expense of \$224	-		-	-		-		(27,782)	-		-		(27,782)
Unrealized gain on derivative instruments,													
net of tax expense of \$493	-		-	-		-		804	-		-		804
Pension plan adjustments,													
net of tax benefit of \$74,279	-		-	-		-		(121,235)	-		-		(121,235)
Comprehensive loss											-		(112,614)
Dividends	-		-	-		(14,227)		-	-		-		(14,227)
Stock awards issued,													
net of tax benefit of \$349	209,586		210	3,406		-		-	-		-		3,616
Share-based compensation expense	123,045		123	2,884		-		-	5,436		(37)		2,970
Balance at December 31, 2008	25,514,525	\$	25,515	\$ 85,073	\$	283,789	\$	(119,658)	43,907	\$	(448)	\$	274,271
Net earnings	-		-	-		32,649		-	-		-		32,649
Foreign currency translation adjustments,													
net of tax benefit of \$268	-		-	-		-		9,241	-		-		9,241
Unrealized loss on derivative instruments,													
net of tax benefit of \$1,002	-		-	-		-		(1,633)	-		-		(1,633)
Pension plan adjustments,													
net of tax expense of \$4,851	-		-	-		-		8,008	-		-		8,008
Comprehensive incom e											-		48,265
Dividends	-		-	-		(14,380)		-	-		-		(14,380)
Stock awards issued,													
net of tax expense of \$55	128,802		128	1,690		-		-	5,154		(104)		1,714
Share-based compensation expense	174,150		174	 2,861				-	1,939		(5)		3,030
Balance at December 31, 2009	25,817,477	\$	25,817	\$ 89,624	\$	302,058	\$	(104,042)	51,000	\$	(557)	\$	312,900

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

(In thousands)

-	For the	nber 31,		
	2009	2008	2007	
Cash flows from operating activities:	¢ 32.640	\$ 35,107	\$ 36,491	
Earnings from continuing operations Adjustments to reconcile earnings from continuing operations to	\$ 32,649	\$ 55,107	\$ 50,491	
net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations:				
Depreciation and amortization	16,104	12,842	9,893	
Change in allowance for doubtful accounts.	113	217	(3	
Net (gain) loss on sale of assets	4	(221)	(2,579	
Goodwill impairment.	-	7,810	(2,57	
Loss on Australian payable, net of gain on derivative instruments	1,483	306		
Stock compensation expense	3,084	2,109	3,82	
Excess tax (expense) benefit from share-based compensation arrangements	55	(349)	(1,17	
Deferred income taxes	(1,102)	10,108	(7,78	
Changes in assets and liabilities, excluding effects of acquisitions/divestures:	(1,102)	10,100	(1,10	
Accounts receivable	(712)	(3,610)	4,25	
Inventories	24,229	(35,453)	(23,76	
Income tax receivable	3,450	(3,450)	(25,70	
Other current assets	944	3,540	(3,37	
Accounts payable	(7,216)	(5,317)	93	
Accrued contract losses	(2,335)	206	(2,03	
Advances on contracts	(2,555)	1,103	(70	
Accrued expenses and payables	(3,644)	(11,999)	(2,87	
Income taxes payable	3,797	(11,591)	4,27	
Pension liabilities	(1,073)	(12,790)	3,31	
Other long-term liabilities	905	(12,770) (2,273)	6,87	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations	70,454	(13,705)	25,58	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of continuing operations	/0,404	(13,705)	20,30	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities of discontinued operations	70,454	(13,719)	25,79	
	70,404	(15,715)		
Cash flows from investing activities:	50	210	5 74	
Proceeds from sale of assets Net proceeds from sale of discontinued operations	59	447	5,74	
	(12507)		112,30	
Expenditures for property, plant & equipment	(13,567)	(16,000)	(14,22	
Acquisition of businesses including earn out adjustment, net of cash received	(704)	(106,131)	(3,23	
Other, net	(2,055)	(4,302)	(4,91	
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities of continuing operations	(16,267)	(125,776)	95,66	
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities of discontinued operations		(105.77())	30	
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(16,267)	(125,776)	95,96	
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net borrowings (repayments) under revolving credit agreements	(25,777)	31,636	(45,28	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt	-	50,000		
Debt repayment	(5,000)	-	(1,72	
Net change in book overdraft	1,444	5,003	(4,61	
Proceeds from exercise of employee stock plans	1,844	3,616	5,25	
Dividends paid	(14,338)	(14,181)	(12,55	
Debt issuance costs	(3,404)	(645)	(15	
Windfall tax (expense) benefit	(55)	349	1,17	
Other	133	(723)	1,44	
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities of continuing operations	(45,153)	75,055	(56,45	
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities of discontinued operations	-	-	(4,74	
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(45,153)	75,055	(61,19	
		<u></u>	60,55	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	9,034	(64,440)		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	812	(1,297)	62 1 2 7 2	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		73,898	12,72	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 18,007	<u>\$ 8,161</u>	\$ 73,89	

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Kaman Corporation, headquartered in Bloomfield, Connecticut, was incorporated in 1945. We are a diversified company that conducts business in the aerospace and industrial distribution markets. We report information for ourselves and our subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") in two business segments, Aerospace and Industrial Distribution.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the company and its subsidiaries. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain amounts in prior year financial statements and notes thereto have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

During the second quarter of 2009, the Company implemented modifications to its system of reporting, resulting from changes to its internal organization over the preceding year, which changed its reportable segments to Industrial Distribution and Aerospace. The Company previously had five reportable business segments, Industrial Distribution and four Aerospace segments. See Note 21, Segment and Geographic Information, for further discussion of the change in the Company's segments. Prior period disclosures have been adjusted to reflect the change in reportable segments.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment, intangibles and goodwill; valuation allowances for receivables, inventories and deferred income tax assets; valuation of share-based compensation and vendor incentives; assets and obligations related to employee benefits; estimates of environmental remediation costs; and accounting for long-term contracts. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Foreign Currency Translation

The company has certain operations outside the United States that prepare financial statements in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. For these operations, results of operations and cash flows are translated using the average exchange rate throughout the period. Assets and liabilities are generally translated at end of period rates. The gains and losses associated with these translation adjustments are included as a component of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) in shareholders' equity.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of trade accounts receivable. The carrying amounts of these items as well as trade accounts payable and notes payable approximate fair value due to the short-term maturity of these instruments. The Aerospace segment had one customer, the Commonwealth of Australia, which accounted for 23.3% of the consolidated accounts receivable balance as of December 31, 2008. During 2008, the Company and the Commonwealth of Australia terminated the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program on mutually agreed terms. As part of this termination agreement the accounts receivable balance, totaling \$40.6 million as of December 31, 2008, was eliminated in connection with the transfer of the Australian program inventory and equipment to the Company on February 12, 2009. See Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies, for further discussion. No individual customer accounted for more than 10% of consolidated net sales. Foreign sales were approximately 14.9%, 14.6% and 14.0% of the company's net sales in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively, and are concentrated in the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Mexico, New Zealand, Australia and Asia.

Additional Cash Flow Information

On February 12, 2009, the Company completed the transfer of ownership of the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program inventory and equipment. As a result, the Company recorded a non-cash inventory acquisition of \$52.7 million, which represented the elimination of \$32.0 million of net unbilled receivables, the elimination of \$6.1 million of accrued contract losses, the recognition of the \$25.8 million minimum payment liability due to the Commonwealth of Australia and \$1.0 million of additional costs required to close out the program. See Note 7, Inventories, for further discussion.

Non-cash investing activities in 2008 include \$2.4 million in costs related to the acquisitions made by the Company's Industrial Distribution segment as well as the purchase of the NAVAIR property for \$10.3 million, which represents the assumption of the associated environmental remediation costs. See Note 11, Environmental Costs, for further discussion. There were no non-cash investing activities in 2009 or 2007.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Additional Cash Flow Information – Continued

Non-cash financing activities in 2009 include an adjustment to other comprehensive income related to the underfunding of the pension and SERP plans and changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that qualified for hedge accounting. The total adjustment was \$6.4 million, net of tax of \$3.8 million. Non-cash financing activities in 2008 include an adjustment to other comprehensive income related to the underfunding of the pension and SERP plans and changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that qualified for hedge accounting. The total adjustment was \$120.4 million, net of tax of \$73.8 million. Non-cash financing activities in 2007 include the conversion of 14,668 debentures in 2007 into 627,873 shares of common stock. In 2007, we recorded an adjustment to other comprehensive income related to the overfunding of our pension plan, offset to some extent by an underfunding of our SERP. The total adjustment to other comprehensive income in 2007 was \$27.9 million, net of tax of \$17.2 million. The Company describes its pension obligations in more detail in Note 16, Pension Plans.

Revenue Recognition

Sales and estimated profits under long-term contracts are generally recognized using the percentage-of-completion method of accounting, using as a measurement basis either a ratio that costs incurred bear to estimated total costs (after giving effect to estimates of costs to complete based upon most recent information for each contract) or units-of-delivery. Reviews of contracts are made routinely throughout their lives and the impact of revisions in profit estimates are recorded in the accounting period in which the revisions are made. Any anticipated contract losses are charged to operations when first indicated. In cases where we have multiple contracts with a single customer, each contract is generally treated as a separate profit center and accounted for as such. Revenue is recognized when the product has been shipped or delivered depending upon when title and risk of loss have passed. For certain U.S. government contracts delivery is deemed to have occurred when work is substantially complete and acceptance by the customer has occurred by execution of a Material Inspection and Receiving Report, DD Form 250 or Memorandum of Shipment.

Sales contracts are initially reviewed to ascertain if there is a multiple element arrangement. If such an arrangement exists and there is no evidence of stand-alone value for each element of the undelivered items, recognition of sales for the arrangement is deferred until all elements of the arrangement are delivered and risk of loss and title have passed. For elements that do have stand-alone value or contracts that are not considered multiple element arrangements, sales and related costs of sales are recognized when services have been completed or the product has been shipped or delivered depending upon when title and risk of loss have passed.

As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, approximately \$2.8 million and \$1.8 million of pre-contract costs were included in inventory, which represented 1.0% and 0.7% of total inventory, respectively. Pre-contract costs incurred for items such as materials or tooling for anticipated contracts are included in inventory if recovery of such costs is considered probable. Thereafter, if the Company determines it will not be awarded an anticipated contract and the associated pre-contract costs cannot be applied to another program the costs are expensed immediately. Learning or start-up costs incurred in connection with existing or anticipated follow-on contracts are charged to the existing contract unless the terms of the contract permit recovery of these costs over a specific contractual term and provide for reimbursement if the contract is cancelled.

If it is probable that a claim with respect to change orders will result in additional contract revenue and the amount of such additional revenue can be reliably estimated, then the additional contract revenue is considered in our accounting for the program, but only if the contract provides a legal basis for the claim, the additional costs were unforeseen and not caused by deficiencies in our performance, the costs are identifiable and reasonable in view of the work performed and the evidence supporting the claim is objective and verifiable. If these requirements are met, the claim portion of the program is accounted for separately to ensure revenue from the claim is recorded only to the extent claim related costs have been incurred; accordingly, no profit with respect to such costs is recorded until the change order is formally approved. If these requirements are not met, the forecast of total contract cost at completion (which is used to calculate the gross margin rate) for the basic contract is increased to include all incurred and anticipated claim related costs.

Recognition of sales not accounted for under long-term contract accounting occurs when the sales price is fixed, collectability is reasonably assured and the product's title and risk of loss has transferred to the customer. The Company includes freight costs charged to customers in net sales and the correlating expense as a cost of sales. Sales tax collected from customers is excluded from net sales in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Operations.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Cost of Sales and Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Cost of sales includes costs of products and services sold (i.e., purchased product, raw material, direct labor, engineering labor, outbound freight charges, depreciation and amortization, indirect costs and overhead charges). Selling expenses primarily consist of advertising, promotion, bid and proposal, employee payroll and corresponding benefits and commissions paid to sales and marketing personnel. General and administrative expenses primarily consist of employee payroll including executive, administrative and financial personnel and corresponding benefits, incentive compensation, independent research and development, consulting expenses, warehousing costs, depreciation and amortization. The Aerospace segment includes general and administrative expenses as an element of program cost and inventory for certain government contracts.

Certain inventory related costs, including purchasing costs, receiving costs and inspection costs, for the Industrial Distribution segment are not included in the cost of sales line item. For the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007, \$2.4 million, \$2.7 million and \$2.9 million, respectively, of such costs are included in general and administrative expenses.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term cash investments. These investments are liquid in nature and have original maturities of three months or less. Book overdraft positions, which occur when total outstanding issued checks exceed available cash balances at a single financial institution at the end of each reporting period, are reclassified to accounts payable within the consolidated balance sheets. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, the Company had book overdrafts of \$15.2 million and \$13.7 million, respectively, classified in accounts payable.

Accounts Receivable

The Company has three types of accounts receivable: (a) Trade receivables, which consist of amounts billed and currently due from customers; (b) U.S. Government contracts, which consist of (1) amounts billed, and (2) costs and accrued profit – not billed; and (c) Commercial and other government contracts, which consist of (1) amounts billed, and (2) costs and accrued profit – not billed.

The allowance for doubtful accounts reflects management's best estimate of probable losses inherent in the trade accounts receivable and billed contracts balance. Management determines the allowance based on known troubled accounts, historical experience, and other currently available evidence.

Inventories

Inventory of merchandise for resale is stated at cost (using the average costing method) or market, whichever is lower. Contracts and other work in process and finished goods are valued at production cost represented by raw material, labor and overhead. Initial tooling and startup costs may be included, where applicable. Contracts and other work in process and finished goods are not reported at amounts in excess of net realizable values. The Company includes raw material amounts in the contracts in process and other work in process balances. Raw material includes certain general stock materials but primarily relates to purchases that were made in anticipation of specific programs for which production has not been started as of the balance sheet date. The total amount of raw material included in these work in process amounts is less than 5% of the total inventory balance.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed primarily on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The estimated useful lives for buildings range from 15 to 30 years and for leasehold improvements range from 5 to 20 years, whereas machinery, office furniture and equipment generally have useful lives ranging from 3 to 10 years. At the time of retirement or disposal, the acquisition cost of the asset and related accumulated depreciation are eliminated and any gain or loss is credited to or charged against income.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Property, Plant and Equipment - Continued

Long-lived assets, such as property, plant, and equipment, and purchased intangible assets subject to amortization, are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If circumstances require a long-lived asset be tested for possible impairment, the Company first compares undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by an asset to the carrying value of the asset. If the carrying value of the long-lived asset is not recoverable on an undiscounted cash flow basis, an impairment is recognized to the extent that the carrying value exceeds its fair value. Fair value is determined through various valuation techniques including discounted cash flow models, quoted market values and third-party independent appraisals, as considered necessary.

Maintenance and repair items are charged against income as incurred, whereas renewals and betterments are capitalized and depreciated.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the aggregate purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired in a purchase business combination and is reviewed for impairment at least annually. The goodwill impairment test is a two-step test. Under the first step, the fair value of the reporting unit is compared with its carrying value (including goodwill). If the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value, an indication of goodwill impairment exists for the reporting unit and the enterprise must perform step two of the impairment test (measurement). Under step two, an impairment loss is recognized for any excess of the carrying amount of the reporting unit's goodwill over the implied fair value of that goodwill. The implied fair value of goodwill is determined by allocating the fair value of the reporting unit in a manner similar to a purchase price allocation. The residual fair value after this allocation is the implied fair value of the reporting unit goodwill. Fair value of the reporting unit is determined using a discounted cash flow analysis. The discounted cash flow technique calculates the net present value of expected future cash flows from operations of the reporting unit being tested. Management believes this technique is the most appropriate due to the lack of comparable sales transactions in the market or publicly-traded companies with comparable operating and investment characteristics for which operating data is available to derive valuation multiples for the reporting units being tested. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds its carrying value, step two need not be performed.

Goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives are evaluated annually for impairment in the fourth quarter, based on annual forecast information. Intangible assets with finite lives are amortized using the straight-line method over their estimated period of benefit, which generally ranges from 10 to 20 years. The goodwill and other intangible assets are also reviewed for possible impairment whenever changes in conditions indicate that the fair value of a reporting unit is below its carrying value. See Note 9, Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, Net, for discussion of the goodwill impairment charge taken during the second quarter of 2008. Based upon the annual impairment assessment, there were no additional goodwill or intangible asset impairments recorded at December 31, 2009, 2008 or 2007.

Product Warranty Costs

Reserves are recorded on the consolidated balance sheet in other accruals and payables to reflect the Company's contractual liabilities related to warranty commitments to customers. Warranty coverage of various lengths and terms is provided to customers based upon standard terms and conditions or negotiated contractual agreements. An estimated warranty expense is recorded at the time of the sale based upon historical warranty return rates and repair costs, or at the point in time when a specific warranty related expense is considered probable and can be estimated.

Vendor Incentives

The Company's Industrial Distribution segment enters into agreements with certain vendors providing for inventory purchase incentives that are generally earned upon achieving specified volume-purchasing levels. The company recognizes rebate income relative to specific rebate programs as a reduction of the cost of inventory based on a systematic and rational allocation of the cash consideration offered to each of the underlying transactions that results in progress toward earning the rebate, provided that the amounts are probable and reasonably estimable. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, total vendor incentive receivables, included in other current assets, was approximately \$8.1 million and \$9.2 million, respectively.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Self-Insured Retentions

To limit exposure to losses related to health, workers' compensation, auto and product general liability claims, the Company obtains third-party insurance coverage. The Company has varying levels of deductibles for these claims. The total liability/deductible for workers' compensation is limited to \$0.4 million per claim and for product/general liability and auto liability the limit is \$0.3 million per claim. The cost of such benefits is recognized as expense based on claims filed in each reporting period and an estimate of claims incurred but not reported ("IBNR") during such period. The estimates for the IBNR is based upon information provided to us by the claims administrators and are periodically revised to reflect changes in loss trends. The IBNR estimate is based upon historical trends. These amounts are included in other accruals and payables on the consolidated balance sheets.

Liabilities associated with these claims are estimated in part by considering historical claims experience, severity factors and other actuarial assumptions. Projections of future losses are inherently uncertain because of the random nature of insurance claim occurrences and changes that could occur in actuarial assumptions. Such self-insurance accruals will likely include claims for which the ultimate losses will be settled over a period of years.

Research and Development

Research and development costs not specifically covered by contracts are charged against income as incurred and included in selling, general and administrative expenses. Such costs amounted to \$4.1 million, \$4.2 million and \$3.3 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Income Taxes

Income taxes are accounted for under the asset and liability method. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases and operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date.

The Company records a benefit for uncertain tax positions in the financial statements only when it determines it is more likely than not that such a position will be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities based on the technical merits of the position. Unrecognized tax benefits represent the difference between the position taken and the benefit reflected in the financial statements.

Share-Based Payment Arrangements

The Company records compensation expense for share-based awards based upon an assessment of the grant date fair value of the awards. The fair value of each option award is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. A number of assumptions are used to determine the fair value of options granted. These include expected term, dividend yield, volatility of the options and the risk free interest rate.

Derivative Financial Instruments

On January 1, 2009, the Company adopted guidance which amends and expands the disclosure requirements for derivative instruments and hedging activities with the intent 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; and (iii) how derivative instruments and related hedged items affect an entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows.

The Company is exposed to certain risks relating to its ongoing business operations, including market risks relating to fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. Derivative financial instruments are recognized on the consolidated balance sheets as either assets or liabilities and are measured at fair value. Changes in the fair values of derivatives are recorded each period in earnings or accumulated other comprehensive income, depending on whether a derivative is effective as part of a hedged transaction. Gains and losses on derivative instruments reported in accumulated other comprehensive income are subsequently included in earnings in the periods in which earnings are affected by the hedged item. The Company does not use derivative instruments for speculative purposes.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Pension Accounting

The Company accounts for its defined benefit pension plan by recognizing the overfunded or underfunded status of the plans, calculated as the difference between the plan assets and the projected benefit obligation, as an asset or liability on the balance sheet, with changes in the funded status recognized through comprehensive income in the year in which they occur.

Recent Accounting Standards

In September 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued guidance related to revenue recognition for multiple element deliverables which eliminates the requirement that all undelivered elements must have objective and reliable evidence of fair value before a company can recognize the portion of the consideration that is attributable to items that already have been delivered. Under the new guidance, the relative selling price method is required to be used in allocating consideration between deliverables and the residual value method will no longer be permitted. This guidance is effective prospectively for revenue arrangements entered into or materially modified in 2011 although early adoption is permitted. A company may elect, but will not be required, to adopt the amendments retrospectively for all prior periods. The Company is currently evaluating this guidance and has not yet determined the impact, if any, that it will have on the consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB issued guidance which eliminates the concept of a "qualifying special-purpose entity", replaces the quantitative approach for determining which enterprise has a controlling financial interest in a variable interest entity with a qualitative approach focused on identifying which enterprise has a controlling financial interest through the power to direct the activities of a variable interest entity that most significantly impact the entity's economic performance. Additionally, this guidance requires enhanced disclosures that will provide users of financial statements with more information about an enterprise's involvement in a variable interest entity and is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2009. The adoption of this guidance is not expected to have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2009, the FASB established the FASB Accounting Standards Codification TM (Codification) which became the source of authoritative U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. On the effective date, the Codification superseded all then-existing non-SEC accounting and reporting standards. All other nongrandfathered non-SEC accounting literature not included in the Codification became nonauthoritative. The Codification is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after September 15, 2009. The adoption of the Codification did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In May 2009, the FASB issued guidance which established principles and requirements for recognition and disclosure of subsequent events. In particular, it sets forth the period after the balance sheet date during which management of a reporting entity shall evaluate events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements, the circumstances under which an entity shall recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in its financial statements and the disclosures that an entity shall make about events or transactions that occurred after the balance sheet date. This guidance is to be applied to the accounting for and disclosure of subsequent events not addressed in other applicable GAAP and is effective for interim and annual reporting periods ending after June 15, 2009. The adoption of these principles and requirements did not have an impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Recent Accounting Standards - Continued

In April 2009, the FASB issued guidance which amends the provisions for the initial recognition and measurement, subsequent measurement and accounting, and disclosures for assets and liabilities arising from contingencies in business combinations. The guidance eliminated the distinction between contractual and non-contractual contingencies, including the initial recognition and measurement criteria for business combinations. The guidance is effective for contingent assets and contingent liabilities acquired in business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the beginning of the first annual reporting period beginning on or after December 15, 2008. The nature and magnitude of the specific effects of this guidance, if any, on the Company's future results of operations will depend upon the nature and magnitude of any contingencies associated with future acquisitions.

In December 2008, the FASB issued guidance on disclosures about plan assets of defined benefit pension and other postretirement benefit plans, about how plan investment allocation decisions are made, the major categories of plan assets, the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets, the effect of fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs and significant concentrations of risk within plan assets. This guidance is effective for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2009, with prospective application and requires enhanced disclosures, which the Company is providing in these consolidated financial statements. This guidance does not change the accounting for pensions and will not have any impact on the Company's results of operations, financial condition or liquidity.

2. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The following tables provide information regarding the results of discontinued operations:

	For the year ended December 31,						
	2009		2008			2007	
In thousands							
Net sales of discontinued operations	\$	-	\$	-	\$	214,091	
Income from discontinued operations		-		-		12,465	
Other income (expense) from discontinued operations		-		-		98	
Earnings from discontinued operations before income taxes		-		_		12,563	
Provision for income taxes		-		-		(4,673)	
Net earnings from discontinued operations							
before gain on disposal	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,890	
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations		-		506		18,065	
Provision for income taxes on gain		-		(14)		(6,527)	
Net gain on disposal		-		492		11,538	
Net earnings from discontinued operations	\$		\$	492	\$	19,428	

In December 2007, the Company completed its sale of all of the capital stock of its wholly owned subsidiary, Kaman Music Corporation, to Fender Musical Instruments Corporation ("FMIC" or "Fender"). Pursuant to the terms of the stock purchase agreement, as amended, Kaman received \$119.5 million in cash, which includes the purchase price of \$117.0 million and certain working capital and cash adjustments made at closing as set forth in the stock purchase agreement. The purchase price was subject to additional specified post-closing purchase price adjustments. The total pre-tax gain net of transaction costs was \$18.6 million. The company used a portion of the proceeds to pay down the majority of its outstanding indebtedness.

This segment qualified as an asset group to be disposed and therefore the Company has reported the results of operations and consolidated financial position of this segment as discontinued operations within the consolidated financial statements for all periods presented.

3. ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES

The Company incurred costs of \$0.7 million, \$106.1 million and \$3.2 million for the acquisition of businesses during 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Included in these acquisition costs are contingency payments to the former owners of the Aerospace Orlando facility. These payments are based on the attainment of certain milestones, and over the term of the agreement could total \$25.0 million. These contingency payments are recorded as additional goodwill and totaled \$0.2 million, \$0.9 million and \$2.8 million during 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

During 2008, the Company acquired three businesses, which were accounted for as purchase transactions. Accordingly, the purchase price was allocated to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on estimates of fair value. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net assets acquired, including intangible assets, has been allocated to goodwill. The operating results for Brookhouse Holdings Ltd ("U.K. Composites"), acquired in June 2008, Industrial Supply Corp ("ISC"), acquired in March 2008, and Industrial Rubber and Mechanics Inc. ("INRUMEC"), acquired in October 2008, have been included in our consolidated financial statements from the date of acquisition.

During 2007 the Company purchased the remaining minority interest in Delamac de Mexico S.A. de C.V. ("Delamac") for \$0.5 million. In addition, the Company sold the Aerospace segment's 40mm assets, comprised principally of equipment and inventory. These assets were sold to DSE, Inc., the former owner of the Precision Products, Inc. - Orlando operation ("KPP Orlando"), previously Dayron. The total sales price was \$7.0 million, consisting of cash of \$5.5 million and offsets of acquisition earn out liabilities associated with the Company's purchase of KPP Orlando in 2002, a portion of which was being withheld pending the resolution of the warranty matter relative to the FMU-143 program. (See Note 18, Commitment and Contingencies, for further discussion.) In 2007, the Company recorded a gain on the sale of the assets of \$2.6 million. In 2008, additional consideration of \$0.5 million was received in the form of offsets against earn out payments due to the former owners as a result of Precision Products, Inc. achieving certain milestones and therefore in 2008 the Company recorded an additional \$0.5 million gain on the sale of the 40mm assets.

In 2007, the Company completed its sale of all of the capital stock of its wholly owned subsidiary, Kaman Music Corporation, to FMIC. See Note 2, Discontinued Operations, for discussion of the Kaman Music Corporation sale.

4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, NET

Accounts receivable consist of the following:

	At December 31,					
		2009	2008			
In thousands						
Trade receivables	\$	65,524	\$	77,071		
U.S. Government contracts:						
Billed		33,784		28,361		
Costs and accrued profit – not billed		7,034		2,450		
Commercial and other government contracts:						
Billed		30,046		26,845		
Costs and accrued profit – not billed		1,442		41,292		
Less allowance for doubtful accounts		(2,407)		(2,172)		
Total	\$	135,423	\$	173,847		

Accounts receivable, net also includes amounts for matters such as contract changes, negotiated settlements and claims for unanticipated contract costs, which totaled \$0.9 million and \$2.9 million at December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively.

On February 12, 2009, the unbilled receivables associated with the SH-2G(A) program were \$40.6 million and the balance of amounts received as advances on this contract were \$8.6 million. These balances, totaling a net \$32.0 million, were eliminated in connection with the transfer of the Australian program inventory and equipment to the Company. See Note 7, Inventories, for further discussion.

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is defined as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Company uses a three-level fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value. This hierarchy requires us to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The three levels of inputs used to measure fair value are as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1, such as quoted prices for markets that are not active or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. This includes certain pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies and similar techniques that use significant unobservable inputs.

The table below segregates all financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis (at least annually) into the most appropriate level within the fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used to determine their fair value at the measurement date:

	Total Carrying Value at December 31, 2009		Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1)		obs in	cant other ervable iputs evel 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)		
In thousands							· · · · · · · · ·		
Derivative instruments	\$	7,047	\$	-	\$	7,047	\$		
Total Assets	\$	7,047	\$	-	\$	7,047	\$	-	
Derivative instruments	\$	664	\$			664	\$		
Total Liabilities	\$	664	\$		\$	664	\$	_	
	Total Carrying Value at December 31, 2008		Value atQuoted prices inDecember 31,active markets		Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		unobs in	ificant servable puts vel 3)	
In thousands									
Derivative instruments	\$	991	\$		\$	991	\$	-	
Total Assets	\$	991	\$	_	\$	991	\$	-	

The Company's derivative instruments are limited to foreign exchange contracts and interest rate swaps that are measured at fair value using observable market inputs such as forward rates and our counterparties' credit risks. Based on these inputs, the derivative instruments are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy and have been included in other current assets, other assets and other long-term liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheet at December 31, 2009 and 2008. Based on the continued ability to trade and enter into forward contracts and interest rate swaps, we consider the markets for our fair value instruments to be active.

The Company evaluated the credit risk associated with the counterparties to these derivative instruments and determined, that as of December 31, 2009, such credit risks have not had an adverse impact on the fair value of these instruments.

6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivatives Designated as Cash Flow Hedges

The Company's Term Loan Credit Agreement ("Term Loan") contains floating rate obligations and is subject to interest rate fluctuations. During the first quarter of 2009, the Company entered into interest rate swap agreements for the purposes of hedging the eight quarterly variable-rate interest payments on its Term Loan due in 2010 and 2011. These interest rate swap agreements are designated as cash flow hedges and are intended to manage interest rate risk associated with the Company's variable-rate borrowings and minimize the impact of interest rate fluctuations on the Company's earnings and cash flows attributable to changes in LIBOR rates. The Company will include in earnings amounts previously included in accumulated other comprehensive income upon payment of its eight quarterly variable-rate interest payments.

The Company holds forward exchange contracts designed to hedge forecasted transactions denominated in foreign currencies and to minimize the impact of foreign currency fluctuations on the Company's earnings and cash flows. These contracts are no longer designated as cash flow hedges. The Company will include in earnings amounts previously included in accumulated other comprehensive income upon recognition of cost of sales related to the underlying transaction.

In connection with the acquisition of U.K. Composites, the Company assumed foreign currency hedge contracts originally intended to hedge forecasted cash flows on a significant U.S. dollar denominated contract. During the third quarter of 2008, the Company determined that these hedges were ineffective due to a significant shift in the timing of the forecasted cash flows. Therefore, the Company cancelled the contracts, resulting in a loss of \$1.6 million. This loss has been included in non-operating income in the consolidated statements of operations.

The following table shows the fair value of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedging instruments:

		Fair '	Value		
	Balance Sheet Location	1ber 31, 009		nber 31, 008	Notional Amount
<i>In thousands</i> Derivative Assets					
Foreign exchange contracts (a) Foreign exchange contracts (b)	Other current assets Other assets	\$ -	\$	212 779	466 Euro 36,516 Australian Dollars
Total	Other assets	\$ -	\$	991	
Derivative Liabilities Interest rate swap contracts	Other liabilities	\$ 607	\$		\$45,000 - \$40,000
Total		\$ 607	\$	_	

a) Forward exchange contracts dedesignated on July 4, 2009. See information below for fair value after dedesignation.

b) Forward exchange contracts dedesignated on February 12, 2009. See information below for fair value after dedesignation.

The following table shows the gain or (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income for derivatives designated as cash flow hedges:

	For the year ended December 31,									
		2009		2008		2007				
In thousands										
Foreign exchange contracts (a)	\$	(37)	\$	244	\$	-				
Foreign exchange contracts (b)		(1,941)		1,053		-				
Interest rate swap contracts		(607)				_				
Total	\$	(2,585)	\$	1,297	\$	-				

a) Forward exchange contract dedesignated on July 4, 2009. See information below for amounts recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations after dedesignation.

b) Forward exchange contract dedesignated on February 12, 2009. See information below for amounts recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations after dedesignation.

6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

Derivatives Designated as Cash Flow Hedges - Continued

For the year ended December 31, 2009, the loss reclassified to income from other comprehensive income for derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges was not material. No amounts were reclassified from other comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2008. Over the next twelve months, the Company expects to reclassify expense of approximately \$0.3 million from other comprehensive income.

For the year ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, the gain recorded in other income for the ineffective portion of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges was not material.

Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

The following table shows the fair value of derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments:

			Fair	Value		
	Balance Sheet Location	Dec	ember 31, 2009	De	cember 31, 2008	Notional Amount
In thousands						
Derivative Assets						
Foreign exchange contracts	Other current assets	\$	16	\$	-	\$135
Foreign exchange contracts	Other current assets		72		-	466 Euro
Foreign exchange contracts	Other assets		6,959		-	36,516 Australian Dollars
Total		\$	7,047	\$		
Derivative Liabilities						
Foreign exchange contracts	Other liabilities	\$	57	\$	-	\$1,900
Total		\$	57	\$	-	

On February 12, 2009, the Company dedesignated the forward contract it had entered into to hedge \$36.5 million (AUD) of its \$39.5 million (AUD) future minimum required payments to the Commonwealth of Australia. At December 31, 2009, the U.S. dollar value of the \$36.5 million (AUD) payable was \$32.8 million.

On July 4, 2009, the Company dedesignated the forward contract it had entered into to hedge future Euro obligations, due to a change in the timing of those payments.

The following table shows the location and amount of the gain or (loss) recognized on the Consolidated Statements of Operations for derivatives not designated as hedge instruments:

	Income Statement	come Statement For the year ended Dece					ember 31,		
Location		2009		2008		2007			
In thousands									
Derivative Assets									
Foreign exchange contracts	Other expense, net	\$	45	\$	-	\$	-		
Foreign exchange contracts	Other expense, net		85		-		-		
Foreign exchange contracts (a)	Other expense, net		8,122		-		-		
Total		\$	8,252	\$	_	\$	-		
Derivative Liabilities									
Foreign exchange contracts	Other expense, net	\$	(57)	\$	-	\$	-		
Total		\$	(57)	\$		\$	-		

a) For the year ended December 31, 2009, the Company recorded expense of \$9.0 million in Other expense, net related to the change in the value of the \$36.5 million (AUD) payable.

6. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

Hedges of a Net Investment in Foreign Operations

The Company also maintained a \$7.6 million Euro note, which was part of the revolving credit facility and qualified and had been designated as an effective hedge against the Company's investment in its German subsidiary (RWG). During the fourth quarter of 2009 the Company repaid the Euro note.

The following table shows the amount of the cumulative translation gain or (loss) associated with this note recorded in other comprehensive income:

		For the year ende							
	Location	2	:009	2	2008		2007		
In thousands									
Euro note	Cumulative Translation Adjustment	\$	706	\$	(116)	\$	1,161		
Total	-	\$	706	\$	(116)	\$	1,161		

The Company did not reclassify any amounts associated with this note from other comprehensive income to earnings during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 and the Company does not expect to reclassify any such amounts over the next twelve months.

7. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

	At December 31, 2009 2008 \$ 95,904 \$ 106,7			
	2009	2008		
In thousands				
Merchandise for resale	\$ 95,904	\$	106,757	
Contracts in process:				
U.S. Government, net of progress payments of \$40,377				
and \$28,029 in 2009 and 2008, respectively	52,754		58,784	
Commercial and other government contracts	40,903		41,227	
Other work in process (including certain general stock materials)	77,085		30,288	
Finished goods	18,617		18,761	
Total	\$ 285,263	\$	255,817	

K-MAX® inventory of \$24.6 million and \$23.6 million is included in other work in process and finished goods as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Management believes that a significant portion of this K-MAX® inventory will be sold after December 31, 2010, based upon the anticipation of supporting the fleet for the foreseeable future.

Inventories also include amounts associated with matters such as contract changes, negotiated settlements and claims for unanticipated contract costs, which totaled \$11.4 million and \$10.0 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

7. INVENTORIES (CONTINUED)

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On February 12, 2009, the Company completed the transfer of ownership of the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program inventory and equipment. As a result, the Company recorded \$51.7 million of contracts and other work in process inventory, which represented the following:

\$ 32,041
(6,072)
25,772
\$ 51,741
\$

- (a) The unbilled receivables associated with the SH-2G(A) program were \$40.6 million and the balance of amounts received as advances on this contract were \$8.6 million. These balances, netting to \$32.0 million, were eliminated in connection with the transfer of the Australian program inventory and equipment to the Company.
- (b) Previously included in the book value of the inventory was \$1.0 million, which represented the Company's estimate for additional costs required to close out the program. During the fourth quarter, the Company deemed that it was no longer required to incur these additional costs and the accrual for these costs was reversed. This resulted in a \$1.0 million reduction in the book value of the Australian SH2-G(A) Super Seasprite Program inventory and equipment.

At December 31, 2009, \$55.0 million of SH-2G(I) inventory, formerly SH-2G(A), was included in contracts and other work in process inventory. Management believes that a significant portion of this inventory will be sold after December 31, 2010, based upon the time needed to market the aircraft and prepare them for sale. For more information on the SH-2G(I) inventory see Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies.

The aggregate amounts of general and administrative costs charged to inventory by the Aerospace segment during 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$39.1 million, \$41.3 million, and \$35.5 million, respectively. The estimated amounts of general and administrative costs remaining in contracts in process at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are \$6.8 million and \$6.3 million, respectively. These estimates are based on the ratio of such costs to total costs of production.

The Company had inventory of \$5.7 million and \$5.5 million as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, on consignment at customer locations, the majority of which is located with Industrial Distribution segment customers.

8. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET

Property, plant and equipment, net is summarized as follows:

At December 31,				
	2009		2008	
\$	9,547	\$	9,448	
	41,445		40,115	
	15,458		14,889	
	134,014		124,382	
	200,464		188,834	
	(119,142)		(109,358)	
\$	81,322	\$	79,476	
	\$	2009 \$ 9,547 41,445 15,458 134,014 200,464 (119,142)	2009 \$ 9,547 \$ 41,445 15,458 134,014 200,464 (119,142)	

At December 31

The Aerospace segment charged excess capacity and related costs of \$1.0 million and \$1.3 million in 2008 and 2007, respectively, to cost of sales. In 2009, such charges were not significant.

Depreciation expense was \$13.2 million, \$11.4 million and \$9.5 million for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

9. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET

Goodwill

The following table sets forth the change in the carrying amount of goodwill for each reportable segment and for the Company:

	-	alance at cember 31, 2008	A	lditions	Imp	airments	С	oreign urrency justments	Dec	llance at ember 31, 2009
In thousands Industrial Distribution Aerospace Total	÷	15,615 67,979 83,594	\$ \$	21 206 227	\$ \$	-	\$ \$	(213) 4,582 4,369	\$	15,423 72,767 88,190
	-	alance at cember 31, 2007	A	lditions	Im	oairments	С	Foreign urrency justments		lance at ember 31, 2008
In thousands Industrial Distribution Aerospace Total	-	4,305 41,688 45,993	\$ \$	11,310 45,804 57,114	\$	(7,810) (7,810)	\$ \$	(11,703)	\$ \$	15,615 67,979 83,594

During 2008, our Aerospace Wichita, Kansas facility experienced production and quality issues, which, along with circumstances unique to each contract, resulted in the separate termination of two long-term contracts with Spirit AeroSystems and Shenyang Aircraft Corporation. These contracts, which represented significant work for the facility, were both loss contracts. The Company tests goodwill for potential impairment annually during the fourth quarter and between annual tests if an event occurs or circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. Due to the loss of the two major contracts as well as the continued production and quality issues, the Company performed a goodwill impairment analysis for this reporting unit as of June 27, 2008. The resulting non-cash goodwill impairment charge was \$7.8 million, which represented the entire goodwill balance for this reporting unit. This charge was not deductible for tax purposes and represented a discrete item impacting our 2008 effective tax rate. No such charge was taken during 2009.

Other Intangible Assets

Other intangible assets consisted of:

					At Dece	mber 3	51,		
	Amortization Period		20	09			20	08	
-		1	Gross Amount		umulated ortization		Gross Amount		umulated ortization
In thousands									
Other intangible assets:									
Customer lists / relationships	10-21 years	\$	30,652	\$	(2,559)	\$	28,099	\$	(809)
Trademarks / trade names	2-7 years		987		(627)		924		(201)
Patents	17 years		873		(642)		828		(630)
Total	-	\$	32,512	\$	(3,828)	\$	29,851	\$	(1,640)

The increase in the gross balance of the Company's intangible assets for 2009 compared to 2008 is due entirely to fluctuations in foreign currencies. Intangible asset amortization expense was \$2.1 million, \$1.1 million and \$0.1 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Amortization expense for the next five years is expected to approximate \$1.7 million per year.

In order to determine the useful life of our customer lists/relationships acquired in 2008, the Company considered numerous factors, most importantly the industry considerations associated with the acquired entity.

9. GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS, NET (CONTINUED)

Other Intangible Assets - Continued

The Company determined the amortization period for the customer list/relationships intangible assets for its 2008 aerospace acquisition based primarily on program life cycles. The Company calculated the remaining life of each program as the total years in the program life cycle less the expired years as of the date of the acquisition.

The Company determined the amortization period for the customer lists/relationships intangible assets for its Industrial Distribution acquisitions in 2008 based primarily on an analysis of their historical customer sales attrition information.

10. ACCRUED CONTRACT LOSSES

The following is a summary of activity and balances associated with accrued contract losses:

	2009	2008		
In thousands				
Balance at January 1	\$ 9,714	\$	9,513	
Additions to loss accrual	3,407		7,950	
Costs incurred	(5,289)		(7,400)	
Elimination of Australian loss accrual	(6,072)		-	
Release to income	(450)		(349)	
Balance at December 31	\$ 1,310	\$	9,714	

The additions in 2009 relate primarily to work performed on the unmanned K-MAX® program and legacy fuze programs. The additions in 2008 related primarily to several programs that were awarded to the Aerospace segment's Wichita facility over the past few years. The largest amount related to additional costs for tooling on the Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 program. Additionally, the Aerospace segment incurred contract losses on some of the JPF work performed for the United States Government ("USG").

The Sikorsky Canadian MH-92 helicopter program includes the manufacture and assembly of composite tail rotor pylons. This program has undergone numerous customer-directed design changes causing costs on this program to exceed the price for the contract. The Company is currently negotiating a revised contract price and believes that the incremental costs associated with the customer-directed design changes are recoverable. At December 31, 2009, contract price negotiations for this program had not been finalized. To date, the Company has recorded \$3.6 million in contract losses, with \$0.6 million and \$3.0 million recorded in 2009 and 2008, respectively, for higher scrap, inefficiencies and tooling costs related to this program.

During 2008, the Company and the Commonwealth of Australia terminated the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program on mutually agreed terms. As a result of this termination agreement, the remaining accrued contract loss of \$6.1 million was eliminated in connection with the transfer of the Australian program inventory and equipment to the Company on February 12, 2009. This matter is discussed more fully in Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies.

11. ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS

The following table displays the activity and balances associated with accruals related to environmental costs included in other accruals and payables and other long-term liabilities:

	2009	2008		
In thousands	······································			
Balance at January 1	\$ 16,136	\$	4,705	
Additions to accrual	787		12,982	
Payments	(1,566)		(1,551)	
Changes to foreign currency	249		-	
Balance at December 31	\$ 15,606	\$	16,136	

11. ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS (CONTINUED)

In August 2008, the Company completed its purchase of the portion of the Bloomfield campus that Kaman Aerospace Corporation had leased from NAVAIR for many years. In connection with the purchase, the Company has assumed responsibility for environmental remediation at the facility as may be required under the Connecticut Transfer Act (the "Transfer Act") and it continues the effort to define the scope of the remediation that will be required by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection ("CTDEP"). The transaction was recorded by taking the undiscounted remediation liability of \$20.8 million and discounting it at a rate of 8% to its present value. The fair value of the Navy Property asset, which approximates the discounted present value of the assumed environmental liability of \$10.3 million, is included in Property, Plant and Equipment. This remediation process will take many years to complete.

The following represents estimated future payments for the undiscounted environmental remediation liability related to the Bloomfield campus as of December 31, 2009 (in thousands):

2010	\$ 1,372
2011	1,258
2012	770
2013	889
2014	1,327
Thereafter	 13,001
Total	\$ 18,617

The accrual also includes estimated ongoing environmental remediation costs for the idle Moosup, CT facility and environmental remediation costs that the Company expects to incur at the former Music segment's New Hartford, Connecticut facility. Additionally, the Company accrued \$2.4 million for environmental compliance at our recently acquired U.K. Composites facilities. The Company continues to assess the work that may be required, which may result in a change to this accrual.

12. CREDIT ARRANGEMENTS – SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT

On September 17, 2009, the Company entered into a three-year \$225 million senior secured revolving credit facility with co-lead arrangers Bank of America, The Bank of Nova Scotia, and RBS Citizens and a syndicate of lenders ("Revolving Credit Agreement"), which replaced its then existing \$200 million senior revolving credit facility which was due to expire on August 5, 2010 (the "Former Revolving Credit Agreement"). The Revolving Credit Agreement includes an "accordion" feature that allows the Company to increase the aggregate amount available to \$300 million, subject to additional commitments from lenders. The Revolving Credit Agreement may be used for working capital, letters of credit and other general corporate purposes, including acquisitions.

The lenders have been granted a security interest in substantially all of the Company's domestic personal property and the other assets (excluding real estate) and a pledge of 66% of the Company's equity interest in certain foreign subsidiaries and 100% of the Company's equity interest in its domestic subsidiaries, as collateral for the Company's obligations under the Revolving Credit Agreement. At December 31, 2009, there was \$56.8 million outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement, including letters of credit, with \$168.2 million available for borrowing. Letters of credit are considered borrowings for purposes of the Revolving Credit Agreement. A total of \$40.0 million in letters of credit was outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement at December 31, 2009, \$34.2 million of which was related to the guaranteed minimum payments to Australia in connection with the ownership transfer of the 11 SH-2G(A) helicopters (along with spare parts and associated equipment). At December 31, 2008, there was \$70.6 million outstanding under the Former Revolving Credit Agreement at December 31, 2008, total of \$27.7 million in letters of credit was outstanding under the Former Revolving Credit Agreement at December 31, 2008, \$20.4 million of which was related to the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program.

12. CREDIT ARRANGEMENTS - SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Interest rates on amounts outstanding under the Revolving Credit Agreement are variable and are determined based on a ratio of Consolidated Total Indebtedness as of the last day of the most recently ended Measurement Period to Consolidated EBITDA (the "Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio"), as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. At December 31, 2009, the interest rate for the outstanding amounts on the Revolving Credit Agreement was 3.95%. In addition, the Company is required to pay a quarterly commitment fee on the unused revolving loan commitment amount at a rate ranging from 0.50% to 0.75% per annum, based on the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio. Fees for outstanding letters of credit range from 2.75% to 4.50%, based on the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio.

On October 29, 2008, the Company executed a Term Loan Credit Agreement with co-lead arrangers Bank of America and The Bank of Nova Scotia and a syndicate of lenders ("Term Loan Agreement"). The Term Loan Agreement, which is in addition to the Revolving Credit Agreement, is a \$50 million facility with a four-year term, requiring quarterly payments of principal at the rate of 2.5% of the initial aggregate principal payable in the final quarter. The Company may increase the term loan, by up to an aggregate of \$50 million, with additional commitments from the lenders or new commitments from acceptable financial institutions. In conjunction with the entry into the Revolving Credit Agreement on September 17, 2009, the Term Loan Agreement was amended to allow for security interests and financial covenants consistent with those defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement. As of December 31, 2009 and 2008, \$45.0 million and \$50.0 million was outstanding, respectively, on the Term Loan Agreement.

Facility fees and interest rates under the Term Loan Agreement are variable and are determined on the basis of our credit rating from Standard & Poor's. In April 2009, Standard & Poor's re-affirmed our rating as investment grade BBB- with an outlook of stable. Under the terms of the current Term Loan Agreement, if this rating should decrease, the effect would be to increase facility fees as well as the interest rates charged. At December 31, 2009, the interest rate for the outstanding amounts on the Term Loan Agreement was 4.0%.

The financial covenants associated with the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Agreement include a requirement that i) the ratio of Consolidated Senior Secured Indebtedness to EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, cannot be greater than 3.00 to 1.00, ii) the ratio of Consolidated Total Indebtedness to EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, cannot be greater than 3.50 to 1.00, and iii) the ratio of EBITDA, as defined in the Revolving Credit Agreement, to the sum of (i) net interest expense, (ii) the aggregate principal amount of all regularly scheduled principal payments of outstanding indebtedness for borrowed money, (iii) all dividends or other distributions with respect to any equity interests of the Company and (iv) the aggregate amount of Federal, state, local, and foreign income taxes paid in cash cannot be less than 1.05 to 1.00 for any measurement period between September 17, 2009 – March 31, 2011, 1.25 to 1.00 for any measurement period between April 1, 2011 to September 30, 2011 or 1.35 to 1.00 for any measurement period on or after October 1, 2011. The Company was in compliance with these financial covenants as of December 31, 2009 and management does not anticipate noncompliance in the foreseeable future.

The Company incurred \$3.4 million in debt issuance costs in connection with the Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Agreement amendment. These costs have been capitalized and will be amortized over the term of the facility. Total amortization expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$0.7 million. Total amortization expense related to the Former Revolving Credit Agreement and Term Loan Agreement for the year ended December 31, 2008 was approximately \$0.2 million.

Short-Term Borrowings

In addition to the Revolving Credit Agreement and the Term Loan Agreement, the Company also has certain other credit arrangements to borrow funds on a short-term basis with interest at current market rates. Short-term borrowings outstanding under such other credit arrangements as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 were \$1.8 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. The weighted average interest rate on short-term borrowings for 2009 and 2008 was 2.44% and 4.82%, respectively.

12. CREDIT ARRANGEMENTS – SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Long-Term Debt

The company has long-term debt as follows:

	At December 31,								
		2009		2008					
In thousands									
Revolving credit agreement	\$	16,800	\$	42,924					
Term loan		45,000		50,000					
Total		61,800		92,924					
Less current portion		5,000		5,000					
Total excluding current portion	\$	56,800	\$	87,924					

The weighted average interest rate on long-term borrowings outstanding as of December 31, 2009 and 2008 was 2.66% and 4.15%, respectively.

The aggregate amounts of annual maturities of long-term debt for each of the next five years are approximately as follows (in thousands):

2010	5,000
2011	5,000
2012	51,800
2013	-
2014	-

Letters of Credit

The face amounts of irrevocable letters of credit issued under the Revolving Credit Agreement totaled \$40.0 million and \$27.7 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Of those amounts, \$34.2 million and \$20.4 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, is attributable to the Australian SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite program.

Convertible Subordinated Debentures

The Company issued its 6% Convertible Subordinated Debentures during 1987. The debentures were convertible into shares of the common stock of Kaman Corporation at any time on or before March 15, 2012 at a conversion price of \$23.36 per share at the option of the holder unless previously redeemed by the company. The debentures were subordinated to the claims of senior debt holders and general creditors.

On November 26, 2007, the Company issued a redemption notice calling for full redemption on December 20, 2007 of all \$11.2 million of its remaining outstanding 6% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2012 at a redemption price of 100% of principal amount plus accrued interest to December 20, 2007. From the date of the announcement to the date prior to the redemption, holders converted 10,985 debentures, with a value of \$11.0 million, into an aggregate of 470,226 shares of the Company's common stock. There were additional conversions during 2007 prior to the redemption announcement of 3,683 debentures for 157,647 shares of common stock. On December 20, 2007, the Company paid \$0.2 million for the redemption of 179 debentures. Additionally, as a result of this redemption, the Company expensed the remaining deferred debenture related charges of \$0.1 million. There were no debentures outstanding at anytime during 2008 or 2009.

Interest Payments

Cash payments for interest were \$4.0 million, \$3.4 million and \$6.9 million for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

13. ADVANCES ON CONTRACTS

Advances on contracts include customer advances together with customer payments and billings associated with the achievement of certain contract milestones in excess of costs incurred. As of December 31, 2008, \$8.6 million of this liability was associated with the Australian SH-2G(A) helicopter contract. As part of the Australia program termination agreement, these balances were eliminated in connection with the transfer of the Australian program inventory and equipment to the Company. See Note 4, Accounts Receivable, Note 7, Inventory and Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies, for further discussion of this termination agreement.

14. PRODUCT WARRANTY COSTS

Changes in the carrying amount of accrued product warranty costs, included in Other Accruals and Payables, for 2009 and 2008 are summarized as follows:

	2009	2008		
In thousands				
Balance at January 1	\$ 1,073	\$	1,087	
Warranty costs incurred	(79)		(86)	
Product warranty accrual	436		127	
Release to income	 (266)		(55)	
Balance at December 31	\$ 1,164	\$	1,073	

The Company has been working to resolve two warranty-related matters at the Aerospace Orlando facility. The first issue involves a supplier's recall of a switch embedded in certain bomb fuzes. The second warranty issue involves bomb fuzes manufactured for the U.S. Army utilizing systems which originated before this entity was acquired by the Company that have since been found to contain an incorrect part. The net reserve as of December 31, 2009 related to these two matters is \$1.0 million. This matter is more fully discussed in Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies. The remainder of the accrual as of December 31, 2009 relates to routine warranty rework at our segments.

15. INCOME TAXES

The components of income tax expense (benefit) associated with earnings from continuing operations are as follows:

	For th	e year	ended Decemb	er 31,	
	2009		2008		2007
In thousands					
Current:					
Federal\$	12,474	\$	10,628	\$	20,062
State	675		1,287		1,956
Foreign	2,205		2,083		2,261
	15,354		13,998		24,279
Deferred:					
Federal	(887)		9,087		(2,730)
State	190		1,092		(656)
Foreign	(296)		(118)		143
	(993)		10,061		(3,243)
Total\$	14,361	\$	24,059	\$	21,036

15. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented below:

	At December 31,						
In thousands	2009	2008					
Deferred tax assets:	<u> </u>						
Deferred employee benefits \$	5 77,978	\$ 81,227					
Inventory	12,316	9,728					
Environmental	5,643	5,844					
Tax loss and credit carry-forwards	9,456	9,407					
Accrued liabilities and other items	7,730	7,704					
Total deferred tax assets	113,123	113,910					
Deferred tax liabilities:							
Fixed assets	(9,570)	(8,624)					
Intangibles	(12,880)	(11,714)					
Other items.	(953)	(721)					
Total deferred tax liabilities	(23,403)	(21,059)					
Net deferred tax assets before valuation allowance	89,720	92,851					
Valuation allowance	(5,221)	(5,000)					
Net deferred tax assets after valuation allowance	84,499	\$ 87,851					

Valuation allowances of \$5.2 million and \$5.0 million at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, reduced the deferred tax asset attributable to foreign loss and state loss and credit carry-forwards to an amount that, based upon all available information, is more likely than not to be realized. Reversal of the valuation allowance is contingent upon the recognition of future taxable income in the respective jurisdictions or changes in circumstances which cause the realization of the benefits of the loss carry-forwards to become more likely than not. The net increase in the valuation allowance of \$0.2 million is due to the generation of \$1.1 million in U.S. state and Canadian loss and tax credit carry-forwards, offset by utilization of \$0.5 million of state carry-forwards and expiration of \$0.4 million of state and Canadian carry-forwards.

Canadian tax loss carry-forwards are approximately \$0.5 million, with \$0.1 million expiring in 2010 and the balance in 2027 and beyond. State carry-forwards are in numerous jurisdictions with varying lives. U.S. foreign tax credit carry-forwards of \$3.6 million expire between 2014 and 2019.

No valuation allowance has been recorded against the other deferred tax assets because the Company believes that these deferred tax assets will, more likely than not, be realized. This determination is based largely upon the company's earnings history, anticipated future taxable income, foreign-source income, and its ability to carry-back reversing items within two years to offset taxes paid. In addition, the Company has the ability to offset deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities created for such items as depreciation and amortization.

Pre-tax income from foreign operations amounted to \$6.3 million, \$5.4 million and \$5.0 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively. Income taxes have not been provided on undistributed earnings of \$20.9 million from foreign subsidiaries since it is the Company's intention to permanently reinvest such earnings or to distribute them only when it is tax efficient to do so. It is impracticable to estimate the total tax liability, if any, which would be created by the future distribution of these earnings.

15. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The provision for income taxes associated with earnings from continuing operations differs from that computed at the federal statutory corporate tax rate as follows:

	For the year ended December 31,										
		2009		2008	2007						
In thousands											
Federal tax at 35% statutory rate	\$	16,453	\$	20,708	\$	20,134					
State income taxes, net of federal benefit		562		1,547		744					
Tax effect of:											
International Recapitalization		(1,577)		-		-					
Goodwill impairment		-		2,733		-					
Other, net		(1,077)		(929)		158					
Income taxes	_\$	14,361	\$	24,059		21,036					

The Company records a benefit for uncertain tax positions in the financial statements only when it determines it is more likely than not that such a position will be sustained upon examination by taxing authorities. Unrecognized tax benefits represent the difference between the position taken and the benefit reflected in the financial statements. On December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007 the total liability for unrecognized tax benefits was \$2.7 million, \$2.6 million and \$3.6 million, respectively (including interest and penalties of \$0.4 million, \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million, respectively). The change in the liability for 2009, 2008 and 2007 is explained as follows:

In thousands		2009	2008	2007		
Balance at January 1		2,585	\$ 3,645	\$	5,118	
Additions based on current year tax positions		1,035	133		80	
Changes for tax positions of prior years		(8)	56		(235)	
Settlements		(933)	(1,103)		(392)	
Reductions due to lapses in statutes of limitation		-	(146)		(926)	
Balance at December 31	\$	2,679	\$ 2,585	\$	3,645	

Included in unrecognized tax benefits at December 31, 2009 were items approximating \$2.2 million that, if recognized, would favorably affect the Company's effective tax rate in future periods. The Company files tax returns in numerous U.S. and foreign jurisdictions, with returns subject to examination for varying periods, but generally back to and including 2005. During 2009, 2008 and 2007, \$0.1 million, \$0.1 million and \$0.2 million of interest and penalties, respectively, were recognized as a component of income tax expense. It is the Company's policy to record interest and penalties on unrecognized tax benefits as income taxes.

Cash payments for income taxes, net of refunds, were \$6.9 million, \$30.4 million, and \$30.3 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

16. PENSION PLANS

The Company has a non-contributory qualified defined benefit pension plan (the "Qualified Pension Plan") covering the full-time U.S. employees of all U.S. subsidiaries (with the exception of certain acquired companies that have not adopted the plan and employees at the Company's Industrial Distribution segment hired after May 31, 2009). Employees become participants in the Qualified Pension Plan upon their completion of hours of service requirements. Benefits under the Qualified Pension Plan are generally based upon an employee's years of service and compensation levels during employment with an offset provision for social security benefits. The Company also has a Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan ("SERP"), which is considered a non-qualified pension plan. The SERP provides certain key executives, whose compensation is in excess of the limitations imposed by federal law on the qualified defined benefit pension plan, with supplemental benefits based upon eligible earnings, years of service and age at retirement. The measurement date for both these plans is December 31. On February 23, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors authorized management to amend the Qualified Pension Plan. See Note 23, Subsequent Events, for further discussion.

16. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Obligations and Funded Status

The changes in the actuarial present value of the projected benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets are as follows:

		For	• the year end	ed Dec	ember 31,	9			
	Qualified P	ensic	n Plan		SERP				
	 2009		2008		2009		2008		
In thousands									
Projected benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 502,269	\$	468,291	\$	20,732	\$	37,053		
Service cost	13,423		12,277		389		698		
Interest cost	30,462		29,352		1,012		1,591		
Plan amendments	444		-		-		-		
Actuarial liability (gain) loss (A)	25,613		15,128		1,586		(562)		
Benefit payments	(27,476)		(22,779)		(5,682)		(18,048)		
Projected benefit obligation at end of year	\$ 544,735	\$	502,269	\$	18,037	\$	20,732		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ 334,121	\$	498,778	\$	-	\$	-		
Actual return on plan assets (B)	68,183		(149,602)		-		-		
Employer contributions	12,641		7,724		5,682		18,048		
Benefit payments	(27,476)		(22,779)		(5,682)		(18,048)		
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	\$ 387,469	\$	334,121	\$	-	\$	-		
Funded status at end of year	\$ 157,266	\$	168,148	\$	18,037	\$	20,732		
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$ 490,960	\$	455,381	\$	17,605	\$	20,515		

(A) The actuarial liability loss amount for the qualified pension plan for 2009 is principally due to the effect of changes in the discount rate. The actuarial liability loss amount for the qualified pension plan for 2008 is principally due to the decrease in net assets and a decrease in the discount rate. The decrease in net assets was due to the effect of changes in the discount rate and the significant downturn in the U.S financial markets.

(B) The negative actual return on plan assets in 2008 was due to the significant downturn in the U.S. financial markets.

The Company has recorded assets and liabilities related to our qualified pension plan and SERP as follows:

	 		At Dece	nber 3	31,		
	Qualified P	ensio	on Plan		SE	RP	
	2009		2008	2009			2008
In thousands							
Noncurrent assets	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Current liabilities (A)	-		-		(887)		(5,678)
Noncurrent liabilities	 (157,266)		(168,148)		(17,150)		(15,054)
Total	\$ (157,266)	\$	(168,148)	\$	(18,037)	\$	(20,732)

(A) The current liabilities are included in other accruals and payables on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

16. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Obligations and Funded Status – Continued

Certain amounts included in accumulated other comprehensive income on the Consolidated Balance Sheets represent costs that will be recognized as components of pension cost in future periods. These consist of:

	At December 31,										
		Qualified F	Pension	Plan		SE	RP				
		2009		2008		2009	2008				
In thousands											
Unrecognized (gain) or loss	\$	138,732	\$	153,109	\$	3,854	\$	3,326			
Urecognized prior service cost (credit)		770		388		(192)		(1,155)			
Amount included in accumulated					· · · · · ·						
other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	139,502	\$	153,497	\$	3,662	\$	2,171			

The estimated net loss and prior service cost (credit) for the qualified pension plan and the SERP that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive income into net periodic benefit cost over the next year will be \$4.8 million and \$0.2 million, respectively.

The pension plan net periodic benefit costs on the Consolidated Statements of Operations and other amounts recognized in other comprehensive income on the Statements of Shareholders' Equity were computed using the projected unit credit actuarial cost method and included the following components:

	For the year ended December 31,											
		Quali	Pension P	SERP								
		2009	009 20		2007		2009		2008			2007
In thousands												
Service cost for benefits earned during the year	\$	13,423	\$	12,277	\$	13,318	\$	389	\$	698	\$	464
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation		30,462		29,352		27,723		1,012		1,591		2,019
Expected return on plan assets		(31,615)		(34,724)		(32,297)		-		-		-
Amortization of prior service credit (cost)		61		61		61		(962)		(691)		(371)
Recognized net loss		3,423		-		841		291		1,586		3,902
Additional amount recognized due to settlement		-		-		-		767		2,833		-
Net pension benefit cost	\$	15,754	\$	6,966	\$	9,646	\$	1,497	\$	6,017	\$	6,014
Change in prior service cost	\$	444	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	1,220
Change in net gain or loss		(10,955)		199,454		(43,084)		820		(3,394)		1,137
Amortization of prior service cost (credit)		(61)		(61)		(61)		962		691		371
Amortization of net gain (loss)		(3,423)		-		(841)		(291)		(1,586)		(3,902)
Total recognized in other comprehensive income	\$	(13,995)	\$	199,393	\$	(43,986)	\$	1,491	\$	(4,289)	\$	(1,174)
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost												
and other comprehensive income	\$	1,759	\$	206,359	\$	(34,340)	\$	2,988	\$	1,728	\$	4,840

The Company expects to contribute \$10.7 million to the qualified pension plan and \$0.9 million to the SERP for the 2010 plan year. For the 2009 plan year, the Company made a contribution of \$10.9 million to the qualified plan and contributions of \$5.7 million to the SERP.

16. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Obligations and Funded Status – Continued

Expected future benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, are as follows (in thousands):

	-	ualified sion Plan	<u> </u>	ERP
2010	\$	26,903	\$	887
2011		27,560		879
2012		28,142		870
2013		28,941		6,512
2014		30,095		842
2015-2019		175,003		6,660

The actuarial assumptions used in determining benefit obligations of the pension plans are as follows:

	At December 31,					
	Qualified Pens	sion Plan	SERF)		
	2009	2008	2009	2008		
Discount rate	5.85%	6.15%	5.15%	6.15%		
Average rate of increase in compensation levels	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%		

The discount rates take into consideration the populations of our pension plans and the anticipated payment streams as compared to the Citigroup Discount Yield Curve index and rounds the results to the nearest fifth basis point.

The actuarial assumptions used in determining the net periodic benefit cost of the pension plans are as follows:

	At December 31,					
	Qualified Pen	sion Plan	SERF)		
—	2009	2008	2009	2008		
Discount rate	6.15%	6.40%	6.15%	5.90%		
Expected return on plan assets	8.00%	8.00%	n/a	n/a		
Average rate of increase in compensation levels	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%	3.50%		

Plan Assets for Qualified Pension Plan

The expected return on plan assets rate was determined based upon historical returns adjusted for estimated future market fluctuations.

Plan assets are invested in a diversified portfolio consisting of equity and fixed income securities (including \$17.6 million of common stock of Kaman Corporation at December 31, 2009). The investment policies and goals for pension plan assets are (a) to place assets with investment managers approved by the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors, (b) to diversify across traditional equity and fixed income asset classes to minimize the risk of large losses, and (c) to seek the highest total return (through a combination of income and asset appreciation) consistent with prudent investment practice, and on a five-year moving average basis, not less than the actuarial earnings assumption.

The target equity/fixed income asset allocation ratio is 60%/40% over the long term. If the ratio for any asset class moves outside permitted ranges, the pension plan's Administrative Committee (the management committee that is responsible for plan administration) will act through an immediate or gradual process, as appropriate, to reallocate assets.

Under the current investment policy no investment is made in commodities, nor are short sales, margin buying hedges, covered or uncovered call options, puts, straddles or other speculative trading devices permitted. No manager may invest in international securities, inflation linked treasuries, real estate, private equities, or securities of Kaman Corporation without authorization from the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors. In addition, with the exception of U.S. Government securities, managers' holdings in the securities of any one issuer, at the time of purchase, may not exceed 7.5% of the total market value of that manager's account.

16. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Plan Assets for Qualified Pension Plan – Continued

The pension plan assets are valued at fair value. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for the investments measured at fair value, including the general classification of such instruments pursuant to the valuation hierarchy.

Cash equivalents – Investments with maturities of three months or less when purchased, including certain short-term fixed-income securities, are considered cash equivalents and are included in the recurring fair value measurements hierarchy as Level 1.

Corporate Stock – This investment category consists of common and preferred stock issued by U.S. and non-U.S. corporations. Common and preferred shares are traded actively on exchanges and price quotes for these shares are readily available. Holdings of corporate stock are classified as Level 1 investments.

Mutual Funds – Mutual funds are traded actively on public exchanges. The share prices for mutual funds are published at the close of each business day. Holdings of mutual funds are classified as Level 1 investments.

Common Trust Funds – Common trust funds are comprised of shares or units in commingled funds that are not publicly traded. The values of the commingled funds are not publically quoted and must trade through a broker. For equity and fixed-income commingled funds traded through a broker, the fund administrator values the fund using the net asset value ("NAV") per fund share, derived from the value of the underlying assets. The underlying assets in these funds (equity securities, fixed income securities, and commodity-related securities) are publicly traded on exchanges and price quotes for the assets held by these funds are readily available. Holdings of common trust funds are classified as Level 2 investments.

Fixed-income Securities - For fixed income securities, multiple prices and price types are obtained from pricing vendors whenever possible, which enables cross-provider validations. A primary price source is identified based on asset type, class or issue for each security. The fair values of fixed-income securities are based on evaluated prices that reflect observable market information, such as actual trade information of similar securities, adjusted for observable differences and are categorized as Level 2.

Real Estate – Real estate investment trusts are valued daily based on quoted prices in active markets and are categorized as Level 1.

The fair value of the Company's qualified pension plan assets at December 31, 2009 are as follows:

٢	Total Carrying Value at December 31, 2009	Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1)		active markets				Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)		d prices in obse e markets in		uno	gnificant bservable inputs Level 3)
In thousands													
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 12,137	\$	12,137	\$	-	\$	-						
Corporate Stock	137,054		137,054		-		-						
Mutual Funds	39,312		39,312		-		-						
Common Trust Funds	90,175		-		90,175		-						
Fixed-income Securities:													
U.S. Government Securities (a)	25,819		-		25,819		-						
Corporate Securities	67,078		-		67,078		-						
Foreign Securities	5,233		-		5,233		-						
Other (b)	10,179		-		10,179		-						
Real Estate	482		482		-		-						
Total	\$ 387,469	\$	188,985	\$	198,484	\$	-						

(a) This category represents investments in debt securities issued by the U.S. Treasury, other U.S. government corporations and agencies, states and municipalities.

(b) This category primarily represents investments in commercial and residential mortgage-backed securities.

Investment manager performance is evaluated over various time periods in relation to peers and the following indexes: Domestic Equity Investments, S&P 500; International Equity Investments, Morgan Stanley EAFE; Fixed Income Investments, and Barclay's Capital Aggregate.

16. PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Other Plans

The Company also maintains a defined contribution plan that has been adopted by most of its U.S. subsidiaries. Employees of the adopting employers who meet the eligibility requirements of the plan may participate. Employer matching contributions are currently made to the plan based on a percentage of each participant's pre-tax contribution. For each dollar that a participant contributes up to 5% of compensation, participating subsidiaries make employer contributions of fifty cents (\$0.50). Employer contributions to the plan totaled \$3.5 million, \$3.3 million and \$3.2 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

One of the Company's acquired U.S. subsidiaries maintains a defined contribution plan for its eligible employees. Employer matching contributions are made on a discretionary basis. Additionally, two of our foreign subsidiaries each maintain a defined benefit plan of their own for their local employees. The pension liabilities of \$0.2 million associated with these plans are included in accrued pension costs on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

17. OTHER LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Other long-term liabilities consist of the following:

At December 31,						
	2009		2008			
\$	17,150	\$	15,054			
	11,655		11,305			
	3,382		1,991			
	2,748		1,801			
	11,571		11,749			
	3,106		3,267			
\$	49,612	\$	45,167			
		2009 \$ 17,150 11,655 3,382 2,748 11,571 3,106	2009 \$ 17,150 \$ 11,655 3,382 2,748 11,571 3,106			

Disclosures regarding the assumptions used in the determination of the SERP liabilities are included in Note 16, Pension Plans. Discussions of our environmental remediation liabilities are in Note 11, Environmental Costs, and Note 18, Commitments and Contingencies.

The Company maintains a non-qualified deferred compensation plan for certain of its employees as well as a non-qualified deferred compensation plan for its Board of Directors. Generally, participants in these plans have the ability to defer a certain amount of their compensation, as defined in the agreement. The deferred compensation liability will be paid out either upon retirement or as requested based upon certain terms in the agreements and in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 409A.

18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Leases

Rent commitments under various leases for office space, warehouses, land and buildings expire at varying dates from January 2010 to December 2015. The standard term for most leases ranges from 3 to 5 years. Some of the Company's leases have rent escalations, rent holidays or contingent rent that are generally recognized on a straight-line basis over the entire lease term. Material leasehold improvements and other landlord incentives are amortized over the shorter of their economic lives or the lease term, including renewal periods, if reasonably assured. Certain annual rentals are subject to renegotiation, with certain leases renewable for varying periods. The company recognizes rent expense for leases on a straight-line basis over the entire lease term.

Lease periods for machinery and equipment range from 1 to 5 years.

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Substantially all real estate taxes, insurance and maintenance expenses are obligations of the Company. It is expected that in the normal course of business leases that expire will be renewed or replaced by leases on other similar property.

18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

Leases - Continued

The following future minimum rental payments are required under operating leases that have initial or remaining non-cancelable lease terms in excess of one year as of December 31, 2009 (in thousands):

2010	\$ 15,775
2011	11,619
2012	6,334
2013	2,953
2014	1,141
Thereafter	837
Total	\$ 38,659

Lease expense for all operating leases, including leases with terms of less than one year, amounted to \$17.0 million, \$17.9 million and \$14.7 million for 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

Asset Retirement Obligations

The Company currently leases various properties under leases that give the lessor the right to make the determination as to whether the lessee must return the premises to their original condition, except for normal wear and tear. The Company does not normally make substantial modifications to leased property, and many of the Company's leases either require lessor approval of planned improvements or transfer ownership of such improvements to the lessor at the termination of the lease. Historically we have not incurred significant costs to return leased premises to their original condition.

The Company also has unrecorded Asset Retirement Obligation's ("ARO's") that are conditional upon certain events. These ARO's generally include the removal and disposition of non-friable asbestos. The Company has not recorded a liability for these conditional ARO's at December 31, 2009 because the Company does not currently believe there is a reasonable basis for estimating a date or range of dates for major renovation or demolition of these facilities. In reaching this conclusion, the Company considered the historical performance of each facility and has taken into account factors such as planned maintenance, asset replacement and upgrades, which, if conducted as in the past, can extend the physical lives of the facilities indefinitely. The Company also considered the possibility of changes in technology and risk of obsolescence in arriving at its conclusion.

Legal Matters

There continue to be two warranty-related matters that impact the FMU-143 program at the Aerospace segment's Orlando facility ("Orlando Facility"). The items involved are an impact switch embedded in certain bomb fuzes that was recalled by a supplier and an incorrect version of a part, called a bellows motor, found to be contained in bomb fuzes manufactured for the U.S. Army utilizing systems which originated before the Orlando Facility was acquired by the Company. The U.S. Army Sustainment Command ("USASC"), the procurement agency that administers the FMU-143 contract, had authorized warranty rework for the bellows motor matter in late 2004/early 2005; however, the Company was not permitted to finish the rework due to issues raised by the USASC primarily related to administrative matters and requests for verification of the accuracy of test equipment (which accuracy was subsequently verified).

In late 2006, the USASC informed the Company that it was changing its remedy under the contract from performance of warranty rework to an "equitable adjustment" to the contract price. The Company responded, explaining its view that it had complied with contract requirements. In June 2007, the USASC affirmed its position and gave instructions for disposition of the subject fuzes, including both the impact switch and bellows motor-related items, to a Navy facility and the Company complied with that direction. In November 2009, the United States Government ("USG") instituted suit, alleging liability associated with this matter, including specific claims of about \$6.0 million (treble damages) in connection with allegedly "false claims" by the Company for payment for fuzes containing the incorrect version of the part and \$3.0 million in connection with rework. By letter dated July 16, 2009, USASC informed the Company that it also demands payment of \$9.8 million under the contract related to warranty rework The Company believes that all these allegations are unfounded and it is defending itself vigorously. At December 31, 2009, the Company had no amount accrued for this demand.

18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

Legal Matters – Continued

As reported previously, a separate contract dispute between the Orlando Facility and the USASC relative to the FMU-143 fuze program is now in litigation. The USASC has basically alleged the existence of latent defects in certain fuzes due to unauthorized rework during production and has sought to revoke their acceptance. Management believes that the Orlando Facility has performed in accordance with the contract and it is the government that has materially breached its terms in several ways; as a result, during the fourth quarter of 2007, the Company cancelled the contract and, in January 2008, commenced litigation before the Board requesting a declaratory judgment that the cancellation was proper. Shortly thereafter, the USASC notified the Company that it was terminating the contract for default, making the allegations noted above, and the Company filed a second complaint with the Board appealing that termination decision. The litigation process continues. In the same July 2009 letter referenced above, USASC also demanded a repayment by the Company of \$5.7 million for these alleged latent defects. The Company also contests this demand and has filed an appeal before the Board. At December 31, 2009, the Company had no amount accrued for these matters as it believes that the likelihood of an adverse outcome to this litigation is remote.

Other Matters

Revenue Sharing Agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia

As previously reported, the Company reached an agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia in 2008 providing for the termination of the SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite Program. Pursuant to the agreement, the Commonwealth transferred ownership of the 11 SH-2G(A) Super Seasprite helicopters to the Company, together with spare parts and associated equipment, in exchange for a release of any remaining payment obligation for net unbilled receivables totaling approximately \$32.0 million. The transfer of ownership was completed on February 12, 2009 and the Company is actively engaged in efforts to resell the aircraft, spare parts and equipment to other potential customers. Pursuant to the terms of the agreement with the Commonwealth of Australia, the Company has agreed to share all proceeds from the resale of the aircraft, spare parts, and equipment with the Commonwealth on a predetermined basis, and total payments of at least \$39.5 million (AUD) must be made to the Commonwealth regardless of sales, of which at least \$26.7 million (AUD) must be paid by March 2011. To the extent that cumulative payments have not yet reached \$39.5 million (AUD), additional payments of \$6.4 million (AUD) each must be paid in March of 2012 and 2013. In late 2008, the Company entered into foreign currency exchange contracts that limit the foreign currency risks associated with these required payments to \$23.7 million. See Note 6, Derivative Financial Instruments, for further discussion of these instruments. In addition, to secure these payments, the Company has provided the Commonwealth with a \$39.5 million (AUD) unconditional letter of credit, which is being reduced as such payments are made. Through December 31, 2009, the Company had made required payments of \$1.4 million (AUD). As of that date, the U.S. dollar value of the remaining \$38.1 million (AUD) required payment was \$34.2 million.

Moosup

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection ("CTDEP") has given the Company approval for reclassification of groundwater in the vicinity of the Moosup, CT facility consistent with the character of the area. This facility is currently being held for disposal. The Company has completed the process of connecting neighboring properties to public drinking water in accordance with such approval and in coordination with the CTDEP and local authorities. Site characterization of the environmental condition of the property, which began in 2008, is continuing.

The total anticipated cost of the environmental remediation activities associated with the Moosup property is \$4.1 million, all of which has been accrued. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$1.9 million. A portion (\$0.1 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. The remaining balance of the accrual reflects the total anticipated cost of completing these environmental remediation activities. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, the Company is unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

New Hartford

In connection with sale of the Music segment in 2007, the Company assumed responsibility for meeting certain requirements of the Connecticut Transfer Act (the "Transfer Act") that applied to our transfer of the New Hartford, Connecticut, facility leased by that segment for guitar manufacturing purposes ("Ovation"). Under the Transfer Act, those responsibilities essentially consist of assessing the site's environmental conditions and remediating environmental impairments, if any, caused by Ovation's operations prior to the sale. The site is a multi-tenant industrial park, in which Ovation and other unrelated entities lease space. The environmental assessment process, which began in 2008, is still in process.

18. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

Other Matters – Continued

New Hartford - Continued

The Company's estimate of its portion of the cost to assess the environmental conditions and remediate this site is \$2.2 million, unchanged from previously reported estimates, all of which has been accrued. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$0.4 million. A portion (\$0.2 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. The remaining balance of the accrual reflects the total anticipated cost of completing these environmental remediation activities. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, the Company is unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

Bloomfield

In connection with the 2008 purchase of the portion of the Bloomfield campus that Kaman Aerospace Corporation had leased from NAVAIR, the Company assumed responsibility for environmental remediation at the facility as may be required under the Transfer Act and continues the effort to define the scope of the remediation that will be required by the CTDEP. The assumed environmental liability of \$10.3 million was determined by taking the undiscounted remediation liability of \$20.8 million and discounting it at a rate of 8%. This remediation process will take many years to complete. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is \$2.1 million. A portion (\$1.4 million) of the accrual related to this property is included in other accruals and payables and the balance is included in other long-term liabilities. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, the Company is unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

United Kingdom

In connection with the purchase of U.K. Composites, the Company accrued, at the time of acquisition, £1.6 million for environmental compliance at the facilities. The total amount paid to date in connection with these environmental remediation activities is £0.1 million. The U.S. dollar equivalent of the remaining environmental compliance liability as of December 31, 2009, is \$2.4 million, which is included in other accruals and payables. The Company continues to assess the work that may be required, which may result in a change to this accrual. Although it is reasonably possible that additional costs will be paid in connection with the resolution of this matter, the Company is unable to estimate the amount of such additional costs, if any, at this time.

In December 2008, a workplace accident occurred at one of the Company's U.K. Composites facilities in which one employee died and another was seriously injured. In accordance with U.K. law, the matter has been the subject of an investigation carried out jointly by Lancashire Police and the Health and Safety Executive ("HSE") to determine whether criminal charges are appropriate in this case. Although the Company has not received official notification that the police investigation has ended with no recommendation of criminal charges, it believes that this is the case because the matter has been transferred to the regional Coroner to conduct an inquest, which is customary in cases where the local police have not sought prosecution. The inquest is scheduled for April 2010. Following the inquest, the Company expects that the HSE will conduct proceedings under U.K. Health and Safety legislation. The Company currently estimates that the total potential financial exposure of the U.K. Composites operation with respect to these government proceedings is not likely to be material to our consolidated financial statements.

19. COMPUTATION OF EARNINGS PER SHARE

Effective January 1, 2009, in accordance with guidance issued by the FASB, the Company treats unvested share-based payment awards that contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends or dividend-equivalents as participating securities in its calculation of earnings per share. The Company is required to apply this accounting retrospectively to all prior periods presented. The inclusion of these securities did not have a material impact on the calculation of earnings per share. The computation of basic earnings per share is based on net earnings divided by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding for each year. The computation of diluted earnings per share includes the common stock equivalency of dilutive options and unvested restricted stock awards granted to employees under the Stock Incentive Plan.

Excluded from the diluted earnings per share calculation for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are 610,436 and 242,259 shares granted to employees that are anti-dilutive based on the average stock price. There were no anti-dilutive shares in 2007. The diluted earnings per share computation for 2007 assumes that at the beginning of the year the 6% convertible subordinated debentures were converted into common stock with a resultant reduction in interest costs net of tax.

	For the Year Ended December 31,				,	
		2009	2008			2007
In thousands, except per share amounts						
Basic:						
Earnings from continuing operations	\$	32,649	\$	35,107	\$	36,491
Earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax		-		-		7,890
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of tax		-		492		11,538
Net earnings	\$	32,649	\$	35,599	\$	55,919
Weighted average number of						
shares outstanding		25,648		25,357		24,375
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	1.27	\$	1.38	\$	1.50
Earnings per share from discontinued operations		-		-		0.32
Earnings per share from gain on disposal of discontinued operations		-		0.02		0.47
Net earnings per share	\$	1.27	\$	1.40	\$	2.29
Diluted:	¢	22640	¢	25 107	\$	26 401
Earnings from continuing operations	\$	32,649	\$	35,107	J	36,491
Elimination of interest expense on 6% subordinated						507
convertible debentures (net after taxes)		32,649		35,107		36,998
Earnings from continuing operations (as adjusted)		32,049		35,107		30,998 7,890
Earnings from discontinued operations, net of tax		-		- 402		11,538
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of tax	¢	- 32,649	<u> </u>	492	\$	
Net earnings (as adjusted)	\$	32,049	\$		<u> </u>	56,426
Weighted average number of						
shares outstanding		25,648		25,357		24,375
Weighted averages shares issuable						
on conversion of 6% subordinated						
convertible debentures		-		-		573
Weighted average shares issuable						
on exercise of dilutive stock options		131		155		313
Total		25,779		25,512		25,261
Earnings per share from continuing operations	\$	1.27	\$	1.38	\$	1.46
Earnings per share from discontinued operations		-		-		0.31
Earnings per share from gain on disposal of discontinued operations				0.02		0.46
Diluted net earnings per share	\$	1.27	\$	1.40	\$	2.23

20. SHARE-BASED ARRANGEMENTS

General

The Company accounts for stock options and restricted stock as equity awards whereas the stock appreciation rights and employee stock purchase plan are accounted for as liability awards.

The following table summarizes share-based compensation expense recorded during each period presented:

	For the Year Ended December 31,							
	2009		2008			2007		
In thousands								
Stock options	\$	1,137	\$	1,268	\$	1,316		
Restricted stock awards		1,653		1,503		925		
Stock appreciation rights		54		(862)		1,374		
Employee stock purchase plan		240		200		212		
Total share-based compensation	\$	3,084	\$	2,109	\$	3,827		

Compensation expense for stock options and restricted stock awards is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period of the awards.

In conjunction with the sale of the Music segment, the Company accelerated vesting for all outstanding options and restricted shares that were issued to employees of the Music segment. This resulted in additional expense of \$1.3 million in 2007 that was included in the determination of the net gain on the sale.

Stock Incentive Plan

The 2003 Stock Incentive Plan (the "2003 Plan") provides for the issuance of 2,000,000 shares of common stock and includes a continuation and extension of the predecessor plan. As with the predecessor plan, the 2003 Plan provides for equity compensation awards, including principally incentive and non-statutory stock options, restricted stock, stock appreciation rights, and long-term incentive program (LTIP) awards. In addition, the 2003 Plan contains provisions intended to qualify the LTIP under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. As of December 31, 2009, there were 488,214 shares available for grant under the plan.

Effective October 13, 2009, the Company's Board of Directors amended the 2003 Plan. In general, the amendment increased the total number of shares of common stock available for issuance by 2,000,000. The amendment to the 2003 Plan is subject to approval by the shareholders entitled to vote thereon at the 2010 annual meeting of shareholders. The October 13, 2009 amendment also added Restricted Stock Units ("RSU"s) to the potential awards that can be made under the 2003 Plan. In addition, on February 23, 2010, the 2003 Plan was further amended to clarify the definition of persons eligible to receive awards.

LTIP awards provide certain senior executives an opportunity to receive award payments in either stock or cash as determined by the Personnel and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors in accordance with the Plan, at the end of a three-year performance cycle. For the performance cycle, the Company's financial results are compared to the Russell 2000 indices for the same periods based upon the following: (a) average return on total capital, (b) earnings per share growth and (c) total return to shareholders. No awards will be payable unless the Company's performance is at least in the 25th percentile of the designated indices. The maximum award is payable if performance reaches the 75th percentile of the designated indices. Awards for performance between the 25th and 75th percentiles are determined by straight-line interpolation. Generally, LTIP awards are paid in cash.

Stock options are granted with an exercise price equal to the average market price of our stock at the date of grant. Stock options and Stock Appreciation Rights ("SAR"s) granted under the plan generally expire ten years from the date of grant and vest 20% each year over a 5-year period on each of the first five anniversaries from the date of grant. Restricted stock awards ("RSA"s) are generally granted with restrictions that lapse at the rate of 20% per year over a 5-year period on each of the first five anniversaries from the date of grant. Generally, these awards are subject to forfeiture if a recipient separates from service with the Company.

20. SHARE-BASED ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Stock Incentive Plan – Continued

Stock option activity is as follows:

	Options	Weighted average- exercise price		
Options outstanding at December 31, 2008	743,679	\$	18.81	
Granted	213,210		16.35	
Exercised	(45,033)		13.34	
Forfeited or expired	(21,980)		18.84	
Options outstanding at December 31, 2009	889,876	\$	18.50	

The following table presents information regarding options outstanding as of December 31, 2009:

Weighted-average remaining contractual term - options outstanding	6.46 years
Aggregate intrinsic value - options outstanding (in thousands)	\$ 4,844
Weighted-average exercise price - options outstanding	\$ 18.50
Options exercisable	374,404
Weighted-average remaining contractual term - options exercisable	4.43 years
Aggregate intrinsic value - options exercisable (in thousands)	\$ 2,682
Weighted-average exercise price - options exercisable	\$ 16.52

The intrinsic value represents the amount by which the market price of the stock on the measurement date exceeds the exercise price of the option. The intrinsic value of options exercised in 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$0.3 million, \$2.3 million and \$3.9 million, respectively. The Company currently has an open stock repurchase plan, which would enable the Company to repurchase shares as needed. Historically the Company has issued shares related to option exercises and RSAs from treasury stock; however, in 2007 the Company began to issue shares from its authorized pool of available common stock.

The fair value of each option award is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option valuation model. The following table indicates the weighted-average assumptions used in estimating fair value:

	 2009	 2008	 2007
Expected option term	 6.5 years	 6.5 years	 6.5 years
Expected volatility	47.7%	41.2%	36.2%
Risk-free interest rate	2.0%	3.2%	4.6%
Expected dividend yield	2.2%	1.8%	2.5%
Per share fair value of options granted	\$ 6.43	\$ 6.43	\$ 6.43

The expected term of options granted represents the period of time that option grants are expected to be outstanding. In predicting the life of option grants, all stock options meet the definition of "plain vanilla" options and therefore, the "simplified" method was used to calculate the term for grants.

Forfeitures of options are estimated based upon historical data and are adjusted based upon actual occurrences. The cumulative effect of restricted stock forfeitures was immaterial.

The volatility assumption is based on the historical daily price data of the Company's stock over a period equivalent to the weightedaverage expected term of the options. Management evaluates whether there were factors during that period which were unusual and which would distort the volatility figure if used to estimate future volatility and concluded that there were no such factors. The Company relies only on historical volatility since future volatility is expected to be consistent with historical volatility.

20. SHARE-BASED ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Stock Incentive Plan - Continued

The risk-free interest rate assumption is based upon the interpolation of various U.S. Treasury rates determined at the date of option grant. Expected dividends are based upon a historical analysis of our dividend yield over the past year.

Restricted Stock activity is as follows:

	Resticted Stock Awards	avei	eighted- rage grant fair value
Restricted Stock outstanding at December 31, 2008	149,794	\$	26.39
Granted	174,150		17.92
Vested	(52,056)		21.96
Forfeited or expired	(1,600)		24.11
Restricted Stock outstanding at December 31, 2009	270,288	\$	21.80

The grant date fair value for restricted stock is the average market price of the unrestricted shares on the date of grant.

Stock Appreciation Rights activity is as follows:

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SARs outstanding at December 31, 2008	39,700	\$	10.32
Granted Exercised	- (18,000)		- 9.90
Forfeited or expired	<u></u>		-
SARs outstanding at December 31, 2009	21,700	\$	10.66

Total cash paid to settle stock appreciation rights (at intrinsic value) for 2009, 2008 and 2007 was \$0.1 million, \$0.5 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. SARs are re-evaluated on a quarterly basis using the Black-Scholes valuation model.

We record a tax benefit and associated deferred tax asset for compensation expense recognized on non-qualified stock options and restricted stock for which we are allowed a tax deduction. For 2009, 2008 and 2007, we recorded a tax benefit of \$1.1 million, \$1.0 million and \$1.3 million for these two types of compensation expense.

The windfall tax benefit is the tax benefit realized on the exercise of non-qualified stock options and disqualifying dispositions of stock acquired by exercise of incentive stock options and Employee Stock Purchase Plan stock purchases in excess of the deferred tax asset originally recorded. The total windfall tax benefit realized 2008 and 2007 was \$0.3 million and \$1.2 million, respectively. In 2009 the Company recorded a windfall tax expense of \$0.1 million.

As of December 31, 2009, future compensation costs related to non-vested stock options and restricted stock grants is \$7.2 million. The Company anticipates that this cost will be recognized over a weighted-average period of 3.3 years.

20. SHARE-BASED ARRANGEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Employees Stock Purchase Plan

The Kaman Corporation Employees Stock Purchase Plan allows employees to purchase common stock of the Company, through payroll deductions, at 85% of the market value of shares at the time of purchase. The plan provides for the grant of rights to employees to purchase a maximum of 1,500,000 shares of common stock. During 2009, 88,683 shares were issued to employees at prices ranging from \$9.58 to \$20.49. During 2008, 51,664 shares were issued to employees at prices ranging from \$17.02 to \$27.35. At December 31, 2009, there were 280,930 shares available for purchase under the plan.

Effective October 13, 2009, the Company's Board of Directors amended the Employees Stock Purchase Plan. In general, the amendment increased the total number of shares of common stock that may be purchased by participating employees by 500,000. The amendment to the Employees Stock Purchase Plan is subject to approval by the shareholders entitled to vote thereon at the 2010 annual meeting of shareholders.

21. SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

During the second quarter of 2009, the Company implemented modifications to its system of reporting, resulting from changes to its internal organization over the preceding year, which changed its reportable segments. These changes to the internal organization included the creation of the Aerospace Group management team and the establishment of the President of Kaman Aerospace Group, Inc. as the segment manager of the combined Aerospace companies. The Industrial Distribution segment, which has been under the leadership of a segment manager for some time, was not impacted by these changes. Following these changes, the Company determined that it has two reportable segments, Industrial Distribution and Aerospace. These segments are reflective of how the Company's Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM") reviews operating results for the purposes of allocating resources and assessing performance. The Company's CODM is its Chief Executive Officer. Prior period disclosures have been adjusted to reflect the change in reportable segments.

The Aerospace Segment produces and/or markets widely used proprietary aircraft bearings and components; complex metallic and composite aerostructures for commercial, military and general aviation fixed and rotary wing aircraft; safing and arming solutions for missile and bomb systems for the U.S. and allied militaries; subcontract helicopter work; and support for the Company's SH-2G Super Seasprite maritime helicopters and K-MAX® medium-to-heavy lift helicopters.

The Industrial Distribution segment is the third largest power transmission/motion control industrial distributor in North America. The segment provides products including bearings, electrical/mechanical power transmission, fluid power, motion control and materials handling components to a broad spectrum of industrial markets throughout North America. Locations consist of nearly 200 branches, distribution centers and call centers across the United States (including Puerto Rico) and in Canada and Mexico. The segment offers approximately three million items, as well as value-added services, to a base of more than 50,000 customers representing a highly diversified cross-section of North American industry.

21. SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Summarized financial information by business segment is as follows:

	For the year ended December 31,					
•		2009		2008		2007
In thousands						
Net sales:						
Industrial Distribution	\$	645,535	\$	776,970	\$	700,174
Aerospace		500,696		476,625		385,857
Net sales from continuing operations	\$	1,146,231		1,253,595	\$	1,086,031
Operating income:						
Industrial Distribution	\$	12,612	\$	35,397	\$	33,038
Aerospace (a)		74,996		61,608		67,783
Net gain (loss) on sale of assets		(4)		221		2,579
Corporate expense		(33,662)		(31,960)		(38,672)
Operating income from continuing operations		53,942		65,266		64,728
Interest expense, net		5,700		4,110		7,526
Other expense (income), net		1,232		1,990		(325)
Earnings from continuing operations before income taxes		47,010		59,166		57,527
Income tax expense		14,361		24,059		21,036
Net earnings from continuing operations		32,649		35,107		36,491
Earnings from discontinued operations before gain		-		-		7,890
Gain on disposal of discontinued operations, net of taxes		-		492		11,538
Earnings from discontinued operations		_		492		19,428
Total net earnings	\$	32,649	\$	35,599	\$	55,919

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(a) Includes a non-cash, non-tax-deductible, impairment charge of \$7.8 million recorded in 2008.

21. SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

		At D	ecember 31,	
	2009		2008	2007
In thousands				
Identifiable assets:				
Industrial Distribution	\$ 203,845	\$	229,460	\$ 195,518
Aerospace	458,475		421,650	304,601
Corporate	 110,747		111,503	134,744
Total assets	\$ 773,067	\$	762,613	\$ 634,863
Capital expenditures:				
Industrial Distribution	\$ 3,139	\$	4,216	\$ 2,650
Aerospace	8,884		9,872	10,760
Corporate	1,544		1,912	816
Total capital expenditures	13,567	\$	16,000	\$ 14,226
Depreciation and amortization:				
Industrial Distribution	\$ 3,536	\$	3,096	\$ 2,507
Aerospace	10,930		8,833	6,543
Corporate	1,638		913	843
Total depreciation and amortization	\$ 16,104	\$	12,842	\$ 9,893

During 2008, the Aerospace segment completed the non-cash purchase of the NAVAIR property for \$10.3 million, which represents the assumption of the associated environmental remediation costs. See Note 11, Environmental Costs, for further discussion.

Operating income is total revenues less cost of sales and selling, general and administrative expenses including corporate expense. Operating income includes net gain (loss) on sale of assets. Operating income for the Aerospace segment in 2008 includes a non-cash goodwill impairment charge of \$7.8 million.

During 2007, the Aerospace segment recorded charges of \$6.4 million to increase the accrued contract loss on the SH-2G(A) program. During 2009 and 2008, there were no such charges.

Identifiable assets are year-end assets at their respective net carrying values segregated as to segment and corporate use.

For the periods presented, the corporate identifiable assets are principally comprised of cash, short-term and long-term deferred income tax assets, cash surrender value of life insurance policies and fixed assets.

Net sales by the Aerospace segment under contracts with U.S. Government agencies (including sales to foreign governments through foreign military sales contracts with U.S. Government agencies) totaled \$292.3 million, \$254.6 million and \$200.0 million in 2009, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

21. SEGMENT AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Sales are attributed to geographic regions based on their location of origin. Geographic distribution of sales from continuing operations is as follows:

	For the year ended December 31,					
	2009		2008		2007	
In thousands						
United States	\$ 975,501	\$	1,070,041	\$	934,113	
United Kingdom	57,308		41,884		10,962	
Canada	25,063		36,026		35,058	
Germany	17,128		15,597		15,188	
Mexico	16,773		20,271		21,201	
Australia/New Zealand	11,537		20,980		25,953	
Other	42,921		48,796		43,556	
Total	\$ 1,146,231	\$	1,253,595	\$	1,086,031	

Geographic distribution of long-lived assets is as follows:

At December 31,				
	2009		2008	
\$	195,715	\$	193,543	
	73,279		68,340	
	13,377		11,695	
	937		1,232	
	196		296	
\$	283,504	\$	275,106	
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22. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The components of accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) are shown below:

	At December 31,			
		2009		2008
In thousands				
Changes in pension and post-retirement benefit plans	\$	(88,887)	\$	(96,895)
Foreign currency translation adjustment		(14,326)		(23,567)
Unrealized gain (loss) on derivative instruments		(829)		804
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	(104,042)	\$	(119,658)

No amounts were reclassified from other comprehensive income into net income for foreign currency translation adjustments in 2009 and 2008.

23. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through February 25, 2010, which represents the date the financial statements were issued. The following subsequent events were identified that required disclosure.

On February 23, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors authorized management to amend the Qualified Pension Plan. The amendment will, among other things, close the Qualified Pension Plan to all new hires on or after March 1, 2010 and change the benefit calculation for existing employees related to pay and years of service. Specifically, changes in pay will be taken into account for benefit calculation purposes until the end of calendar year 2010, the benefit formula will be improved to use the highest five years out of the last ten years of service up to December 31, 2010, whether consecutive or not, and years of service will continue to be added for purposes of the benefit calculations through December 15, 2015, with no further accumulation for service thereafter except for vesting purposes.

(In thousands except share and per share amounts)

23. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS (CONTINUED)

The Company estimates the changes to the Qualified Pension Plan will result in an estimated net curtailment loss of approximately \$0.2 million. In addition, the Company estimates that the projected benefit obligation will be reduced, and the Qualified Pension Plan's funded status would change by approximately \$47.0 million on March 1, 2010. This will be recorded as a \$47.0 million reduction of the pension liability, a \$29.1 million reduction of accumulated other comprehensive loss and a \$17.9 million decrease of deferred tax assets on the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet.

On February 23, 2010, the Company's Board of Directors also authorized certain enhancements to the defined contribution plan including, among other things, an increase in employer matching contributions made to the plan based on each participant's pre-tax contributions. The enhancements will become effective January 1, 2011.

ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

The company has carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the company's disclosure controls and procedures. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of December 31, 2009, the disclosure controls and procedures were effective.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

The company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Management has assessed the effectiveness of the company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009.

In making its assessment, management has utilized the criteria set forth by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO) of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control—Integrated Framework. Management concluded that based on its assessment, the company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2009. The effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009 has been audited by KPMG LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included in this Form 10-K.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the company has evaluated, with the participation of the company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, changes in the company's internal controls over financial reporting during 2009.

During the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2009, management made no changes to the internal controls over financial reporting that materially affected, nor are they reasonably likely to have a material effect on, our internal controls over financial reporting.

Inherent Limitations of Disclosure Controls and Procedures and Inherent Control over Financial Reporting

The company's evaluation described in this item was undertaken acknowledging that there are inherent limitations to the effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention or overriding of the controls and procedures. Accordingly, even effective disclosure controls and procedures can only provide reasonable assurance of achieving their control objectives.

ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

All information under this caption, except for the list of executive officers of the company set forth in Item 1, Executive officers of the registrant, may be found in the company's proxy statement to be delivered to stockholders in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which is scheduled for April 21, 2010 (the "Proxy Statement") and such information is incorporated in this report by reference.

ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information under this caption in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this report by reference.

ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information under this caption in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this report by reference.

ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information under this caption in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this report by reference.

ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information under this caption in the Proxy Statement is incorporated in this report by reference.

PART IV

ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

- (a)(1) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. See Item 8 of this Form 10-K setting forth our Consolidated Financial Statements.
- (a)(2) FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES. An index to the financial statement schedules immediately precedes such schedules.
- (a)(3) EXHIBITS. An index to the exhibits filed or incorporated by reference immediately precedes such exhibits.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Form 10-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Town of Bloomfield, State of Connecticut, on this 25th day of February 2010.

KAMAN CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Neal J. Keating

Neal J. Keating President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature /s/ Neal J. Keating	Title:	Date:
	President	February 25, 2010
Neal J. Keating	and Chief Executive Officer	
/s/ William C. Denninger	Senior Vice President	February 25, 2010
William C. Denninger	and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ John J. Tedone	Vice President – Finance and	February 25, 2010
John J. Tedone	Chief Accounting Officer	rebluary 25, 2010
/s/ Neal J. Keating		February 25, 2010
Neal J. Keating Attorney-in-Fact for:		1001uu y 20, 2010
Brian E. Barents	Director	
E. Reeves Callaway III	Director	
Karen M. Garrison	Director	
A. William Higgins	Director	
Edwin A. Huston	Director	
Eileen S. Kraus	Director	
George E. Minnich	Director	
Thomas W. Rabaut	Director	
Richard J. Swift	Director	

KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

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Financial Statement Schedule:

Schedule II - Valuation and Qualifying Accounts

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Board of Directors and Shareholders Kaman Corporation:

Under date of February 25, 2010, we reported on the consolidated balance sheets of Kaman Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of operations, shareholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2009, and the effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009, as contained in the 2009 annual report on Form 10-K. In connection with our audits of the aforementioned consolidated financial statements, we also audited the related consolidated financial statement schedule as listed in the accompanying index. The financial statement schedule is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement schedule based on our audits.

In our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly, in all material respects, the information set forth therein.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Hartford, Connecticut February 25, 2010

KAMAN CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES SCHEDULE II - VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009, 2008 AND 2007 (Dollars in Thousands)

		Addi	itions		
DESCRIPTION	Balance Beginning of Period	Charged to Costs and Expenses	Others (A)	Deductions (B)	Balance End of Period
2009 Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$2,172	\$1,547	\$0	\$1,312	\$2,407
2008 Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$1,811	\$910	\$266	\$815	\$2,172
2007 Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$1,796	\$725	\$0	\$710	\$1,811

(A) Additions to allowance for doubtful accounts attributable to acquisitions.

(B) Write-off of bad debts, net of recoveries.

		Additi	ons	
	Balance Beginning of Period	Current Year Provision (Benefit)	Others	Balance End of Period
2009 Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets	\$5,000	\$236	(\$15)	\$5,221
2008 Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets	\$3,946	\$1,308	(\$254)	\$5,000
2007 Valuation allowance on deferred tax assets	\$3,710	\$159	\$77	\$3,946

KAMAN CORPORATION

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit 3a	The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the company, was filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K on November 4, 2005, Document No. 0001341004-05-000188.	by reference
Exhibit 3b	The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the company dated February 26, 2008 were filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K on February 28, 2008, Document No. 0000054381-08-000011.	by reference
Exhibit 10a	Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended effective October 13, 2009 filed as Exhibit 10a(i) on Form 10-Q on November 5, 2009, Document No. 0000054381-09-000052 as amended on February 23, 2010.*	attached
Exhibit 10b	Kaman Corporation Employees Stock Purchase Plan as amended effective October 13, 2009 was filed as Exhibit 10b(i) to Form 10-Q on November 5, 2009, Document No. 0000054381-09-000052.*	by reference
Exhibit 10c	Kaman Corporation Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan was filed as Exhibit 10c to Form 10-K on March 15, 2001, Document No. 0000054381-02-000005, and the Plan as amended was filed as Exhibit 10c to Form 10-K on March 5, 2004, Document No. 0000054381-04- 000032 and as Exhibit 10.10 to Form 8-K on February 26, 2007, Document No. 0000054381-07-000015.*	by reference
Exhibit 10c(i)	Post-2004 Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan was filed as Exhibit 10.11 to Form 8-K on February 26, 2007, Document No. 000054381-07-000015.*	by reference
Exhibit 10c(ii)	First Amendment to Kaman Corporation Post-2004 Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan effective January 1, 2005 filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K on February 28, 2008, Document No. 0000054381- 08-000011.*	by reference
Exhibit 10c(iii)	Second Amendment to Kaman Corporation Post-2004 Supplemental Employees' Retirement Plan effective generally March 1, 2010.*	attached
Exhibit 10d	Kaman Corporation Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan (Effective as of November 12, 2002, except where otherwise indicated) was filed as Exhibit 10d to Form 10-K, Document No. 0000054381-03-000079, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 26, 2003. Amendments to the Plan were filed as Exhibit 10d to Form 10-K, Document No. 0000054381-04-000032, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 5, 2004, and Exhibit 10(a) on Form 10-Q, Document No. 0000054381- 04-000059, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 3, 2004.*	by reference
Exhibit 10d(i)	Kaman Corporation Post-2004 Deferred Compensation Plan filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Form 8-K on February 28, 2008, Document No. 0000054381-08-000011.*	by reference
Exhibit 10e(i)	Kaman Corporation Cash Bonus Plan (Amended and Restated effective as of January 1, 2008) filed as Exhibit 10e(i) to Form 10-K on February 28, 2008, Document No. 0001193125-08-041841.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g(iv)	Executive Employment Agreement between Candace A. Clark and Kaman Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(iv) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference

Exhibit 10g (v)	Executive Employment Agreement between Ronald M. Galla and Kaman Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(v) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (vii)	Executive Employment Agreement between T. Jack Cahill and Kaman Industrial Technologies Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(vii) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (x)	Amended and Restated Change in Control Agreement between Candace A. Clark and Kaman Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(x) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xi)	Amended and Restated Change in Control Agreement between Ronald M. Galla and Kaman Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(xi) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19- 000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xiii)	Amended and Restated Change in Control Agreement between T. Jack Cahill and Kaman Industrial Technologies Corporation, dated as of January 1, 2007, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(xiii) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xviii)	Executive Employment Agreement between Kaman Corporation and Neal J. Keating dated August 7, 2007 (as amended) as further amended on February 23, 2010 filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K on February 25, 2010.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xix)	Change in Control Agreement between Kaman Corporation and Neal J. Keating dated August 7, 2007 (as amended) as further amended on February 23, 2010 and filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Form 8-K on February 25, 2010.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xx)	Executive Employment Agreement dated July 7, 2008 between Kaman Aerospace Group, Inc. and Gregory L. Steiner, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(xx) to Form 10-Q on May 11, 2009, Document No. 0000054381-09-000015.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xxi)	Change in Control Agreement dated July 7, 2008 between Kaman Aerospace Group, Inc. and Gregory L. Steiner, as amended and restated November 11, 2008 filed as Exhibit 10g(xxi) to Form 10-Q on May 11, 2009, Document No. 0000054381-09-000015*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xxii)	Executive Employment Agreement dated November 17, 2008 between Kaman Corporation and William C. Denninger and Offer Letter dated November 11, 2008 as amended on February 23, 2010 and filed as Exhibit 10.3 to Form 8-K on February 25, 2010.*	by reference
Exhibit 10g (xxiii)	Change in Control Agreement dated November 17, 2008 between Kaman Corporation and William C. Denninger dated November 12, 2008 as amended on February 23, 2010 and filed as Exhibit 10.4 to Form 8-K on February 25, 2010.*	by reference

Exhibit 10h (i)	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan filed as Exhibit 10h(i) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19-000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10h (ii)	Form of Non-Statutory Stock Option Agreement under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan filed as Exhibit 10h(ii) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19- 000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10h (iii)	Form of Stock Appreciation Rights Agreement under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan filed as Exhibit 10h(iii) to Form 10-K on February 26, 2009, Document No. 0001193805-19- 000523.*	by reference
Exhibit 10h (iv)	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan was filed as Exhibit 10h(iv) to Form 10-Q on August 2, 2007, Document No. 0000054381-07-000092.*	by reference
Exhibit 10h(v)	Form of Long Term Performance Award Agreement (Under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan) was filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Form 8-K filed on November 10, 2005, Document No. 0000054381-05-000090.*	by reference
Exhibit 10h(vi)	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Agreement (Under the Kaman Corporation 2003 Stock Incentive Plan).*	attached
Exhibit 10h(vii)	Deferred Compensation Agreement between Kaman Corporation and Eileen S. Kraus dated August 8, 1995 and First Amendment dated December 8, 2005 was filed as Exhibit 10h(vii) to Form 10-K on February 27, 2006, Document No. 0000054381-06-000036.*	by reference
Exhibit 10.1	Revolving Credit Agreement between the company and Bank of America, N.A. and The Bank of Nova Scotia, as Co-Administrative Agents and Bank of America, N.A. as Administrator and Collateral Agent, RSB Citizens, National Association, as Syndication Agent and various Lenders was filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K on September 18, 2009, Document No. 0000950123-09-044065.	by reference
Exhibit 10.2	Term Credit Agreement dated October 29, 2008 among Kaman Corporation, the banks listed therein, The Bank of Nova Scotia and Bank of America, N.A., as the Co-Administrative Agents for the Banks filed as Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K on October 30, 2008, Document No. 0000054381-08-000069 as amended and restated by an Amended and Restated Term Credit Agreement dated as of September 17, 2009 among Kaman Corporation, Bank of America, N.A. and the Bank of Nova Scotia, as the Co-Administrative Agents, Bank of America, N.A., as Administrator and Collateral Agent and various Lenders filed as Exhibit 10.2 to Form 8-K on September 18, 2009, Document No. 0000950123-09-044065.	by reference
Exhibit 14	Kaman Corporation Code of Business Conduct dated October 13, 2009.	attached
Exhibit 21	List of Subsidiaries	attached
Exhibit 23	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm	attached
Exhibit 24	Power of attorney under which this report was signed on behalf of certain directors	attached
Exhibit 31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.	attached

Exhibit 31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.	attached
Exhibit 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.	attached
Exhibit 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.	attached

* Management contract or compensatory plan

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¹Corporate Governance ² Audit

³ Personnel and Compensation ⁴ Finance

* Denotes Chairmanship

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 11:00am at the offices of the company, 1332 Blue Hills Avenue, Bloomfield, Connecticut, 06002

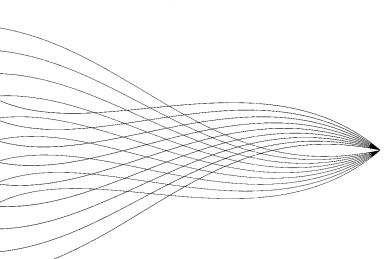
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